



27th Carolinas Mid-Amateur Providence Country Club Charlotte, NC April 20-22, 2007 Champion: Walter Todd Laurens, SC

Walter Todd of Laurens, SC led wire-to-wire to claim the Carolinas Mid-Amateur Championship at Providence Country Club. Todd shot a final-round even-par 72 to hold off a back-nine charge by reigning South Carolina Mid-Amateur Champion Steve Liebler of Irmo, SC. Todd's steady nines of even par on both sides provided a one-shot lead over Liebler.

The 46 year-old Todd began the final round with a four-stroke lead over 2003 champion Rick Cloninger of Fort Mill, SC. Cloninger's final round 71 was enough for a solo third place finish, three back of Todd.

Playing with Cloninger, Todd thought his lead was three strokes heading into the 18th hole. "The only time I checked the scores was at the turn to see if anyone was making a charge," said Todd. "At that time I was six strokes in the lead." Unbeknownst to Todd, Steve Liebler was making a back-nine charge with birdies on 12, 13, 14, 15 and 17. Liebler's back-nine four-under par 33 was not enough to secure the win. "I had no idea what Steve (Liebler) was doing in front of me," said a relieved Todd. "Maybe it was best I did not know."

Results

Walter Todd, Laurens, SC	68-67-72—207
Steven Liebler, Irmo, SC	70-71-67—208
Rick Cloninger, Fort Mill, SC	69-70-71—210
David Strawn, Charlotte, NC	69-74-69—212
Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	73-68-73—214
John Finster, Wake Forest, NC	73-70-71—214
Steve Harwell, Mooresville, NC	70-73-73—216
Chris Mitchell, Columbia, SC	69-73-74—216
Steve Slayden, Charlotte, NC	69-71-76—216
Rion Moore, Georgetown, SC	71-71-75—217
Robert Bennett, Clayton, NC	75-70-72—217
Todd Hendley, Simpsonville, SC	71-76-71—218
Dan Hendrickson, Charlotte, NC	71-74-74—219
Kyle Milner, Spartanburg, SC	73-75-71—219
Ted Cox, Waxhaw, NC	71-75-73—219
Nolan Mills, Charlotte, NC	72-75-73—220
Tucker Sampson, Matthews, NC	71-76-73—220
Brian Westveer, Charlotte, NC	72-73-75—220
Mark Gauley, Raleigh, NC	73-75-72—220
Trey Holroyd, Cary, NC	75-71-75—221
Kevin Leatherwood, Wilmington, NC	72-77-73—222
Paul Daniel, Winston Salem, NC	75-72-75—222
Hank Jones, Rocky Mount, NC	79-72-71—222
Mike Gravley, Greer, SC	73-73-77—223
Mark Andrew, Albemarle, NC	74-76-73—223
Brian Gauley, Wake Forest, NC	75-75-73—223
Scott McClellan, Cary, NC	74-74-75—223
Keith Harris, Southern Pines, NC	73-75-75—223
Steve Sharpe, Greensboro, NC	75-73-76—224
Farley Davis, High Point, NC	73-77-74—224
Jon Hooks, Kinston, NC	78-73-73—224
Joe Jaspers, Huntersville, NC	75-77-72—224

Preston Edmondson, Morrisville, NC	77-73-74—224
Jody Roach, Huntersville, NC	77-74-73—224
Kevin McCallister, Oak Ridge, NC	76-76-72—224
Dennis Helms, Monroe, NC	79-71-74—224
Eddie Hargett, Blythewood, SC	76-72-77—225
Bill Duncan, Greenville, SC	74-76-75—225
Michael Teague, Charlotte, NC	75-76-74—225
Robert Dargan Jr., Columbia, SC	74-77-74—225
Thomas Luten, Raleigh, NC	71-79-76—226
Dick Stimart, Charlotte, NC	72-78-76—226
Michael Sellers, Wilmington, NC	70-81-75—226
Taylor Hough, Spartanburg, SC	74-75-77—226
David Gaines, Arden, NC	73-75-78—226
Brian Sardelich, Davidson, NC	72-74-81—227
Darryl Baker, Farmville, NC	76-74-77—227
Robby Kirby, Charlotte, NC	71-74-82—227
Chris Cassetta, Winston Salem, NC	73-80-74—227
Norman Masterson, Pisgah Forest, NC	76-77-75—228
Holley Wallace, Columbia, SC	75-76-78—229
Walker Taylor, Wilmington, NC	76-72-82—230
Vin Marcello, Cornelius, NC	75-78-77—230
Michael Nowak, Charlotte, NC	79-73-78—230
Bubba Aughtry, Charlotte, NC	78-75-78—231
Chris Koon, Fairview, NC	72-74-85—231
Brian Reep, Morganton, NC	71-77-83—231
Brian Bland, Sumter, SC	74-76-81—231
Nollie Patton, Hickory, NC	76-76-80—232
Jeff Jamieson, Chapel Hill, NC	77-74-81—232
Ron Carpenter, Durham, NC	77-76-80—233
J.R. Dula, Granite Falls, NC	71-80-82—233
Tom Cone, Concord, NC	80-73-82—235

Failed to Qualify for the Final 18 Holes

Lex Alexander, Chapel Hill, NC	76-78—154	Calvin Wood, Wilmington, NC	80-76—156
Skip Taylor, Flat Rock, NC	77-77—154	Steve Smith, Chapel Hill, NC	82-74—156
Paul Smith, Mooresville, NC	80-74—154	Sam Kaufman, Mooresville, NC	78-78—156
Cory Niehaus, Durham, NC	77-77—154	Rick Riddle, Charlotte, NC	80-76—156
Luke Ferguson, Charlotte, NC	81-73—154	Randy Childers, Inman, SC	76-81—157
Jeff Rausch, Charlotte, NC	79-75—154	Kenny Flynn, Win. Salem, NC	81-76—157
John Bashford, Raleigh, NC	74-80—154	Bob Christenson, F-Varina, NC	81-76—157
Phil Blake, Asheville, NC	74-80—154	Joe Fairey, Saint Matthews, SC	79-78—157
Brad Murray, Wilmington, NC	76-78—154	Gaines Beard, Stanley, NC	81-77—158
Steve Arrington, Raleigh, NC	79-75—154	Neil Harrell, Huntersville, NC	75-83—158
Terry Lanning, Beaufort, SC	77-77—154	Chad Frye, Charlotte, NC	82-76—158
Robin Alley, Columbia, SC	75-80—155	Dennis Cashion, Ind. Trail, NC	78-80—158
Mike Tracy, Hilton Head, SC	76-79—155	Bill Reduzzi, Raleigh, NC	78-81—159
Michael Bailey, Charlotte, NC	82-73—155	Danny Gurley, Chapel Hill, NC	81-78—159
Lance Waggener, Statesville, NC	77-78—155	Drew Fasset, Charlotte, NC	80-79—159
Tommy Garnett, Raleigh, NC	77-78—155	Ryan Clapp, Raleigh, NC	81-79—160
Bob Varn, Orangeburg, SC	81-75—156	Steve Lassiter, Pinehurst, NC	81-79—160
Jack Brown, Greer, SC	81-75—156	Jacob Blankenship, C. Grove, NC	80-81—161
Stan Sill, Spartanburg, SC	78-78—156	Kevin Atamian, Raleigh, NC	82-79—161
Greg Hardison, Greenville, NC	78-78—156	Thomas Smith, Fort Mill, SC	83-79—162
Butch Mielke, Matthews, NC	80-76—156	Jason West, Charlotte, NC	82-81—163
Mark Ballew, Charlotte, NC	81-75—156	Victor Lipscomb, Inman, SC	83-81—164
Currie Howell, Angier, NC	79-77—156	Alan Thompson, Raleigh, NC	83-81—164
Michael Kee, Kannapolis, NC	74-82—156	Scott Booker, Pinehurst, NC	84-80—164

Steve Peterson, Columbia, SC	86-80—166	Scott Goodelle, Mooresville, NC	74—WD
Shane Lunsford, Fort Mill, SC	85-86—171	Patrick Flaherty, Huntersville, NC	75—WD
Lawrence Hicks, G'boro, NC	82-89—171	Ken Eichele, Pinehurst, NC	78—WDI
Marion Moore, Orangeburg, SC	90-84—174	Scott Park, Cary, NC	79—DNS
Terry Ezell, York, SC	72-80—DQ	Shaun Thompson, C. Hill, NC	84—DQ
Ryan Fox, West End, NC	76—WD	Phillip Greene, Charlotte, NC	86—WD
Dale Fuller, Pinehurst, NC	73—WDI	Rik Wall, Conover, NC	DNS
John Sadri, Charlotte, NC	74—DQ	Justin Livonius, Charlotte, NC	WD

CGA Mid-Amateur Champions

Date	Winner, Second Place	Score	Site
1981	Larry Boswell, Columbia, SC	213	Carmel CC
	Walter Hall, Clemmons, NC	218	Charlotte, NC
	Dean Sheetz, Charlotte, NC		
1982	Larry Boswell, Columbia, SC	208	Foxfire Inn & CC
	Walter Hall, Clemmons, NC	216	Pinehurst, NC
1983	Larry Boswell, Greensboro, NC	142#	MacGregor Downs CC
	Bick Long, Greensboro, NC	148	Cary, NC
	Ron Morgan, Winston-Salem, NC		
1984	Vance Whicker, Greensboro, NC	213	CC of Spartanburg
	Randy Brownlow, Greensboro, NC	215	Spartanburg, SC
1985	Walter Hall, Clemmons, NC	213*	Myers Park CC
	Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	213	Charlotte, NC
1986	Bob Varn, Orangeburg, SC	208	CC of Orangeburg
	Bob Galloway, Florence, SC	209	Orangeburg, SC
1987	Larry Boswell, Greensboro, NC	209	Wilson CC
	Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	211	Wilson, NC
1988	Frank Ford III, Charleston, SC	216*	Wachesaw Plantation
	Don Slater, Durham, NC	216	Murrells Inlet, SC
1989	Larry Boswell, Greensboro, NC	142 #	Cedar Rock CC
	Bobby Bridges, Forest City, NC	144	Lenoir, NC
1990	Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	204	Yeamans Hall Club
	Larry Boswell, Greensboro, NC	211	N. Charleston, SC
1991	Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	217	Treyburn CC
	Larry Boswell, Greensboro, NC	220	Durham, NC
1992	Larry Penley, Central, SC	213	Musgrove Mill GC
	Mark Weston, Charlotte, NC	218	Clinton, SC
1993	Kelly Miller, Southern Pines, NC	210	Pinehurst National GC
	Cole Whitt, Henderson, NC	214	Pinehurst, NC
1994	Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	209	Old Tabby Links
	Bobby Craven, Oak Ridge, NC	213	Spring Island, SC
	Terry Ezell, N. Augusta, SC		
1995	Macon Moye, Charlotte, NC	207	Myers Park CC
	Steve Harwell, Mooresville, NC	209	Charlotte, NC
1996	Terry Ezell, Rock Hill, SC	210	Greenville CC, Chanticleer
	Steve Wright, Laurinburg, NC	211	Greenville, SC
1997	Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	205*	North Ridge CC, Lakes
	Steve Jones, Oak Ridge, NC	205	Raleigh, NC
1998	Mike Goodes, Reidsville, NC	204	The Carolina CC
	Bob Stanger, Durham, NC	208	Spartanburg, SC
1999	Steve Slayden, Charlotte, NC	212	Secession GC
	Sammy Truett, Surfside Beach, SC	213	Beaufort, SC
2000	Keith Harris, Concord, NC	212	Bermuda Run G&CC
	Macon Moye, Charlotte, NC	213	Bermuda Run, NC

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2001	Wynn Solle, Pinehurst, NC Mike Carlisle, Aiken, SC	142*# 142	Palmetto Golf Club Aiken, SC
2002	Keith Harris, Concord, NC Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	207 209	Alamance County Club Burlington, NC
2003	Rick Cloninger, Fort Mill, SC Paul Simson, Raleigh, NC	211 213	Highland Country Club Fayetteville, NC
2004	Mike Goodes, Reidsville, NC Greg Earnhardt, Greensboro, NC	206 207	Chechessee Creek Club Okatie, SC (Par 69)
2005	John Finster, Wake Forest, NC Steve Liebler, Irmo, SC	199 204	Mimosa Hills Golf & CC Morganton, NC
2006	Mike Goodes, Reidsville, NC Robert Dargan, Jr., Columbia, SC	212* 212	Musgrove Mill Golf Club Clinton, SC
2007	Walter Todd, Laurens, SC Steven Liebler, Irmo, SC	207 208	Providence Country Club Charlotte, NC

* Won in playoff. # Shortened to 36 holes.

Photo Gallery: Carolinas Mid-Amateur



Above left: Runner-up Steve Liebler of Irmo, SC had four consecutive birdies on the back nine to make a final day charge at the championship title. **Above center:** 2003 CGA Mid-Am champion Rick Cloninger of Fort Mill, SC finished three shots back. **Above right:** Champion Walter Todd of Laurens, SC makes a save out of a bunker. Todd also serves on the CGA Executive Committee.

Below left: The 6th hole at Providence Country Club. This is the first time Providence Country Club has hosted this championship. **Below right:** David Strawn of Charlotte, NC finished all alone in fourth place.

