

**STAMFORD AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP**

# The long wait is over

## McNamara tips Chipps 8-15 'Cap

By Bob Greeney  
 Staff Writer  
 STAMFORD — Noel McNamara and Fred Frillici each utilized second rounds last week to take four-stroke their respective handicaps going into yesterday's first round of the Stamford Amateur Golf Championship. Subsequently, those pivotal moments put them in positions they each took home the crystal vase yesterday at Sterling Farms Golf

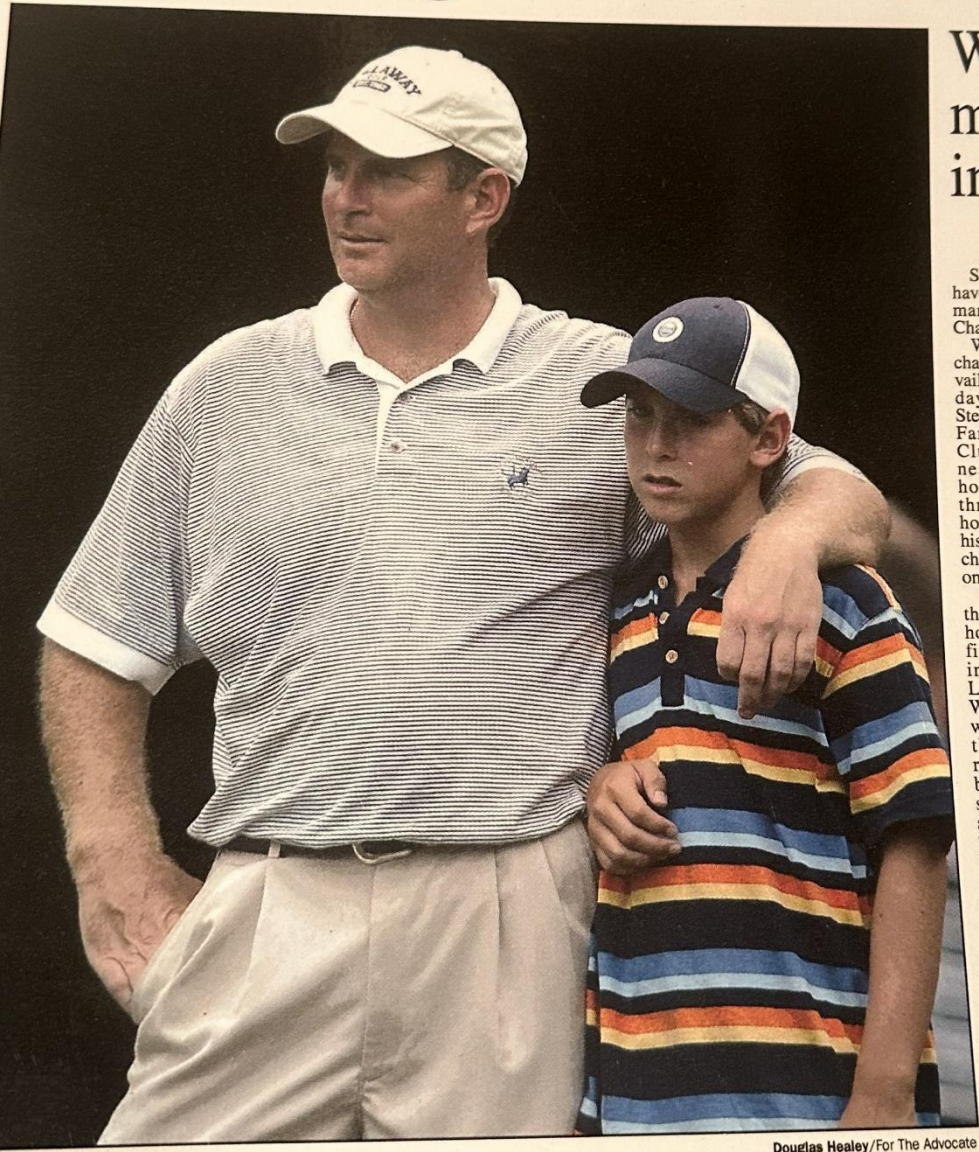
McNamara won the Men's 8-15 Division, Frillici the 16-22 Handicap Division and Frillici captured the 16-22 Handicap Division.

McNamara relinquished his lead in the first round of the championship. Chipps, he pulled off a hole-in-one on the 15th hole of five holes to win by four strokes.

McNamara's first city handicap finished second last year. He has taken me three times, McNamara said. He is sick of looking at that says run- that's been Christmas." The formula for the handicap involves a gross score on the hole subtracting the score for the

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**Bart Weissman (left) wears the proud look of a champion yesterday at the Stamford Amateur Golf Championship. With his 12-year-old son Chad (right) serving as his caddy, Weissman won the men's championship on the third hole of a sudden death playoff with Mark Larobina.**

## Weissman wins men's crown in SD playoff

By Tom Renner  
 Staff Writer

STAMFORD — Golf and marathon running have very little in common, but Bart Weissman's road to the Stamford Amateur Golf Championship was all about endurance.

Weissman, 40, a consistent contestant in the championship for nearly 20 years, finally prevailed yesterday at Sterling Farms Golf Club after nearly six hours and three extra holes to win his first men's championship title.

He needed three playoff holes before finally beating Mark Larobina. Weissman, who entered the final round trailing by three shots, posted a final-round 74. He and Larobina finished 54 holes at 221, six-over-par.

Michael Ballo Jr., a senior at Trinity Catholic High School, posted a final-round 70 to finish third at 222, one shot out of the playoff. "It feels great," Weissman said. "I'm thrilled. We had a good day out there today, and Mark played really well. I was fortunate to come out on top."

Weissman won with a par-4 on the third hole, a 327-yard par-4. His drive was in the right place. Please turn to **WEISSMAN**, Page B9

**STAMFORD AMATEUR Final scores**

**Men's Championship**

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| x-Bart Weissman   | 147-74-221 |
| Mark Larobina     | 144-77-221 |
| Michael Ballo Jr. | 152-70-222 |

*x-Won on third playoff hole*

**Men's Senior**

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Guy Carroll    | 146-80-226 |
| Tom Wieken     | 155-75-230 |
| George Fjeldal | 157-78-235 |

**Women's Championship**

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Swante Drescher  | 156-78-234 |
| Debbie Johnson   | 162-73-235 |
| Jodi Boldrighini | 163-83-246 |

**Men's 8-15 Handicap**

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Noel McNamara   | 68-62-68-196 |
| Charles Chipps  | 65-69-66-200 |
| Frank Russo Jr. | 71-68-62-201 |

**Men's 16-22 Handicap**

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Fred Frillici   | 66-65-64-195 |
| Kevin McQuillan | 70-71-64-205 |
| Mark Forrest    | 66-74-66-206 |

**Men's 23-and-over Handicap**

|                |              |
|----------------|--------------|
| Selma Nam      | 70-77-66-213 |
| Al Perillo     | 73-76-70-219 |
| Bob DiBattista | 73-73-75-221 |

**Women's Handicap**

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| June Meno        | 134-75-209 |
| Felicity Mudgett | 151-67-218 |
| Rosemarie Buzzeo | 148-72-220 |

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## Stamford 14's triumph in regional

Staff report  
 SOUTH BURLINGTON, Vt. — After being no-hit and facing a 3-0 deficit going into the fifth inning, Stamford rallied for sixth in the top of the fifth and advanced to the win of the Babe Ruth 14-year-old