

49th Porter Cup July 25 - 28, 2007

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Smashing performance

Harman's 65 caps record-breaking week at Porter Cup

As Brian Harman approached a healthy gallery and yet another birdie putt on the 18th hole of the Porter Cup's final round, a roar of applause was drowned by a fire engine passing on Lewiston Road. It was the only thing that could have cooled Harman off.

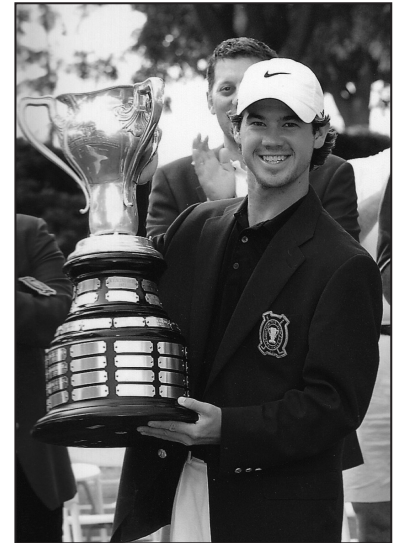


Harman finds the fairway with his tee ball at the 11th hole

Despite a number of missed putts down the stretch, Harman used soft greens, a lack of rough and laser-like iron play to capture the title in the 49th annual event, smashing the tournament record in the process.

Harman shot a final-round 65 to finish with a four-day total of 258, beating 2003 Champion Casey Wittenberg's previous mark by eight strokes. He finished nine shots ahead of University of Georgia teammate Chris Kirk, who snuck into the runner-up position with a final-round 65.

East Amherst native Justin Regier, son of Buffalo Sabres General Manager Darcy Regier, fired a final-round 67 which pulled him into a tie for fifth, one of the top finishes for a local player in recent memory.



Brian Harman carded 26 birdies against only 4 bogeys during 72 holes of tournament play

1	Brian Harman, Savannah, GA	64-63-66-65-258	-22	t35	Danny Green, Jackson, TN	72-70-69-71-282	+2
2	Chris Kirk, Woodstock, GA	73-63-66-65-267	-13	t35	Drew Kittleson, Scottsdale, AZ	71-72-68-71-282	+2
t3	Billy Horschel, Grant, FL	66-66-67-69-268	-12	t35	Matthew Griffin, Beaumaris VIC, Aust.	69-72-70-71-282	+2
t3	Jason Kokrak, Warren, OH	67-63-70-68-268	-12	t35	Alexandre Kaleka, Levallois, France	70-74-72-66-282	+2
t5	Jon Curran, Hopkinton, MA	68-67-66-68-269	-11	t35	Webb Simpson, Raleigh, NC	70-74-71-67-282	+2
t5	Justin Regier, East Amherst, NY	68-62-72-67-269	-11	t35	James Gill, Hamilton, New Zealand	72-68-71-71-282	+2
t7	Mark Harrell, Hazlehurst, GA	69-67-69-68-273	-7	t35	Kevin Tway, Edmond, OK	71-71-69-71-282	+2
t7	Jon McLean, Weston, FL	70-70-65-68-273	-7	t35	Gene Elliott, West Des Moines, IA	72-69-69-72-282	+2
t9	Andrew Dodt, Gatton QLD, Aust.	69-69-70-66-274	-6	t35	Rohan Blizzard, Oyster Bay NSW, Aust.	76-68-69-69-282	+2
t9	Dustin Johnson, North Myrtle Beach, SC	67-68-70-69-274	-6	t44	Jay Byron, Calamba City, Philippines	79-67-67-70-283	+3
t11	Seung-su Han, Henderson, NV	71-68-67-69-275	-5	t44	Tom Glissmeyer, Colorado Springs, CO	74-69-68-72-283	+3
t11	Cameron Tringale, San Juan Capistrano, CA	68-67-71-69-275	-5	t44	<i>Trip Kuehne</i> , Irving, TX	70-69-71-73-283	+3
t11	Romain Bechu, Levallois, France	69-65-70-71-275	-5	t44	Aaron Pike, Brisbane QLD, Aust.	70-72-68-73-283	+3
t11	Lucas Lee, Torrance, CA	66-67-64-78-275	-5	t48	Tim Stewart, Bilgola Plateau NSW, Aust.	68-72-70-74-284	+4
t11	Daniel Mitchell, Edmond, OK	67-68-71-69-275	-5	t48	Zack Miller, San Rafael, CA	71-70-76-67-284	+4
t11	Garrett Osborn, Birmingham, AL	67-66-71-71-275	-5	t48	Andrew DiBitetto, Rochester, NY	74-70-68-72-284	+4
t17	Colt Knost, Dallas, TX	71-70-67-68-276	-4	t48	Nicholas Geyger, Chile	70-71-71-72-284	+4
t17	Gary Woodland, Berryton, KS	69-67-69-71-276	-4	52	Jarred Texter, Millersville, PA	73-70-73-69-285	+5
t17	Bank Vongvanij, Bradenton, FL	67-69-70-70-276	-4	t53	Tim Mickelson, San Diego, CA	72-71-73-70-286	+6
t20	Skip Berkmyer Jr., St. Louis, MO	73-65-67-72-277	-3	t53	Kevin Chappell, Fresno, CA	73-69-71-73-286	+6
t20	Philip Francis, Scottsdale, AZ	71-70-67-69-277	-3	t53	Casey Watabu, Kapaa, HI	73-64-76-73-286	+6
t20	Brad Revell, Kingston, ONT	71-69-69-68-277	-3	t53	Brendan Gielow, Muskegon, MI	68-72-68-78-286	+6
t23	Jim Roy, Syracuse, NY	69-71-69-69-278	-2	t57	Rory Hie, Los Angeles, CA	67-71-73-76-287	+7
t23	Brian Locke, Los Angeles, CA	71-72-66-69-278	-2	t57	Michael Morrison, Roswell, GA	70-72-73-72-287	+7
t23	Mike McCoy, West Des Moines, IA	65-69-72-72-278	-2	t59	Jeff Wolniewicz, West Seneca, NY	73-73-71-71-288	+8
t26	Rickie Fowler, Murrieta, CA	73-70-68-68-279	-1	t59	Nick Morreale, Lewiston, NY	70-72-71-75-288	+8
t26	John Kelly, St. Louis, MO	73-67-68-71-279	-1	t59	David May, Auburn, NY	70-78-68-72-288	+8
t26	Rob Grube, Hinsdale, IL	72-69-67-71-279	-1	t59	Rick Kulacz, Forrestfield WA, Aust.	73-70-71-74-288	+8
t26	Kevin Foley, Somerville, NJ	68-72-69-70-279	-1	t63	Matt Bortis, Austin, TX	74-75-69-71-289	+9
t30	Aaron Goldberg, Carlsbad, CA	68-72-68-73-281	+1	t63	Tommy Wiegand, Avon Lake, OH	71-75-75-68-289	+9
t30	Andrew Landry, Fayetteville, AR	72-66-73-70-281	+1	t63	Nathan T. Smith, Pittsburgh, PA	74-72-69-74-289	+9
t30	Ryan Brehm, Mt. Pleasant, MI	67-71-73-70-281	+1	t63	Carlton Forrester, Birmingham, AL	74-73-70-72-289	+9
t30	Eddie Olson, Aptos, CA	76-69-66-70-281	+1	t63	Michael Schachner, Libertyville, IL	76-73-72-68-289	+9
t30	Sihwan Kim, Buena Park, CA	72-66-70-73-281	+1	t63	Shawn LaFontaine, Cobourg, ONT	75-75-71-68-289	+9
				69	Buddy Marucci, Villanova, PA	76-69-74-71-290	+10
				70	Jerry Richardson, Burlington, NC	71-75-69-76-291	+11
				t71	Brad Valois, Warwick, RI	76-73-73-72-294	+14
				t71	Christopher Ross, Dundas, ONT	77-73-70-74-294	+14
				73	Ryan Swanson, Sherman, NY	81-77-72-76-306	+26
				74	Nathaniel Crosby, Palm Beach, FL	78-77-79-77-311	+31
					Tripp Davis, Norman, OK	68-76-72-w/d	

CHIP SHOT... Following what might have been his last Porter Cup appearance, career amateur Trip Kuehne would help the U.S. win the Walker Cup, lead Texas to the USGA Men's State Team Championship and capture the U.S. Mid-Amateur. He joined sister Kelli and brother Hank as a USGA Champion.