



Extracts from the memoirs of Gordon B Peters

By kind permission of his grandson
Gordon Peters

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BATTLE LINES IN WALKER CUP SERIES



The United States Walker cup team, which will defend international amateur golf honors against Great Britain beginning Wednesday at the Pine Valley course, Clementon, N. J. Front row (left to right): George Dunlap, Scotty Campbell, Capt. Francis Ouimet, Johnny Goodman, and George Voigt. Back row (left to right): Charles Yates, Reynolds Smith, Johnny Fischer, Harry Givan, Ed White, and Walter Emery.

[Associated Press Wirephoto.]



Great Britain's team (left to right): H. G. Bentley, J. Morton Dykes, Cecil Ewing, G. Alec Hill, J. D. A. Langley, P. B. Lucas, Jack McLean, Gordon B. Peters, and Hector Thomson.

[Acme Photo.]

CAMERA CATCHES



WALTER EMERY SNAPS GORDON PETERS (Center) AND CHARLES YATES

PETERS SWINGS LIKE JONES



Remarkable photographs showing the striking resemblance in the golf swings of Gordon Peters, the Ferenze member of the British Walker Cup team, and Bobby Jones, the greatest golfer of all. Jones, on the left, is holding his hands slightly higher and his right shoulder slightly lower than Peters', but note how the hip actions coincide, while the positions of the left wrists, left legs, and left feet are exactly similar. Peters, who won the Glasgow championship a year ago, is making his Walker Cup debut, while Jones, who retired from big golf in 1930 after winning in one season the Amateur and Open Championships of Great Britain and America, was for many years the spearhead of the U.S.A. Walker Cup team.

Records In The Walker Cup

GREAT BRITAIN has never won the Walker Cup although in 1923 and 1926 were beaten by only one game. Previous matches resulted as follows:—

Long Island, 1922—U.S., 8 to 6.
St. Andrews, 1923—U.S., 6 to 5.
New York, 1924—U.S., 9 to 5.
St. Andrews, 1926—U.S., 11 to 5, with 1 halved.
Chicago, 1928—U.S., 11 to 5.
Royal St. George's, Sandwick, 1930—U.S., 10 to 2.
Brooklyn, 1932—U.S., 8 to 2, with 3 halved.
St. Andrews, 1934—U.S., 12 to 2, with 1 halved.

GHURST Sums Up Walker Cup

Golf Chances

A DIFFICULT MATCH ON A

consistently low 70's. On the whole for man, I estimate their scores as five shots lower than ours.

All are very impressed with Pine, though not in the least frightened. The difficulty and fairness of the golf course will, I fear, accentuate the British golfers' playing this examination. For the British golfers, playing this resembles sending a boy for a school who cannot pass a common examination.

... cheerful side is regret



MR GORDON B. PETERS, British Walker Cup player, was presented with clock last night Fereneze Golf Club dance in the Marlborough House, Glasgow. Presentation was made by (left) Mr F. Osborne, captain of the club. Also in picture are Mr J. "Morty" Dykes, also Walker Cup player and Scottish international golfer Mr W. Campbell. (*Scottish Daily Express picture.*)



Haggs Castle Golf Club

EXHIBITION MATCHES

SATURDAY MAY 14 1938

IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE
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Souvenir Programme Price 3d

IN AID OF THE ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN
YORKHILL

THE FOLLOW-THROUGH



THE accompanying pictures of Gordon Peters, whom many of us expected to win the Amateur Championship, are of exceptional interest, showing as they do the action of the hands immediately before (1) and immediately after (2) impact. From there we go on with the "dismount" of the right wrist (3) follow-through (4) and "recovery" (5), when the spring, so to speak, recoils from its fullest extension. It is particularly interesting to note the action of the left side and leg in (1) and (2) and the follow forward of the balance after the ball has been struck and is well on its way (5). The position of the right hand suggests an ultra-light finger grip, with the hand well over the shaft. Observe, too, the firmness of the left heel's grip of the ground an instant before the ball is hit.



Gordon Peters
The Eastwood Golf Club.

Luncheon
to
Henry Cotton
BRITISH OPEN CHAMPION

ON THE OCCASION OF HIS VISIT
TO
Eastwood Golf Course
ON
Saturday, 9th April, 1938

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MURSHIELD



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JAMES KENT

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GLASGOW, 17th June 1936.
S.W. 2.

G.B. Peters Esq.,
Ashville,
Barrhead.

Dear Mr Peters,
I was very pleased to learn from Mr E.D. Hamilton that you had kindly consented to take part in our Exhibition Game on Monday first, 22nd inst. for the funds of the Royal Alexandria Infirmary, Paisley. The others taking part are Messrs. J. Morton Dykes, R. Neill and E.D. Hamilton. The game is to start at 6-30 p.m.

I trust that we may be favoured with good conditions and that you will enjoy playing over the Course. With grateful thanks for your kind assistance in the matter,

Yours sincerely,

J. Kent.

Deal, Kent.

(Registered A.A.) Facing Sea and Pier.

Telephone 54 Deal.
Telegrams "Clarendon, Deal."

Headquarters Deal Rotary Club.
Proprietor: H. C. STACEY.

May 10th. 1937.

G. Peters Esq.,
Ashville,
Barrhead.
Renfrewshire.

Dear Sir,

We have today received a letter from Mr H. Docherty asking us to reserve you a bedroom from about May the 18th, and this is to confirm that we have booked the accommodation for you from that date.

Assuring you of our very best attention to make your visit to the Clarendon a most enjoyable one, and thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

H. C. Stacey

FOUR FAMOUS GOLFERS



THE quartette of golfing stars who played at Lenzie on Saturday, reading from left to right: Jack M'Lean, Hector Thomson, Gordon Peters, and Henry Cotton.

PETERS OUTSHINES PROS.



Alf Padgham



Jack M'Lean



Percy Alliss



Gordon Peters

COULD you imagine the agony of a round of golf while suffering from sciatica? Pretty awful. Right. Well that is what Percy Alliss had to contend with in the exhibition match for the Dumbartonshire War Benevolent Fund at Milngavie yesterday. "Phew! it's like a thousand devils playing around you," said the popular Percy with a forced smile after he and Jack M'Lean had been beaten 6 and 4 by Alf Padgham and Gordon Peters on aggregate terms, every putt holed. Alliss is soon to go into a nursing home.

But my story must be a psalm of praise. And Gordon Peters is the central figure. Haven't seen the Walker Cup man so confident, so elegant, so commanding. He went to the turn in 34. Should have been 32, for he was bunkered at the 8th and 9th and dropped two strokes. Nevertheless it was a truly magnificent feat to make circuit in 69 against Padgham's 72, M'Lean's 73 and Alliss's 77. The only amateur in the group and such famous pros outpointed!

HE DIDN'T BLUSH

You should have heard what the English pros had to say of Peters. Gordon didn't blush because—well, the hardened Scots campaigner knows how fortunes can change. Just the same, despite being bunkered at the second.

By

CROMWELL

8th, 9th and 10th and missing a yard and a half putt on the home green for a 34 home, he was undoubtedly the man of the moment. The crowd perhaps enjoyed most Padgham's wonderful recovery shots, particularly the one at the third where, deep in thick rough, he flicked the ball high into the air and parked it neatly around the flag. But I'll long remember that "eagle" by Peters at the 445 yards fourth. It's

all uphill. He cracked a lovely tee shot and joined it up with a roaring wood eight yards from the pin. To complete it, he rolled in that putt with airy aplomb. We felt eager to go seeking his hand. M'Lean and Alliss won their only hole at the 9th and turned three down. Alliss's lack of fitness never really gave his side a chance. Their details:—

GORDON PETERS

Out—434333455—34
In—443444455—35—69.

ALF PADGHAM

Out—434534544—36
In—545345354—36—72.

JACK M'LEAN

Out—434534444—35
In—545544553—38—75.

PERCY ALLISS

Out—555534554—39
In—545545444—38—77.

GOLF RETURNS

PERTH POSTAL.—Mixed foursomes—1. Miss Kilgour and T. D. Moir; 2. Miss Brims and W. Reekie; 3. Miss Hamilton and J. Donald.

PERTH KING JAMES VI. WOMEN.—Bogey competition—1. Irene Watt (1 down); 2. (equal), Miss Campbell and Miss Forrest (3 down).

MUNRO TROPHY.—Perth Border Counties beat Perth North-Eastern Counties, 9 matches to 2.

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Here's a health to those that I beat,
Here's a health to all those that beat me,
And to those that are beat by the men that I beat,
And to those who beat those who beat me.

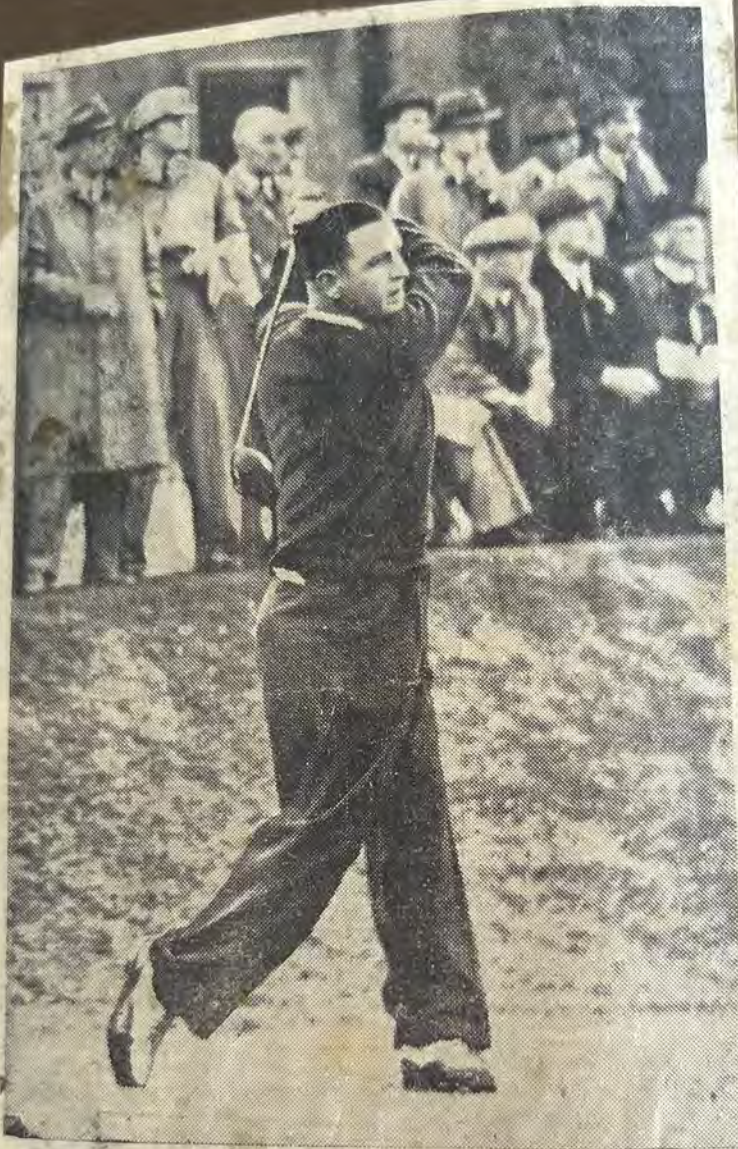
TO OUR TOAST

'32 CLUB ANNUAL DINNER

In the Grosvenor Restaurant
Glasgow

On Monday 13th March, 1939

Chairman — James Craisford, Esq.



TENNANT CUP WINNER.—G. B. Peters (Fereneze) won the Tennant Cup with a 72—two strokes less than Andrew Jamieson (Pollok), the holder—in the replay over the Killermont course, Glasgow, in pouring rain last night. Peters is seen driving during the match.

BUCHANAN CASTLE GOLF CLUB.

CLUBHOUSE
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MONTROSE ESTATES OFFICE,
DRYMEN,
GLASGOW.
TELEPHONE: DRYMEN 7.

24th June, 1937.

Dear Peters,

I was very glad to hear from Jim Blackater the other day that you agreed to take part in the Foursome Match at Buchanan at 2.30p.m. on Saturday, 3rd July.

You and Jack will play Hagen and Kirkwood and I hope you will be able to put it across them.

With many thanks.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Buchanan

Gordon B. Peters, Esq.,
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GLASGOW, C 2.

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TELEPHONE 24731

18 Melville Street,

Edinburgh, 3 2nd. August, 19 37.

G. B. Peters, Esq.,
"Ashville",
BARRHEAD.

Dear Sir,

International Matches 1937.

I have the pleasure to inform you that you have been selected to represent Scotland in the International Matches to be played over Portmarnock Course on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 1st., 2nd., and 3rd September 1937.

Kindly let me know, with the least possible delay, if your services will be available for these Matches.

The Executive of the Union have agreed to pay 3rd Class return Rail and Cabin Fares, and the sum of Seven Pounds (£7) towards Hotel Expenses to each Member of the Team.

It is anticipated that the Team will sail from Glasgow on Saturday evening 28th August and will return on the boat leaving Dublin on the evening of Saturday 4th September.

Accommodation has been reserved in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, and Berths will be reserved on the boat each way.

Yours faithfully,

F. W. Campbell

THE FERENEZE GOLF CLUB.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.
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Exerpt from Minute of Club Committee Meeting on 30th May, 1934.

"The Chairman, before proceeding with the Business of the
"Meeting, took the opportunity of voicing the satisfaction of him-
"self and the Committee at the splendid play of Mr. Peters in the
"Amateur Championship. He congratulated Mr. Peters, and could speak
"from personal experience of his excellent play, as he was one of the
"many of the Fereneze Members who followed his work. He has brought
"the name of The Fereneze Golf Club into the limelight, and no doubt
"his association as a Member would keep it to the front."

JAMES B. PATON,

HON. SECRETARY & TREASURER.

WALKER CUP TEAM LEAVES THE CLYDE

Saturday, August 15, 1936.



Miss M'Lean, sister of Jack M'Lean, pinning a sprig of white heather on the jacket lapel of Dr. Tweddell, captain of the British Walker Cup Team which sailed from Glasgow in the Transylvania last night. Others in the group are—Thomson, M'Lean, Peters, Dykes, Lucas, Langley, Hill and Bentley.

BRITISH WALKER

decision has been come to with regard the foursomes pairings of the team.
"We must wait and see how the boys playing at Pine Valley," is his policy.

TELEGRAMS— "ANCIENT."
TELEPHONE NOS 12 & 13.
CODE—BENTLEY'S.
SECRETARY,
HENRY GULLEN.



THE ROYAL AND ANCIENT GOLF CLUB
OF ST. ANDREWS FIFE.

7th. May, 1938.

Ray Henry Gordon,

On behalf of my fellow selectors I am most grateful to you for your preparation and hard practice in preparing for the Walker Cup Trial, and I offer you my sincere congratulations on being included in the list as issued today.

Yours sincerely
Coni-Tony

The
“ 32 ” CLUB
A
“Good Business”
Meeting
Merchants’ Club, Glasgow
Feb. 21, 1938

Let us drink and be merry, dance,
joke and rejoice
With claret and sherry, Theorbo and
Voice,
The Changeable World to our Joy is
unjust,
All Treasure uncertain, then down
with your dust.

In frolics dispose of your pounds
shillings and pence,
For we shall be nothing a hundred
year hence.—*The Epicure.*



THE TULLOCH

32 CLUB CAPTAINS

H.M. Dickson	1932	W.G. Davidson	1976
H.M. Dickson	1933	W.S. McLeod	1977
S.P. Morrison	1934	Gordon B. Cosh	1978
H.G. McCallum	1935	Alex W. Dickie	1979
H.G. McCallum	1936	Leslie G. Taylor	1980
R.D. Brand	1937	J.M.H. Scott	1981
R.D. Brand	1938	Sandy Sinclair	1982
Jas Crawford	1939	John Goodwin	1983
Jas Crawford	1946	C.W.F. Judge	1984
D.A. Liddell	1947	A.R. Cole-Hamilton	1985
W. Peacock	1948	S.W. Morrison	1986
Alex Menzies	1949	A.S. Kerr	1987
R. Neill	1950	Nigel Angus	1988
R. Weir	1951	Keith Macintosh	1989
J.E. Dawson	1952	David H. Reid	1990
Ian B. Taylor	1953	W. Douglas Calder and	
Colin S. Brown	1954	Colin M. Brown	1991
T.C. Riddell	1955	W. Brian Morrison	1992
T.C. Riddell	1956	Graeme M. Simmers	1993
J.G. Archibald	1957	J.R.W. Walkinshaw	1994
J.M. Dykes	1958	J.T. Moffat	1995
W.M Muirhead	1959	W.M.B. Brown	1996
W.M Muirhead	1960	S.G. Cairns	1997
G.B. Peters	1961	T.M. Dewar	1998
W. Campbell	1962	A.W. Neilson	1999
W. Campbell	1963	Colin M. Brown	2000
Donald Cameron	1964	K.C. Grant	2001
S.L. McKinlay	1965	I.G. Davidson	2002
J.W. Gordon Barr	1966	J.R. Spence	2003
J.S. Montgomerie	1967	P.W. Jamieson	2004
J.A. Lang	1968	J.S. Unick	2005
J.A. Lang	1969	W. Paterson	2006
A.M. MacDougal	1970	J.A.C. Grant	2007
C.R. Bruce	1971	J.A. Thomson	2008
R.C. MacGregor	1972	W.G. Dickie	2009
H.M. McMaster	1973	Derek Gray	2010
K.I. McLeod	1974	Douglas Brown	2011
A.G. Pollok	1975	Paul McKellar	2012
		Murray Stevenson	2013

Gordon Peters—Miracle Man Of St. Andrews



FROM India comes word of Gordon Peters, broad-shouldered young Scots amateur who made Barrhead golf conscious—and, in the greatest Walker Cup match of all time, Reynolds Smith, his American

opponent, unconscious!

"Have just heard that Gordon has received his third pip," writes another famous Scots sportsman, Lindsay Lambie, the hero of many a grim Glasgow High School or International rugby tussle, in an airgraph to me.

Mention of Gordon sent my mind flashing back to that glorious day in June, 1938 when, at St. Andrews, we trounced America 7 matches to 4, with one halved, and so broke an evil spell that had lasted for sixteen years. It was our first Walker Cup win.

St. Andrews went crazy—we all did! The Cup was ours? . . . why, it couldn't be true. But, despite the fact that U.S. supremacy had become almost legendary, we were through—yes, the Cup was ours. And through the excitement of that never-to-be-forgotten afternoon shone Gordon's thrashing of the debonair, sub-par shooting Reynolds Smith.

He had the honour of recording the highest win of the singles, 9 and 8. Indeed, the three Scots played a vital part.

Hector Thomson, partnered by Gordon, whipped Johnny Goodman, and Marvin Ward 4 and 2 in the fourshomes and went on to brush Goodman 6 and 4 in the singles.

Then Alec Kyle, who was to annex the Amateur crown at Hoylake the following year,

revealed his worth by stopping the much boosted Fred Haas at the 32nd hole.

Haas was a great guy. I remember how he kept lifting his cap and bowing towards the hole as Alec went on ramming the putts down and erasing what chance the American cherished.

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BUT it is of Peters that I must tell you to-day. His Yankee rival could do nothing to counter him.

The implacable Scot screwed him down with par and better than par until this fine young visitor shook his head in despair.

Gordon was three to the good at the end of the morning round, but by the time the 27th had been played in the afternoon, he was nine up!

Reynolds Smith became as unsteady as a "drunk" on a tight rope. He tried to regain his balance, failed and so walked towards the club-house to be swallowed up by a crowd of "staid" Scots who, seeing a miracle happen, had just gone daft.

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AND the presentation—what a scene! Wise-cracking Charlie Yates, who had won our Amateur Championship at Troon, and beaten the Irish boy wonder, Jimmy Bruen 2 and 1 in the singles, was called for. As he shuffled to his feet and edged towards the mike, he was met by thunderous applause.

He had a joke to the end. Jeckoning Peters, his firm friend, he broke into "A Wee Deoch and Doris," which Gordon had taught him when they chummed up in America.

And so there stood Britain and America linked by a friendship nothing could destroy, a friendship which has become more deep-rooted than ever before. It was achieved in sport; now it is being forged in the fire of war.

WILLIE ALLISON



G O L F.
 THE AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP,
 AT ROYAL ST. GEORGE'S GOLF CLUB, SANDWICH, KENT.
 SIXTH ROUND - SEMI FINALS.

547775. (R) Jimmie Maxton, M.P., with Gordon B.
 Peters (Pereneze) from Glasgow.

B & G. 28/5/37

ETF.



SCOTS GOLFERS.—West of Scotland members of the Scottish golf team for the international matches at Lytham and St. Annes left Glasgow to-day. This group includes Campbell, M'Lean, M'Kinlay, Dykes, Peters, Lindsay, M'Leod, and (second from left) Mr A. R. Russ, vice-president of the Scottish Golf Union.





POLLOK PROFILES

Well known personalities - Pollok Golf Club

Nov 2001

Gordon Peters

'Just a wee doch & doris' on winning the Walker Cup

Gordon Peters was a brilliant golfer, who made his name while a member of Fereneze where his medals & memorabilia are on display. Playing in the Walker Cup teams of 1936 & 1938, when Britain won the Cup for the first time at St Andrews in 1938. Gordon became a life long friend with his opponent Charlie Yates, later a giant of American golf. Their relationship was evenly divided between rivalry and friendship, which is what the Walker Cup is all about. After Britain won the Cup in 1938 Gordon and Charlie Yates famously sang their duet 'Just a wee doch and doris' on the steps behind the 18th green at St Andrews - a wonderful story, one of golf's legends. Having the privilege to attend a reception in the Augusta Clubhouse during the Masters, Charlie Yates, hearing I was a Pollok member, quickly came over to ask about Gordon and 'Young' John.

One suspects that Gordon's light might have shone more brightly had he not been in the shadow of Hector Thomson and Jack McLean both superb golfers in the Glasgow area. Gordon was at his peak in 1938, he beat Bobby Locke and was invited to be an assistant to Henry Cotton, claiming he would be in the Ryder Cup team within two years. Gordon declined saying 'he did not want to be paid to play golf'. He was invited to join the R&A by the late Willie Whitelaw. Like many others, the War interrupted his golfing career, he volunteered for Army in 1939 and served in India.

Joining Pollok in 1954, Gordon soon became an immensely popular and respected member. A great competitor, and delightful companion, playing golf to the best traditions of the game. 'My Boy My Boy' was his favourite phrase, Gordon was immensely fond of Pollok describing it 'as the premier Club in the West of Scotland', becoming Captain in 1966/67. Gordon had a great group of friends 'who really knew how to enjoy themselves' - 'Uncle' Fred Levick, Mac Dodds, the bald Matt Rogers - whose remaining hair looked like shoe polish, Lawrence Dowdall, Billy Jack, Alastair & Coverly Moodie, Bert Finlayson - famous for his sailing trip to Arran. Lawrence Dowdall was a successful criminal lawyer and raconteur, a cricketer rather than a golfer, who famously came up the path at Pollok with a new set of clubs and bag, claiming his client had got life!! Gordon was Glasgow manager of the Norwich Union,, and Captain of 32 Club. His son John G B Peters is a member and also an excellent golfer, winning the Championship on five occasions between 1978 and 1988..

Gordon had an immense respect for Andrew Jamieson Jnr - 'my boy my boy I always bow my knee to Andrew Jamieson'.

PETERS MATCHES COTTON IN LONG-DRIVING DUEL

High Lights of the Eastwood Exhibition Match



Gordon Peters driving, with Henry Cotton (the Open Champion), Andrew Jamieson, and George Templeton looking on, during their exhibition golf match at Eastwood.

LONG drives and long putts (holed) are the real stuff of exhibition matches. At Eastwood on Saturday, when Henry Cotton and Andrew Jamieson beat Gordon Peters and George Templeton, the local professional, by 2 and 1 in an 18-hole match, no long putts were holed. At least, I did not see any (which is perhaps not altogether surprising considering that 2999 other people were also there), but there was an abundance of long driving.

Gordon Peters was the hero of the long-hitting duel. When he warmed to his work he drove as far and as straight as the great Cotton himself, and the huge crowd, in high good humour despite the hustling and bustling that defied the army of equally good-tempered stewards, thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and were, I hope, properly proud and envious of the display of one of Scotland's own Walker Cup nominees.

Stole Some Thunder

Peters, indeed, stole a good deal of Cotton's thunder, although the Scot would be the first to admit the excellence of Cotton's shots through the green on a strange course which he was visiting after a gruelling three days' play at Newcastle. The great man was in excellent fettle. If the greens had been as smooth as they will be very soon, he might have broken 70 comfortably. As it was, he had to be content with a score of approximately 73 against 71's by the two amateurs and 74 by a plucky, but perhaps rather overawed, Templeton.

Scores, however, are no indication of the quality of the play or of the keenness of the match. Cotton and Peters applied the big hitting, Jamieson and Templeton some deft work on and around the greens.

The Open Champion and his amateur partner were never down, and although they were never very far ahead they always looked the more likely couple.

The first four holes were halved, and then came the biggest thrill of the day. The fifth hole on this new and exciting course is, according to the card, only 233 yards along level ground to a plateau green lying beyond a burn. Into a slight left-hand wind Cotton hit a superb drive that carried on to the back of the green, and although Jamieson hit a perfect tee-shot he finished short, while Peters and Templeton, obviously going out for big hits, were to left and right. One up for controlled power!

Cotton won the next hole, too, for once-holing a putt, and his side retained that lead to the turn. Then Peters made a thrust by getting the only 3 at the short tenth after having been in an evil place off a pulled tee-shot, but Jamieson restored his side's lead with a fine 4 at the uphill 426-yard eleventh hole, and the remaining holes were halved, the sixteenth in birdie 3's by Jamieson and Templeton.

Admirable

Short Holes

It was hardly a day for judging a new course, principally because the milling throng so often blotted it from view, but I saw enough to make me want to return to Eastwood very soon. The short holes, of which there are four, are admirable, and there are many first-rate second shots that will perplex as well as delight.

THE GOSSIP OF GOLF

By "BULGER"

DR TWEDDELL'S TRIBUTE TO GORDON PETERS "Finest Amateur in Britain at the Moment"



GORDON PETERS, one of Scotland's few remaining "hoppers."

Sandwich, Thursday Evening.—
Once again Gordon B. Peters has given us ample proof of his considerable aptitude for match-play golf. His feat in fighting through to the last eight in the Amateur Championship for the second year in succession is all the more to be commended because he was in by far the toughest section of the draw. Every one of the five opponents he has so far defeated has been a top-flight golfer, and he has had to play consistently good golf to better them.

When he reached the last eight at St Andrews last year Peters was in excellent form, but Hector Thomson, the ultimate winner, proved just a little too good for him when they met in the quarter-finals.

Peters has improved a lot during the past year and has become a more difficult man to beat. He is the only one of last year's quarter-finalists who is again in the quarter-finals this time.

Captain's Tribute
Just prior to the start of the Peters-Locke game yesterday I had a chat with Dr William Tweddell, the captain of the British Walker Cup team which visited Pine Valley last September, and the warmth of his admiration for the Scottish amateur golfer in Britain at the moment.

"It was a very unusual thing when we played in America," he told me, "that the experts there were loud in their praise of Peters and Jack McLean, while Hector Thomson, though amateur champion, did not impress them at all. They considered Peters easily the finest amateur in Britain and had professed for many a year, waiting trial about his execution of shots, his stance, his foot action, his body movement, his balance, and the tremendous acceleration of his down and the immediate follow-through of swinging immediately before the contact of striking the ball."

"Personally," continued Dr Tweddell, "I consider Peters a far better golfer than Locke, though the latter may get better results."

Can Fight Back
As events turned out it was Peters who produced the results on rainy Wednesday afternoon.

The Scot can still include a somewhat wild shot in the course of a round, but his ability to fight back really makes up for any errors he may make. Against the odds he has won every round throughout the week.

The first round in which some of the home boys were playing in the early stages of the championship suggested that the world was more than one in the last eight, but it is not to be.



GORDON PETERS.

IN THE AMATEUR.



Hole.	Yards.	Par.	Hole.	Yards.	Par.
1	368	4	10	312	4
2	401	4	11	164	3
3	356	4	12	314	4
4	427	4	13	410	4
5	530	5	14	527	5
6	367	4	15	409	4
7	352	4	16	348	4
8	150	3	17	467	5
9	346	4	18	364	4
	3297	36		3315	37

OUT—3297 YARDS

IN—3315 YARDS

APPROX. TOTAL DISTANCE—6612 YARDS

PAR—73

With the Compliments of Dundee Courier and Advertiser and Evening Telegraph and Post.

GORDON PETERS SETS PACE AT TROON

ROUND OF 69 FOR YANKEES TO "SHOOT AT"

TROON, Friday.
GORDON PETERS, of Fereneze, introduced a Walker Cup slant to the amateur championship practice play at Troon to-day by completing a round of the course in 69—a welcome bit of evidence for the international duel which follows next week's championship.

PETERS' PUTTING

Gordon Peters was partnered by Sam McKinlay against the English champion, J. J. Pennink, and K. B. Scott, a Walker Cup finalist.

Although Peters felt he was not hitting the ball too well, he generally managed to keep on the fairway. His second shots were quite accurate, but the medium through which he gained his low figures was putting. Apart from three putts on the fourth green, Peters was deadly near the hole.

The long sixth (580 yards) was captured in 4, Peters chipping in from the edge of the green. A putt of eight feet gave him the short eighth (Postage Stamp) in 2. He had putts of three and five yards respectively at the eleventh and twelfth, and was shaping for a 68 when he sliced his drive at the last hole and then pulled into a bunker. His details were:—

Out—4 4 5 5 3 4 4 2 4—35

In —4 3 3 4 3 4 5 3 5—34—69

Scott did very well with a 70, Pennink had 72, and McKinlay 75. The Scots won by 2 and 1, and the best ball of the match was 61.



AMATEUR DINNER 1971 MASTERS TOURNAMENT

First Table: (Left) Edward L. Meister, Jr., William C. Campbell, Isaac B. Grainger, Kenneth T. Gordon, James R. Gabrielsen, Robert W. Morgan, Robert T. Jones, III, (Right) Gary Cowan, Frank Hannigan, Allen Miller, III, Thomas O. Kite, Jr., Robert F. Dwyer, Wilbur Muirhead,

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