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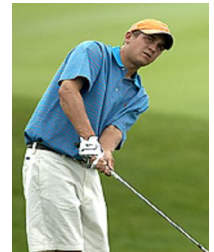
N.C. junior golf's best to be honored by the Carolinas Golf Association and the Tarheel Youth Golf Association

West End, NC—Katherine Perry of Cary and Logan Harrell of Huntersville have been named the 2009 N.C. Junior Players of the Year by the Carolinas Golf Association (CGA) and the Tarheel Youth Golf Association (TYGA). The N.C. Junior Player of the Year award recognizes one girl and one boy who have had the most successful year in amateur and junior golf events at the local, state, regional and national levels.

Perry, a 17 year old high school senior at Athens Drive High School, had one of the most successful summers for a junior golfer winning the NC Women's Amateur Championship and competing in the US Women's Open. In the past year, Perry has won the NC High School Athletic Association's 4A Girls' Championship while leading her team to a second straight state championship, the CGA's Vicki DiSantis Girls' Championship, the Precision Golf Girls' Championship, the Peggy Kirk Bell Tour Invitational along with four Peggy Kirk Bell Girls' Tour events. Perry also competed in the US Junior Girls' Amateur where she finished 31st in the stroke play qualifier and reached the match play portion of the national championship. Of the 19 events used for the NC Junior Rankings, Perry finished in the top ten 16 times with eight first place finishes. Perry represented the Carolinas in the Mid-Atlantic Girls' Challenge Junior Team Matches at Mid Pines Inn and GC. In September, Perry was awarded the WRAL Extra Effort Award for her efforts on the golf course and in the classroom. Katherine has signed to play collegiate golf for the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.



Harrell, an 18 year old high school senior at Hopewell High School, placed in the top 10 ten times out of the 13 events he competed in that are used for the NC junior rankings. In the US Junior Amateur Championship, Harrell was the sectional qualifying medalist and reached the semifinals of match play in the national championship. Along with playing in the US Junior, Harrell also qualified for and competed in the US Men's Amateur. In the Carolinas Men's Amateur Championship, Harrell reached match play and advanced to the round of 16. Harrell also finished tied for second in the AJGA Cliff's Championship, finished fourth in the Carolinas-Georgia Junior Championship, seventh in the Donald Ross Junior Championship and tied for ninth in the AJGA Foot Joy Invitational. Harrell represented the Carolinas in the Carolinas-Virginias Men's Team Matches. Logan has signed to play collegiate golf for the University of South Carolina.



The Player of the Year awards were determined by a combination of each player's tournament scoring differential and the total points earned in the TYGA NC rankings events from December 1, 2008 through November 30, 2009. These outstanding juniors, along with the 2009 All-State Girls' and Boys' teams, will be honored at the N.C. Junior Golf Night Awards Banquet on Saturday, December 26, 2009 at Little River Golf and Resort in Carthage, NC.

About the Tarheel Youth Golf Association...

The Tarheel Youth Golf Association (TYGA), a division of the Carolinas Golf Association, a 501(c)3 organization, is dedicated to providing educational programs and playing events for its members. TYGA is committed to establishing relationships and coordinating with junior golf organizations to act as an information clearinghouse for all North Carolina junior golf opportunities and assist those organizations in the promotion of junior golf in North Carolina.

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