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**A few weeks ago, and before the distressing news Phil Mickelson heard this week** about his wife Amy's cancer diagnosis, he played golf down in Florida with another famous left hander. Phil played a round with University of Florida quarterback and 2007 Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow. The fun for Tebow was being able to take a few swings with Mickelson's driver "Every time I use it now," Phil said, "I remember that he used my driver because there's a big mark on the top of it," They also held a contest to see who could throw a football farther. "He beat me by two yards," Mickelson said. "He was on his knees, though."

**It's just about June, so thoughts now turn to who will make the field** for the second major of the year, the U.S. Open, to be played at Bethpage Black on Long Island. The European Qualifier will be played on Monday and in the field are Ryder Cup captain Colin Montgomerie and former Ryder Cup team members David Howell, Nicolas Fasth, Thomas Levet and Paul McGinley. Eighty players will be competing for only 11 spots. Montgomerie was third in his debut at the US Open in 1992 and since then lost a playoff in 1994. He came up one shot short in 1997 – Ernie Els won both of those – and three years ago double-bogeyed the last hole to lose by one again. The only time he has missed playing in the championship was 2004.

**It's amazing as to the number of talking heads that have written Tiger Woods** off as far as his ability to break Jack Nicklaus's major win record of 18. They claim they've seen enough and that his knee surgery has made Tiger a mere mortal. They may have operated on his knee but his heart is still strong. The desire that burns inside of him to be the best has seen him re-invent his swing several times already only to be even better. Now for the first time in years he has a steady and strong left knee and will develop a swing that is less arm and wrist timed, but that takes practice. Practice is something Tiger is dedicated to. So let's all just watch and see what happens.

**If you're a Justin Rose fan and wonder where he is, the answer is** nursing a bad back. Rose was the European Order of Merit winner in 2007 but like others has found flying back and forth to world events takes its toll on a golfer. He pulled out of some European Tour events and plans to play over here for a few events leading up to the U.S. Open.

**We haven't seen the last of John Daly, who is over in Europe** while still serving a PGA Tour suspension. He's working hard on his short game and chipped in three times for birdie last week. "That's why I work harder on chipping and putting than anything in my game ever," Daly said.



## SST PURE Nabs 3 Wins This Week

**SST PURE** is having an incredible year, as further evidenced by three more wins this week. Here's a definitive quote on the benefits of having your clubs PURED by 1995 PGA champion Steve Elkington. "As I had PUREing performed on my golf shafts, I found it to be one of the best things I've seen in 25 years on the PGA Tour," he said. "I can definitely tell the difference."

**Rory Sabbatini, Michael Allen and Paul Casey would undoubtedly agree**, since all three won on Sunday and all have a history of asking SST to PURE their clubs. Sabbatini won the HP Byron Nelson Championship, Allen won the Senior PGA Championship and Casey won for the third time this year worldwide at the BMW PGA Championship on the European Tour. He won the Shell Houston Open on our shores a few weeks ago and won in Abu Dhabi earlier in the year.

**Since we only count victories on the PGA and Champions Tours**, the total now climbs to 16 and also means that a player who asked SST to PURE his clubs has won on the PGA Tour for the past 11 weeks in a row. That includes victories in the Masters by Angel Cabrera, TPC by Henrik Stenson and now the first Champions Tour major of the year by Michael Allen.

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**Congratulations to Michael Allen, who made the Senior PGA Championship** his first win on Tour, and to Bruce Fleisher for his third-place finish. Fleisher led the seniors, hitting 78 percent of the fairways with a driver that was PURED personally by SST PURE CEO Dick Weiss. Fleisher has also carried a SST PURE endorsement bag this season.

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