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**Tom Watson didn't listen to his father** as youngster when his dad told him to shorten his swing. "My old pro, Stan Thirsk, said to me, 'Don't listen to your dad,'" Watson says. "When you get to be an old guy, that long swing will really do you well, because you'll have that rhythm."

**New Zealander Michael Campbell won the 2005 U.S. Open** at Pinehurst. It looked like he was going to be contesting for majors for years to come, but that hasn't been the case. Campbell withdrew from the British Open during the second round on Friday because of a shoulder injury, the fifth time this year he's dropped out of a tournament. He's plummeted in the world rankings since winning the Open and this year has missed the cut 11 times and withdrawn from his other five events.

**The big news over at Turnberry before the tournament was** the feud between Colin Montgomery and Sandy Lyle. Sandy described Monty as "a drama queen" during a press conference early in the week and then it heated up even more on Thursday when Lyle tried to apologize for saying Monty cheated when replacing his ball at a tournament in Jakarta four years ago.

**In that incident, Monty appeared** to replace his ball in a more favorable spot after a rain delay at the Indonesian Open. He wound up getting the finish he needed to remain among the top 50 in the world rankings, good enough for a spot in the Masters. Lyle said in a recent interview that Monty dropped the ball badly during the Jakarta tournament and "that is a form of cheating." Lyle was overlooked for the captaincy of Europe's Ryder Cup team for next year's event against the United States at Celtic Manor. Although he would like Monty to invite him to be one of his assistants, he said Thursday that now looked unlikely. You think?

**Last week I wrote that Carolyn Bivens was on her way out** as LPGA commissioner and that happened this week. The way she treated sponsors and the consequent loss of long-established events was the main reason. It's something PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem better take notice of, since 50 percent of the PGA Tour events have been sponsored by car manufacturers and financial institutions. During a tough economic crisis the Tour may have to make some concessions to keep events on their schedule and that may include lowering prize money, something the players will have to accept. Brittany Lincicome won the Kraft Nabisco Championship earlier this year and said that to keep events LPGA players would be open to "playing for less money – in the short term – if it would help save events." The question is, will the men?



## SST PURE Win Streak Rolls On

**Bo Van Pelt** notched his first PGA Tour victory and the 19<sup>th</sup> victory in a row for SST PURE this week when he won the U.S. Bank Championship playoff in Milwaukee. Van Pelt has been a long time believer in PUREing his clubs and while he's never won before he has usually been around the top of the leader board.

**SST PURE now has won 25 times on Tour** this year and dominated the top 20 every week. Players who have asked SST to PURE their clubs now have won more than \$107 million just in 2009.

**Over at the British Open, SST players had a great week with top 20 finishes** by Luke Donald, Retief Goosen, Ernie Els, Richard S. Johnson, Jeff Overton, Camilo Villegas, Justin Rose, Henrik Stenson and Boo Weekley.

**Van Pelt's victory continues the** longest winning streak in sports, which is now in its fourth month. No other golf entity can make this claim. SST PURE does not manufacture clubs or shafts but it does make them perform just as the designers and engineers had planned. Optimum performance is only achieved if a shaft is analyzed using the SST PURE patented and proprietary programs and computers prior to insertion in the club head.

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