



An Outstanding Golf School is Coming To Halton.... Friday August 8, 2008

This is an opportunity to have a memorable day of outstanding instruction, and great enjoyment from one of the greats... at "**Family Golf Learning Centre**", in Oakville.

Dr. Gary Wiren is one of the greatest teachers the game has ever known, and unquestionably one of the finest Teaching Professionals in the world... a golf educator with the status of "Certified Master Professional" in the PGA of America, (only 31 of 29,000 Members have earned this status), it is an opportunity for golfers to learn from a "**Golf Digest**" and "**Golf Magazine**" Top 50 Teacher, and author of "**The PGA Teaching Manual**". The school includes long and short game, putting, bunker play, effective practice, course management, physical training, and psychology. These are all subjects on which Gary has written books. Besides being a great learning experience, the school is always fun! It will follow this format....

- Runs from 9AM to 4:30 PM, Friday August 8, 2008
- A total of only 24 participants
- A total of 4 PGA Teaching Professionals
- Will Include lunch and refreshments
- Will include a personal DVD for each participant, with Dr. Wiren's analysis and suggestions
- Will include a manual with numerous handouts and information
- Will be suitable for all skill levels
- Cost; \$300 all taxes in
- For additional information, and to book your spot, please call Family Golf Oakville, and speak to Larry Armatage or Ang Puma **905-842-6120**

Here's a look at the Agenda....

9AM – 12 Noon; 3 Hours on the fundamentals of Full swing shots, and the greenside "Scoring Shots"

- Setting up correctly
- Fundamentals of a good swing
- Techniques of 'the scoring shots', shots from 50 yards and in
- Video of your set-up and swing, with analysis on a DVD

12 Noon – 1PM; Lunch; will include Gary's thoughts on "The Psychology of Golf", and a Session on "Course Management",

1PM -4:30 PM workstations with 4 Instructors

- Putting
- Chipping
- Pitching
- Bunker play
- Full Swing; Woods and Irons

Will include great ideas on Shaping the Ball, Trajectory Control, and Error Correction.

You will receive a Notebook, Folders, and handout material, as well as a DVD on Gary's thoughts about your area on greatest improvement

Our “Master Professional Teaching Professional”



Introducing Dr. Gary Wiren

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- Past “PGA Teacher of the Year” award winner
- He was “Director of Learning & Research” for the PGA of America for 12 years
- Author of “The PGA Manual of Golf” [617 pages, teaches Teaching Professionals how to teach]
- Author of 11 books, and over 200 articles
- He is on “GOLF” Magazine's contributing teaching staff.”, and has made numerous appearances on ESPN and “The Golf Channel”
- Inducted into the PGA Hall of Fame on the same day as Jack Nicklaus
- Inducted into “The World Golf Hall of Fame”
- Currently Master Teaching Consultant for “Trump International Golf Courses”
- Advisory Staff Member for Mizuno USA
- On everybody’s list of “Top 10 Instructors” in America, and Number 1 in the opinion of many knowledgeable golf Professionals
- One of his 11 golf books was selected “Golf Book of The Year” in 2004
- Gary is a much sought after national and international speaker; he has entertained and enlightened thousands at PGA and corporate events across the globe. With his extensive background in teaching, speaking, writing and playing, Wiren is a wonderful person to spend a day with.... his humor, motivation and golf education brings a unique blend of entertainment and historical knowledge to every seminar.

Gary Wiren - Biography



[PGA](#) "Teacher of the Year" in the United States in 1986, the 2nd teacher ever to receive the award. He is currently ranked #12 in *Golf Digest's Top 50 Teacher's in America* and annually in *Golf Magazine's Top 100*.

In 2007 Gary was inducted into the [PGA Hall of Fame](#) and the GOLF Magazine World Golf Teachers Hall of Fame.

Author of 11 books on golf, one being the 617 page *PGA Teaching Manual* (the most influential book ever written for teachers of golf), and has written over 200 articles on the game. His newest book is *When Golf is a Ball*, won best golf book of the year in 2004.

Is both a PGA Master Professional, 209 out of 27,000 members, and one of only 31 Master Certified Teaching Professionals out of 27,000 members.

Has taught over 250,000 people in private, group, and seminars in 34 countries. Now Director of Instruction at the exclusive Trump International Golf Club, and The Kingsley Club in Michigan while representing the Mizuno Golf Company.

Is a member of four Golf Halls of Fame and has honorary memberships or distinguished service recognition from Sweden, Italy, [New Zealand](#) and Japan.

Has been awarded the LPGA's highest award for contributions to teaching, the National Golf Foundation's Graffis Award for golf education, and the National Golf Course Owner's Association Award for promoting public golf.

Keynote speaker at the First World Scientific Congress of [Golf](#) in St. Andrews, Scotland, in 1990, and subsequently twice more as a featured speaker. Was a main presenter at World Teaching Summits in [Canada](#), Australia, France and Italy & has given golf/motivation/entertainment talks for numerous years.

Won the South Florida Sr. PGA Championship, made the cut in the U.S. Sr. Open, played in the PGA National Sr. Championship twice and won the South Florida National Long Drive competition with a drive of 381 yards, 1 foot.

Appeared regularly on television in golf shows on ESPN, Golf Channel, Madison Square Garden Network, on in-flight [airlines specials](#), and had his own half-hour TV show in Japan for 2 ½ years. Has had four videos/DVDs on the market, the latest in 2002.

He was a member of the Golf Digest Professional Panel with the likes of Snead, Runyan, Middlecoff, Toski, Flick, Love and Jacobs. Served as a teaching critic of Golf Digest Schools and is now part of the Master Teaching Staff with Golf Magazine, and a regular contributor.

A founding member of the Golf Collector's Society and three time winner of its national wooden shaft tournament. He is the owner of one of golf's finest private antique and memorabilia collections and libraries. He has produced a national award winning video/DVD called "The Fascinating World of Golf." In order to support further interest in the game's history he is also serving as Executive Editor of [The Classics of Golf](#), offering reproductions of golf's greatest books while publishing new ones.

As a PGA National Headquarters Staff member for 13 years he founded the PGA National Academy of Golf for Juniors, The PGA Golf Discovery Schools, the Professional Golf Management Program (now at 17 universities), the PGA Golf Re-certification Program, and the PGA Educational Workshops which included the USGA/PGA Rules Certification program.

Dr. Wren is married, the father of four, and lives in North Palm Beach, Florida.

The following is a recent article by Gary that appeared in “GOLF MAGAZINE”

“Hole Short Putts”



This drill will give you the right pace for short putts

By [Dr. Gary Wiren](#)

“GOLF MAGAZINE” Top 100 Teacher.... Published: Golf Magazine May 01, 2007

This story is for you if... • You leave short putts short, or they lose their line due to a lack of speed
• You're unsure how hard to hit them

A small pencil and four tees can help you avoid decelerating on short putts and give you a realistic idea of just how firm you need to stroke the ball so that it rolls into the center of the cup. Here's how to do it

- Secure a scorecard pencil between two sets of tees in front of the hole as shown.
- Putt a few balls from anywhere from three to five feet from the hole. The idea is to hit these putts with enough force that the ball pops over the pencil and then into the hole. You'll quickly learn that to sink your putts with the proper amount of speed, you can't baby the ball to the hole, nor can you rocket it, because too much speed will pop the ball over both the pencil and the hole.
- Once you get to the point where you can consistently pop eight out of 10 putts over the pencil and into the hole, remove the pencil and try to sink your putts with the same velocity through the two tees—these putts should always hit somewhere on the back of the cup. Then remove the tees and work on maintaining the same speed and line.