



IBAO-Sponsored Young Golfer Set to Tackle Second Stage of PGA Q School

Richard Scott Strives to Obtain PGA Card this Year

TORONTO, November 14, 2007, Today, Richard Scott, the young Canadian golfer sponsored by The Insurance Brokers Association of Ontario (IBAO), will begin the second stage of his quest to obtain his PGA card.

Scott, 24, tied for 15th spot during the first stage of the PGA Qualifying School (Q School) held in McKinney, Texas earlier this month. Top 26 earned a spot to the second stage of Q School, which takes place today until November 17 at Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club in Dade City, Florida.

Aspiring PGA Tour golfers must take part in the PGA Tour National Qualifying Tournament which is played in three grueling stages at the end of each golf season. The purpose of the Tournament is to determine the 25 players who will receive their Tour cards for the following year.

Scott turned professional in November 2006 after having won three of the past four Canadian Men's Amateur Golf Championships and becoming only the sixth player in 102 years to win three titles. Last summer, in his first season on the Canadian Tour, the young golfer boasted two Top 10 finishes. IBAO began sponsoring the promising Ontario player shortly after he turned pro.

"It's great to have the support of such a great group of business people like IBAO," said Scott, who had the opportunity to meet the insurance brokers sponsoring him during a golfing Awareness Day held in his honour last September in Toronto. "I consider myself fortunate to be working with such a well-respected community-minded organization.

If Scott makes it past the second stage, he will then play the final stage of Q School at the Panther Lake and Crooked Cat courses at Orange County National in Winter Garden, Florida November 28-December 3. Playing in the final stage alone would guarantee him conditional status on the Nationwide Tour. However, Scott hopes to play well enough to obtain his PGA Tour card.

"I'm thrilled to get through the first round," said Scott, "but my eye is on getting the PGA Tour card this year."

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