

Andy Giles, PGA



College/University: Old Dominion University

Year Turned Pro: 1971

Facility and Job Title: Director of Golf

1. What was your motivation to become a PGA Professional?

Love of the game. Played Junior golf, played in a lot of Jr. tournaments.

2. What is your specialty in the golf business?

Opening new golf courses and getting them up and running (seven different courses).

3. Please list any accomplishments (Awards, Certifications, and Tournaments.)

2010-2011 – My golf course “Bide-A-Wee” was recognized as the Top municipal course in the state of Virginia and Top 50 in the United States by Golf Digest (4 ½ stars).

2002 – I was named “Ping” Regional Club Fitter of the Year.

4. What was your greatest moment in golf?

Playing golf many times with two-time U.S. Open Champion Curtis Strange and PGA Champion Chandler Harper.

5. What or who has had the greatest impact on your career?

My uncle, Tommy Whillock, PGA, who started me playing. He was a 50-year member of the PGA

6. Besides golf, what else do you enjoy?

Going out to dinner with my wife Misty, traveling, fishing.

7.If you could play any golf course in the world, which one would it be and who would complete your foursome?

I have played Pebble Beach and Olympic Club. I think I would love to play Augusta National.

8. If you could give lessons to anyone in the world who would it be and what advice would you give?

Early on, I gave so many lessons it was unbelievable. I used to love to teach anyone who really wanted to play.

9.What is your favorite golf instruction tip?

Stay centered – Don't let your body move with the swing – Left side is so important.

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