

J.P. Lunn, PGA
Holly Hills Country Club, Ijamsville, Maryland

J.P. Lunn was born on June 11, 1968 in Buffalo, New York to parents John and Lynda. He has a younger brother, Garrett. He began playing golf at age eight when his father introduced him to the game at Orchard Park Country Club in Orchard Park, NY. It was a chance to get out and play with Dad, and J.P. has loved it ever since.

In addition to his father, J.P. was highly encouraged by a couple of PGA Professionals: Jerry Coleman, PGA, the assistant PGA Professional at Orchard Park who gave J.P. his first golf lesson. He still remembers some of the teaching from that lesson over 30 years ago. Around 1976, PGA Professional Lonnie Nielsen allowed J.P. to spend all day, every day throughout the summer, "just hanging around" at Crag Burn Golf Club in East Aurora, New York learning about club repair, golf operations or simply caddying for him as he played in Section or National events.

As an amateur, J.P. was the Boys' Champion at the Buffalo District Golf Association, competed in the International Junior Masters, and was the Junior Club Champion at Orchard Park. J.P.'s first golf-related job was as a caddy at Orchard Park when he was 12 years old earning \$8 per bag for a single loop. He earned his BA in English (Media Communications) in 1989 from High Point University in High Point, North Carolina. J.P.'s first professional job was in 1990 under the tutelage of PGA member Tommy Martty at WestWinds Country Club in New Market, Maryland. He instilled a sense of organization and diligence that J.P. still adheres to today.

J.P. was elected to PGA membership in January 1994, the same year he began working as the Head PGA Professional at Brandermill Country Club in Midlothian, Virginia. In 1995, he became an assistant PGA Professional at Congressional Country Club in Bethesda, Maryland and in 1998, he went on to be the PGA Director of Golf at Rocky Gap Lodge & Golf Resort in Flintstone, Maryland. In 1999, he was selected to be the Head PGA Professional at Holly Hills Country Club in Ijamsville, Maryland and since 2007, he has been the PGA General Manager there.

J.P. has a commitment to service to the Section. He has served as the Northern Chapter's Secretary from 2004 - 2005, Vice President from 2006 - 2007, and President since 2008. He has also served as either a Chair or Co-Chair on many Chapter as well as Section committees since 1997, including the Membership, National Golf Month, Fundraising, Education, and Employment. He has hosted several MAPGA Town Hall Meetings, and as Northern Chapter President, attends almost all of the seminars and meetings in the Chapter.

In addition to his service to the Section, J.P. created and orchestrates an annual MAPGA sanctioned Pro-Am for the Rotary Club in Frederick, Maryland where he was honored as a Paul Harris Fellow (one of the highest honors through Rotary International) for his work with the event. He also helped organize, develop, and host a golf event for the Frederick Chamber of Commerce. Since they did not have a PGA Professional on the Board, the members on the committee asked J.P. to be their local "expert in the game of golf." And if that isn't enough, he still finds time to volunteer for the Hood College Men's and Women's golf team(s), a program that he started as their first head coach.

J.P.'s philosophy for golf is the same as it is for his business and personal life: he has and will always try to personalize his relationships with everyone he meets. Whether it is a student, member, guest, or a work colleague, he simply treats them as he would like to be treated and tries to communicate *with* them to the best of his ability, not *to* them, in an honest and up front, relaxed and sincere manner.

J.P. has two beautiful, brilliant, and talented daughters; Sydney (14) and Nikki (10).