

10th Annual Canadian Open Hickory Championship

Results

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Wednesday, August 19:

Day 1 – Teams drawn for a practice round in the form of a hickory scramble - with a winning score of 12 under par! This was followed by a barbecue get together at a local collector's house.

Thursday, August 20:

Day 2 - the always highly anticipated US Versus Canada hickory Challenge for the Casey Cup using a modified Ryder cup format ...27 holes of hickory play ... 9 holes 2-man scramble, 9 holes better ball, 9 holes singles. For the record, Canada defeated the US in the Casey cup for the 8th consecutive year (31 to 5). Supper and refreshments with another collection to view followed the day's play.

Friday, August 21:

Day 3 - and the hickory hackers have their games in top form.... 64 players teed it up for the 36 hole medal score event.... Ben Piant from Beaumont, Alberta medal score of 76-74 was one stroke ahead of Brendan Tomiak from Fort Saskatchewan and Darren Pockett from Victoria, BC. This was Ben's first victory after 8 previous attempts. Ben is the first Canadian to win the World Hickory Championship in Pinehurst 2007, again in 2008 in Lexington and just defended his title at Far Hills in 2009 for the third year. Ben Piant now holds the Canadian Open title, the US GCS title – can the British one be far away for the hickory grand slam? Lady golfer honors and winner of the lady's golf medal went to Elizabeth Ream from Calgary.

The playing field included 8 golf professionals who played hickory clubs. Professional Paul Biocini, from Valley Springs, California carded a 68 to beat his age and win the Senior division.

All told, 5 great days of hickory golf, merriment and camaraderie and with friends parting and promising to meet again next August!



**2010 event dates
August 18, 19, 20**