

Mike R. McCall, PGA



College/University:	Piedmont College
Year Turned Pro:	1998
Job Title & Facility:	Head Golf Professional / Director of Golf Innsbruck Resort & Golf

Background summary and credentials:

I have been around the golf industry since the age of 15 starting where most every golf professional that I know began their career in golf, "washing golf carts". I moved into the shop and went to another course where I learned the ropes of tournament and shop management and merchandising. Once completing my undergraduate degree, and decided to make golf my career, becoming a PGA Professional was a natural progression.

What was your motivation to become a PGA Professional?

I wanted to be a part of an organization that is dedicated to growing the game of golf. Being a PGA Professional means that I have an entire organization and network of golf professionals to work with in promoting the game of golf.

What is your specialty in the golf business?

My specialties in the golf business are facility management and teaching the game of golf.

Please list any accomplishments:

I have been working with several area high school teams and college players for the last couple of years. This is very rewarding to see some of my first students heading off to play college golf, and one beginning a professional playing career.

What was your greatest moment in golf?

My greatest moment in golf is yet to come. As of today, the greatest moment has been becoming a PGA Member.

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

My family and friends have been a great support to me. No one in my family played golf when I started, and there were some wonderful older gentlemen who encouraged me in the beginning.

Besides golf, what else do you enjoy?

I enjoy running and spending time with my family.

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

Augusta National: Davis Love III, Phil Mickelson, Bubba Watson

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

I would give lessons to kids just starting the game. I would tell them to keep it simple, always remember the basics and go back to them regularly. Learn the grip, learn alignment, and swing hard.

What is your favorite golf instruction tip?

Harvey Pennick's "Golf Medicine" tip from The Little Red Book. Don't over-do the changes. Tiny changes can make a big difference. Once overdone you will be lost and confused again.

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