

Scott Szymoniak, PGA



College/University:	Ferris State University
Year Turned Pro:	1996
Job Title & Facility:	Director of Player Development Canongate Golf Clubs

Background summary and credentials:

Scott has an extensive background having trained at the world-renowned David Leadbetter Golf Academy. He has coached professionals who have combined to earn over \$4 million in prize money on six different tours worldwide. He has worked closely with Mizuno and Nike to develop club fitting procedures and performance centers, and currently manages the Northwest Atlanta region for Canongate Golf.

What was your motivation to become a PGA Professional?

My love of the game drove me to become a PGA Professional. I wanted to make sure I chose a career path I enjoyed.

What is your specialty in the golf business?

Developing people; whether players or employees.

Please list any accomplishments:

Numerous awards throughout college, Southeast Clubfitter of the Year for Mizuno and Nike Elite Staff Member.

What was your greatest moment in golf?

Standing on the first tee at St. Andrews in 2005 as Jack Nicklaus came up #18 in his last British Open.

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

My Mom and Dad. They always made sure I had everything I needed to be successful.

Besides golf, what else do you enjoy?

Spending time with my girls (wife and two daughters). "Fighting Illini" football and basketball.

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

The Old Course with Dad, brother and uncle.

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

I would have loved to give a lesson to John Wooden, but would have asked him for advice!

What is your favorite golf instruction tip?

Mitchell Spearman taught me that people's full swing tendencies will always show up in their short game, and I've never seen it proven wrong!

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