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## MASON CAPTURES THIRD GEORGIA PGA CHAMPIONSHIP AT FORMIDABLE SEA ISLAND

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ST. SIMONS ISLAND, Ga. ---- Call James Mason "the Tiger Woods of the Georgia PGA." Mason, 49, a teaching professional at The Orchard Golf & Country Club, fired rounds of 68-73-74 to finish at 1-over par and win the E-Z-GO/ PING Georgia PGA Championship at Sea Island Golf Club. The victory marked Mason's third Section Championship in the past four years (also in 1997 and 1999). The two-time Georgia PGA Player of the Year racked up his third victory of the year, having also won the Yamaha Atlanta Open and the Eddie Wiggins Classic in Warner Robins earlier this year. The victory all but guarantees that Mason, who plans to go to Senior PGA TOUR Qualifying School in the fall, will earn his third Divots/ Georgia PGA Player of the Year title.

Also with the victory, Mason earns an \$8,000 payout, plus a spot in the PGA Tour's Buick Challenge at Callaway Gardens, as well as an exemption into the PGA's South Region Club Professional Championship in St. Louis later this year. If Mason fares well in the South Region CPC, he will be on his way to compete in the National CPC next year to earn a spot in the 83<sup>rd</sup> PGA Championship at Atlanta Athletic Club.

The 54-hole Georgia PGA Championship consisted of two rounds on the Plantation Course (Monday and Wednesday - Par 72), and 18 holes on the Seaside Course (Tuesday - Par 70). This year also marked this first time in recent memory that a major Georgia PGA event was won with a score above par.

Finishing alone in second place was John Godwin of Bull Creek Golf Club, who eagled the final hole to card a 72 and a total of 4-over 218. Godwin earned \$5,000 for second place.

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Georgia PGA  
E-Z-GO/Ping Georgia PGA Championship  
Sea Island Golf Club  
Overall Awards List - \$51,885.00 Fund Total

Place	Name	Score	Award	Place	Name	Score	Award
1st	James Mason, The Orchard G&CC	68 73 74 215	\$8,000.00	27th	Gary Hurt, The Landings/DeerCre	74 77 74 225	\$472.50
2nd	John Godwin, Godwin Creek Golf Co	74 72 72 218	\$5,000.00	29th	Louis McHughes, Twin Oaks G.C./MCLB	80 71 75 226	\$455.00
3rd	Bill Spannuth, Covington Plantation	77 71 71 219	\$2,562.50		Victor deSola, Sea Island GC	75 72 79 226	\$455.00
	Clark Spratlin, Atlanta National GC	75 73 71 219	\$2,562.50		Jim Wright, Lakes @ Laura Walker	72 77 77 226	\$455.00
	Mike Gill, Maple Ridge GC	74 72 73 219	\$2,562.50		Scott Hinkly, Berkeley Hills CC	74 79 73 226	\$455.00
	Jim Goergen, Sea Island GC	71 71 77 219	\$2,562.50		Todd Peterson, Golf Augusta	69 76 81 226	\$455.00
7th	Tim Weinhardt, Jimmy Mozley's G & B	73 74 73 220	\$1,212.50	34th	Michael Buja, Mystery Valley GC	73 76 78 227	\$437.50
	Danny Elkins, Georgia Golf Center	77 73 70 220	\$1,212.50		John Fesperman Jr., Ogeechee GC@The Fo	75 75 77 227	\$437.50
	Dave Engram, Atlanta CC	70 76 74 220	\$1,212.50	36th	Phil Taylor, Ansley Golf Club	76 75 77 228	\$430.00
	Craig Stevens, Brookstone CC	72 71 77 220	\$1,212.50	37th	Jim Arendt, Chicopee Woods GC	74 78 77 229	\$397.14
11th	Rob Allen Jr., Stonebridge Golf & C	75 71 75 221	\$875.00		Wes Helfrich, Jimmy Mozley's G & B	71 77 81 229	\$397.14
	Jeff Gotham, Hamilton Mill G.C.	73 73 75 221	\$875.00		Alan White, Landings GC	73 78 78 229	\$397.14
	Louis Brown, Legacy Golf Links	71 75 75 221	\$875.00		Brian Dixon, Douglas Golf & CC	75 74 80 229	\$397.14
	Drew Pittman Jr., Twin City CC	72 73 76 221	\$875.00		Milton Abell, Sugar Creek G.C.	74 75 80 229	\$397.14
15th	Stephen Keppler, Summit Chase CC	75 72 75 222	\$712.50		Charlie Thomas, Canongate I	77 75 77 229	\$397.14
	Mike Cook, Sea Island GC	73 74 75 222	\$712.50		Patrick Richardson, Wilmington Island	77 75 77 229	\$397.14
	Wyatt Detmer, Orchard Hills GC	74 74 74 222	\$712.50	44th	Wendell Coffee, Wendell Coffee Golf	74 73 83 230	\$358.33
	Mike Schlueter, Bentwater Golf Club	76 75 71 222	\$712.50		Ted Fort Jr., Legacy Golf Links	79 72 79 230	\$358.33
19th	Steve Ridge, Newnan, GA	72 76 75 223	\$637.50		Bobby E. Donnellan, Ocean Forest G.C.	74 80 76 230	\$358.33
	Chan Reeves, Atlanta Athletic Clu	71 73 79 223	\$637.50		Bobby Watson Jr., Forest Hills GC	75 77 78 230	\$358.33
21st	Greg Lee, Port Armor Club	75 73 76 224	\$538.33		Craig Hartle, Ansley G.C.-Settindo	76 76 78 230	\$358.33
	Jimmy O. Marston, Cherokee Golf Center	75 74 75 224	\$538.33		Craig Forney, River Pines GC	78 77 75 230	\$358.33
	Gregg Wolff, Willow Lake GC	75 74 75 224	\$538.33	50th	John Nigh, CC Of The South	78 79 74 231	\$319.44
	Bobby Baughn, Bridgewill Athletic	71 76 77 224	\$538.33		Richard Hatcher, Ansley Golf Club	82 78 71 231	\$319.44
	Gene Matthews, CC of Columbus	74 73 77 224	\$538.33		Toby Swartz, Gold Creek Golf Club	78 78 75 231	\$319.44
	David Bahr, Cherokee T & CC	72 74 78 224	\$538.33		Ray Wells, Planterra Ridge GC	72 77 82 231	\$319.44
27th	Donn D. Perno, Capital City Club	73 75 77 225	\$472.50		Daniel J. Melanson, Olde Atlanta GC	81 72 78 231	\$319.44

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50th Bill Johnstone, Atlanta CC					\$319.44			
Tommy Cason, St. Simons Isl. Club	73	81	77	231	\$319.44			
Stan Moore, Spring Hill CC	76	78	77	231	\$319.44			
Bob Elmore, Bacon Park GC	76	79	76	231	\$319.44			
59th John Anderson, Pine Oaks G.C.	81	77	74	232	\$200.00			
Art Kraft Jr., Canongate/White Oak	82	74	76	232	\$200.00			
Richard Crawford, Druid Hills G.C.	78	80	74	232	\$200.00			
*** Total Prizes Awarded					\$51,884.90			



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## Mason Wins 3rd E-Z-GO/ PING Section Championship



*Les Walden (L) and Charlie Neuman of E-Z-GO, and Doug Ross of PING (R) present the winner's check to James Mason after his victory at Sea Island.*

James Mason of The Orchard Golf & Country continued his hot streak, winning his third E-Z-GO/PING Georgia PGA Championship in four years, and took home the \$8,000 first prize. The win also guaranteed Mason his third Divots Player of the Year championship, as he has already set a new record for most points in one season (427.2) with a couple events remaining. Additionally, Mason earned a spot in the PGA Tour's Buick Challenge at Callaway Gardens, and an exception into the South Region CPC at Gateway National GC in St. Louis.

Thanks once again to our friends at E-Z-GO, PING, and Polo Golf for their support of this championship, and to the Sea Island golf staff for their hard work keeping coolers stocked with beverages, cold towels, and Power Bars all week.

James Mason, The Orchard G&CC	66-73-74	215	+ 1	\$ 8,000.00
John Godwin, Bull Creek GC	74-72-72	218	+ 4	\$ 5,000.00
Bill Spannuth, Covington Plantation	77-71-71	219	+ 5	\$ 2,562.50
Clark Spratlin, Atlanta National GC	75-73-71	219	+ 5	\$ 2,562.50
Mike Gill, Maple Ridge GC	74-72-73	219	+ 5	\$ 2,562.50
Jim Goergen, Sea Island GC	71-71-77	219	+ 5	\$ 2,562.50
Tim Weinhardt, Jimmy Mozley's	73-74-73	220	+ 6	\$ 1,212.50
Danny Elkins, Georgia Golf Center	77-73-70	220	+ 6	\$ 1,212.50
Dave Engram, Atlanta Country Club	70-76-74	220	+ 6	\$ 1,212.50
Craig Stevens, Brookstone CC	72-71-77	220	+ 6	\$ 1,212.50
Rob Allen, Jr., Stonebridge G&CC	75-71-75	221	+ 7	\$ 875.00
Jeff Gotham, Hamilton Mill GC	73-73-75	221	+ 7	\$ 875.00
Louis Brown, Legacy Golf Links	71-75-75	221	+ 7	\$ 875.00
Drew Pittman, Twin City CC	72-73-76	221	+ 7	\$ 875.00

## Tickets Going Fast for 83rd PGA Championship at AAC

Tickets for the 83rd PGA Championship at Atlanta Athletic Club went on sale on Tuesday, August 8, and so far, every indication is that tournament will sell out pretty early.

Only 32,000 spectators will have an opportunity to experience the major championship that perennially features the year's strongest field and deepest international lineup.

The PGA of America is offering a few different ticket options for spectators:

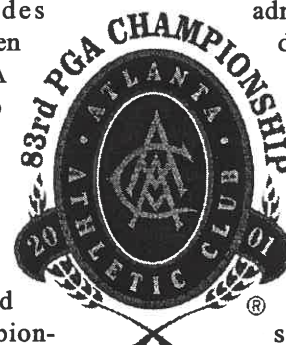
**Wanamaker Club Badges:** This VIP ticket provides admission to all seven days of PGA Championship Week and access to the exclusive, 25,000 square-foot air-conditioned facility located between hole No. 1 and No. 10. The Wanamaker Club area offer a wide variety of dining options, comfortable furnishings, big screen televisions, and computer scoring monitors. Price: \$300

**Season Tickets:** The Season Ticket provides admission to all seven days of PGA Championship week, complimentary parking, and a copy of the official 83rd PGA Championship Journal. Price: \$200

**Daily "Grounds Only" Tickets:**  
Practice Rounds (Mon-Wed) \$25.00  
1st and 2nd Rounds (Thurs-Fri) \$60.00  
3rd and Final Rounds (Sat-Sun) \$75.00

**Junior Ticket:** Tickets for Children 17 and under may be purchased for \$20 with an accompanying adult ticket purchase.

Tickets may be purchased online at [www.pga2001.com](http://www.pga2001.com), or by calling 1-800-PGA-TCKT. Additionally, those interested in volunteering may call the 2001 PGA Championship office at (678) 742-2001.



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### Mason wins Georgia PGA event

Dillard's **James Mason** continued to dominate the Georgia PGA season with a three-stroke victory in the E-Z-Go/Ping Georgia PGA Championship at the Sea Island Golf Club. Mason shot a 54-hole total of 1-over-par 215, closing with a 74, for his third victory this year. Columbus' **John Godwin**, who eagled the final hole for a 72, was second at 4-over 218. Mason, 49, of the Orchard Golf and Country Club, earned \$8,000, a spot in next month's PGA Tour Buick Challenge, an exemption into the South Region Club Pro Championship and all but guaranteed his third Georgia PGA Player of the Year title. . . . **Se Ri Pak** won the Lorie Kane Island Challenge skins game in Rosen-

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