



Your daily golf transaction newsletter

THE WIRE

OTHER NEWS:

- » **APPAREL WIRE:** New kicks at the PGA Merchandise Show
- » **THE WIRE:** In Their Words: Corey

[Golf Data OnLine](#) :: [The Apparel Wire](#) :: [The Tour Van](#)

January 21, 2009 | Category: Internet

Pat O'Brien Launches New Website & Blog

Zach Johnson & Vaughn Taylor Coach & Payne Stewart Protégé Shares His Advice, Fundamentals & Drills For Superior Putting

(DALLAS, TX - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE) Pat O'Brien, protégé of Payne Stewart and putting coach for 2007 Masters Champion Zach Johnson and Ryder Cupper Vaughn Taylor, has launched a new website and blog entitled www.patobriengolf.com.

The new site and blog will share O'Brien's advice, fundamentals and drills for superior putting performance based on his coaching with renowned Tour pros, accomplished amateurs and everyday golfers who want to improve their putting performance.

O'Brien built his successful putting fundamentals from what he learned by watching his friend and mentor Payne Stewart throughout the 1999 season. That year, Stewart led the Tour in fewest putts per round and won the US Open at Pinehurst with only 24 putts, considered the greatest putting performance in Major Championship history.

In 1999, O'Brien watched Stewart ascend from 40th to 2nd in putting in the span of one season. O'Brien's observations of Payne's putting success and regimen, including his new SeeMore putter, help create his fundamentals that focused on grip, posture, stance and alignment.

He coached Taylor and Johnson, two of the PGA Tour's best putters, as they progressed from the Hooters Tour to the PGA Tour and the Ryder Cup in six years, based on the strength of consistently good putting. Taylor and Johnson have also both won Tour putting titles.

O'Brien is a self-described "decent" amateur player who didn't start officially teaching until 2002. Today, he is regarded as one of the nation's top putting instructors. His ideas debunking putting myths are featured in an instruction story in the recent Hot List Issue of Golf Digest.

"My teaching fundamentals originated in my longtime friendship with and by observing the late Payne Stewart who I met at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am in 1987," say O'Brien. "In time, those observations and ideas evolved and became refined working with Tour pros like Zach and Vaughn and other top players. And today, I believe putting all comes down to fundamentals of set up.

"Based on my fundamentals, I can correct almost anyone's stroke without talking about their stroke very much at all," says O'Brien. "Stay tuned in the weeks to come as I will discuss those fundamentals, as well as some nuances you might not have heard before. I look forward to help you improve your putting performance through my new website and blog."

O'Brien has introduced his first instructional DVD that offers smart, practical and proven fundamentals based on lessons learned from superior putters and their performance in the Majors and other challenging and critical putting conditions. It is a comprehensive, concise and compelling presentation of his four putting fundamentals: grip, posture, stance and alignment.

"I am very excited to share my proven and simple putting fundamentals in this new instruction DVD," says O'Brien. "What golfers appreciate is that the DVD comes across as a personal one-on-one private lesson with me. My students love how easy it is to learn from this DVD, and practice its lessons regularly and consistently to improve their putting performance."

O'Brien is director of instruction at Lakewood Country Club in Dallas. He works with Johnson, Taylor and Ted Purdy on the PGA Tour and Taylor Leon on the LPGA Tour and many accomplished amateurs.

Media Contact:

Pat O'Brien
pob2222@aol.com
(415) 385-4429

Missing 3-Foot Putts?

Improve your stroke & beat the yips PGA Tour Partners Approved!

Golf Putters

3 Custom-made Putter Styles Traditional, Mid/Belly & Long

[Home](#) | [Sign Up](#) | [Unsubscribe](#) | [Press Releases](#) | [FAQ](#) | [Contact Us](#) | [Archive](#)

© 2009 Golf Press Association. All Rights Reserved. | Illustrations provided by [Bloom Designs](#).
[Editorial Policy](#)