

THE CHRONICLE

The movers, shakers and headline makers...

1 £725,000 BOOST FOR SEVE FOUNDATION

The Seve Ballesteros Foundation benefitted to the tune of more than £725,000 following a series of fundraising activities during the BMW PGA Championship at Wentworth. All proceeds were donated to the foundation in partnership with Cancer Research UK to help fund their studies into brain cancer.



2 MCILROY'S SAVIOUR

Putting guru Dave Stockton revealed how he solved the putting woes that mired Rory McIlroy's final round at the Masters in just ten minutes. Though admitting the Northern Irishman's technique was "flawless", Stockton encouraged McIlroy during an initial meeting and subsequent catch-up at the BMW PGA Championship at Wentworth to speed up his pre-putt routine. "It took about ten minutes to fix," said the 69-year-old Californian.

3 DRIVING THE VALUE UP

The golf car used by Colin Montgomerie during last year's Ryder Cup raised £50,000 for the Seve Ballesteros Foundation. It was snapped up by an anonymous bidder at auction and was signed by the victorious European captain.



4 CHOI'S EVENT SET

Korean star KJ Choi has announced he is to host his own tournament from October 20-23 in his home country. Sponsored by his charity, the KJ Choi Foundation, the prize money for the event has been set at \$750,000, instantly making it one of the most prestigious on the Asian Tour. Choi indicated that the intention behind the event is to gather attention for the KJ Choi Foundation, which supports under-privileged children throughout the world.

5 IN BRIEFS

Bite-sized news from the world of golf

The first golf course designed by **KK Downing**, lead guitarist in Judas Priest, is to host Final Qualifying for the 2011 Four Nations Golf Challenge on September 5. Shropshire's Astbury Hall will welcome men and ladies looking to qualify for the grand final, which will be contested by four teams of 12 players representing England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

American legend **Tom Watson** has set his sights on further success in the senior majors when the Senior Open visits Walton Heath from July 21-24. The 61-year-old said: "I'm looking forward to going back there this year and trying to win another Senior Open."



South African **Charl**

Schwartzel joined his countrymen Retief Goosen and Louis Oosthuizen by gaining his silver Honorary Life Membership card for the European Tour. "It is a great privilege to honour Charl in this way with the highest award we as a tour can bestow," said tour chief executive George O'Grady.



A new hayfever-fighting product based on acupressure points has been developed to help golfers overcome their problems with pollen in the summer. It's been developed by leading acupuncturist Andrew Broch and works by applying pressure to a specific acupressure point in the arm, known as the Qu-Chi point. See www.qu-chi.co.uk for more details.



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