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Dan Lobdell Appointed to Northeast Arc Board of **Directors**

By Stewart Lytle, Reporter

ROWLEY - Northeast Arc, a not-forprofit organization that helps children and adults with disabilities and autism become full participants in the community, has elected Dan Lobdell to its board of directors.

Lobdell is a senior vice president and senior relationship manager for M&T Bank in New England.

"Our daughter Cathryn is a 21-yearold engaging young woman with Down Syndrome that has excelled in her participation in the Northeast Arc recreation programs. Cathryn's life has been enriched by the community and friendships that she has developed through the many programs in which she has participated such as Youth Ambassador, walking the runway during An Evening of Changing Lives the past two years, and several Special Olympics programs run through Northeast Arc."

Lobdell is active in the community with the New England Healing Sports Association in Mount Sunapee, NH where he serves on the Board of Trustees. Lobdell is also active with the Special Olympics of Massachusetts as a volunteer/coach.

"We are excited to have Dan join the Northeast Arc board of directors," said Heidi Ellard, board chair, Northeast Arc. "His prior board experience, along with his personal connection to our mission, will help us as we continue to innovate and strengthen our support of individuals with diverse abilities."

Lobdell, who lives in Rowley with his wife Diane Lally and their daughter Cathryn Lally, earned an MBA from Northeastern University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Monmouth

Northeast Arc, the largest Arc in the state of Massachusetts and one of the largest in the country, changes lives for people with disabilities and children at risk of developing

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WREATHS across AMERICA Honoring Veterans This Holiday Season

By Ava Moeckel, Reporter

ROWLEY - It is not just the season for joy, but one to honor those who have served with a national wreath-laying ceremony. On the North Shore, volunteers will gather at the Rowley Burial Ground. on Saturday, Freedom, Justice and quality.

December 14, at 10 a.m.

In its opening remarks, the Wreaths Across

Wreaths Across America, a national organization with a North Shore chapter in Rowley, honors fallen veterans who gave their lives to protect the nation's ideals of

America will say, "There are many men and women serving today in all branches of the military, here at home and in places far away, that most of us have never heard of. These men and women are part of the best-trained, best-equipped force in the world. We honor them and their families for the sacrifices they make each day to keep our country safe from terrorism, hatred, and injustice."

It quoted President Ronald Reagan, saying: "Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States, where men were free.'

Ron and Tammy Garron, auxiliary members of the Rowley Veterans Committee, are the town coordinators for Wreaths Across

Wreaths Across America invites all to show a united front of gratitude and respect across the country to remember the fallen and honor those who serve and their families.'

Supporters sponsored the wreaths at a cost of \$17 each. For more information, visit wreathsacrossamerica.com.

Opening Remarks:

Thank you all for joining us here today. This year, across the country at 1000s of participating locations like this one, there are millions of Americans gathering safely as one nation to Remember, Honor and Teach. We are all proud to be Americans that live in a free society made up of many people, from many walks of life. The freedoms we enjoy

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Newburyport's New \$474,560 Tennis Courts

three new tennis courts at the Nock Middle School will not likely be finished this May in time for Newburyport High School to host the state scholastic tennis championships

But thanks to a grant of \$474,560 from the taxpayer-funded Community Preservation Commission (CPA), the talented ninth, 10th and 11th graders should be in a position before they graduate to play host on their home courts to the state championships.

For the last several seasons when the Newburyport girls' team fielded one of the best - if not the best - teams in the state,

and have home court advantage because the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Assn. (MIAA) requires a high school varsity tennis team to have four courts together to host tournament matches.

The legend is that the state approved the four-courts-together rule when it got frustrated with Newburyport when matches on the three courts at Atkinson had to play late to get them all played. In 2002, the city and the school district

joined together to renovate a pair of defunct tennis courts at the eastern edge of the middle school campus on Johnson Street. It used about \$200,000 in CPA funding to

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BY DOUG L.E.D. SIGNS **AWNINGS • BANNERS CARVED SIGNS BOAT/TRUCK LETTERING**

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Marc Maravalli, B.S., R.Ph. Publisher/Editor, The Town Common

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Ruth Flora (Zieff) Mades

Ruth Flora (Zieff) Mades, of Newburyport, Massachusetts, and formerly of Georgetown, Massachusetts died peacefully on December 4, 2024 at the age of 86 surrounded by her loving family.

Ruth was born in 1938, to Barney and Esther (Cohen) Zieff beach side, in Winthrop, Massachusetts. As a journalism student at Boston University, Ruth traveled extensively as a reporter for the university newspaper. In 1957, she married the love of her life, Harvey Mades. Together, they made a beautiful home and raised three children in Georgetown, Massachusetts,



Ruth was known in town as the proud mother to David, Danny and Debbie. For many years, "Mrs. Mades" was a beloved Kindergarten aid at Georgetown's Perley Elementary School. An avid reader, Ruth was a regular visitor to the Georgetown Peabody Library, both as a patron and later in life, as a member of their staff. Her animated readings at story hour would delight listeners of all ages. Ruth had an amazing musical ear and loved to sing and share her love of music. She also made the best cheese bread in the world and made completing the Boston Globe crossword puzzle look effortless. Her contagious optimism and quick sense of humor earned Ruth dear friends everywhere she went. She had many friends from the Georgetown Public School system, the pool at the Newburyport YMCA and at the Atria Merrimack Place, where she and Harvey have lived for the past six years.

where they were beloved members of the community for the next six decades.

Ruth was predeceased by her mother and father; her sister, Jean Stevenson; and her brothers-in-law, Michael M. Mades and Dr. Joel Mades. She is survived by Harvey, her loving husband of 66 years; by her son, David Mades and his wife, Linda; her son Daniel Mades and his wife Karen; by her daughter, Deborah Mellor and her husband, Art; and three grandchildren: Alyssa Sexton and her husband, Michael; Michael D. Mades; and Douglas Mades and his wife Revati. Ruth leaves behind one great grandchild, Finn Sexton and several nieces and nephews.

A private graveside service will be held at Sharon Memorial Park in Sharon, Massachusetts.



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Upcoming Events

Newburyport's Belleville Congregation Events

Street, Newburyport. Rev. Ross Varney, Pastor. Please join us for worship December 15th as we light the third Advent candle at 10am in the Chapel. And join us for coffee hour after the service. Our thrift shop is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 9am till noon. CODA meets Monday nights at 7pm, use the Chapel Street entrance. Mark you calendars: December 15th

Belleville Congregational Church, 300 High is our "pick-up" Christmas Pageant. We will go caroling after the service to some nursing homes and rehab facilities. Our Christmas Eve candle light service will be held in the stage room at 5pm, use the Chapel Street entrance. Our service is also available via Zoom. Please visit our website at bellevillechurch.org for the zoom. "Whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!"

Newburyport Coral Society

On Saturday, December 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 15 at 2:30 p.m. the Newburyport Choral Society, under the direction of Dr. Minji Kim, will perform a selection of beautiful holiday music exploring the themes of love, joy, remembrance, and spiritual connection. This year the performances will take place at Rupert A. Nock Middle School auditorium, 70 Low Street, Newburyport.

Entitled "Luminous Night" this festive Winter Concert program features the 120-voice

chorus, piano and organ accompaniment by Dr. Kirsten Helgeland, as well as a string quartet and percussion instruments. Featured selections include a contemporary piece by Ola Gjeilo called Luminous Night of the Soul, Christmas carols arranged with rich textures by Alice Parker, A Jubilant Song by Norman Dello Joio, and seasonal favorites such as Feliz Navidad, Joy to the World, and Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas, All are welcome! For information, visit www.newburyportchoralsociety.org/events

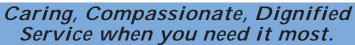
Holiday Celebration Concert at the Rowley Library

Saturday, December 21, 1:00PM

ages! Sing-alongs welcome to this free event! The Dirty Martinis Duo" presents their popular Holiday concert filled with beloved classic sing-alongs as well as their award-winning original holiday songs. Musicians Les Sampou Rowley Library.

and Edward Grenga team up to bring their vast talents to this delightful program perfect for the whole family.

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Greater Newburyport Adult and Community Education Announces Online Registration is Now Open for Winter Classes

REGIONAL — Greater Newburyport Adult and Community Education announces that online registration is now open for winter classes. The fall semester runs from January 21 through March 29 with classes running anywhere from a one-night workshop to the full eightweek semester. A wide array of more than 60 diverse classes are being offered. A few of the many classes include pottery, animal tracking, cooking,

floral arranging, Ukrainian egg decorating, astronomy, alcohol ink painting, decluttering your digital photos, yoga, Tai Chi, caring for a loved one with dementia, drawing, bridge, cribbage, writing, developing your psychic sense, Japanese bookbinding, personal cybersecurity, the enneagram of relationships, genealogy and many more. The catalogue of classes should be arriving in local mailboxes in mid-December but registration is currently available online at newburyportadulted. org. All classes have a maximum number of students and many fill up quickly.

Both Math and SAT Prep classes will be offered for college-bound juniors and seniors beginning on January 21. Each course will run for 6 weeks from 6-8pm at Newburyport High School. Students do not need to live in Newburyport to take these classes.

Weekly English classes (ESL) for non-English speaking individuals are also being offered and will run for eight weeks on Monday evenings from 5:30-7pm at the Nock Middle School. Registration is online or walk-ins are welcome on the first night of class, January 27.

All of our classes are open to anyone aged 15+ in the Greater Newburyport region and southern New Hampshire. It is not necessary to live in Newburyport to take any class.

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Greater Newburyport Adult and Community Education (GNACE) is entering its 23rd year and is a fully self-supporting program. Our budget is funded primarily from course fees. Additional funding is made available from grants and individual donors. We operate under the auspices of the Newburyport Public School system but we receive no tax dollars. •

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New Tennis Courts

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build two beautiful courts.

But that gave the school district only two courts together. Three more were across town at Atkinson Park, but not in the same

To meet the four-court-together MIAA rule, adding a fourth court at Atkinson was considered in years past. But to build a fourth court next to the three existing in the park would have required removing some beautiful trees in a park that is very popular with dog walkers and joggers.

The courts are also within feet of the 50-foot rock watch tower, built by the Depression-era WPA, and has become a favorite background for picnics and wedding photographers. Adding another tennis court was frowned on by many locals.

The Friends of Newburyport Tennis raised \$20,000 to build the new courts at the middle school. Much of that funding was from a GoFundMe page organized by Rosemary Turgeon and others, to build more courts on the Nock campus.

"This is really good for the community," said Kim Turner, director of special projects for Mayor Sean Reardon and credited with making the long-awaited tennis courts a

For a variety of projects, the CPA matches state grant from a fund raised by a 2 percent property tax surcharge. The money is used for housing, recreation open space and historic preservation projects.

The city had roughly \$1.5 million available in CPA money this year, and the ninemember CPA Committee recommended funding 15 projects to the City Council, including the three tennis courts.

According to avid tennis player Greg Lynch, who helped coach the girls' team and keeps track of the boys' teams, where his son played, both teams will be competitive for the state title. But the girls, who have been top seeds for the last several years, graduated some of their best players, notably Caroline Schulson. As a result, the team will only be "good" this year.

The boys' team, Lynch said, has "tremendous talent" and will be a contender.

Photo taken last weekend shows section of new elevated retaining wall, gravel, and dirt piles to the left of the two existing tennis court. The three new courts will be placed on top of this elevated area. CPA money was appropriated in March of 2024. (Photo: Lonnie Brennan)



Funding includes \$17,500 for setup and overhead, a temporary fence and erosion control (hay). \$28,000 to remove existing grass and topsoil, \$224,425 to construct the courts (paving, surfacing, and drainage around the perimeter)

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today have not come without a price. Lying here before us and in cemeteries throughout this nation are men and women who gave their lives so that we can live in freedom and without fear. We can worship as we see fit. We can raise our children to believe as we do. We are free to vote for the leaders of our choosing. And, we have the right to succeed, and we have the right to fail at whatever endeavor we wish to pursue.

The United States of America was founded on the ideals of Freedom, Justice, and Equality. Our Nation stands as a shining beacon of liberty and freedom to the world. We thank those who gave their lives to keep us free, and we shall not forget you. We shall

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remember. (Short Pause)

Today, more than ever, we reflect on our nation's veterans and active duty service members who have had and continue to fight to protect the innocent and oppressed. This nation has always been the first to stand up for the freedom of people from around the world. Many of you here today have answered that call and served your country well. For this, we say, "Thank you," and we are honored to know you.

Quoting our 40th United States President Ronald Reagan (short pause), "Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's

children what it was once like in the United States, where men were free.

Today, we show a united front of gratitude and respect across the United States of America as we REMEMBER the Fallen, HONOR those who serve and their families, and TEACH the next generation the value of freedom.

Wreaths Across America began with a single act, when Morrill Worcester, owner of Worcester Wreath Company in Harrington, Me., had a surplus of wreaths after Christmas. As as a 12-year-old paper boy when he won a trip to Washington D.C., he saw the thousands of graves at Arlington National Cemetery. He donated those extra wreaths and with the help of a trucking company and now-retired U.S. Sen. Olympia Snowe from Maine, those wreaths were placed on an older section of the cemetery.

A decade later, a photo of the green wreaths with red ribbons went viral on the Internet. Volunteers wanted to honor fallen veterans in local cemeteries around the country. Today, more 2 million volunteers and supporters gather at 4,600 locations in 50 states, including Rowley Burial Ground, to participate in honoring, remembering and teaching about the sacrifices these veterans





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By J. Peter St. Clair, DMD

I attended a continuing education course a while back entitled "Hit Man or Healer?" The course was given by a well-known leader in the dental profession. The basic premise of the course was the notion that we have a lot more science, studies and data available today to be able to make better decisions about the treatment that we dentists recommend to patients. The concept is called evidence-based dentistry.

The idea is that if a very structured examination and diagnosis is done, treatment recommendations can be made based on science. The problem is, all too often the diagnosis leads to suggestions that without the proper dialogue can make the dentist look like a "hit man" (ie. patient perception of over-treatment) vs. "healer" (intervention with the intention to preserve the teeth better for the long-term).

The lecturer started by putting an image of a person's teeth on the screen and asking the audience to guess how old the person was. Although it is relatively easy to estimate a person's age during transition from the primary teeth to permanent teeth, it is apparently a little more difficult when all the permanent teeth are in. I guessed the age of the patient on the screen to be between 50 and 60.

The patient had great looking teeth. You could tell the person was a mature adult by the darkening of the teeth, but there was very little wear and very minimal dentistry. The patient ended up being 94 years old, which was more evident when her full face was projected on the screen....although she looked great in general for 94. The lecturer said, "Is this the way teeth should look at 94 or is this woman a freak of nature?"

While there are definitely genetic factors that may play a role, many of the problems we see today with teeth are 100% preventable; for example, dental decay. I used to say that dental decay was 100% preventable, however today I'd say 95%, with a few more years under my belt.

It is still not uncommon to have a patient (maybe a teenager or an older person on multiple medications with dry mouth) come in for a routine dental hygiene appointment and be told they have decay, or multiple areas of decay, which were not present 6 months ago. In that scenario the dentist would be considered the "hit man".

The "healer" may have taken a different approach, and may have done a more thorough evidence-based evaluation and made recommendations based on diet, homecare habits and maybe even familial history that could prevent the decay in the first place. Dentists have gotten good at telling patients how they can "fix" the problem, but we need to consider changing their thinking and get more training in how to "prevent" the problems we see today in

Many of the basic principles learned in dental school are used on a routine basis. However, there is continuous new data emerging that we as health care providers need to expose ourselves to. We must then take that information and decide on what and how to implement any of it for the benefit of our patients. I hope to see major advancements in our approach to oral health care in my career. There is no reason you can't live to 94 and have a great set of teeth.

I find it amazing the see the number of commercials for dental organizations that promote removal of all the teeth and replacing them a few implants and a horseshoe-shaped denture attached to it.....for \$35,000 per arch. While that may be a great treatment

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option for some patients, I often wonder how many good teeth are removed. I'm also wondering where so many people are coming up with \$70k to replace all their teeth with implant-supported dentures.

As I have said numerous times over the last few weeks - Unfailing routine professional maintenance is a key factor in achieving and maintaining dental health. Don't just hope you're a freak of nature.

Dr. St. Clair maintains a private dental practice in Rowley dedicated to healthcentered family dentistry. He has a special interest in treating snoring, sleep apnea and TMJ problems. If there are certain topics you would like to see written about or questions you have please email them to him at jpstclair@stclairdmd.com

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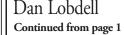
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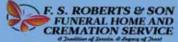


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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Try to be patient as a troubling matter at work is dealt with a step at a time. Progress toward a resolution might seem slow, but it's sure and steady.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Be careful not to let misplaced loyalty to a friend cloud your usually good judgment. Be true to your principles—they won't ever let you down.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A seeming inability to make a decision can sometimes work to your advantage. Use the time to reassess the situation, then act on the facts you uncover.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Good news! A personal matter you thought would never improve suddenly takes on a more positive aspect. Things brighten up at your workplace as well

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Don't huddle alone in your den to nurse those hurt feelings. Instead, get out and enjoy the company of family and friends. Remember, lions thrive in a

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An old health problem recurs, but quick attention soon puts everything right. Meanwhile, plans for the upcoming holidays might need to be changed. Stay flexible!

The Spats

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A project you started earlier this year begins to be noticed by the "right people." Expect to get some heartening news by year's end!

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) It's relationship repair time for both single and married Scorpions. Patch up the weak spots and renew your commitment to your partner or

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Love and marriage aspects are strong for both paired and single Archers. The latter can expect romantic overtures from a loving Leo.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Expect news about a business deal you weren't sure about. In your personal life, a dispute with your spouse or partner is soon cleared up.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You have a tendency to overdo it, especially at this time of the year. Ease up on those grand plans for the holidays and take more time for your-

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Someone from your romantic past might want to renew your old relationship. While this might be what you were hoping for, weigh your decision confoller. sion carefully.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a strong sense of truth and duty. You love to learn, and you love to teach. You make friends slowly, but your friendships last.

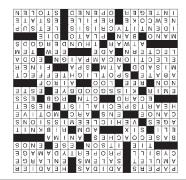
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- 7 Rival of Nike 13 More potent,
- as liquor 20 Supposed
- evil repeller 21 Stephen King's "— Lot"
- 22 Grow bigger 23 "The Client List" actress
- Shepherd 24 Result of vandalism
- 26 Match draw 27 "Them's fightin' words!"
- 28 Suffix with Canton 29 Right fielder
- Slaughter 30 Officials at
- first or third 34 Inner self.
- to Jung 36 Quarterback Manning
- 37 Eight minus two
- 38 Nav. officer 40 Sweater with
- a pattern of raised bands **45** Ripens
- 47 Auto exhaust and such 52 River craft

- 54 Nav. officer 55 Rainbow, e.g.
- 56 Incentive 57 Cardiologist
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 - 83 Belief that people are noticing you more than they really
 - 90 Total up wrongly
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 - 93 Hot tub site 94 More subtle, as a point
 - 95 Presidential hopeful's bid

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- 1 Lobby gp. 2 Comedian
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The Zoom videoconference information will be posted on the Town website in advance of the meeting. This is a joint meeting under the requirements of MGL Ch. 131, Sect. 40,as amended, and Boxford's Wetlands Protection Bylaw and Regulations. To view application materials, call (978) 887-6000, ext. 506.

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FlingGolf 'Liberates' Great Britain Golf Courses

By Stewart Lytle, Reporter

AMESBURY - It is not just the NFL with the New England Patriots playing the Jacksonville Jaguars in London or the NBA's EuroLeague that are taking a U.S. sport

FlingGolf is crossing the Pond to bring this new sport to British golf courses, including the world's most prestigious one, St. Andrews Golf Club in Scotland.

The upstart sport played on 2,000 courses combines aspects of lacrosse, baseball and hockey but follows golf rules. Unlike traditional golf, players need only one FlingStick to hurl a golf ball down the fairway and putt it in the hole.

On Nov. 7, while on a business trip, Jonathan Bellingham, one of the sports' best players, joined two traditional golfers and a St. Andrews' caddy for a round on St. Andrews' celebrated course in Scotland.

"It was surreal, to be honest," said Bellingham, who owns the Capon Springs Resort and golf course in West Virginia. "We all know that FlingGolf and golf are so easily compatible, but that doesn't necessarily

translate right away for some traditional courses. So, to be welcomed, and honestly with really no concerns, just curiosity from my group was so cool. Very quickly we were talking about the fact that I was setting the course record for FlingGolf at St. Andrews! It was an amazing day that I won't forget."

Bellingham, using the 6037-yard tees, shot a 92 with his 47-inch Ballistick FlingStick, the longest Flickstick available and one most used by the top male players. The average score for traditional golfers at the Old Course

FlingGolf inventor Alex Van Alen was ecstatic. "This is a moment that will go down in the annals of FlingGolf's story, and I couldn't be happier than to see Jonathan be the player to 'liberate' St. Andrews.'

He called Bellingham "a ridiculously good ambassador" for FlingGolf. In addition to owning a course, Jonathan has competed well in the World League of FlingGolf (WLF) tournaments and promotes the sport throughout West Virginia.

Since FlingGolf launched itself as a new way to enjoy a golf course, its tournaments have been on ESPN multiple times, and Van Alen, CEO of New Swarm, and John Pruellage, the WFL commissioner, pitched the new sport on the TV show SharkTank, the team has received numerous inquiries from Europe about expanding.

But it was not until Pruellage fielded a call from Paul Barron that the team of sports entrepreneurs got excited about expanding to

Barron, who owns golf courses in Bournemouth in southern England, is the perfect partner, Pruellage said. He has the ability to promote the sport on his courses, is well known among golfers and course owners throughout Britain, and due to a neck injury, which keeps him from swinging a golf club, he plays FlingGolf.

"We are optimistic that he gets it," Pruellage said last week from the Amesbury FlingGolf headquarters.

Barron headed a team of British FlingGolfers this year that played a match against a U.S. team in the Ryder-style Briton Cup. Of course, the more experienced U.S. team won, but plans are already underway for a competition next year.

"Our team is really excited," Pruellage said. Following his round at St. Andrews, Jonathan met with Barron, now the FlingGolf UK president to play FlingGolf at other courses in the area, "What a thrill it was to hear that Jonathan was playing St. Andrews," Barran said. "I've managed to play some of the best courses in the UK, including the Woburn Golf Club, Marquess Course, Morton Hall in Edinburgh and Ardglass in Northern Ireland, but to know that the Old Course is on the FlingGolf map is really exciting. It bodes well for where the sport is headed over here."

In a tribute to FlingGolf history, Bellingham left his FlingStick for the St. Andrews staff as a memento. "It was an amazing thought that since the 1500s, this course has been the beacon of golf and it's incredible traditions," he said. "Now, and for the entire FlingGolf community I have been fortunate to be a part of, perhaps this could be the beginning of a new tradition on the Old Course.'

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