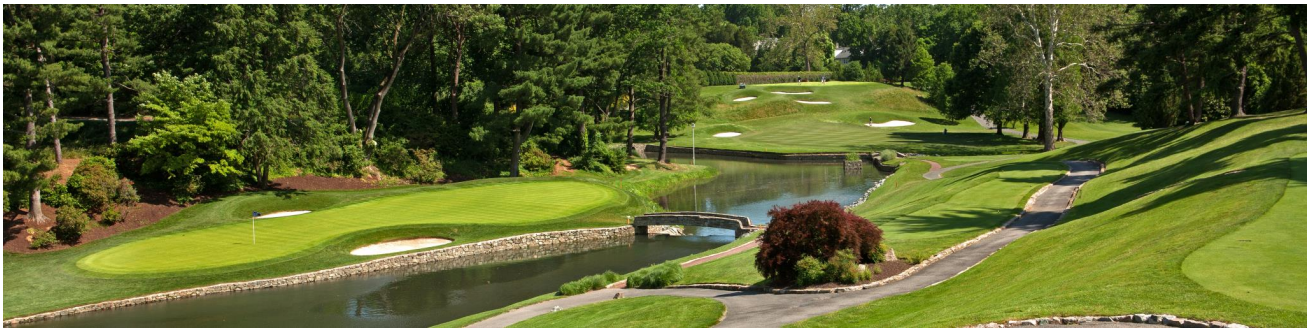
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Dear Friends,

Congratulations on your invitation to the 6th Annual Founding Fathers Invitational. Enclosed in the pages following you will find information that may help you prepare for this prestigious event.

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In 2022, we welcome back two old friends (Roland Miller and Chris Connolly), and introduce, for the first time, the good doctor Dr. Mark Kurd, savior to many, as well as Murph Barton, brother of Bear, owner of low handicap. Special attention should be paid to how these players perform under the intense pressure of the FFI. Special attention.

And while we welcome these new/old-new friends, we will mourn the (perhaps) temporary loss of FFI stalwart and cashmere aficionado Rob Nathan, as well as undefeated Team DC bullpen aces Ben “Fritzay” Fritz and Michael “Screech” Kearns … Pray for Them.

As some of you may know, this year’s format will be similar to the 2020 Invitational, which was held just outside of Washington DC and won by the host team. The specific format and selected rules are enclosed in this packet and subject to change - I advise a thorough review as each player is limited to one (1) question of the Tournament Rules Committee (TRC).

We look forward to your arrival later this week. As always, please feel free to call your mum should you have any questions or complaints.

Sincerely,
The DC Team
Two-Time Defending Champions

General Logistics



Lodging: The host team is pleased to offer comfortable and convenient accommodation for all of our out-of-town guests at the Chevy Chase Club's Bradley House. Though tradition suggests a spirited game of suck-and-blow to determine room assignments, the Tournament Host Committee (THC) has selected rooms for each player based on a complicated and confidential algorithm.

Room 1: Dr. Mark Kurd
Room 2: Pat Shanahan
Room 4: Jeff Shanahan
Room 5: Barton Bros
Room 6: Everly Bros
Room 7: Will Mundy
Room 10: Devin Tuohey

Check in will take place at the entry to the main clubhouse. If the rooms are not ready upon your arrival, the locker room will be available for changing (if necessary) and all luggage will be held at the Clubhouse, ready to be moved into the rooms following the Exhibition Round.

As a reminder to those hailing from either the Philadelphia or Pittsburgh regions of Pennsylvania, gentlemen should remove their caps and speak in a respectful manner when inside the Clubhouse. Stonewashed denim is neither encouraged nor allowed in the Clubhouse or anywhere southeast of Altoona for that matter.

Cash Needs and General payment while at the Club(s): All personal charges (e.g. pro shop) can and should be put to your room or to a credit card. Communal charges (e.g. golf, canteen/turn F&B, group meals etc …) will be charged to the Hosts and reimbursed (with typical and customary fees) at a later date.

The only cash requirement will be for caddies (approx. $60-80/bag at Chevy, $100-125/bag at Columbia). There is no other tipping necessary at either Club. The team captains will be responsible for providing the CASH entry fee ($250/man). Any and all gambling in addition to the entry fee will be the responsibility of the individual player and should be in the form of crisp $20 bills. Venmo is for lazy millennials … and executives of fintech payment processing companies.

Travel/Transportation: Transportation between Clubs and from the Club to Casa de Hopkins will be provided by the hosts. Longhaul transportation has been arranged by Mundy Wealth Management – Where Alignment Is More Than Something You Learn at Golf School ©. [1]

See schedule for more detail.

Caddies: We do not expect there to be any issues with caddy/player relations this year, but as the competition gets heated, please keep your head on a swivel as things can escalate quickly. See note above re: payment.

Meals: All meals will be provided by the hosts. See schedule for more detail regarding location.

Dress Code: Typical country club rules apply at both Chevy and Columbia. If you feel the need to wear five pocket pants (previously known as 'jeans') make sure they don't look like jeans. Acceptable brands include, but are not limited to: Peter Millar, AG, Travis Mathew.

<u>Jackets are recommended for the Champions Dinner on Friday evening.</u>



Ben Everly – 2019 MVP – shown here testing the pewter content of The Goblet of Immortality

[1] Past performance is not indicative of future results.

Schedule

Date	Time	Course	Pairing	Pairing
EXHIBITION				
10/6	12:50	Chevy Chase Club	Carr/Barton, B	Tuohey/Barton, M
10/6	1:00	Chevy Chase Club	Connolly/Shanahan, J	Dr. Mark Kurd/Everly, L
10/6	1:10	Chevy Chase Club	Miller/Shanahan, P	Everly, B/MWM
Match 1: Fourball	**7:15 WARMUP**	**COLUMBIA**	**IND RIDES FROM CHEVY**	**(5 MIN RIDE)**
10/7	8:00	Columbia Country Club	Delany/Miller	P Shan/Dr Frasier Crane
10/7	8:12	Columbia Country Club	Carr/Keegan	B Etherington/M Barton
10/7	8:24	Columbia Country Club	Hopkins/Tuohey	J Shan/L Etherington
10/7	8:36	Columbia Country Club	Burke/Connolly	B Barton/CotM
Match 2: Fourball	**1:00 LUNCH**	**CHEVY**	**TAP ROOM TERRACE**	**BUFFET**
10/7	1:48	Chevy Chase Club	Silverback Gorilla/DT	Barton Bros
10/7	2:00	Chevy Chase Club	Burke/Delany	Everly Bros
10/7	2:12	Chevy Chase Club	Carr/Hop	Mundy/Doc McStuffins
10/7	2:24	Chevy Chase Club	Connolly/Keegan	Shenanigan Bros
Match 3: Singles				
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Harambe	Berenstain, Papa
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Tuohey	Magic Tones, Murph & the
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Burke	L Everly
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Delany	B Everly
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Carr	McStuffs
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Hopkins	Case of the Mundies
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Keegan	Shanahan, J
10/7	B9	Chevy Chase Club	Connolly	Shanahan, P

<u>MEALS</u>

10/6:

- *Lunch provided at Chevy Chase Club. Golf Attire.*
- *Cocktails/dinner to be served at Casa De Hop at approx 7:00. Casual attire.*

10/7:

- *Continental breakfast[2] – Your Room. Golf attire.*
- *Cocktails/Brekky Sandos provided at Columbia Country Club – Shack. Golf attire.*
- *Lunch provided at Chevy Chase Club – Tap Room Patio. Golf attire.*
- *Cocktails, Appetizers, Dinner provided at Chevy Chase Club – Tap Room. Jacket recommended, not required. [3]*

[2] Continental breakfast may consist of one (1) apple (Fuji or Red Delicious) and one (1) granola bar (Chewy or Valley, Nature – Oats and Honey). Coffee available at Chevy Chase Club.

[3] Please check out of your room PRIOR to your AM round and store your belongings at the Chevy Chase Club. Showers/towel snapping available in locker room immediately following second round.

Rules and Scoring

Rules: USGA rules oversee all course activities, unless expressly agreed upon by both parties or listed below.[4]

- **Winter rules may apply** (lift, clean, place in your appropriate fairway only) IF agreed upon prior to play. Gimmes and Mullis are at the discretion of the foursome.
- For pace of play reasons, **out-of-bounds penalties will be played as lateral hazards** (i.e. one stroke penalty, place ball two club lengths from nearest point of entry no closer to the hole). Play 'ready golf' and the TLC reminds all players it is imperative to keep a fast pace in order to finish 36 holes each day.
- Triple bogey is the maximum score allowed, but should the hole be decided by triple bogey, the legitimate triple (vs the pick-up) will carry the hole. Player should immediately remove his ball from competition on any hole once a triple-b has been reached. **Player should then contemplate his priorities in life prior to rejoining the competition.** No, Pat and Jeff, this rule will not most likely apply to you.
- Any **wagering on course** is at the complete and unilateral discretion of the members of the foursome. The tournament committee does not specifically or explicitly condone or condemn opportunities for financial risk taking/alternative mortgage-payment strategies. Need help with a gambling problem? Please call 1-800-522-4700.



FFI – 2020. Note 1: Team DC unity, as represented by their matching outfits. Note 2: 50% attrition of Team Philadelphia. Note 3: The size of team DC QZ's.

[4] All rules listed on this page are applicable for the FFI Invitational only. The exhibition round will be played under the rules provided by the Club.

Scoring:

- **Exhibition – Aggregate Select NET (18 holes):** Aggregate net total strokes. Each individual player will either select or reject his net score prior to teeing off on the following hole. Each player must select 10 scores (40 for the foursome). Low aggregate score wins. $25/player.
- **FFI – Fourball (Rd 1, 18 holes)**: Best net score carries the hole. In the case of tie, the hole is halved. No carry-overs. Outward nine, inward nine and overall 18 are worth one point each. Three points available for each match – 12 total points.
- **FFI** – **Fourball Closeout (Rd 2, 9 holes):** Same as previous format, except the closeout overlay. Primary match worth two(2) points. Once the nine-hole match has been closer out (ex: 3 up with 2 to play) a new match begins worth one (1) additional point. If the closeout match is tied, each team receives .5 points. Min eight points avail. Max 12 points.
- **FFI** – **Singles (Rd 3, 9 holes)**. Low net score wins hole. No closeout. Each match is worth one (1) point. Eight total points available.
- **Total Points**:
    - Round 1: 12 points
    - Round 2: 8-12 points
    - Round 3: 8 points.
    - **Total: 28-32**

In the event of a tie, TEAM DC retains the Goblet of Immortality (aka the Founders Cup of Pewter and Glory)



Harambe (2018 MVP), as found in his natural habitat. Accompanied by Mr. Connolly and PM Keegan. 10/24/18.

FFI Historical Results

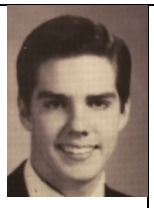
Year	Location		Score (H-G)	Champion	MVP
2018	Applebrook	Aronomink	12-6	Team Philly	P. Shanahan
2018	Columbia	Chevy	15.5-12.5	Team DC	R. Miller
2019	Applebrook	Applebrook	17.5-10.5	Team Philly	B. Etherington
2020	Chevy	Columbia	14.5-9.5	Team DC	M. Hopkins
2021	Applebrook	Applebrook	13-15	Team DC	D. Tuohey
2022	Columbia	Chevy	TBD	TBD	TBD

2022 Team Rosters

Team Philly

								
Player	Shanahan, Jeff (Capt)	Shanahan, Pat (Alt Capt/CFO)	Mundy, Will (COO, Perm Interim)	Etherington, Ben	Etherington, Luke	Barton, Bear	Barton, Murphy	Kurd, Dr. Mark
Home Club(s)	Applebrook/ Aronomink	Applebrook/ Aronomink	Aronomink	Applebrook	Applebrook/ Aronomink	Philadelphia Country Club	Philadelphia Country Club	Aronomink
22 FFI Index (low)	1.4 (0.5)	+1.0 (+1.5)	15.9 (15.9)	6.6 (6.2)	5.6 (4.9)	5.7 (3.1)	2.8 (2.8)	5.3 (5.0)
Roster Security Status (H/M/L)	High	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low

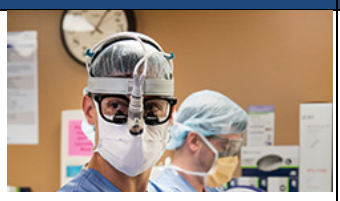
Team DC

								
Player	Hopkins, Matt (Capt)	Delany, Brendan (Alt Capt)	Carr, Jon (Director, Player Personnel)	Burke, Vince	Connolly, Chris	Keegan, Sean	Miller, Roland	Tuohey, Devin
Home Club(s)	Columbia	Columbia	Chevy Chase, Farmington	Columbia	Chevy Chase	Columbia, Manor, Congressional, Kinloch	Chevy Chase	Columbia, Philadelphia Country Club
FFI Index ('22 low)	11.5 (10.8)	19.0 (18.9)	3.3 (3.3)	11.5 (11.5)	0.2 (+0.7)	1.0 (0.4)	5.8 (4.7)	10.1 (9.5)
Most recent Google Search	Is an X5 a grocery getter? Be honest, google.	Min temperature appropriate for beanie on golf course	Patrick 'Bear' Barton image search	How many pairs of loafers would most people consider to be too many	Best button-down pajamas, Brooks Brothers	Non-resident initiation fee caves valley golf club	Long-term effects of eating red meat for breakfast, lunch, dinner and late night snack	Overnight trophy engraver, Near Me

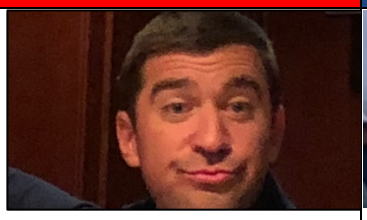
Match Ups and Break Downs

The tournament commissioners have selected pairings based on a highly advanced (and proprietary) algorithm that strikes the ideal balance between camaraderie, competition and diversity.

Match 1: Fourball | 3 points/match (1 per 9 + 1 overall) | 12 total points

Brendan Delany	Roland Miller	Dr. Mark Kurd	Pat Shanahan
			
24	8	7	X

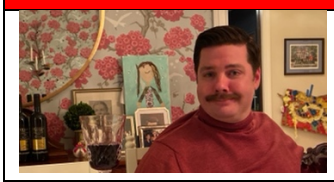
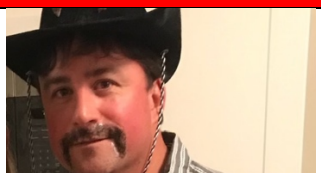
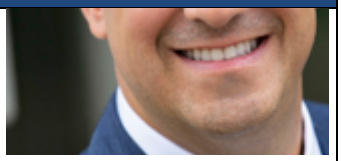
Overview: Vice Captain Delany took home 4.5 points last year, one of Team DC's best performances, and is paired with former MVP Miller, while the good Dr. Kurd takes some time away from the OR to enjoy four hours of silence next to the always gracious P Shan. **What to watch for**: How will Delany's new swing handle the pressure of 18 holes under Pat's watchful eye? Will Pat speak to Dr. Mark Kurd if he fails to make par with a pop on 3? Though Team DC has forgiven the Silverback, has he forgiven himself? **Prediction**: While compelling themes like: Twenty. Four. Pops, Golf School and Roland's redemption may play well in the press room, Bovada has the odds narrowly in favor of the visiting team … and we won't tell Doc Beeper that the last match played at Columbia between Pat and Roland resulted in one player's unceremonious dismissal from Team Philly, a fate even new, highly technical micro spikes couldn't undo. **Team Philly takes the front on 9 and the two teams push the back … 2.5 points to the visitors.**

Jon Carr	Sean Keegan	Ben Etherington	Murphy Barton
			
3	X	7	2

Overview: Newcomer Murph Barton gets an early taste of notorious Philly tormentor Keegan, while Benny Boy and Carr match up for their 100th time. **What to watch for:** Questions abound: fresh off an attempt at early retirement, has Carr used his ample time visiting prestigious golf communities to fix the many issues that have plagued him over the years? Is the Goblet of Immortality actually 100% (or any %) Pewter? Will the mounting pressure (and banter-free rounds with Pat) finally get to Ben after all these years? More importantly, does AM Keegan fall victim to Murph's paralyzing Blue Steel stare. **Prediction**: Carr/Keegan take the front with a win at the 9th, but lose the back in part due to net-birds by the resilient Philadephians on 11 and 12 and split the match. **PUSH 1.5/1.5**

Matt Hopkins	Devin Tuohey	Jeff Shanahan	Luke Etherington
			
12	10	X	5

Overview: What Capt Hopkins wants, Capt Hopkins gets - and in this case he demanded reigning MVP (and perennial point earner) Tuohey run back their successful 2021 FFI pairing. Meanwhile, matchmaker PShan pairs his Show Pony with longtime contributor Etherington, Luke in what will surely be a pressure-packed first tee (and match). **What to watch for:** The self-anointed Head Urban Cowboy limped around Applebrook in 2021 and his results were uncharacteristically poor. Has his mystery injury healed? Will Luke be able to ignore the volatile tin market for a couple hours? Does Hoka make golf shoes? When does Jeff ask who made the better speech the night prior? Does any of this even matter? Seventeen net pops will be a lot for even two healthy men to overcome, doesn't matter how much horsepower you've got in the garage back home. **Prediction**: The Hopkins/Tuohey pairing get out to an early lead, stumble a bit midround, but hang on for a vital dubya. **Team DC takes it 2:1**

Vinny Burke	Chris Connolly	Bear Barton	Will Mundy
			
14	X	7	20

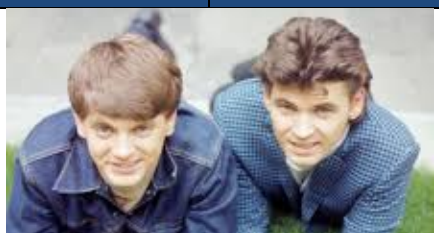
Overview: By a wide margin, the friendliest match wraps up the first session of the 22 FFI. Plenty of congenial story telling and respectful eye contact will make this matchup a fan favorite from the start. **What to watch for:** What has Mundy learned from yet another trip to golf camp? Is Bear secretly rooting for Team DC, a leadership group clearly more fun to be around? Have Vinny's and Chris's new jobs impacted their practice schedule? **Prediction**: Mundy's 20 (TWENTY) pops and Bear's steady play prove difficult for Team DC … but not impossible. **Team DC takes another match, but by the narrowest of margins – 2:1**

Match 2 (9 Holes): Fourball Closeout | 2 points/match + 1 Closeout | 12 potential points

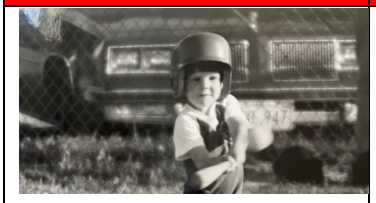
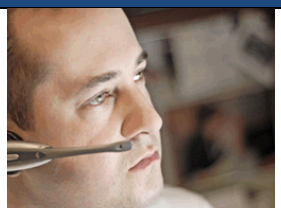
NOTE: All strokes listed below are based on a 9-hole match.

Harambe	DT	Papa Bear Barton	Murph Barton
			
3	5.5	3	x

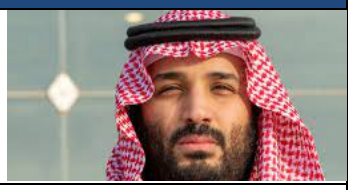
Overview: Team DC roles out its most prolific point getters at Harambe's home course. The Bros Barton will not be skerred. **What to watch for:** If DT needs back, ankle or emotional support, an alpha male silverback gorilla may not, necessarily, be the right one to ask. On the other hand, decades of unspoken slights between these seemingly loving brothers have a tendency to come ripping to the surface once a couple 3-footers miss their mark. **Prediction**: Team DC's dream team is too much for PCC's finest over 8 holes, but the visitors pull out a point through a miraculous up and down on 9 to salvage the closeout. **Team DC 2:1**

Vinny Burke	Brendan Delahny	Don Everly	Phil Everly
			
3.5	7.5	5	x

Overview: Team Philly goes heavy with its brotherly love theme sending out pop music sensations Ben and Luke Everly against longtime besties VCB4 and B Delaaaaahny. **What to watch for:** ACHTUNG. ACHTUNG. Half-Pop Alert. ACHTUNG. **Prediction**: Armed with two half-pop holes and the strength of land-animal protein, Team DC races out to a lead and withstand a late charge by the former teen idols to **take the match 1up … and that equates to 2 important points for the home team.**

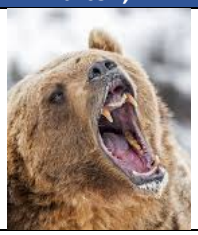
Jon Carr	Matt Hopkins	Doc McStuffins	Case of the Mundys
			
X	5	1.5	7.5

Overview: Death, taxes … and Mundy v Hopkins/Carr in the FFI second round are life's inescapable truths. Typically, The Cashmere Queen is there to offer support, but the 2022 affair includes an FFI Rookie. **What to watch for:** The iPhone. Whoever pulls that out first is the loser. **Prediction**: The Hopkins/Carr pairing is looking for a spark after an otherwise lackluster team partnership during the Summer of 22 … and **while they play inspired golf for much of the match, the half pops come back to bite them and team Philly gets a bit closer with a clean sweep, 3-0.**

Chris Connolly	Sean Keegan	P-Shan	J-Shan
			
.5	1	x	1

Scout's take: **FEATURED PAIRING ALERT**. The final pairing features the four best players in the tourney in what Vegas believes will be an overall team match tied at this point in the festivities. No pops other than the par 5 8th allows for golf as it was meant to be. **What to watch for:** PM Keegan. The decisions made at three imperative milestones: the breakfast table, the shack and the tap room bar will go a long way in determining who ends this ahead. **Prediction**: A tight match throughout, a DC deficit through six turns into **a frustrating tie** for the fans … and for the Shannys. ON TO THE SINGLES/DEATH MATCHES.

Match 3: Singles | 1 point/match | 8 total points

Miller		Barton, B
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
X	Net Handicap	X

Tuohey		Barton, M
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
4	Net Handicap	X

Burke		L Everly
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
3.5	Net Handicap	X

Delany		B Everly
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
7	Net Handicap	X

Hopkins		Mundy Wealth Management
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
X	Net Handicap	5

Carr		Dr. Beeper
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
X	Net Handicap	1.5

Keegan		J Shan
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
X	Net Handicap	X

Connolly		P. Shanahan
	PREDICTION AVAILABLE WITH PAID SUBSCRIPTION	
.5	Net Handicap	X

And a closing note from one of the captains …



Play well gentlemen. Don’t forget to enjoy the walk.