

WILF HOMENUIK



Coming from a golfing family of seven brothers may have meant there was always competition on the links, but Wilf Homenuik used that as a springboard to international competitions. He was born in 1935 in Kamsack and began golfing at Deer Park Golf Club in Yorkton on sand greens.

Wilf won the Saskatchewan Amateur in 1953 and the Saskatchewan Junior in 1954, going on to finish second at Nationals that year. He added two Manitoba Amateur Championships, two Manitoba Open and two Alberta Open Championships to his list of titles. He was a Willingdon Cup team member for both Saskatchewan and Manitoba in the fifties.

As a professional, Wilf won the CPGA Championship in 1965 and 1971, and twice was the winner of the CPGA Match Play for the Millar Trophy (1967 and 1968). He played in the Canadian Open seven times, recording a best personal finish in 1962 as low Canadian and tied for seventh place.

He represented Canada at the World Cup on three occasions, finishing fourth with George Knudson in 1965, eighth with Moe Norman in 1971 and twelfth with Ben Kern in 1974. Wilf won eight international titles in the sixties and seventies, including Peru, Panama, Bahamas and various American competitions.

Wilf Homenuik was the Professional at several golf courses in Ontario. He was cited as a “well beloved teacher” when he was inducted into the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame in 2005. In addition, he is a member of the Manitoba Golf Hall of Fame, and the Yorkton Sports Hall of Fame with his brothers Ted and Stan. He was honoured with a Ukrainian Canadian Congress Nation Builder Award in 2003.