

Nosewicz Outduels English in Seniors

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Ed Nosewicz of the Aurora Golf Club broke the pattern of the match on the 11th hole Saturday at the Fitzsimons Golf Club and went on to defeat Jim English of the J.F. Kennedy Golf Club 3 and 2 in the finals of the Colorado Golf Association's senior finals.

The defending champion Nosewicz was 2-under-par and even against English through the first nine holes but the latter, who 10 days ago won the senior division of the Colorado Open, never gained the lead.

Nosewicz birdied the first hole with a 35-foot putt and the best English could do on the front side was to come from behind three times to even the match.

THEN NOSEWICZ birdied the 419-yard, par-4 10th to go three under par and he was back in front 1-up.

The key hole came on the rugged 234-yard, par-3 11th.

While English had come back to tie the match each time Nosewicz jumped ahead, this time Nosewicz salvaged a halving par that turned the match around.

"I hit a cart-path sign with my tee shot at the 11th and the ball bounced behind a trap 40- to 50-feet from the pin," Nosewicz explained. "Then I hit my best shot of the tournament. The chip shot hit the fringe and rolled up for a short putt to save my par." The putt measured three feet.

English's chance to deadlock the match for the fourth time crashed when he 2-putted for his par.

Through that point English was two under par on the 35-35-71 Fitzsimons card.

Nosewicz went 2-up when English went into the left rough on the 12th and skied his second shot short of the green from behind a tree and wound up with a bogey.

Both got 2-putt pars on the 13th when English's birdie bid went wide right.

Neither could find the green on the 204-yard, par-3 14th and English's ball landed in the deep grass to the right. He chipped too hard and the ball finished on the back fringe.

NOSEWICZ SAVED his par and won the hole when he chipped pin high eight feet from the cup and made it. That put him 3 up with four to play, and Nosewicz erased any comeback hopes that English had with excellent drives on the next two holes.

English, who has won major amateur titles over a four-state area and was the leading amateur in the 1959 U.S. Open at Winged Foot, Mamaroneck, N.Y., tried too hard to generate a rally.

He hooked his drive on the par four,

THE CHAMPIONSHIP CARD			
PAR OUT	444	453	453-34
Nosewicz Out	344	453	443-34
English Out	443	454	352-34
PAR IN	434	434	445-35-36-71
Nosewicz In	334	435	4 (wins 3 and 2)
English In	435	445	4

491-yard 15th while Nosewicz was comfortably dead center in the fairway and a good 170 yards longer. Both bogeyed the No.-2-handicap hole on the card. Nosewicz' 10-footer died on the lip for his only bogey of the day.

Again Nosewicz drove beautifully on the dogleg 16th, and English again found the left rough under a sprawling tree. He bumped the ball out short of the green but still had life when Nosewicz pushed an easy approach into the right trap adjacent to the green.

English pitched four feet short of the pin and then conceded the match when Nosewicz blasted out six to eight inches from the cup.

BOTH COMPETITORS have golf families. Nosewicz' sons, Leonard and Jerry, caddied for him this week and three of his other sons, Tom, Jim and Ed are golf professionals.

English's son, Pat, caddied for him and brothers, Matt and Jim, were excellent players as juniors. Pat English and Jerry Nosewicz are contenders for the title in the CGA's state junior match-play championship which will be played next week at Fitzsimons.

English won the senior stroke-play title a year ago but lost it to Les Fowler of Boulder earlier this summer.

"I've developed a loop in my back-swing," English said of his play this week at Fitzsimons, "and I just couldn't get rid of it today. This makes me the runner-up in both senior events."

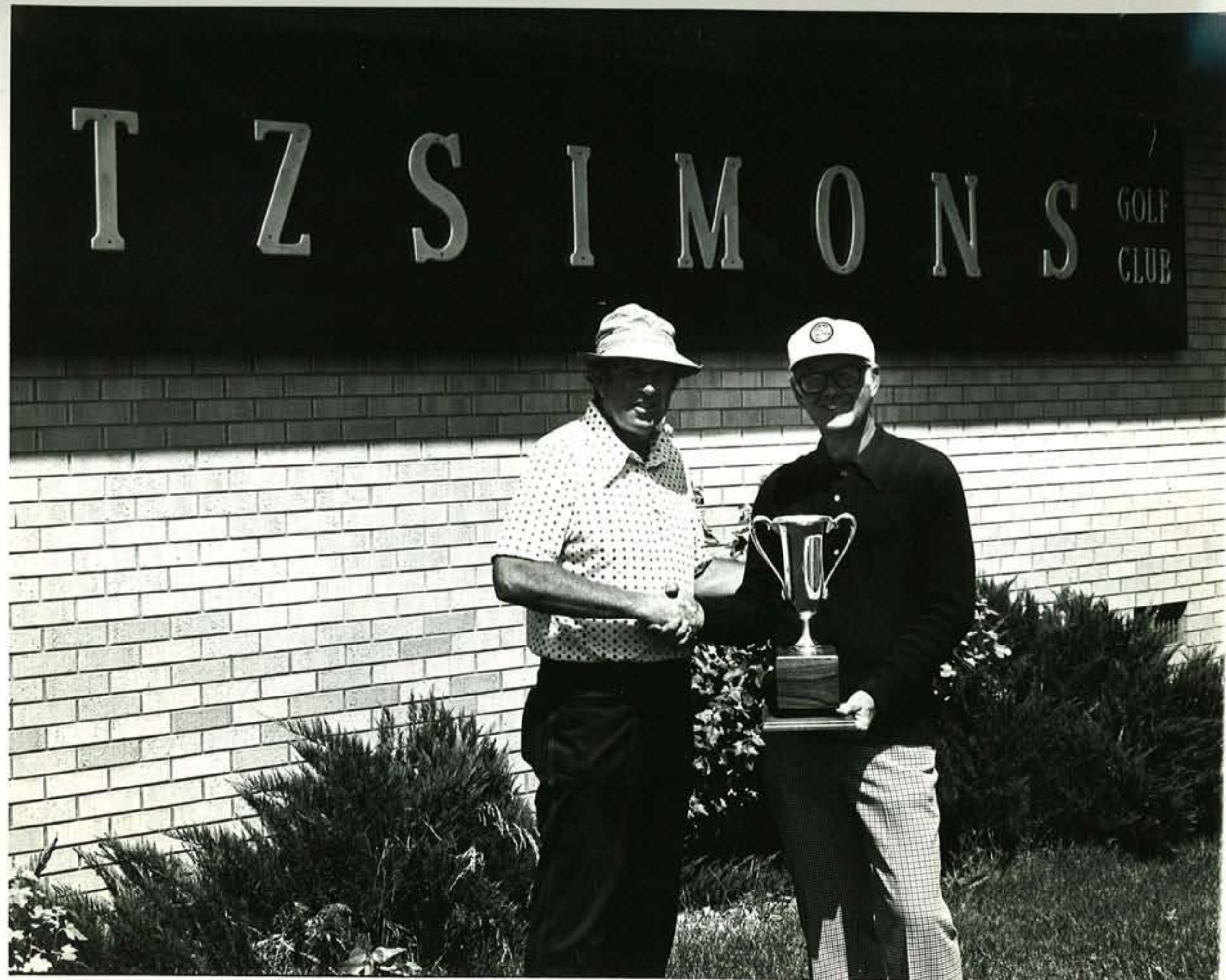
Nosewicz won the championship consolation title two years ago in his first senior test and now has two straight for back-to-back legs on the big trophy.

Nosewicz had to leave early after Saturday's match in order to be in time for another tournament event at City Park Golf Club.

In the special Masters flight, for players 70-and-older, Sam Aiello defeated John Artach, the father of Al Artach the head club pro at the Flatirons Golf Club, 3 and 2.

Bob Springer repeated in the championship consolation, winning 7 and 5 over Gene Wenzinger.

In other flights, Jim Forbes defeated Scott Marshall 5 and 4 in the first, Howard Sykes defeated Art Sorenson 1 up in the second, Jim Gwinn defeated Ray Barry 3 and 2 in the third, and J.C. Groft defeated George Shortlidge 6 and 5 in the fourth flight.



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