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IDLE IN 2010; TWO PLAYERS RETURN



SOUTH WINDSOR, Conn. – ECI tournament officials have announced that two past competitors of the ECI will be returning in 2011 for the ninth annual event to be held May 1, 2011 at Red Tail Golf Club.

Jeff Barnhart, a 2003 graduate of Endicott, last played in the ECI in 2007, finishing in 13th-place with a 95. Barnhart, who recently became a proud father, looks to get his golf game going again this season.

Craig Roderick, who had what many called a LAME excuse in 2010, returns in hopes of finishing in the top 10. Roderick claimed he had his Aunt Pearl's 60th wedding anniversary up in Booth Bay Harbor, Maine last year, which is why he missed the event last year. However, at least Roderick was able to attend the evening festivities at Hooters last year following the tournament's gala. Justin McLear, by the way, has signed a two-year sponsor extension with Hooters.

Tournament co-chairman Marc Zirolli said that while he's ecstatic Barnhart and Roderick are returning to the ECI this year, he also hoped the field would expand to 19 or 20 players.

"In lieu of the possibility that Josh Clark and Matt Davis might be out of town this year, we have two players making up for the loss. Would I like to see everyone here? I would LOVE to see everyone here and to have a 20-man event, but hey, we're all working, traveling – what can you do? I'll miss Davis and Clark, and hopefully they will be around for the 10-year anniversary in 2012. However, they both know that if they can make it this year, there's a spot for each of them," said Zirolli from his home office.

Co-chairman John Dailey has also announced that Pete Woodward, Justin McLear and Carl Bean have committed to the 2011 ECI. – *Thomson Reuters*

****RED TAIL GOLF CLUB – Course Update****

Red Tail general manager Jim Pavlik said the aeration of the greens will take place on April 18 and April 19, giving adequate time for them to heal in time for the ECI!!!!