

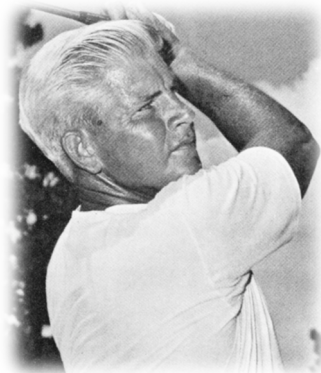


Bob Stone

(1930 - 1996)

As a touring professional, **Bob Stone** found success throughout the country from the mid-1950s through the 1980s, always returning to his club professional roots at Rockwood, and later at Crackerneck Golf Club in Independence. Stone won titles in numerous state Opens and won the Florida Citrus Open on the PGA Tour in 1969. He was a US Open local qualifier nine times (medalist six times) and Senior Open qualifier twice.

Tied after 72 holes with Arnold Palmer and Billy Casper in the 1981 US Senior Open at Oakland Hills, Stone forged into the lead during the early stages of the 18 hole Monday playoff, eventually losing to Palmer and besting Casper by three shots.



Stone's record was hard to match: setting some 30 course records and winning more than 45 professional tournaments, counting the Iowa Open (3 times); the Kansas Open (2); the Nebraska Open (3); the Heart of America Open in Salina, KS (4); the Irvin Cobb Tournament in Paducah, KY (5); and the Wisconsin Open among his many championships

Bob Stone combined impressive skills as a player with an ability to connect with local golfers as a teacher and friend.

In recognition of his long and illustrious record as a professional player and his service to local golfers as a club professional and teacher, the Board of Directors is proud to include Bob Stone in the 2014 class of the Kansas City Golf Hall of Fame.

Mr. Stone's record also includes:

Pacific Coast Air Force Champion 1953, 1954

Topeka Open Champion 1959, 1960

Homesteader Championship (Neb.) 1960, 1961, 1962

Wichita Open Champion 1962, 1963

Midwest Section PGA Champion 1969, 1975, 1976, 1980

US Open local qualifier nine times. Medalist 1959, 1963, 1968, 1969, 1974, 1975,

US Open sectional qualifier 1961, 1963, 1967

US Senior Open qualifier 1981, 1983