## CHICAGOLAND'S CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT Park Ridge Country Club September 25, 2008

Russ Fitton of Boulder Ridge Country Club, Lake in the Hills, Illinois, produced a sparkling round of two under par 68 for a one stroke victory in the *Champion of Champions* golf tournament hosted by Park Ridge Country Club. The tournament was played in beautiful early fall weather featuring sunny skies, warm temperatures, and just a slight breeze which had little effect on the shots. Fitton's two under par matched the tournament's record low score, shot only once before in the eleven years the tournament has been hosted by Park Ridge Country Club.

Fitton, who did not play golf competitively in high school or college, but rather hockey, is a first time winner with this year marking his fifth appearance in the tournament. He played a steady front nine with nine consecutive pars. On the back nine, Fitton turned up the heat with birdies on eleven, fifteen, and seventeen, while a slippery downhill par attempt on sixteen just eased by, resulting in his only bogey. A par on the difficult eighteenth with its treacherous pin position at the back right of an undulating green gave him a two under par round of 68, which he excitedly acclaimed to be, "The best round I ever played in competition."

