

Cowan Takes Porter Cup to Canada

As far as Gary Cowan is concerned, it's unfortunate that the Canadian Amateur always conflicted with the Porter Cup in past years. As far as American amateur golfers are concerned, that schedule conflict should have continued another year.

The 30-year-old Cowan, one of amateur golf's sweetest-swinging, longest-hitting stars defeated the select 79-man field at NFCC with a 1-over par 281 for the four day medal play test.



Gary Cowan added the 1969 Porter Cup title to an already impressive resume



Cowan is perhaps the best amateur golfer in Canadian history

Cowan, the 1966 US Amateur Champion, was not to be denied the privilege of taking the Porter Cup crown back across the border to Kitchener, Ontario, despite having started out the final round a full five shots behind leader Jay Sigel of Berwyn, PA.

Sigel would rather forget his final round, a disastrous 77 that dumped him six shots behind Cowan and into a second-place deadlock with pre-tournament favorite Jack Lewis, Jr.

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