

PGA Professional Rick Murphy Offers Lesson to 5,500 Baseball Fans

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Rick Murphy, PGA director of instruction at the Carolina Golf Academy in Greensboro, N.C., gave a simultaneous golf lesson to some 5,500 fans attending the Greensboro Grasshoppers baseball game on May 15. Murphy and his staff also provided free 10-minute lessons before the game as part of PGA Free Lesson Month.

Though an attempt to break the Guinness World Record for the "most people simultaneously taking a golf lesson" would not be certified, the world record is 632, set in China, on December 11, 2009.



Murphy taught participants the basic body motion of a golf stroke, the proper grip and the left hand and right hand alignments at impact, using the mascot "Guilford" in his lesson. One of the most successful growth-of-the-game initiatives in the golf industry, PGA Free Lesson Month is a collaborative campaign spearheaded by The PGA of America, *Golf Digest Publications* and Golf Channel.

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