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Disc Golf State Champions Crowned at Tompkins Cortland Community College

Sixty-eight disc golfers competed over the weekend in the New York State Disc Golf Championships held at TC3 Saturday and Sunday. While most players were from New York, competitors were also present from Canada, Florida and Oregon. After 3 eighteen-hole rounds of golf and a Final 9 holes for the top finalists, state champions were crowned in 8 divisions:

Pro-Open:	Doug Opiela, Hamburg, NY
Pro-Master (40+):	Hank Foss, Corning, NY
Pro-Grand Master (50+):	Greg Kurtz, Melrose, NY
Advanced Men:	Stefan Dobrev, Ottawa, ON, Canada
Advanced Women:	Melynda Apton, Penfield, NY
Advanced Masters (40+):	Mark Morris, Buffalo, NY
Intermediate:	Andy DiFronzo, Youngstown, NY
Juniors:	Dylan Courbat, East Syracuse, NY

Complete results can be found at:

http://www.pdga.com/tournament/tournament_results.php?TournID=5936#Open

In addition to being crowned State Champion, Doug Opiela will represent New York State at the United States Disc Golf Championship being held in Rock Hill, SC from October 11 – 14. (www.usdgc.com) this is the premier event for disc golf and the only way to enter is via qualification.

The new disc golf course at TC3 named the Panther Highlands, was received with overwhelming success by the competitors. "Coming from downstate we didn't know what to expect – this is truly one of the top courses in the state!" exclaimed Scott 'Scoonar' Selders from Hunter, NY.

Players played 2 rounds on Saturday and one Sunday morning which was then followed by a final nine for the top cards in each divisions. On Saturday night, the players enjoyed a juggling/comedy show by professional comedian Gregg Hosfeld and music was provided by local favorites Joejo. The party was hosted by event sponsor, Greek Peak Resort.

Disc golf, also known as Frisbee® golf, has seen a rise in popularity across the country as a lifetime fitness sport enjoyed by all ages. The game is played in the same format as traditional golf with players using discs to negotiate the course. The 18-hole course consists of "flyways" (fairways) and targets on poles that serve as the holes. The "pole hole" has a basket on a pole that is designed to catch the thrown disc. As in traditional golf where the object is to finish each hole in the fewest strokes, the object of disc golf is to finish each hole in the fewest throws.

The State Championships were hosted by local club, DiscIthaca (www.discithaca.com).