

Andy Bean Player Biography

HEIGHT: 6'4" WEIGHT: 230 BIRTH DATE: March 13, 1953 RESIDENCE: Lakeland, Florida FAMILY: *Wife*, Debbie; *Children*, Lauren, Lindsey, Jordan SPECIAL INTERESTS: Hunting, Fishing COLLEGE: University of Florida TURNED PROFESSIONAL: 1975

Andy Bean's successful career as a professional golfer has spanned five decades. Since March of 2003, Andy has been enjoying the resurgence of his game on the Champions Tour. Bean had a breakout year in 2006, recording his first Champions Tour win at the Greater Hickory Classic at Rock Barn. Andy's outstanding play resulted in an impressive 12th place finish on the Champions Tour Money List with earnings over \$1 million dollars. In 2008, Andy capped his best professional season by winning the season ending Charles Schwab Cup Championship, marking the second time he won in 2008 (he also won the Regions Charity Classic) and claimed the top prize of \$442,000, the largest of his professional career. It increased his 2008 earnings to a career-best \$1,506,789, and he finished eighth on the money list. It is his best showing on that list since joining the Champions Tour in 2003. Bean also tied the Charles Schwab Cup Championship scoring record at 20-under-par 268.

An 11-time winner on the PGA Tour between 1977 and 1986, Andy Bean was a dominant player. A repeat winner, he won the Doral Eastern Open three times (1977, 1982, and 1986) and also won the Isuzu Kapalua International in both 1986 and 1987. Bean created an impressive record – he did not finish outside the top 35 on the money list from 1977-1986, a stretch that included five top-seven finishes.

Andy was also a member of two Ryder Cup teams. In 1979, Bean contributed two points towards the American win at The Greenbriar. He and Payne Stewart were victorious in a Fourballs round, and Bean won his singles match the following day against Michael King. In the 1987 Ryder Cup, Bean defeated Ian Woosnam in a singles match. Andy Bean was also a member of the USA vs. Japan Matches and a winner of the 1978 Dunlop Phoenix in Japan.

Bean also had an outstanding amateur career, winning many times before turning professional in 1975. He won the 1974 Eastern and Falstaff Amateur, as well as the 1975 Dixie Amateur and Western Amateur.

With career earnings of over six million dollars, Andy Bean has certainly established himself as one the elite players in the world of professional golf.