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The Caddie Who Won The Masters

By John Coyne

“John Coyne has done it again ... a riveting golf story at a world-famous venue, with a keen sense of accuracy and history woven into the details. A must read for anyone who loves the game of golf.”

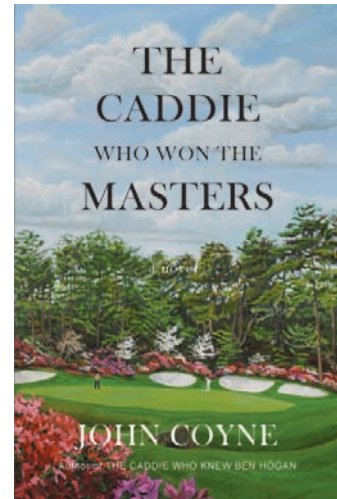
— Todd D. Bramson, Augusta National Caddie

“I am impressed with Coyne’s ability to so clearly depict the nuances that make Augusta National such a different shrine. His description of situations—the unique, the weird and the nearly unbelievable—mirrors many I have seen over the years. Some rarely seen.”

— John Derr, award-winning golf journalist and CBS-TV announcer who covered 62 Masters Tournaments

“John Coyne knows golf and golf history, and he understands the intricate workings of the human heart. Anyone who loves golf — and many readers who don't know a five-iron from a free-throw — will appreciate his skill and be happily drawn into this fine story.”

— Roland Merullo, Author of *Golfing with God*



Displaying the storytelling skill that has made him a seven-time bestselling author, John Coyne delivers a suspenseful, haunting and tender novel about a middle-aged amateur’s seemingly impossible quest to win the prestigious Masters at Augusta National Golf Club, America’s pristine cathedral of golf. Golf legend, Masters founder and lifelong amateur Bobby Jones had long hoped that an amateur would one day win the invitational tournament he started

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in 1934. For Tim Alexander, 49, the surprise winner of the U.S. Mid-Amateur, just receiving an invitation to the Masters is a small miracle.

Alexander is a college English professor from Southern Illinois who, at his wife Kerry's urging, reawakened a dormant golf game that had earned him a scholarship to Wake Forest University and, more recently, a ticket to Augusta, Georgia. Not long after, with suitcase in hand and golf clubs on his shoulder, the aging muni-course player finds himself walking down famed Magnolia Lane toward every accomplished golfer's dream—a coveted spot alongside the world's best players in the Masters field.

As Alexander learns shortly after his arrival on the hallowed grounds of Augusta National, there's much more at stake than whether he can somehow make the 36-hole cut on the beautiful and challenging layout or how he'll fare against players named McDowell, Mickelson and Woods. Pursued by a mysterious and tormented stranger, helped by a young unknown caddie, Alexander soon discovers that he isn't just playing to make the cut or win the vaunted green jacket. He is playing to save the life of his wife.

In perhaps the only novel to be set at Augusta National Golf Club, Coyne masterfully blends his deep knowledge of golf and Masters tradition with his affinity for the supernatural to spin a riveting tale. The third novel in Coyne's popular "caddie" series, *The Caddie Who Won The Masters* will grip readers until the final putt rolls into the cup and the green jacket slips over the shoulders of the winner.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: John Coyne is a seven-time bestselling author and the creator of the highly acclaimed caddie novel series that includes *The Caddie Who Knew Ben Hogan*, *The Caddie Who Played With Hickory*, and the newly released *The Caddie Who Won The Masters*. Coyne, a former caddie and caddie master in his youth, has authored more than 25 books of fiction and nonfiction. He lives in Pelham Manor, New York, where he maintains a single-digit handicap and tries not to lose distance off the tee.

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Praise for *The Caddie Who Knew Ben Hogan*

“He so cleverly tells this original tale that you will be shocked to learn that this is merely the product of his rich imagination.”

— Geoff Shackelford, Author of *The Future of Golf* and *Golf World* writer

“John Coyne has come up with a winning golf tale. Anyone who loves the game will have trouble putting down this intriguing story that skillfully mixes fact and fiction. Coyne gives us tragedy, triumph, and Ben Hogan all in one. For those who enjoy a good read about golf, it's perfect!”

— J. Michael Veron, Author of *The Greatest Player Who Never Lived*

Praise for *The Caddie Who Played with Hickory*

“Coyne’s engrossing hole-in-one. [His] neat plotting and firm grip on even the most obscure corners of the sport make this the perfect treat for hackers and pros alike.”

— Publishers Weekly

“John Coyne knows his golf history, its characters and the game. He spins a story that includes a mysterious character, a hero, a romance, a semi-villain, and a classic golf match into a believable tale.”

— Dr. Gary Wiren, noted golf teacher,
and former Director of Research and Learning for the PGA of America