Kaposta holds on to lead to win rain-drenched 2011 Senior City

Showers shorten final round to 9 holes

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Dave Bates, tournament director of the Romain Buick Senior City Golf Championship, joked with champion John Kaposta that his two-day score of 99 was a new tournament record as scorekeepers posted the number at the Fendrich clubhouse Sunday.

The leaders' tee times were pushed back and the final round cut to nine holes after late-morning storms prompted a delay that lasted longer than an hour. With the tournament shortened to 27 holes from 36, the 53-year-old Kaposta shot a 33 on Sunday to finish six strokes ahead of the rest of the field at Fendrich. As he waited for the final scores to come in at the clubhouse, Kaposta said a short day at what marked the tournament's 10th year played to his advantage. "It gives the field less of a chance to make up ground," said Kaposta, the 2008 Senior City Champion and 1984 Men's City Champion. "But you've still got to go out and play a good nine holes to win."

Kaposta received a \$600 gift certificate for winning along with the Jerry Schreiber Cup, named after the nine-time Men's City champion who finished with a 116 in this weekend's tournament. The eventual winner distanced himself quickly over the competition Sunday after an opening-round 66 at Helfrich Hills positioned Kaposta a shot ahead of Tim Heath and two ahead of Dave DeLong. "He doesn't really make mistakes. He waits for you to come and make a mistake," said Tim Heath, whose second-round 38 was five strokes off Kaposta's 33. "Everyone had to play up to him today because he was leading, and then we made mistakes." Heath's 105 put him in a three-way tie for second with DeLong and George Nord. Defending champion Robin Rubrecht was fifth with a 106, and Bates, Joe Stellern and Tom Haines all shot 107.

It wasn't until Kaposta sat 1-under after the eighth hole Sunday that he thought a win was a sure thing. "A big part of tournament golf is controlling your emotions," he said. "I was nervous the whole day, and I'm sure everyone else was. It's about being able to play while nervous."

George Nord won the Frances Fleming Flight (ages 50-54) by defeating Tim Heath in a two hole playoff. Rubrecht won the Billie Martin Flight (ages 55-59), Bates the Bob Hamilton Flight (ages 60-64), Ed Nicholson the Richie Moore Flight (ages 65-69) and George Green the Ed Wolf Flight (ages 70+) at three over par.

The 18-hole course at Fendrich had already been narrowed to nine because recent flooding left some holes unready for tournament play. Players worked through the nine-hole layout once instead of twice after weather again affected the tournament. Bates said the tournament was an overall success — both as someone who was forced to play a shorter round and as a tournament director who had to help make that call. "We had to kind of go on the fly, but we had established a scenario in case this happened," he said. "We thought there might have been additional showers coming, so we couldn't really try to stretch it out to the last element of darkness."

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Romain Buick Senior City
Golf Championship
Scoreboard by Flight

		Sat	Sun	Total Scor
		Score	Scor	e
Overall C	<u>Champion</u>			
lah	Wanasta		20	00
John	Kaposta	66	33	99
Frances Fleming Flight 50-54				
George	Nord	69	36	105
Tim	Heath	67	38	105
Joe	Stellern	74	33	107
Greg	Glisson	73	35	108
Larry	Garrett	76	33	109
Paul	Kohlman	78	32	110
Bob	Canada	79	31	110
Jeff	Hostetler	75	37	112
Mark	Foster	75	40	115
Robert	Pope	78	37	115
Robert	Prevo	78	37	115
Mark	Adcock	76	40	116
Jay	Ritter	79	37	116
Mike	Fedolfi	79	37	116
Keith	Doubler	79	39	118
Greg	Gibson	80	39	119
Karl	Ralph	82	38	120
Bernie	Tieken	80	41	121
Keith	Sallee	81	41	122
Richard	Behme	81	41	122
Joe	Harrison, Jr	82	40	122
John	Garrett	79	45	124
Ben	Preske	83	41	124
Brian	Partridge	84	42	126
Jeff	Badger	85	42	127
Fred	Schablik	88	39	127
Mike	Knight	85	44	129
Russell	Lloyd	91	43	134

<u>Jim</u> Dave David	Mattingly Bennett Mitchell	96 100	43 43	139 143 WD
Billie Ma	artin Flight 55-59			
Dave	DeLong	68	37	105
Robin	Rubrecht	72	34	106
Tom	Haines	73	34	107
Neal	Boughton	72	37	109
Brad	Coole	76	37	113
Steve	Wassmer	76	38	114
Chuck	Schimmell	76	38	114
Steve	Vandiver	80	35	115
Jim	Atkins	78	38	116
Don	Hallenberger	77	40	117
John	Baburnich	80	38	118
Ward	Peyronnin	80	38	118
Rick	Wigginton	79	40	119
Bill	Sutton	81	38	119
Randy	Bush	80	40	120
Tom	Crance	82	39	121
Jim	Crumbaker	82	39	121
Tony	Bradshaw	82	39	121
Roger	Evans	84	37	121
Jimmy	Guessfield	82	40	122
Mike	Wingo	85	38	123
Mike	Hull	86	37	123
Mike	Harding	87	36	123
Kim	Myrick	81	43	124
Gary	Rothgerber	84	40	124
Harold	Miles	86	39	125
Ken	Baldwin	89	39	128
Brad	Johann	85	44	129
Randall	Spencer	88	42	130
David	Osbourne	91	39	130
Doug	Duggins	92	42	134
Ova	Stambush	98	44	142
Bob	Gough	98	46	144
Blake	Oeth	88	NC	
Jim	Mitchell	91	NC	

Bob Hamilton Flight 60-64

Dave	Bates	72	35	107
Mike	Hurt	72	37	109
Tony	Hill	73	37	110
Bryan	Compton	75	35	110
Steve	Zehr	75	38	113
Mike	Rhoades	76	38	114
Joe	Hahn	79	35	114
Tom	Alexander	76	40	116
Pete	Weinert	78	38	116
Bob	Torrence	78	40	118
Keith	Bagby	80	38	118
Jack	Hrvatin	83	36	119
Bob	Loewen	81	39	120
Jim	Landmark	82	41	123
Wally	Russell	84	40	124
Tom	Kerchief	82	43	125
Terry	Babb	84	41	125
Walter	Farrell	86	40	126
Charlie	Farmer	87	41	128
Don	Burton	89	41	130
Charles	King	100	44	144
Allen	Hite	WD		WD
Phil	Wolter	81	WD	WD
Dannie	Wells	86	WD	WD
Norm	Leach	78	WD	WD
Richie M	loore Flight 65-69			
Ed	Nicholson	74	35	109
Dan	Hewins	74	37	111
Bill	Osbourne	75	37	112
Ken	Schreiber	75	38	113
Paul	Berryman	74	40	114
Bob	Van Britson	75	39	114
Steve	Pritchett	76	38	114
Tom	McNamara	77	38	115
Jerry	White	82	39	121
Jerry	Cravens	83	38	121
Billy Ray	Harris	83	40	123

Jerry	Sanders	86	41	127
Harvey	Head	104	46	150
Micheal	Virden	86	WD	WD
Gene	Ward	85	WD	WD
Jerry	Scott	86	WD	WD
Ed Wolf	<u>Flight 70 +</u>			
George	Green	74	35	109
Jerry	Schreiber	78	38	116
Don	Shull	81	37	118
Gerald	Jeffries	80	39	119
Ken	Fisher	80	42	122
Bob	Lewis	81	41	122
Jerry	Weigand	84	38	122
John	Charron	82	42	124
Art	Hall	85	39	124
Ray	Bowen	85	WD	WD
Bob	Gerst	91	WD	WD
Steve	Helfrich	WD		WD
Tom	Mills	WD		WD