

Colorado Springs Sports Hall of Fame  
Plaque Bio

**Dow Finsterwald**

Renowned as a perfectionist from tee to green, Dow Finsterwald won 12 PGA Tour events between 1955 and 1963, including the 1958 Championship. This was the first year the US PGA went to medal play, and Finsterwald was named Player of the Year.

A four-time Ryder Cup player and 1977 Ryder Cup captain, Finsterwald won the Vardon Trophy in 1957 and was the 1962 Masters runner-up after an 18-hole playoff with Arnold Palmer and Gary Player.

Serving as director of golf at The Broadmoor for 28 years, Finsterwald brought national attention to this Colorado Springs golf club. While at The Broadmoor, he simultaneously served as PGA Vice President from 1976-78 and served on the USGA Rules of Golf Committee from 1979-81.

Finsterwald remains active in the golf community, currently serving as a member of the Masters Tournament board. He and his wife Linda live in Orlando, Florida, but return to Colorado Springs for six months every year. They have four children and five grandchildren.