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POA hosts two First Clinics in Orlando

March 31, 2011 - Waterloo, Iowa - Prosthetic & Orthotic Associates of Central Florida, an industry leader with active amputee population, hosted both a First Volley Adaptive Tennis and a First Swing/Learn to Golf Clinic during the recent Academy Annual meeting in Orlando. First Volley was held on Friday night on the tennis courts of Caribe Royale resort and saw over 20 amputees and those with physical challenges on court, trying out their tennis skills and drills. The clinic was led by First Volley instructor, Marie Vanasse, CP and assisted by Rachael Renaud and Cassi Ubben.



“I haven’t played since college. I forgot how much fun it was. I’m glad I came” said Ritchie, a wheelchair participant. The event also drew onlookers from the hotel, curious to see so many amputees on a tennis court and participating at a high level of activity. “It was a blast!” USTA Florida and Prince Sports were also a part of the clinic.

On Saturday afternoon, POA also hosted a First Swing/Learn to Golf clinic at the Grand Cypress Golf Academy in Orlando. Dan Cox, First Swing instructor, led the clinic and was assisted by POA’s Stan Patterson, CPO and renowned amputee golfer, Jordan Thomas. Over a dozen amputees participated in the afternoon event, receiving one on one coaching and instruction to improve their game. Participants included John, a member of the US Armed Forces and below knee amputee as well as Anthony, a 16 year old baseball pitcher facing physical challenges.



For more information on how your firm can host a First Clinic for your practice, your patients and your community, please contact the OPAF office at 319-235-4318 or rlb@opfund.org.

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