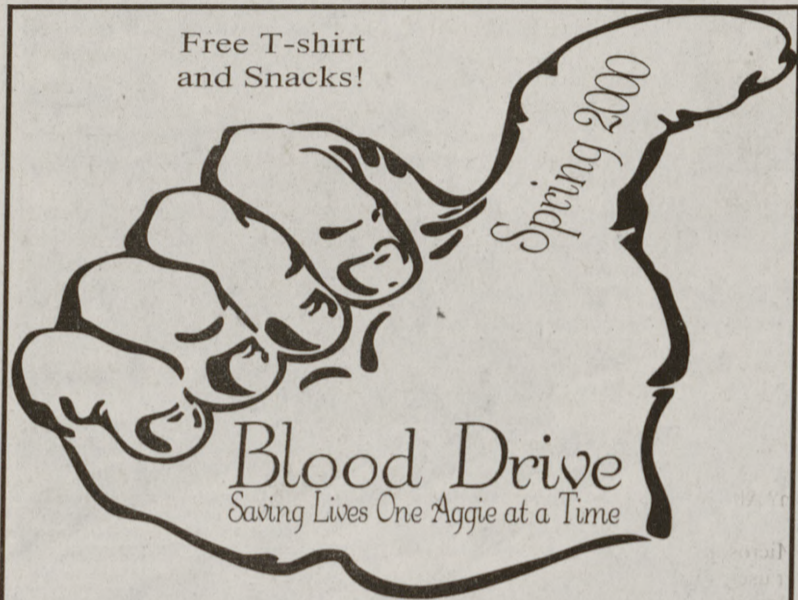


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## Singh holds off Duval

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — No one ever came farther to get a green jacket than Vijay Singh.

The final leg was an uphill climb to the 18th green Sunday at Augusta National, where Singh completed his troublesome journey around the world to claim the most prestigious prize in golf.

The Fiji native won the Masters by meeting every challenge from the biggest stars in the game, closing with a 3-under 69 for a three-stroke victory over Ernie Els.

Singh rolled in an 18-foot birdie putt on the last hole, kissed the ball as he removed it from the cup and embraced his family. His 9-year-old son, Qass, taped a message to his bag that said, "Poppa, Trust Your Swing."

He did, following those directions better than anyone else.

Singh ignored an early charge by Tiger Woods, and watched David Duval self-destruct.

He has now won two of the last six major championships, which validates him as one of the game's top players.

Once a teaching pro in the jungle of Borneo, the 37-year-old Singh played tours on five continents and was banned from two of them, one for a cheating allegation that he has long denied but has haunted him throughout his career.

Singh, who won the PGA Championship at Sahalee in 1998, played with such composure in the face of so many challengers. And that might be enough to finally shift the attention to a game that weathered a wicked weekend at Augusta. He finished at 278 and earned \$828,000 for his eighth career victory.

Els, a two-time U.S. Open champion, couldn't get a birdie putt to fall on the last three holes and was at 281.

The biggest threat came from Duval, in contention on the back nine Sunday at Augusta for the third straight year. His dreams died with a risky shot that wound up in Rae's Creek, a bogey on the par-5 13th. A bogey on the final hole gave Duval a 70, and he finished in a tie for third with Loren Roberts.

"I don't think anyone should be surprised that Vijay Singh won this golf tournament," Duval said. "He's a wonderful player."

Singh set the tone for his victory Sunday morning. With frost melting into dew,

he returned to the course to complete his third round and made two critical par putts that enabled him to maintain his three-stroke cushion over Duval.

That paid dividends on the back nine Sunday, when Singh managed to escape danger twice without losing his lead.

Clinging to a two-stroke lead over Duval, Singh hit his approach into the pond left of the 11th green. After taking his penalty drop, he hit a delicate chip up to 4 feet and dropped only one shot.

Then on the par-3 12th, he hit over the green into the most daunting bunker at Augusta. Faced with a shot that sloped down the green toward more trouble, he blasted out to 2 feet — the same shot Olazabal pulled off to win last year.

Duval, who lives near Singh in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., was still poised to win his first major championship until he made a mistake that will live with him until his next chance.

He selected a dangerous route to the par-5 13th green, then bowed his head as the ball plunked into the water.

Ditto for Els, the 30-year-old South African who got word Saturday that his buddy had won a \$2 million lottery and thought it might be a good omen.

Woods, who opened with a 75 and was nine strokes back after two days, got the deficit down to three strokes early and seemed poised to pounce.

Singh was in the fairway, waiting for the group ahead to tee off on No. 4, when he glanced up at the large white leaderboard in time to see another birdie posted for Woods. Singh proceeded to hit long and three-putt from 50 feet off the fringe.

Woods went out in 33. He was 4 under for the tournament and slowly gaining momentum for the kind of back-nine charge that have become so famous at Augusta.

But Singh's biggest threat was Duval. He made a couple of 8-foot putts early to close a three-stroke deficit to one, then really began to apply the pressure with birdie putts from 12 feet on No. 6, a good pitch to 2 feet on the par-5 eighth, and a sliding 6-footer on No. 9.

What did that get him? Nothing.

Singh matched every birdie and answered every great approach by Duval with one of his own — and took that slim lead to the back nine.

Woods ran out of chances.

## Pumpfest



Justin Wheeler, a sophomore at Texas Tech University, climbs the Student Recreation Center rock climbing wall Saturday as one of 63 competitors at Aggie Pumpfest. The competition may have the state record for the most people climbing on an indoor rock wall at one time.

### Sports in Brief

#### Nutt to coach at Southwest

JONESBORO, Ark. (AP) — Dennis Nutt, the assistant basketball coach at Arkansas State, will become Southwest Texas

State's head coach, Little Rock's KATV-TV said Sunday night.

Nutt will replace Mike Miller, who resigned March 20 to become an assistant head coach at Kansas State. Nutt's three brothers

also are coaches. Houston, Ark. coach, Danny ... an assistant coach at Arkansas and Dickey ... Arkansas ... head basketball coach.

# THE BATTALION

## SUMMER & FALL '00 STAFF APPLICATION

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\*Please type your responses on a separate piece of paper, and attach a résumé and samples of your work (stories you have written for publications or classes, pages you have designed, photos taken, drawings made or other creative samples — just show us what you can do.

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Please read and type your responses to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper that is to be turned in with this form. Also, attach any samples of work that you have along with a résumé, if possible. All applicants are encouraged to include any other relevant information.

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- 1) Why do you want an editor position?
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If you have any questions, call Jon Niven at (979) 845-2681