

Colton Casto Earns Second Title of 2024 with Win at WLD Port Rowan

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Colton Casto hits a drive during WLD Port Rowan on Saturday

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PORT ROWAN, Ontario (July 7, 2024) - For the second time in 2024, **Colton Casto** is a World Long Drive (WLD) champion. Casto, ranked No. 4 in the world entering the weekend, beat Roni Shin 415 yards to 406 yards in the final of WLD Port Rowan in Port Rowan, Ontario, on Sunday afternoon.

With the win, Casto becomes the first WLD athlete this season, regardless of division, to win multiple events.

Casto was sharp when it mattered most, hitting a 412-yard drive on his final ball of the quarterfinals to advance past Jacob Golliday (399 yards). For the event, Casto averaged 419 yards per drive with a longest drive of 442 yards.

Jeff Gavin captured his first Senior Division victory of the season, taking down Troy Caley in the final with a 431-yard drive. The Ontario native also won the 2023 Senior Division title in Port Rowan. Gavin, who entered the weekend ranked No. 2 in the Senior Division after a runner-up finish in the most recent Senior Division event, had a longest drive 441

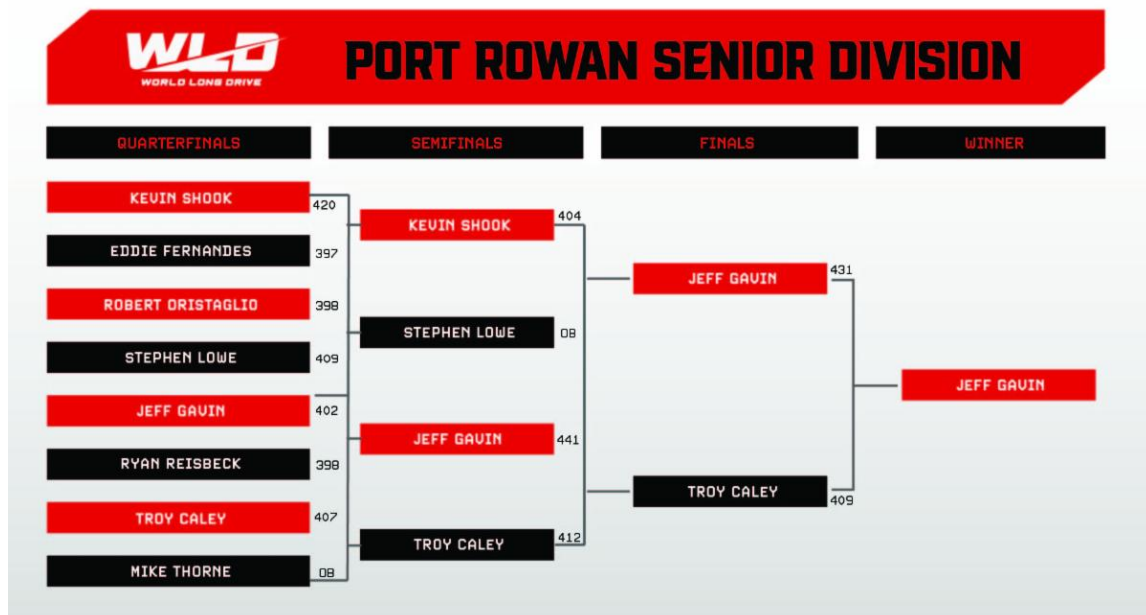
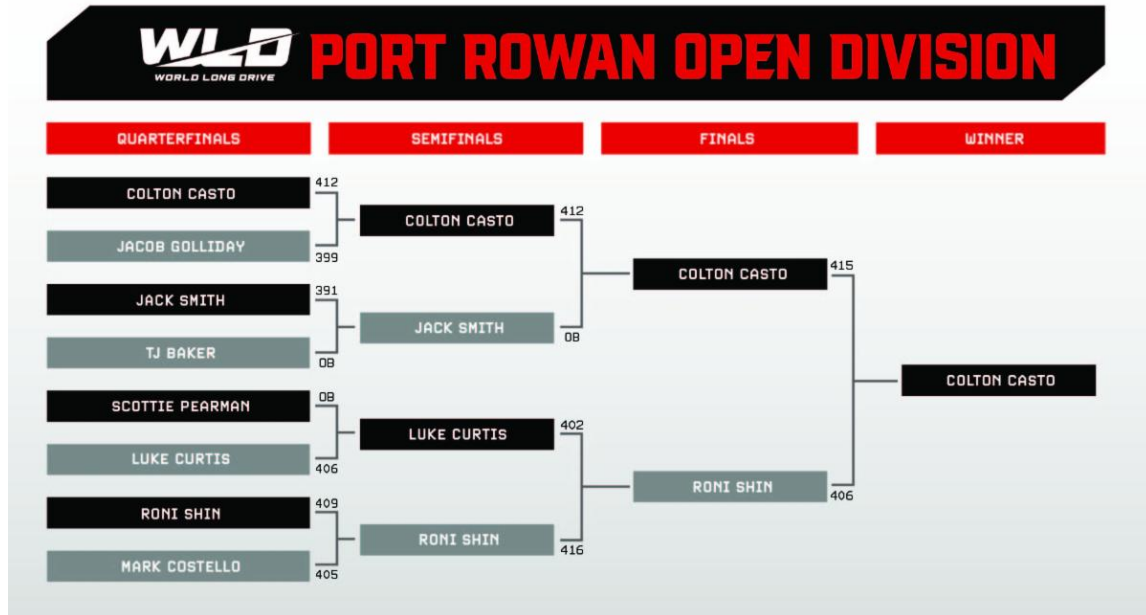
yards and averaged more than 413 yards per drive.

Tanner Pipes earned his first career Amateur Division presented by Speed Toad title as he outlasted Shea Emery 366 yards to 353 yards in the final. Pipes hit his longest drive of the weekend (370 yards) during qualifying.

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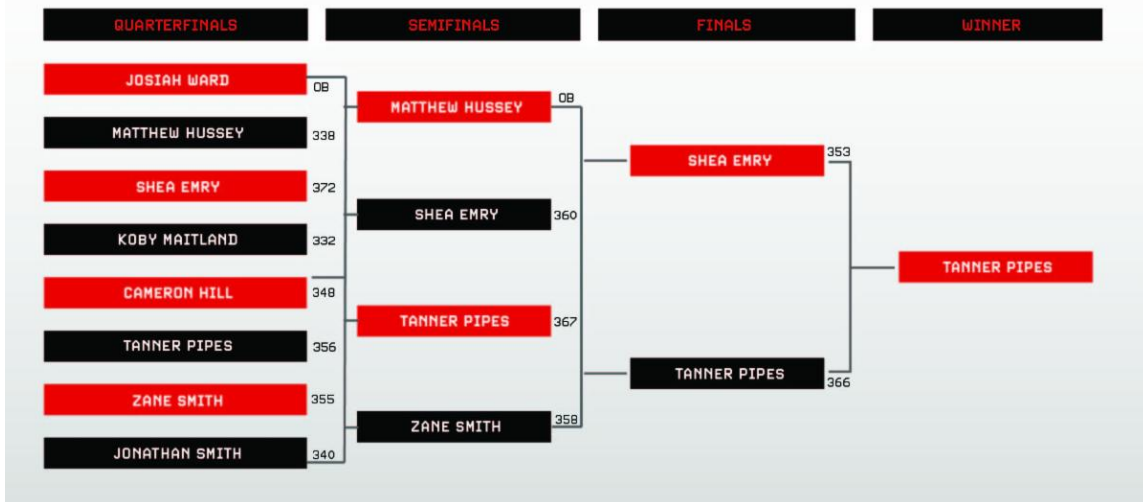
Ryan Gregnol hit the longest drive of the event: 444 yards.

Jeff Gavin hit the longest drive in the Senior Division: 441 yards.





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The next World Long Drive tour event is WLD Fort Jackson, scheduled for July 19-22 at Fort Jackson Golf Club in Columbia, South Carolina.

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About World Long Drive

The World Long Drive Championship is the largest annual domestic professional golf event not associated with the PGA of America, the PGA Tour, or the LPGA. It was first held in 1974, and since 2000 consisted of Open, Women's, Seniors (over-45s), and Amateur events. The World Long Drive tour is comprised of over nine events domestically and over 30 events internationally all culminating for the season finale World Long Drive Championship. World Long Drive tour and championship is owned and operated by GF Sports and Entertainment based out of New York, NY.

World Long Drive has partnered with PIVOT Agency out of the San Francisco Bay area to reintroduce the brand and sport into the corporate market leveraging partner relationships.

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About GF Sports and Entertainment

GF Sports & Entertainment is a global events and operations company that elevates the experience of live sports, entertainment and interactive events. The company owns two of the ATP Tour's longest running American tennis tournaments, the Dallas Open and the Atlanta Open, as well as the National Lacrosse League New York Riptide. GF Sports & Entertainment also incubates new and emerging sport concepts, this includes Wolf Pack Ninjas, which operates ninja-focused events globally and just completed the purchase of World Long Drive an international long drive tour.

GF Sports & Entertainment was founded in July 2015 by New York-based private equity firm GF Capital. For additional information, please visit www.gfsportsandentertainment.com.

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