

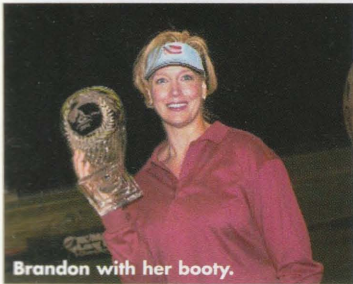
## // **SHIRLEY TEMPLES!** —Ty Tryon's dad's

response in *USA Today* when asked how to celebrate Ty's becoming the youngest tour player in history to receive a PGA Tour card.

## THE LADY CAN GO LONG . . . **VERY LONG**

Lee Brandon won the women's division of the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship last October with a 291.3-yard shot after competing for just five months. She did it with a torn tendon in her left hand to boot. "I won it with basically one arm," says Brandon of her feat. Never mind that she'd played only twenty rounds of real golf in her life (her best score is an eighty-five). What's even *more* amazing about Brandon is that she's alive to hold a club. More than twenty years ago, she nearly severed her left arm by accidentally pushing it through a window after a varsity basketball game. Brandon lost so much blood that her heart stopped, but miraculously the nerves in her arm stayed attached and she eventually

regained full use of it through intensive strength training. She later became the NFL's first female assistant strength coach, working for the New York Jets from 1990–91. It was her golf instructor, Rex Flory, who read about the long-drive competition and encouraged her to go for it. "It was so sweet," she says. "After what happened to me twenty-two years ago, I would never have believed I could become the longest-driving woman in the world." •



Brandon with her booty.

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