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> The mind is restless, turbulent, obstinate and very strong... To subdue it is...more difficult than controlling the wind.

> > Arjuna's observations to Bhagavan Bhagavad-Gita Chapter 6, Section 34

Bagger Vance, a caddie who helps World War I hero Rannulph Junah find his "authentic" swing on a Savannah golf course in 1931, is one of a kind.

More than a helper with a few words of great golf advice, Bagger Vance is a fictionalized version of Bhagavan, the supreme Hindu god. And Rannulph Junah isn't just a golfer from Savannah, Georgia. He is a fictionalized version of Arjuna, the mortal whom Bhagavan assists in the Hindu scriptural epic, the <u>Bhagavad-Gita</u>.

The 1931 golf match at the <u>Links at Krewe Island</u> between the fictional Junah and two of golf's greatest legends, <u>Bobby Jones</u> and <u>Walter Hagen</u>, never happened, of course. But the backdrop of *The Legend of Bagger Vance* is very real.

A sensational golf match would have provided folks with a much-needed diversion from the daily grind of Depression-wracked America.

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## Legend of Bagger Vance

The 485-yard, par-5 18th: 'The Links at Krawe Island' The Bagger Vance Hole

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## Bagger Vance Hole at Krewe Island

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