

**2007 GRIFFITH HARRIS
EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE
(and occasional front nine)
CHAMPIONSHIP**

May 5, 2007	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	FINAL
Phil - Ray	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Pete - Matt	1	2	-	-	1	2		1	2	won

The venue shifted slightly for Saturday's match, as there was an opening for a foursome on the front nine at 7:07, the second tee time. So the group quickly carried/pulled their bags from the 10th tee to the 1st, and followed the Callahan group (who else?) off the front. Phil tossed the balls into the air, and he was paired with Ray for the match. Little did the group know at this point that the day would be filled with frustrations, as none of the foursome would play particularly well and everyone was inconsistent and spotty. The group would quickly learn that bogey was good enough to win a few holes. On the first hole, Pete went just over the green in two from over 200 yards, and even though he three putted from the back fringe, it was good enough to win the first hole of the day. Pete then drove over the top of the hill on the second, leaving him only 120 yards for his downhill second shot, which hit the green but rolled off the back. Another three putt from the fringe, but again, enough to win the hole and put his team two-up after just two holes. Ray and Matt matched each other, shot for shot, on the third hole.....drives in the fairway, fairway metals to inside of 100 yards on the second shot, approach shots onto the green and two putts for par for both. The fourth hole was halved with bogeys, although this must have disappointed Pete after he crushed his drive toward the top of the hill, 275 yards from the tee box. Ray hit a high fade with his "55" on the par three fifth to about 10 feet, and then waited for the others to muddle from off the green and get inside of him eventually. His two putts for par were good enough to win the hole and pull his team to within one. The long par four sixth saw both Phil and Ray split the fairway with their drives, while Matt popped his drive very short and Pete was in trouble, short on the left side. But Pete hit a beautiful fairway metal from the rough to about 100 yards and stiffed his wedge for a tap-in (at least Phil gave Pete the putt when he generously called it "inside the leather" to win the hole and put his team back up by two. The seventh hole was halved with good comebacks, as Ray chipped from underneath the trees to the left of the green and made par, only to be equaled by Pete's sandie. Ray kept his team alive as he hit three clean shots to get to the eight green, then two-putted for par, good enough when Pete was unable to match with an uphill par putt. Pete and Matt were now only one up with one to play. The match was still alive when all four players missed the ninth green in two, but Matt was able to chip to within two feet for a conceded par to close the match, two up.

Shot of the Day- While none of the group was particularly proud of their play, the "shot of the day" is being awarded to Pete for his spectacular drive on #4, probably 275 yards down the left center of the fairway.

	Ray Bakshi	Pete Christensen	Phil Kemp	Matt Boardman
04/21/07	0	0	0	0
04/22/07	0	0	0	0
04/28/07	1	1	0	0
05/05/07	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	1	2	0	1