

2007 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

Sept. 23, 2007	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
Ray - Pete	1	-	2	3	4	4				won
Phil - Matt	-	-	-	-	-	-				

Balls were tossed on the tenth tee, with everyone optimistic about his own chances....Phil with a three match winning streak, Matt committed to using a five wood off the tees for accuracy, Pete having gone to the practice range to work out his recent issues, and Ray having gotten a good night's sleep and not feeling so "golfed out" any longer. When the ball toss revealed a rematch of Saturday, the gauntlet was set down, with Phil and Matt feeling that they could repeat while Ray and Pete were openly committed to turning things around. Repeating yesterday's result on the first hole, Pete and Ray won the hole although only with pars.....Pete hit the longest drive of the year to the cart sign and his regulation par was sufficient. Nobody found the green on eleven, with both Matt and Ray on the right side needing to land delicate downhill chips for a chance to save par. Ray ran his chip about ten feet below the cup and dropped his putt just over the front lip of the cup while Matt completely circled the cup with his tying putt. Pete and Matt were both down the fairway on the twelfth hole, but Pete's long two putt from the back of the green was enough to win the hole after Matt chunked his chip and made bogey. Pete hit a long hybrid approach to the thirteenth and landed on the green with a tricky sidehill putt, while Matt also hit hybrid but missed to the right. When Matt was again not able to save par from the side of the green, Pete confidently two putt the most difficult green on the back side to win the hole and put his team three up. Phil and Matt never got into the hole on fourteen, and Pete's long par putt easily won the hole and put his team four up with four to play....that's dormie, Phil. The fifteenth hole was halved with pars, with Pete saving his with a twenty foot putt from below the hole, and the match ended early with Pete and Ray getting sweet revenge for Saturday's loss.

Shot of the Day- First shot of the day goes to Ray for his wedge to the twelfth hole. Although he was out of the hole, Ray demonstrated the fine art of backspin that he has been learning, as he hit a downhill shot to a downhill slope on the green, only to have the ball spin backwards about six feet and stop within two feet of the cup.

Normally, this would be enough for the coveted "shot of the day" award. But Ray went one better on the seventeenth tee, when he blasted his demo Calloway Fusion directly into the white tee marker, from where his ball disappeared high into the tree tops only to land well to the right of the tee box in the woods. Fortunately, the tee markers are cut at a forty five degree angle....if they had been squared off to the ground, someone could have been hurt on the tee box. Bet you can't do that again, Ray.

	Ray Bakshi	Pete Christiansen	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
05/06/07	0	1	0	1
05/19/07	1	0	0	1
05/20/07	1	0	0	1
06/02/07	0	0	0	0
06/09/07	0	1	0	1
06/10/07	0	1	1	0
06/16/07	1	1	0	0
07/04/07	0	0	0	0
07/08/07	1	1	0	0
07/14/07	1	0	0	1
07/15/07	0	0	0	0
07/21/07	1	0	0	1
07/22/07	0	1	1	0
08/05/07	1	1	0	0
08/12/07	1	0	0	1
09/08/07	0	1	1	0
09/09/07	1	0	1	0
09/22/07	0	0	1	1
09/23/07	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	11	11	5	9