

## 2008 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

August 3, 2008	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
Ray - Phil	-	1	1	-	1	2	2	2		won
Pete - Matt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

Pairings reverted to more normal teams when Ray and Phil were paired against Pete and Matt. There was a noticeable buzz surrounding the tenth tee as people were abuzz about Ray's new light pastel "whale shorts" that he claimed to have purchased during the recent Greenwich sidewalk sale days. There were those that supposed (mistakenly) that Ray had simply taken shorts from the wrong drawer this morning, and had somehow donned one of his daughters' pajama bottoms. Other than the clothing discussions, the tenth was uneventful as three pars tied the hole after Matt chunked his chip from the best drive position. Phil once again mastered the eleventh hole by being the only player on the green from the tee box, and his two putt par won the hole to give his team the lead. Recoveries were the theme on the twelfth hole, with Pete parring from the right side rough, Matt making up for another chunked chip by getting close and making par, and Phil making a sandie for his par to tie. The thirteenth hole gave up the shot(s) of the day after a poor second shot left Matt in the trees on the left side, from where he made par to earn the nomination from his partner, Pete (see below). Pete also made par, although more routinely by making a downhill two foot putt after a beautiful chip from the greenside rough, and the match was square. Matt again lost an opportunity for his team on the fourteenth hole, this time misfiring on a short approach shot from the fairway, and the hole was lost to Ray who made a curling par putt to give his team the lead once again. The story continued on fifteen when Ray was the only player on the green from the tee and two putted for par, enough to win the hole when Matt missed a two foot comeback putt and had to settle for bogey. Pars halved the sixteenth hole as both Pete and Ray got up and down from the fringe and Matt was not able to make his birdie putt. Nobody played the seventeenth hole particularly well, but Ray two putted from the back of the green for bogey and when Matt's downhill putt for par lipped out the hole was halved and the match was won by Ray and Phil....two and one.

**SHOT(S) OF THE DAY** Matt not only ran a low chip shot toward the green from the left side trees about fifty yards in front of the green, but made a curling comeback sixteen foot putt for par to earn the honors.

	Ray	Pete	Phi	Matt
04/20/08	0	1	0	1
04/26/08	0	1	0	1
04/27/08	0	0	0	0
05/04/08	0	0	0	0
05/10/08	1	0	0	1
05/24/08	0	0	0	0
05/25/08	1	0	1	0
05/26/08	1	0	1	0
06/07/08	0	1	0	1
06/08/08	0	1	1	0
06/14/08	1	0	0	1
07/04/08	0	1	0	1
07/05/08	1	0	0	1
07/12/08	0	0	0	0
07/13/08	0	1	0	1
07/19/08	0	1	1	0
07/20/08	1	0	0	1
07/26/08	0	1	1	0
08/02/08	1	1	0	0
08/03/08	1	0	1	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>