

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

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

With Pete returning from Scotland in time to tee it up on Saturday, he took the honors for the ceremonial toss on the tenth tee. The players were not a bit uncertain as to the two closest golf balls, but once decided from afar, Pete was teamed with Phil and Matt with Ray. Matt and Phil went right, Pete and Ray went left, and although Phil hit a miraculous shot off only one foot from behind a tree, it was Matt's par that won the first hole. It was also the last good shot that Matt would hit for another six holes, but I digress. Nobody played the eleventh particularly well, but Ray halved the hole after putting his first putt four feet past the hole, his second four feet on the other side while trying to make par for the win, but made the comeback to tie. Ray and Matt were in trouble off the tee on twelve, could not recover and Pete's par won the hole and evened the match. Pete hit his tee shot off the cart path on thirteen, coming to rest almost three hundred yards off the tee, from where he hit a high wedge to the green and made par. But Ray hit his fairway wood to the greenside rough and got up and down for his tying par. Ray played the fourteenth in regulation, two putting for par and winning the hole. The fifteenth hole was sloppy again, with Ray chipping from the fourteenth fairway and two putting, while Pete and Phil made more conventional bogeys after their chips, and the hole was tied. Pete hit a low drive long in the fairway on sixteen, faded his iron off the left side hill to leave an eight foot birdie putt, and although he narrowly missed that chance, par was sufficient to win the hole and tie the match. Everyone hit nice drives on seventeen, but nobody could make the green in regulation and bogey halved the hole, leaving the match all square heading to eighteen. Phil and Matt were right on eighteen, while Ray and Pete both hit the cart path on the left. Ray was left having to run a shot under the tree and to the left of the trap, leaving himself on the fringe. Pete got a more favorable bounce, moving forward and having only about forty yards to the pin. Meanwhile Phil hit a high shot toward the pin that unfortunately buried under the lip of the front trap while Matt pulled his wedge a bit and was pin high but on the fringe. Pete hit a low wedge that stopped short, about fifteen feet from the pin. Phil got out of the trap successfully, and Matt and Ray approached the cup from off the green and looked to have sure pars. But Pete stroked in his birdie putt to win the hole and the match...one up.

	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
08/16/08	0	1	1	0
TOTAL	8	10	7	9