

2008 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

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

Patrick was given the privilege of being the honorary starter for today's match, and got things off to a challenging start when the balls all landed quite close to each other on the tenth tee. An executive decision was made by the starter which teamed Phil with Matt for the second match in a row against Ray and Pete. Phil and Matt started badly, while Pete had a birdie putt right away, and although he narrowly missed that putt, his par still won the hole. Nobody was on the green on the eleventh hole and nobody was able to save par, so bogeys halved the hole. The twelfth hole was also halved, this time as all four players made par. The thirteenth hole was played badly all around, but Ray was able to recover from the right side trees and make bogey by getting up and down from the thick rough, and his team won the hole when that score could not be matched. Phil was just off the front of the fourteenth in three, and got up and down for par, and even though Matt missed his birdie putt, five was good enough to win the hole and get the team back in the match, one down going to fifteen. Phil again hit a beautiful chip, this time on the fifteenth hole, and saved his par to win the hole and square the match going up the hill. Phil and Pete both parred the sixteenth hole, keeping the match all square with two to go. Sloppy play dictated the seventeenth hole, and Pete's bogey was enough to win the hole and put his team one up, all the pressure on Phil and Matt going to eighteen. Knowing their team needed to win the eighteenth hole to halve the match, both Phil and Matt did what they could with their approach shots....Phil needing to stay low under the left side trees ran his shot to the front of the green, while Matt lofted a wedge to about three feet. But none of that mattered after Pete hit a gorgeous low fade from underneath the right side trees to about ten feet and then made his birdie putt to close out the match.

SHOT OF THE DAY- The play was not terrific overall, and there were no amazing shots to speak of, but the award is being given to Pete for his second and third shots on eighteen under pressure. Leaving his tee shot in the trees on the right side, Pete hit a low fade to the back of the green, stopping about ten feet from the cup, and then drained the birdie putt to win the match.

	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
08/22/08	0	1	0	1
08/24/08	0	1	0	1
08/31/08	0	1	0	1
09/01/08	1	0	0	1
09/28/08	1	1	0	0
10/11/08	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	11	15	7	13