2010 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

May 2, 2010	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
total	3	5	9	15	20	23	27	32	36	36
Phil - Ray	3	2	4	6	5	3	4	5	4	36
Pete - Matt	3	4	5	4	5	5	5	5	4	40
total	3	7	12	16	21	26	31	36	40	40

A medal match for Sunday with the threat of a shower and some drizzle, kidding Phil on the tenth tee for his reference to the 2010 Harvard lacrosse team in the "possessive plural" despite approximately 25 years since his last varsity game for the Crimson. Phil was teamed with Ray, Pete with Matt, and the format was a medal match. All three players hit good tee shots on ten, Pete and Matt approaching from the left and Ray close to the trap. Matt hit a high wedge and had his ball hit the flag stick, stopping within a foot for a gimme birdie. With the pressure on his shoulders, Ray stuck his shorter wedge to about six feet and made his own birdie putt to keep the match even through one hole. Ray hit a six iron from the eleventh tee, stopping his ball six feet from the cup once again, and followed with a successful putt for birdie. That gave his team a two shot lead when neither Matt nor Pete could get up and down from different bunkers. Ray hit his tee shot off the right side trees on twelve, but with a great day going, his ball bounced back toward the fairway and he was able to hit a three iron onto the green and give himself a birdie putt. Although he missed his attempt for three in a row, he parred the hole to give his team a three shot lead. Pete and Matt were both in the fairway on thirteen, and Pete's beautiful approach left himself a birdie opportunity. Even though his putt slid past the hole, his par picked up two shots when the opponents could not do better than double bogey. The fourteenth hole was halved with fives. Pete from the front side and Ray from the back edge. Ray had a two putt par on fifteen, while Pete could only double the hole and Matt never got that close after picking up for the second straight hole. Ray hit a nice drive and iron to about ten feet on sixteen, and although he missed a birdie chance, his team picked up another shot as neither Matt nor Pete could convert par and settled for bogey. Ray and Pete halved seventeen with bogeys, leaving his team four up with just one hole to play so the match was essentially conceded at this point. But the drama coming in on eighteen would be whether Ray could make another birdie and finish at even par 35. He gave it a good try, hitting a nine iron to a reasonable distance but his putt missed and he settled for par and 36. Nice round.

SHOT OF THE DAY: With about one hundred yards to the pin after his tee shot on ten, Matt hit a 52 degree wedge just right of the pin, hitting the flag stick and stopping within a foot.

MONEY SHOT OF THE DAY: After Matt hit his shot on ten (see above), Ray needed to get close to match the score and stopped his wedge on the tenth hole about five or six feet from the cup. Combined with the putt that he made for birdie, Ray wins the "Money Shot(s) of the Day".

	Ray Bakshi	Pete Christiansen	Phil Kemp	Matt Boardman
04/11/10	1	1	1	1
05/01/10 05/02/10	1 2	0	2	0
TOTAL	4	2	4	2

<u>INDIVIDUAL</u> WON-LOST	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Overall
Ray		1-0-1	0-0-1	1-0-2	1-0-2
Pete	0-1-1		0-1-2	0-0-1	0-1-2
Phil	0-0-1	1-0-2		1-0-1	1-0-2
Matt	0-1-2	0-0-1	0-1-1		0-1-2