

2010 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

June 26, 2010	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
total	4	7	11	15	19	22	27	33	38	38
Phil - Ray	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	6	5	38
Pete - Matt	4	3	4	4	7	3	5	5	4	39
total	4	7	11	15	22	25	30	35	39	39

Ray was a possible no-show after a late night of partying in NYC, but the intrepid soldier showed up at the course at 6:10 after little sleep, as evidenced by the bright pink Lilly Pulitzer golf shirt that woke everyone on the tee box. He was partnered with Phil, appropriate as Phil was a close second on the color palette with a light lavender shirt. So a medal match was decided, the pastels against the plain clothes. Ray was just across the road on ten but parred the hole after a nice approach to ten feet, while Matt was closer from the fairway but still unable to make the birdie putt so the match started even. Nobody found the green on eleven, but Phil made the first par when his bunker shot stopped about a foot from the hole. Matt matched with a chip from the rough to about a foot so the match remained even. Pete and Matt were both in the fairway on twelve, with Ray just on the right side. Everyone pitched onto the green and made two putt pars to keep the match square. Ray and Pete were both in the fairway on thirteen and both players made the green, although Ray had a long putt from the back of the green. He ran his putt a good ten feet past the cup, but calmly made the comeback for par to match Pete's easier two putt. A huge turnaround, record tying in differential for medal matches, was in store on the fourteenth. Pete found trouble off the tee, Matt on his second shot and both players made double bogey. In the meantime, Ray played three nice shots to the green and stroked his fifteen foot birdie putt to not just take the lead, but give his team a three shot advantage. Three balls were on the green on fifteen although Phil's was of the "classic" variety. Still, all four players made par to keep the match at a three shot differential going up the hill. Matt and Pete had an opening on sixteen when Ray went out of bounds and was out of the hole and Phil was short of the green in two, behind the left trap. But Phil chipped onto the green and two putted for a safe bogey, and neither Pete nor Matt could make their six foot downhill par putts to gain any advantage on the hole. Ray and Phil were both in trouble on seventeen, another opening when both made double bogey, but the best that Matt and Pete could manage was bogey after neither player again made a crucial par putt. They gained a stroke, but as Yogi once said, "it was getting late early". There was another opening on eighteen when neither Phil nor Ray could find the green in regulation, but the pressure of needing a birdie just to halve the match was too much and too late as Pete settled for par and Ray and Phil won the match, hanging in on the final few holes for a one stroke victory.

	Ray Bakshi	Pete Christiansen	Phil Kemp	Matt Boardman
4/10/10	1	1	1	1
5/1/10	2	2	2	2
5/2/10	4	2	4	2
5/22/10	4	2	6	4
5/23/10	5	3	7	5
6/12/10	7	3	9	5
6/13/10	9	3	11	5
6/19/10	11	5	11	5
6/20/10	13	7	11	5
6/26/10	15	7	13	5

<u>POINTS</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Total Points
Ray		10	5	15	15
Pete	2		7	5	7
Phil	3	13		10	13
Matt	5	3	2		5

<u>INDIVIDUAL WON-LOST</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Overall
Ray		4-0-2	2-1-1	6-1-3	6-1-3
Pete	0-4-2		2-5-3	2-1-1	2-5-3
Phil	1-2-1	5-2-3		4-0-2	5-2-3
Matt	1-6-3	1-2-1	0-4-2		1-6-3

<u>TEAM WON-LOST</u>	Won	Lost	Halved
Ray-Pete	2	1	1
Ray-Phil	4		2
Ray-Matt			
Pete-Phil			
Pete-Matt		4	2
Phil-Matt	1	2	1

