2010 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

July 4, 2010	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
Ray - Pete		-	-		-	-	1	2	Х	win
Phil - Matt	1	-	-	1	-	-			Х	

Independence Day was a sunny and bright day, promising to be more humid than the previous days, and the back nine looked crowded with unfamiliar faces. A standard match play format was chosen and Ray and Pete were to compete against Phil and Matt, Phil having played an extra eighteen on Saturday after a three hour drive each way to Vermont. Three balls were long in the fairway on ten, and Pete was also in the fairway although short and about 140 yards to the pin. But he hit a beautiful shot that landed just over the right side bunker and stopped on the green while the others all had wedges. Matt was off the back edge and chose to putt, and it was a good thing the hole got in the way of his ball as it would have gone well past the cup....but it dropped for a hole-winning birdie. Pete was on the green on the right side on eleven, while Phil chipped from the front to about eight feet. Pete made his downhill putt for birdie to win the hole, good that he did since Phil dropped his par saving putt as well. The match was tied. Matt was in the trees on the right side of twelve while Ray was in the fairway and Pete was left. Pete hit to the back of the green, Matt punched to the front edge and Ray hit his wedge to an awkward spot behind and left of the hole. Matt and Pete both made four foot testers to save their pars and halve the hole. Matt and Ray were in the fairway on thirteen. Pete bouncing off the road and longer, but only Matt found the green in regulation and after a curling putt from the back side stopped three feet below the cup, his par won the hole and gave his team the lead again. The lead was short lived, however, as Ray played the par five in classic fashion, three shots that got him a reasonable birdie putt and a par to win and tie the match yet again. It looked good for Phil and Matt when Phil was the only player on the fifteenth green in regulation, Pete in the trees and Ray on the slope on the left. And when Ray voiced displeasure at his chip shot when he hit it, it looked like another lead for Phil and Matt. But Ray's ball stopped two feet from the cup, and he saved par to match Phil's two putt score. Ray was in the fairway on sixteen and hit a beautiful hybrid to about six feet, Pete was much longer in the fairway and on the front of the green in two, while Matt played from the left side trees and hit his second about 80 yards from the green. Matt had a ten foot par putt to try to save the hole, had the right line but stopped inches short and Ray's par won the hole. Pete and Ray were again in the fairway on seventeen, Matt in the left rough. Matt had a long putt for par to put pressure on again, just missed, and Pete followed with a downhill twenty footer to save his par, win the hole and close out the match....two and one.

	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
6/27/10	17	7	13	7
7/3/10	17	9	13	9
7/4/10	19	11	13	9

<u>POINTS</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Points
Ray		12	9	17	19
Pete	4		11	7	11
Phil	3	13		10	13
Matt	7	5	6		9

<u>INDIVIDUAL</u>					
WON-LOST	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Overall
Ray		5-1-2	4-1-1	7-2-3	8-2-3
Pete	1-5-2		4-5-3	3-2-1	4-6-3
Phil	1-4-1	5-4-3		4-2-2	5-5-3
Matt	2-7-3	2-3-1	2-4-2		3-7-3

TEAM WON-			
LOST	Won	Lost	Halved
Ray-Pete	3	1	1
Ray-Phil	4	1	2
Ray-Matt	1		
Pete-Phil		1	
Pete-Matt	1	4	2
Phil-Matt	1	3	1

