

2010 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

July 5, 2010	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
total	4	7	11	17	23	27	32	37	41	41
Phil - Pete	4	3	4	6	6	4	5	5	4	41
Ray - Matt	3	3	4	4	5	4	5	6	4	38
total	3	6	10	14	19	23	28	34	38	38

The weather was warmer on Monday, the bonus day of the long Independence Day weekend. As expected, the group was second on the tee box and the ceremonial toss gave us the third different pairing for the three days. Phil and Pete would play against Ray and Matt in a medal match. Three balls found the tenth fairway with Pete just on the left side of the road, making Jack a happy ranger. Pete's punch shot rolled off the back of the green, Phil's wedge (from the longest drive) stopped about ten feet from the cup while Ray stopped his wedge at about six feet. Matt was able to get down for a par from the left side of the green, giving Ray a shot at a birdie putt after Phil ran his birdie putt within an inch of dropping. Ray seized the opportunity, stopping his ball on the edge of the cup and allowing the weight of the Calloway logo to draw the ball down by gravity into the cup for birdie and the early lead. Ray was off the back and Pete off the front of eleven while Phil and Matt were on the green, putting for birdies. Matt stopped his uphill putt just short of the hole for a tap in par, and Phil did not waste any time (does he ever?) and didn't even wait for Pete to finish and try to make par, instead taking his birdie attempt and ran it just right and past the hole for a par as well. All four tee shots were in the twelfth fairway, all players had birdie putts after solid approach shots, but none was able to convert and pars halved the hole. Matt was just off the back side of the thirteenth green in the rough, flopped a delicate shot that stopped three feet below and to the side of the hole, and when he made the par it gave his team a three shot lead as the best the opponents could manage was double bogey. Ray was almost in trouble on fourteen, but was saved because we were playing the back tees and his shot did not curve into the trees. He took advantage, hitting a draw on his second shot that caught a bit of road and bounced back on the fairway, which he followed with a nice approach shot and two putts for par to win the hole and gain another stroke. Nobody made the green, and nobody saved par, on the fifteenth so the hole was halved and there was a four stroke lead going up the hill....peacefully, in a relaxed manner, in a cart. Matt and Pete were both in the fairway on sixteen but both missed the green and could not get up and down, so bogeys halved the hole. The seventeenth hold was played badly by everyone, but at least Pete salvaged bogey while both Matt and Ray missed short putts that would have tied the hole and essentially closed out the match. But the end came just a bit later, as Matt hit the green with a punched five iron from under the right side trees and there were no eagles in sight, so pars halved the hole and gave the match to Ray and Matt by three shots.

	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
7/5/10	21	11	13	11

<u>POINTS</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Total Points
Ray		14	11	17	21
Pete	4		11	7	11
Phil	3	13		10	13
Matt	7	7	8		11

<u>INDIVIDUAL WON-LOST</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Overall
Ray		6-1-2	5-1-1	7-2-3	9-2-3
Pete	1-6-2		4-5-3	3-3-1	4-7-3
Phil	1-5-1	5-4-3		4-3-2	5-6-3
Matt	2-8-3	3-3-1	3-4-2		4-7-3

<u>TEAM WON-LOST</u>	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

