

## 2010 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE

September 19, 2010	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
Phil - Ray	-	-	1	1	-	-	-			
Pete - Matt	-	-			-	-	-	1	1	won

With Ray back from Bermuda and Matt back from the holiday, the gentlemen teed it up on Sunday under beautiful, brisk weather conditions. Ray and Phil were teamed against Matt and Pete, and the match got off to a decent start with Pete hitting a long drive toward the trap (getting unlucky when the ball rolled in) and Ray down the middle. Matt caught a break when his tee shot hit off some trees on the left and went back to the rough, and Phil got past the tree when his tee shot went right. All players took advantage of their positions with good shots to the green and all four players got par to halve the hole. Phil hit the best tee shot on eleven, just stopping on the front fringe on a direct line, with Ray and Matt both in the trap on the left and Pete on the right fringe. Ray blasted out and stopped within a foot for a tap in par, matched by his partner with two putts, leaving the pressure on Pete going downhill. He made a comeback up the hill to save his three, and the match remained even. Pete's approach shot on twelve took a bad bounce to the right and rear of the green, leaving him a tricky uphill and then downhill putt, while Ray's approach shot stayed on the green. Ray two putted for par and Pete could not match, so Phil and Pete took the lead. Pete got a good break on thirteen when his tee shot headed left but came back to the middle of the fairway, and it looked like he would tie the match when his approach shot stopped on the fringe while the opponents could not find the green. But Phil hit a beautiful chip shot from above the trap, stopping within twelve inches of the hole, and the pressure shifted to Pete, who needed a long two putt just to tie...which he did. Pete was in the hazard on his second shot on fourteen while Matt and Ray were both in better position, about 100 yards out. Ray's approach shot bounced left and off the green while Matt's was short but on line with the hole. Two putts later from Matt, the second a sliding downhiller, and his par won the hole and squared the match. The match stayed even when Pete and Ray both two putted the fifteenth, Ray from in front of the hole and Pete from the back fringe. Matt got lucky on sixteen when his tee shot headed left and bounced off a tree, stopping close to the right side bunker. From there he hit a nice iron approach shot and stopped about twelve feet from the cup. Ray was in better position, about 120 yards from the pin, and he took advantage when he hit his approach shot to about the same distance as Matt. Ray putted first, missed his birdie but was conceded the par. Matt hit his putt past the hole about eighteen inches, but his comeback was not straight and Ray and Phil made him make it to halve the hole and keep the match square. Matt and Ray had approach shots from the fairway on seventeen, but both missed the green, Matt to the right of the bunker and Ray bouncing off the left side. Matt hit a beautiful flop shot that rolled within a foot of the cup for a conceded par, and when Ray could not get up and down, the hole was won by Matt and Pete, giving them a one hole lead with one to go. Needing birdie to have a chance, Phil hit a very nice shot to the eighteenth green, giving himself a chance with a fifteen foot putt. But when he slid his putt past the hole, all Pete needed was a two putt par himself from inside fifteen feet to clinch the match, and of course, he did just that, leaving himself just a few inches for a tap in par and the victory.

**Quote of the Day-** When it was noted that Pete had a scuffed ball on the fourteenth hole, Ray asked when it might have happened (which hole). Phil replied that it probably happened a few weeks ago, implying that Pete would continue to play with scuffed Noodles.

<i><u>POINTS</u></i>	<i>Ray</i>	<i>Pete</i>	<i>Phil</i>	<i>Matt</i>		<b>Total Points</b>
<b>Ray</b>		24	23	23		35
<b>Pete</b>	14		23	13		25
<b>Phil</b>	5	15		14		17
<b>Matt</b>	15	15	24			27

<i><u>INDIVIDUAL WON-LOST</u></i>	<i>Ray</i>	<i>Pete</i>	<i>Phil</i>	<i>Matt</i>		<b>Overall</b>
<b>Ray</b>		11-6-2	11-2-1	10-6-3		16-7-3
<b>Pete</b>	6-11-2		10-6-3	6-7-1		11-12-3
<b>Phil</b>	2-11-1	6-10-3		6-11-2		7-16-3
<b>Matt</b>	6-10-3	7-6-1	11-6-2			12-11-3

Weekly Results	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt
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
7/17/10	23	13	13	11
7/18/10	25	13	13	13
7/24/10	25	15	15	13
7/31/10	25	17	15	15
8/1/10	27	17	17	15
8/7/10	29	17	17	17
8/8/10	31	19	17	17
8/14/10	31	21	17	19
8/15/10	33	21	17	21
9/4/10	35	21	17	23
9/5/10	35	23	17	25
9/19/10	35	25	17	27

