2011 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

May 1, 2011	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
Pete - Phil	Е	Е	Е	Е	Е	-	Е	Е	1	WIN
Ray - Matt	E	Е	Е	Е	Е	1	Е	E	-	

After some confusion regarding the starting time for weekend play on Saturday that caused the group to miss a match. May began with warmer weather and a clear idea of timing. Phil completed a conference call to India (is it Sunday in India..... get confused with the International Date Line?) and play started at 7:00. Phil would pair with Pete in a traditional match play format against Ray and Matt. Phil and Pete both started with long and straight drives well down the tenth fairway, and Pete followed with a 75 yard wedge that was stiff to the pin and a certain birdie. But Ray would not let the hole get away and equaled Pete's birdie with a nice 100 yard wedge and a tying ten foot putt for his own birdie. Everyone was on the eleventh green from the tee box but nobody was able to make long birdie putts, and pars were had all around to halve the hole. Phil, Matt and Ray were down the left side of twelve with Pete on the right side. Again, nobody could make longer birdie putts but Pete saved par with a good second putt, matched by Matt's three footer. The thirteenth hole was a bit sloppy, a lot of three-putts for bogey and nobody able to take advantage, so the match remained even through four. Ray, Pete and Matt were all within one hundred yards of the fourteenth green for their approach shots and all players hit solid shots for birdie attempts. Ray missed his but tapped in for par, giving Matt a free shot at a four...which he left inexplicable short and the hole was halved. Everyone hit nine irons on the par three fifteenth and everyone found the green. Phil and Matt putted well but missed their birdie putts, followed by Ray sinking his ten footer and putting the pressure on Pete who was just inside and putting downhill. Pete's putt just slid by the cup, so three pars were good scores but not enough to match Ray's birdie and first blood of the day. Matt got a reprieve after an errant tee shot that stopped short of going out of bounds, but made things worse by hitting the next two punch shots into trees and the woods. Meanwhile Pete was in a similar spot on the right and even though he played smarter golf, he was not able to save his par. That left Ray off the side of the green and Phil chipping from off the front. Phil left himself a four footer for par, which he calmly sank to win the hole and halve the match going to seventeen. Phil followed the win on sixteen with a very long drive on seventeen, but nobody played a good second shot and bogeys halve the hole and sent the match to eighteen. Three balls in the fairway on eighteen and Pete and Matt gave themselves birdie opportunities with good approach shots. Matt putted first and pulled his attempt left, leaving the door open for Pete on his favorite hole. And of course Pete made the birdie from twelve feet, dropping the ball into the left side of the hole to win the match. It was a well played match, everyone contributing at points, close all the way...and closed out with a birdie. Good day for all.

	Ray Bakshi	Pete Christiansen	Phil Kemp	Matt Boardman
04/09/11	0	0	0	0
04/10/11	0	2	0	2
04/22/11	3	3	0	0
05/01/11	0	2	2	0
TOTAL	3	7	^ 2	2

POINTS	4.0°	Q 9,0	Phil	Matt	Total Points
Ray		0	3	3	3
Pete	4		5	5	7
Phil	2	0		2	2
Matt	2	0	2		2

INDIVIDUAL WON-LOST	200	9,00	Phil	Matt	//e.a//
Ray		0-2-0	1.5-1-0	1.5-1-0	1.5-2-0
Pete	2-0-0		2.5-0-0	2.5-0-0	3.5-0-0
Phil	1-1.5-0	0-2.5-0		1-1-0	1-2.5-0
Matt	1-1.5-0	0-2.5-0	1-1-0		1-2.5-0

TEAM WON-LOST	Mo	1507	Halved
Ray-Pete	1.5		
Ray-Phil		1.0	
Ray-Matt		1.0	
Pete-Phil	1.0		
Pete-Matt	1.0		
Phil-Matt		1.5	

