

2011 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

May 29, 2011	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
total	4	9	14	18	24	27	31	36	41	41
Phil - Pete	4	5	5	4	6	3	4	5	5	
Ray - Matt	4	3	3	5	5	3	4	4	4	
total	4	7	10	15	20	23	27	31	35	35

Sunday was a medal play format with Phil (still not feeling 100%) and Pete against Ray and Matt. Pete split the fairway on the tenth hole and Matt went through the fairway into the trap. Meanwhile Phil and Ray drove left and toward eighteen but it did not faze either player as they both put their wedges toward the green and each saved par with a chip and putt to halve the first hole. Ray went very long on eleven, across the road and into the twelfth fairway, but tossed a gorgeous flop shot back toward the pin and stopped his ball about a foot away. Ray's tap in par gave his team a two shot lead when the opponents could only manage double bogey. The lead was lengthened on twelve after Ray and Matt both drove well down the fairway and hit their wedges to birdie distances, and after Ray assured the par with two putts, Matt dropped his birdie to give their team a four shot lead. That lead was short lived when Pete played a beautiful drive and approach on thirteen, narrowly missing his own birdie putt but par was enough to gain a stroke back for his team. Ray and Matt both had good drives on fourteen but hit poor second shots while Phil was in trouble and Pete had to lay up on his third. Pete almost saved his par with a long putt but settled for bogey while Matt made a five foot comeback putt to save his five and add another stroke to the lead. Seven iron was the club of choice on fifteen, Pete going past the pin, Matt short and Ray to the left. The closest to birdie was Pete but nobody could grab the elusive two and pars tied the hole, leaving a four shot lead going up the hill. Ray and Pete were in the fairway on sixteen while Matt found the bunker on the right, but they all landed on the green with their approach shots and pars halved the hole to maintain the lead. The match was virtually closed out on seventeen when Matt hit a nice hybrid into the green and left his birdie putt about six inches away, leading to a tap in par and another stroke advantage. Pete and Phil, after much discussion, decided not to press the match by conceding at this point and played through to eighteen. Matt and Ray were in the fairway and both had nice approach shots into the green, and while neither made birdie, their pars were enough to ice the match. With Phil traveling on business, the next match will wait for next weekend, when the first Skins match will be played with individual points and no teams.

<u>POINTS</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt	Total Points
Ray		2	7.5	5.5	7.5
Pete	7		10.5	7.5	12.5
Phil	2.5	0.5		2	2.5
Matt	5.5	2.5	7		7.5

<u>INDIVIDUAL WON-LOST</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt		Overall
Ray		1-3.5-0	3.5-1-0.5	2.5-2.5-0.5		3.5-3.5-0.5
Pete	3.5-1-0		5-0-0.5	3.5-1-0.5		6-1-0.5
Phil	1-3.5-0.5	0-5-0.5		1-3.5-0		1-6-0.5
Matt	2.5-2.5-0.5	1-3.5-0.5	3.5-1-0			3.5-3.5-0.5

<u>TEAM WON-LOST</u>	Won	Lost	Halved
Ray-Pete	2.5		0.5
Ray-Phil		2.5	
Ray-Matt	1.0	1.0	
Pete-Phil	1.0	1.0	
Pete-Matt	2.5		
Phil-Matt		2.5	0.5

