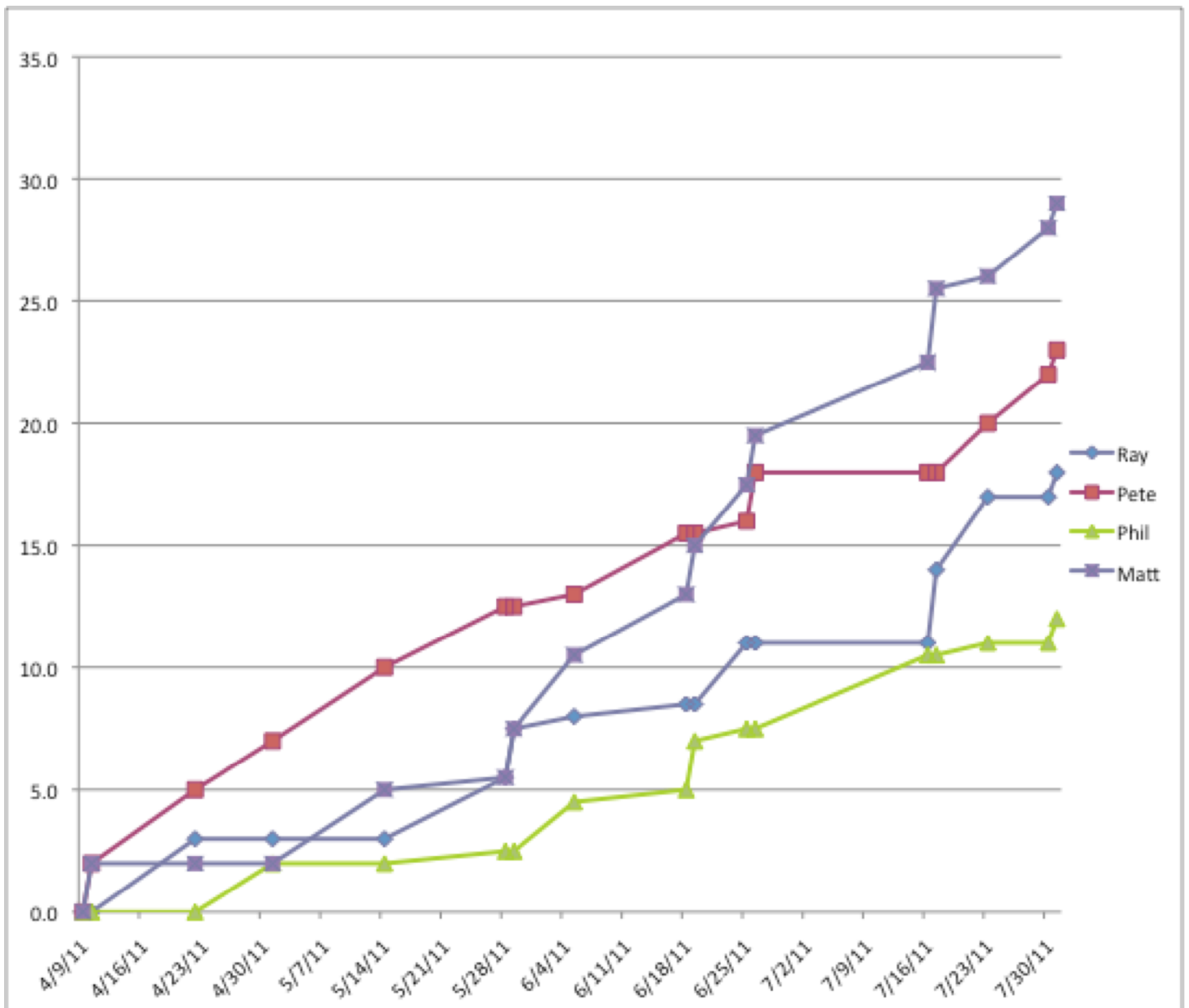


2011 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP

July 31, 2011	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
total	3	6	10	16	22	24	28	33	38	38
Ray - Pete	3	3	4	6	6	2	4	5	5	halved
Phil - Matt	4	3	5	5	5	3	4	5	4	halved
total	4	7	12	17	22	25	29	34	38	38

A medal match was the format for Sunday, with Ray and Pete against Phil and Matt on a nice sunny day. Ray and Pete were in the fairway off the tenth tee, Matt to the left and in the rough and Phil short after a low running tee shot that prompted our inscrutable ranger, Jack, to request that Phil be given a "mulligan" off the tenth tee from here forward. But Phil recovered his mental game quickly and did not let the comment get to him when he hit an approach to the greenside bunker, blasted out and made a par saving putt. It was a great comeback, worthy of yelling back up the hole toward Jack, but it was not enough to halve the hole after Ray lobbed a beautiful approach to three feet and made his birdie to take an early lead. Nobody was on the eleventh green, Matt in the left bunker and Ray in the right hand bunker, Pete and Phil both chipping. Phil hit a nice chip to about two feet to save his par yet again, but Ray was up to the challenge when he gently hit his bunker shot to the edge of the green and let it feed down toward the hole, saving par himself and halving the hole. Phil and Matt were both in trouble off the twelfth tee and although they each had a chance for par, their putts were too long to convert and both settled for bogey. Pete also made bogey, leaving Ray to compete and he had a twenty five foot birdie putt that he sailed six feet past the cup, and then smoothly made the comeback to par the hole and take another stroke advantage. The thirteenth hole was incredibly ugly for everyone, the least offensive play coming from Matt who salvaged bogey to win the hole and gain back a stroke. Pete had to take a penalty stroke on fourteen when his second shot bounced left and into the hazard, but he managed to stay in the hole and make bogey anyway. Ray could not do better after his second shot hit the road at the top of the hill and rolled back down toward the hay bale, leaving him a very long approach and a bogey in the end. Phil and Matt both played the hole well, each having a birdie putt....Phil with a fifteen footer that he could not convert and Matt, only four feet from the cup but a pushed putt resulting in a par as well....enough to gain back another shot and tie the match. A lot of things going on at the fifteenth, beginning with Phil hitting a low iron to the back of the green and Matt hitting a straight iron that stopped short but not on the fourteenth fairway. Ray was also short but in the short grass and Pete was on the green in the middle. Matt chipped first out of the rough, stopped his shot six inches for a tap in par. Ray went one better after he ran a wedge onto the green and into the cup for birdie! Pete's putt was now irrelevant, and Phil was pretty far away and could not make birdie, so Ray and Pete went back in the lead. Pete and Phil were both in trouble off the sixteenth tee, leaving the hole to Matt and Ray. Ray was straight in the fairway, Matt in the fairway bunker. Ray hit first and drilled an iron to the center of the green, and Matt matched with an iron that cleared the nearby lip and stopped in the center of the green as well. Two pars later after birdie putts that missed by inches, the hole was tied and the group moved to the seventeenth. Pete, Ray and Matt were all in the fairway on seventeen but nobody could hit the green, Ray and Matt short and Pete in the bunker on the left. Nobody could save par so bogeys tied the hole and put it all on the eighteenth for the match, Ray and Pete with a one shot lead with one to go. It looked like Matt and Phil were going to lose the match after both hit poor tee shots on eighteen, Phil in the woods on the left and Matt on the seventeenth fairway. Pete had some issues of his own with the right side trees but Ray was in the fairway. But Phil never gave up and played smartly, chipping to the fairway and then to the green, leaving himself a twenty foot putt to have a chance. Meanwhile Ray missed the green to the left and had to chip back, while Pete recovered but had an eight foot par putt to go. To have any chance, Phil had to make the par with Matt out of the hole, and he did just that when he sank the long putt to put some pressure on the opponents. Somehow those two putts rimmed the cup but stayed out, so Phil's determination won the hole and tied the match, splitting the points for the day.

Weekly Results	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt
04/09/11	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
04/10/11	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0
04/22/11	3.0	3.0	0.0	0.0
05/01/11	0.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
05/14/11	0.0	3.0	0.0	3.0
05/28/11	2.5	2.5	0.5	0.5
05/29/11	2.0	0.0	0.0	2.0
06/05/11	0.5	0.5	2.0	3.0
06/18/11	0.5	2.5	0.5	2.5
06/19/11	0.0	0.0	2.0	2.0
06/25/11	2.5	0.5	0.5	2.5
06/26/11	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0
07/16/11	0.0	0.0	3.0	3.0
07/17/11	3.0	0.0	0.0	3.0
07/23/11	3.0	2.0	0.5	0.5
07/30/11	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0
07/31/11	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
TOTAL	18.0	23.0	12.0	29.0



<u>HEAD-TO-HEAD POINTS</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt		Total Head-to-Head Points
Ray		8	14	7		14.5
Pete	14		18	9		20.5
Phil	9	7		3		9.5
Matt	18	14	19			25.5

<u>HEAD-TO-HEAD WON-LOST</u>	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt		Overall
Ray		3.5-6.5-1	6-3.5-2	2.5-8-2		6-9-2.5
Pete	6.5-3.5-1		8-2.5-2	3.5-6-2		9-6-2.5
Phil	3.5-6-2	2.5-8-2		1-9-1		3.5-11.5-2.5
Matt	8-2.5-2	6-3.5-2	9-1-1			11.5-3.5-2.5

<u>TEAM WON-LOST</u>	Won	Lost	Halved
Ray-Pete	2.5	2.5	1.5
Ray-Phil		5.5	0.5
Ray-Matt	3.5	1.0	0.5
Pete-Phil	1.0	3.5	0.5
Pete-Matt	5.5		0.5
Phil-Matt	2.5	2.5	1.5

<u>Skins Won</u>	
Ray	8
Pete	3
Phil	3
Matt	4

<u>Skins Points</u>	
Ray	3.5
Pete	2.5
Phil	2.5
Matt	3.5