# 011 GRIFFITH HARRIS EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE CHAMPIONSHIP 

| November 12, 2011 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | FINAL |
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| total | 4 | 7 | 11 | 17 | 22 | 26 | 30 | 36 | 41 | 41 |
| Ray - Pete | 4 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 5 |  |
| Phil - Matt | 4 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 5 |  |
| total | 4 | 7 | 12 | 17 | 22 | 26 | 32 | 37 | 42 | 42 |

It was a bit chilly on the day after Veterans' Day, with a stiff wind and temperatures in the high 30s. Not enough to cause a frost delay on most courses, but this is the Griff and play was delayed by a half hour to allow more time to warm. Our front side tee time went by the wayside as the group chose not to wait the thirty minutes plus the time to tee off fourth, and play was started on the familiar back nine, where we were the only group. Ray and Pete took on Phil and Matt in a medal or stroke play match. All good drives on the tenth hole, Ray a bit short, Phil in the fairway, Matt just outside the bunker and Pete unfortunately rolling in. Ray hit the best approach, stopping five feet from the cup, while Matt did not get any roll on his wedge and stopped perhaps fifteen feet near the fringe, while Pete just cleared the lip of the bunker and rolled onto the green. Phil hit a great chip from behind the green and saved his par, giving his partner a run at birdie, as did Pete with a two-putt par. But neither player could convert, so four pars to start a good match. Ray was the only player to find the green from the eleventh tee, hitting a nice high shot short of the hole. Pete was left but pin high, Matt on the right and a bit shorter. Matt hit his chip nicely and rolled down the side of the slope, stopping a foot outside for par. Pete missed his chip and stopped on the fringe, but made up spectacularly with a downhill par saving putt, giving Ray another look at birdie. A narrow miss, and pars again tied the hole. Pete drove right on twelve, Matt and Phil were in the fairway but well short of Ray, who bombed his tee shot well down the fairway. Ray followed with another good wedge to four feet, Phil landed on the right side of the green, Matt was off the front and Pete was over the back. Again Pete saved par and gave Ray a shot, and although Ray missed his chance, the team took a lead after Matt three putted from the front fringe and Phil ran his first putt well by and also took three putts. The thirteenth was a poor hole, Matt's two-putt bogey being the best score to tie the match. Matt and Ray were in the fairway on fourteen, Pete in trouble and Phil out to the left. Both Matt and Ray hit good second shots, and Ray's approach was just off to the right while Matt's was on the green but well short. Ray hit a nice downhill putt and made his par, Matt with an uphill first putt and two footer for his par to tie the hole. Nobody was on the short par three, Ray to the right with a chip, Pete short and Phil in the trap while Matt reverted to old and poor form landing on the fourteenth. Nobody could save par, bogeys tied the hole and the match was even going up the hill. The sixteenth was a huge turning point when Phil was out of bounds and Matt was in the trees on the left, Pete hitting a huge drive past the traps and Ray in the fairway. Matt chipped out but pulled his approach into the bunker and made double bogey, while Ray made a five for a sure lead and Pete made a routine two-putt par to gain a two shot advantage....medal play. On the seventeenth, Ray was right, Phil in the middle, Pete to the left and Matt long down the fairway. After nobody hit the green, though, it was up to the short games and loose play dominated when Matt's bogey won the hole by a stroke and brought the match back to a one shot advantage for Pete and Ray going to eighteen. Again, some loose (poor?) play on eighteen as Pete hit a low approach shot from the fairway that skipped through the bunker and stopped on the upslope, Matt with a wedge to the green that went left and was caught in the wind, landing in the bunker. Matt needed at least his long par putt to keep a possibility of winning the hole, and while his line was good his distance was short and he settled for bogey. Pete was five feet away, needing only two putts to tie the hole but wanting to make his putt for par....but not to be, he slid by the cup and bogeys tied the hole. Pete and Ray won a hotly contested, but perhaps sloppily played, match by one shot with a better ball 41.



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| Ray |  | 5.5-7.5-2 | 10.5-3.5-2 | 5-9-3 | 10.5-10-3.5 |
| Pete | 7.5-5.5-2 |  | 11.5-2.5-3 | 6-8-2 | 12.5-8-3.5 |
| Phil | 3.5-10.5-2 | 2.5-11.5-3 |  | 1-12-2 | 3.5-17-3.5 |
| Matt | F 9-5-3 | F 8-6-2 | 12-1-2 |  | 14.5-6-3.5 |


| Weekly Results | Ray | Pete | Phil | Matt |
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| 4/9/11 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 4/10/11 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| 4/22/11 | 3.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 2.0 |
| 5/1/11 | 3.0 | 7.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |
| 5/14/11 | 3.0 | 10.0 | 2.0 | 5.0 |
| 5/28/11 | 5.5 | 12.5 | 2.5 | 5.5 |
| 5/29/11 | 7.5 | 12.5 | 2.5 | 7.5 |
| 6/5/11 | 8.0 | 13.0 | 4.5 | 10.5 |
| 6/18/11 | 8.5 | 15.5 | 5.0 | 13.0 |
| 6/19/11 | 8.5 | 15.5 | 7.0 | 15.0 |
| 6/25/11 | 11.0 | 16.0 | 7.5 | 17.5 |
| 6/26/11 | 11.0 | 18.0 | 7.5 | 19.5 |
| 7/16/11 | 11.0 | 18.0 | 10.5 | 22.5 |
| 7/17/11 | 14.0 | 18.0 | 10.5 | 25.5 |
| 7/23/11 | 17.0 | 20.0 | 11.0 | 26.0 |
| 7/30/11 | 17.0 | 22.0 | 11.0 | 28.0 |
| 7/31/11 | 18.0 | 23.0 | 12.0 | 29.0 |
| 8/27/11 | 20.0 | 23.0 | 12.0 | 31.0 |
| 9/3/11 | 21.0 | 24.0 | 13.0 | 32.0 |
| 10/15/11 | 24.0 | 27.0 | 13.0 | 32.0 |
| 10/16/11 | 26.0 | 27.0 | 13.0 | 34.0 |
| 10/22/11 | 27.5 | 30.0 | 14.5 | 34.0 |
| 11/5/11 | 27.5 | 32.0 | 14.5 | 36.0 |
| 11/12/11 | 29.5 | 34.0 | 14.5 | 36.0 |


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| Ray-Pete | 5.0 | 2.5 | 1.5 |
| Ray-Phil |  | 6.5 | 1.5 |
| Ray-Matt | 5.5 | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Pete-Phil | 1.0 | 5.5 | 0.5 |
| Pete-Matt | 6.5 |  | 1.5 |
| Phil-Matt | 2.5 | 5.0 | 1.5 |


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| Skins Won |  |
| Ray | 9 |
| Pete | 10 |
| Phil | 4 |
| Matt | 4 |


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| Skins Points |  |
| Ray | 5.0 |
| Pete | 5.5 |
| Phil | 4.0 |
| Matt | 3.5 |

