

**2013 GRIFFITH HARRIS
EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE
CHAMPIONSHIP**

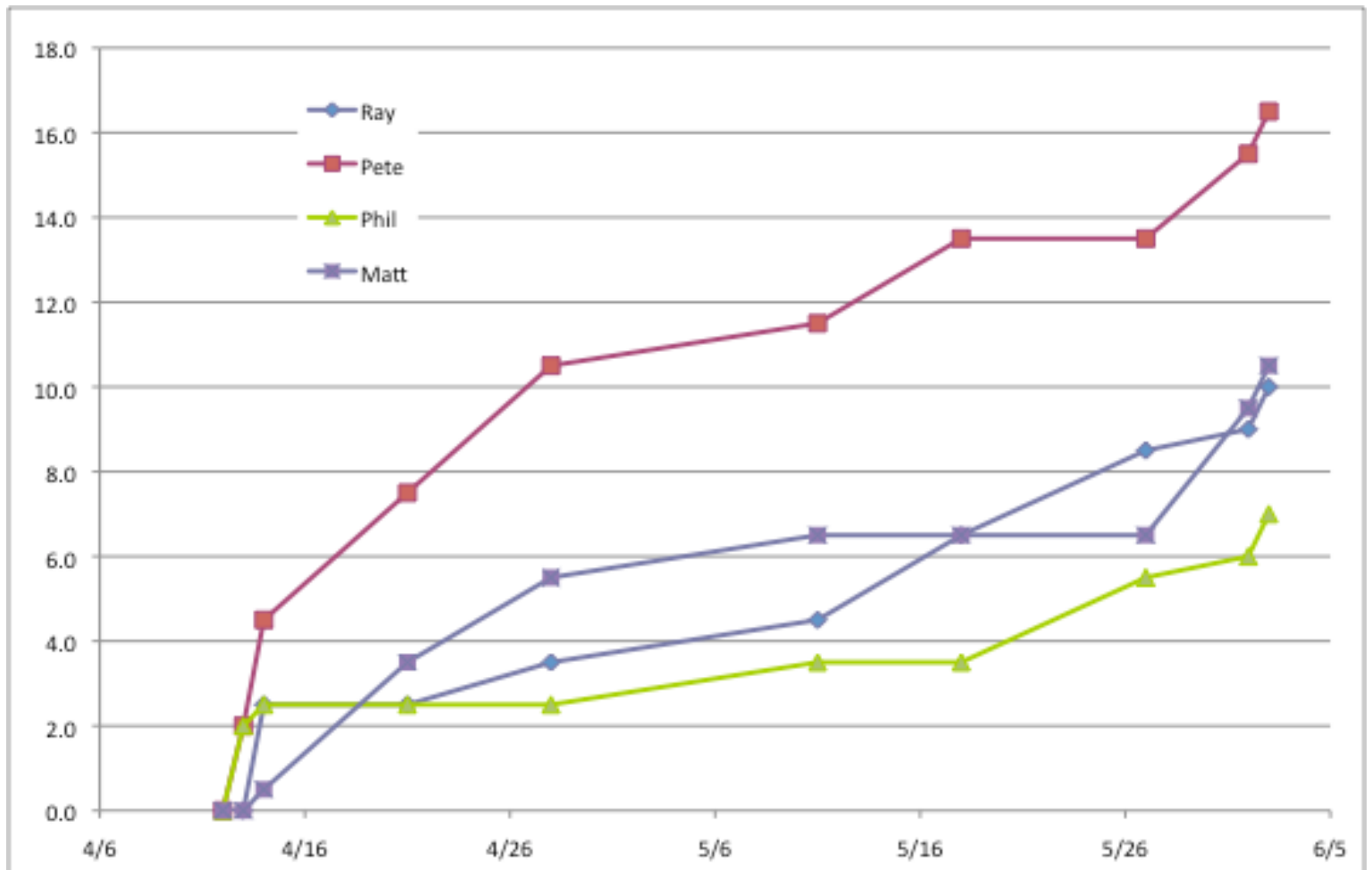
Saturday and Sunday, June 1 and 2

Saturday, June 1										
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
Ray										-
Pete							2	1	1	4
Phil										-
Matt			3		2					5

Saturday, June 1- Beautiful day and the group was set to tee off at 6:30 despite the new earlier first start time, a skins format for the day. Matt and Ray both hit good approach shots, Matt just on the left side of the green and Ray a bit closer and to the side of the hole. Both missed close birdie putts and tapped in for par, halving the hole and carrying a skin to eleven. Ray was the only player on the green on eleven with another birdie attempt, but when he was not able to convert, the hole was tied after Phil saved par with a good chip and four foot comeback putt for his three. Phil and Matt were in the fairway on twelve, Pete in the rough. Phil hit a nice approach to twelve feet, Pete better to ten feet, Matt was a bit farther away. Phil missed his birdie and tapped in for par, followed by Matt who thought he was going to miss on the low side and had to correct himself when his putt stayed the line and fell for birdie, enough to win three skins after Pete just missed his own birdie attempt. Matt was looking good for another skin when his hybrid stopped six feet from the cup on thirteen, but Phil saved the day for the others with a very nice chip and a sliding downhill putt that dropped in the center of the cup, eventually tying the hole when Matt could not sink his birdie putt. Matt hit a poor tee shot on fourteen but recovered to the fairway and an iron to the back left of the green. A two putt par was enough to win the hole and another two skins, clinching first place for the day with five skins. Now it was Pete's turn to turn on the engine, which he started with an iron to fifteen feet on the fifteenth hole. His eventual par was not enough to win the hole, though, when Phil saved his own par with a ten footer after a good chip. Pete continued his positive momentum on sixteen, missing the green on the right but chipping to the crest of the knob and rolling his ball down right into the cup for a birdie three and two skins. Pete continued his good play, chipping to four feet in spite of thinking he had chunked the shot, and winning the hole with a par-saving putt that beat the others who could not match. With only third place up for grabs on eighteen, it was Pete again stamping his day with a beautiful approach to four feet, and although he missed his birdie putt, par was enough to win the hole and a fourth skin for the day.

Sunday, June 2										
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL
total	4	9	14	17	24	27	33	39	44	44
Phil - Pete	4	5	5	3	7	3	6	6	5	TIED
Ray - Matt	4	4	4	6	6	3	5	6	4	TIED
total	4	8	12	18	24	27	32	38	42	42

Sunday, June 2- The first medal match of the 2013 season was set for Sunday morning, a day where Phil secured the third group and the group played in that time slot in spite of the earlier start time. Phil and Pete were matched against Ray and Matt. Pete was short on the left side of ten, Ray on the right, Matt longer and Phil mishit (and would not accept a mulligan) when Matt talked through his backswing. Pete hit a nice wedge to eight or nine feet, inside Matt's approach to the edge of the green. Both players missed their birdie putts, tapping in for pars and halving the hole with fours. Nobody was on the eleventh green in regulation, Matt and Ray in opposite bunkers...both hitting nice shots out, both missing par putts but bogeys sufficient to gain a stroke on their opponents. Matt was just off the green with his approach on twelve, left his birdie putt below the cup and was fortunate to find the low side of the hole to save par and gain another stroke as both Phil and Pete made bogey. A big turn came on thirteen when both Ray and Matt sprayed tee shots and never recovered, both fortunately taking the double bogey maximum as stipulated in the rules. Meanwhile, Phil hit a good tee shot and was aided by some bounce off the road. He took full advantage with a beautiful approach to the green, stopping on the lower back fringe. He had a putt for a three shot swing, but this is the hardest green on the back side, and his firm two putt par plus a handicap stroke gave him a net three and a three shot swing and the lead...perhaps the first such marginal swing in the history of the group. The fourteenth was ugly, Pete and Phil only managing double bogey, while Ray and Matt could only manage bogey themselves despite having less than one hundred yards left for their third shots to the green. Regardless, the match was tied after five up-and-down holes. Four beautiful tee shots, four routine two putts for par on fifteen, even though Pete and Matt had free shots after their partners secured threes for the teams. Matt and Ray were long down the fairway on sixteen, looking to have an advantage when Pete and Phil came up short of the green with their approach shots. But both hooked second shots into the left side bunker, and Pete came through with a long saving putt from the back fringe for his par and a one stroke advantage going to seventeen. The seventeenth hole was brutal, all four players coming away with double bogey sevens and leaving Pete and Phil with the advantage going to the last hole. Matt and Phil were in the fairway off the tee, Pete very short to the left and Ray somewhere in the rocks on that same side. Wisely, Ray played to the fairway and lobbed a lovely shot at the pin, stopping ten feet away. Phil was unlucky to find the trap with a nicely hit second shot, Matt hooked to the left and Pete off the green as well. After Pete and Phil missed opportunities to save par, Ray stroked his putt into the center of the cup, a great comeback and a stroke gained to tie the over all match. Not well played overall by anyone, but interesting and hard fought by all.



	TEAM WON-LOST	<i>Won</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Halved</i>	
	Ray-Pete	2.0	0.0	0.0	
	Ray-Phil	1.0	1.5	0.0	
	Ray-Matt	0.0	1.0	2.5	
	Pete-Phil	1.0	0.0	2.5	
	Pete-Matt	1.5	1.0	0.0	
	Phil-Matt	0.0	2.0	0.0	

HEAD-TO-HEAD WON-LOST	<i>Ray</i>	<i>Pete</i>	<i>Phil</i>	<i>Matt</i>	<i>Overall</i>
Ray		1-2.5-2.5	2-1-2.5	3-1.5-0	3-2.5-2.5
Pete	2.5-1-2.5		3.5-1-0	3-0-2.5	4.5-1-2.5
Phil	1-2-2.5	1-3.5-0		2-1.5-2.5	2-3.5-2.5
Matt	1.5-3-0	0-3-2.5	1.5-2-2.5		1.5-4-2.5

HEAD-TO-HEAD POINTS	<i>Ray</i>	<i>Pete</i>	<i>Phil</i>	<i>Matt</i>	TOTAL POINTS
Ray		4.5	6.5	6	8.5
Pete	7.5		7	8.5	11.5
Phil	4.5	2		6.5	6.5
Matt	3	2.5	5.5		5.5

	SKINS WON			
	Ray	1		
	Pete	7		
	Phil	0		
	Matt	7		

	SKINS POINTS			
	Ray	1.5		
	Pete	5.0		
	Phil	0.5		
	Matt	5.0		