

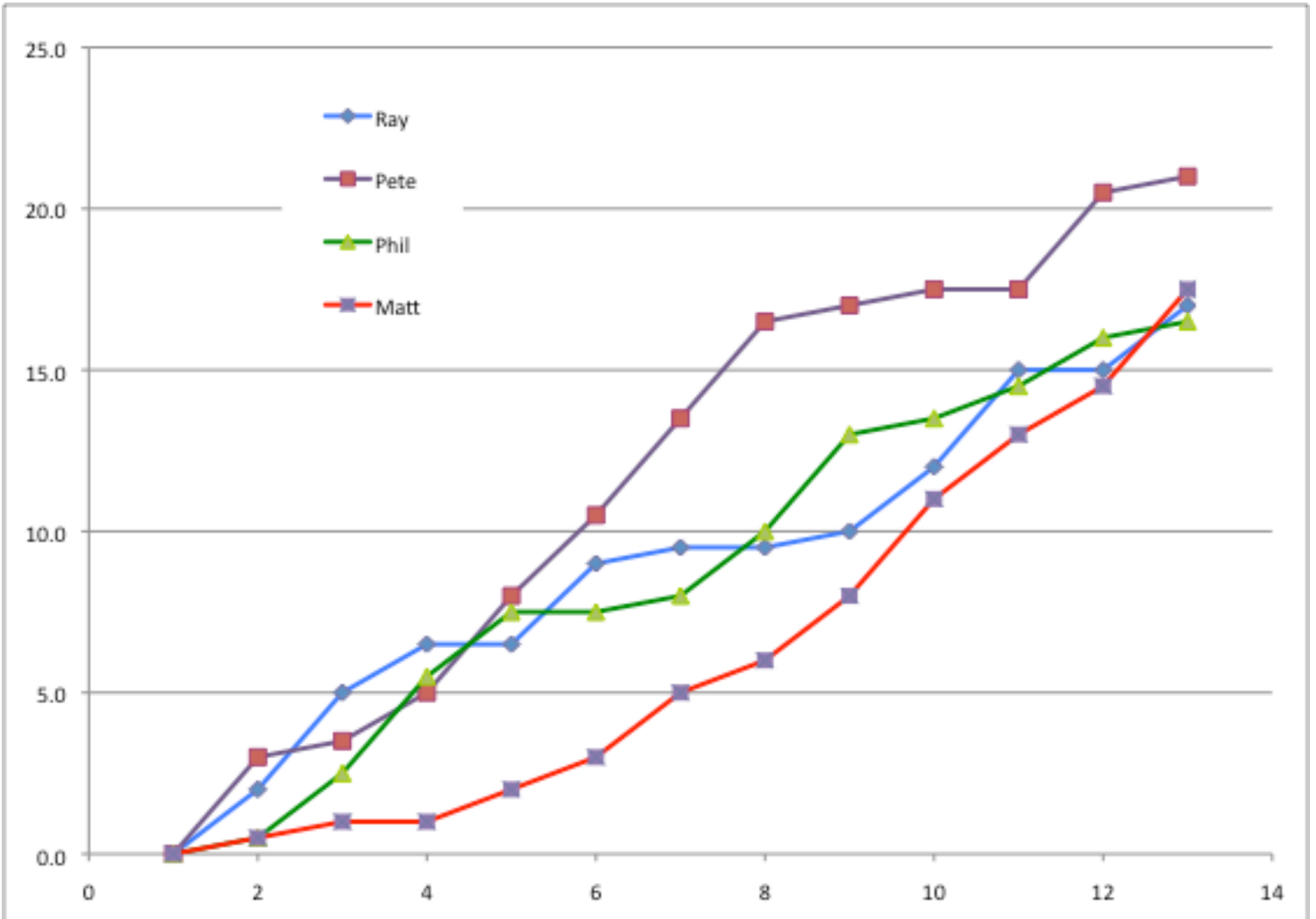
**2015 GRIFFITH HARRIS
EARLY-BIRD BACK-NINE
CHAMPIONSHIP**

Sunday, Jul 5, 2015

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	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	FINAL	
Ray	x	x		x	x	x			1	1	
Pete	x	x		x	x	x				-	
Phil	x	x		x	x	x				-	
Matt	x	x	3	x	x	x	4	1		8	

The Sunday of Independence Day weekend provided a third consecutive day of golf, and the four were ready for their usual Skins game. Phil started with the longest tee shot on the tenth, using a fairway metal and outdistancing all the drivers. Pete and Ray were in the fairway, while Matt hooked his into the left rough. Matt left his ball out on the right and landed in the bunker, but the others all hit very nice approach shots and had birdie putts between ten and fifteen feet. Everyone came close but nobody could convert so the hole was tied, a skin was carried over and Pete's streak of consecutive birdies to start rounds had come to an end after two days. Nobody found the green on eleven, Phil and Ray in trouble while Pete was in the rough on the front right and Matt was over the green and also in the rough. Pete hit a beautiful long chip that stopped two feet from the cup, but he still had to make his par as nobody conceded the putt. Matt did not chip as well, but he made an eight-foot downhill putt to halve the hole and carry two skins to twelve. Phil was in trouble on twelve but the others hit good tee shots. Nobody hit a great second, Ray coming up on the very front of the green but with a left yellow flag, Pete skimming his shot through the green and Matt, with the shortest shot, pulled his just through the fringe on the left. Pete's chip was short, Ray's putt was also short so Matt had a chance from off the green. His birdie putt fortunately hit the pin as it came streaking off the hill, leaving himself just three feet instead of perhaps ten. He took advantage by saving par and winning the hole as the others could not convert, first three skins of the day to Matt. Ray hit a long drive down the middle of the thirteenth hole, Pete and Phil with good tee shots and Matt in the fairway bunker. Phil, Ray and Pete all missed the green and had to chip up with their third shots, and all two-putted for bogeys which tied the hole. Those same three players hit good tee shots on fourteen and good second shots as well. Phil came up short with the longest of the approach shots, stopping on the upslope of the greenside hill, but he was laying only two with his handicap stroke. Ray also came up short and Pete got just onto the green about fifteen feet below the cup. Phil chipped past the cup and after he and Pete each took two putts to get down, the hole was halved. Only Matt was on the fifteenth green, but barely, and after he stopped his putt a few inches from the cup, his par was looking good for a skin. Put both Phil and Ray matched that three, Phil with a chip and a good putt and Ray with a par-saving long second putt. Going up the hill, Matt had three skins but there were four to be had on the sixteenth so it was still anyone's match. Ray was behind the trees off the tee, Pete was in the rough, Phil and Matt in the fairway. Pete came up short of the green, Ray landed in the left bunker, Phil went a bit right and Matt hit a beautiful half-hybrid to about three or four feet. He needed to make birdie after Pete hit a good chip that looked like it would save par, and he did just that, stroking in his putt for a three and four more skins. Phil, uncharacteristically, hit driver on the seventeenth tee and pulled his shot left. But he recovered smartly with a low shot down the right side of the fairway, still with a handicap stroke. Pete bounced off a tree and could not recover, nor could Ray. Matt hit a low approach shot that ran past the pin and stopped just on the putting surface, about twenty five feet away. Phil hit a good approach to fifteen feet. Matt put a good stroke on his putt, tracking all the way and dropping for a birdie (and one more off the bucket list), winning the hole when Phil could not match. No good tee shots on eighteen, Phil far to the right, Pete under the trees on the right and both Ray and Matt in the left rough. Ray played the best shot, lofting a hybrid high and over the large tree to the front of the green. When nobody else could match, two putts from Ray won the hole and a skin, giving his second place for the day.

	Ray	Pete	Phil	Matt
	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
4/26	2.0	3.0	0.5	0.5
5/9	5.0	3.5	2.5	1.0
5/23	6.5	5.0	5.5	1.0
5/24	6.5	8.0	7.5	2.0
5/25	9.0	10.5	7.5	3.0
5/30	9.5	13.5	8.0	5.0
5/31	9.5	16.5	10.0	6.0
6/6	10.0	17.0	13.0	8.0
6/7	12.0	17.5	13.5	11.0
6/20	15.0	17.5	14.5	13.0
7/3	15.0	20.5	16.0	14.5
7/5	17.0	21.0	16.5	17.5



Skins Holes Won- Hole by Hole

	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Ray	1	3	1	4	2	1	2		2	16
Pete	1	5	2	2	1	1	2	2	1	17
Phil					2	1		4	1	8
Matt	3		3	1		1	4	3	2	17

Skins Won- Hole by Hole

	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Ray	1	6	2	7	3	1	3		2	25
Pete	1	7	4	5	2	2	4	6	2	33
Phil					6	2		8	1	17
Matt	3		5	1		1	10	4	2	26