## NUWC Golf Employees League Bulletin $1^{\text {st }}$ Half

 Week \#221 April, 2016
$1^{\text {st }}$ HALF STANDINGS

| Place | Team | $\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }}$ Half <br> Pts | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ |
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| 1 | 8 | 79.5 | 44 | 35.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 | 1 | 79 | 42.5 | 36.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 9 | 77 | 42 | 35 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | 6 | 73 | 37 | 36 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | 4 | 72 | 30 | 42 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | 7 | 72 | 35 | 37 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7 | 5 | 67.5 | 28 | 39.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | 3 | 66 | 36 | 30 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | 2 | 62 | 29.5 | 32.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Green Indicates Bye Week. The Bye Week team receives 36 points

## Birdie (or Better)Report (4/21):

| Birdie Report |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Name | Hole Number |
| Casey | 4 |
| Diodato | 7 |
| Krzych | 7 |
| Perry | 3 |
| Velasco (the Elder) | 1 |
| Lawrence "Loudpants" Gallagher | 6 |
| Zingarelli | 1 |
| Porterfield | 7 |

There were a lot of birds out there this week despite the greens. With the greens still bumpy, I'm guessing the approach shots resulted in near gimmes or there were many lucky putts. Hole \#7 seemed to be playing the easiest.

## WEEKLY LOW SCORES:

## LOW GROSS score for WEEK 2: Velasco the Elder (41)

## LOW NET scores for WEEK 2;

| Group | Name | Team | Gross Score | Net Score |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | Velasco the Elder | 5 | 41 | 33 |
| B | Lawrence Gallagher | 2 | 43 | 31 |
| C | Seth Moyer | 8 | 49 | 34 |
| D | Mark Zingarelli | 5 | 47 | 32 |

## $1^{\text {st }}$ Half LOW SCORES:

## LOW GROSS score for the FIRST HALF: Velasco the Elder (41)

## LOW NET scores for THE FIRST HALF:

| Group | Name | Team | Gross Score | Net Score |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | Paul Dube | 7 | 42 | 33 |
|  | Velasco the Elder | 5 | 41 |  |
| B | Lawrence Gallagher | 2 | 43 | 31 |
| C | Don Aker | 7 | 46 | 32 |
| D | Mark Zingarelli | 5 | 47 | 32 |

Note: Subs are ineligible for prizes
Apparently Romeo shed his layers this week and it certainly made a difference. He shot a 41 to take over the low gross lead and now ties Dube for the low net lead in the A's. Lawrence "Loudpants" Gallagher had a nice round of 43 net 31 to move into the top spot in the B group. Mark Zingarelli broke the logjam in the D group with a 47 net 32. Aker still holds the lead in the C group but there are plenty of weeks left to pass him.

## News

Not much movement in the top of the standings as Team 8 remains on top and the $2^{\text {nd }}$ through $4^{\text {th }}$ place teams remained unchanged. Although, the $2^{\text {nd }}$ through $4^{\text {th }}$ teams have all narrowed the gap. Team 4 took a big step by walloping Team 3 to the tune of 42 to 30 led by Wilusz and Huggins' 14 to 4 shellacking of Walsh and Decibus. Truth be told though that Charlie and Nick really gave the match to Tom and Mike as neither were very impressive. Team 1 can thank their D squad of Cotta and sub Blake for inching their way within .5 points of $1^{\text {st }}$ place as this twosome took Latourette and Mendonca (subbing) to the woodshed with a 13.5 to 4.5 beating. So at the end of the day, after the second week, 5 teams are within 7.5 points of depriving Harnois of another jacket. Even Team 2 in the cellar could work their way back into contention with a few good weeks. They just have to ensure Michno doesn't play alone! Looks like our Prez did a pretty good job in assigning teams when all appear to have a chance (obligatory suck up
from the scribe). He keeps telling the League Officers that he was going "To make the NUWC League Great Again!" And he has drawn many younger players into the league. He has said that "It is going to be a HUUUUUUUUUUGE year!" We're not sure if he is modelling himself after Trump or Sanders or taking a bit out of the playbook of each but it seems to be working. We only had ONE NOAH THIS WEEK! Great job Captains and all the new players! Let's shoot for no Noah's this week!

The fairways were in decent shape but the greens deflected putts around like the bumpers on a pinball table. The traps still looked like South Shore Beach after the tide retreated. I hope that was the reason for so many high scores this week. Its early in the season but 12 people shooting over 60 is a bit too much. I hope people were picking up when they were out of the hole to speed up play. And four of these players were retirees? I thought they had all the time in the world to practice? The goal is not to shoot your age but much under your age! Griffin shot a 69 (I could've made a joke here but I must be careful as we are trying to get NMCI approval for our site) and if not for his opponents both shooting in the 60's his team could have been destroyed. And for the others who shot over 60, remember that the goal of the game is not to get the most strokes per dollar. We need to expel the stigma of "the cheap engineer!" The weather is getting better so hopefully people will get a chance to hit the driving range and putz around the chipping green and practice green. I'm sure your game will get better as we move forward in the $1^{\text {st }}$ half.

## Notes:

Captains should e-mail the handicapper, Pete Michno, no later than 1100 Wednesday to give their line-ups. However, I'm sure the handicapper would appreciate Captains providing the line-ups earlier if you have them set. 1100 on Wednesday should be the exception, not the rule.

Captains should inform all retirees and non-NUWC members on their teams to use the website for all League information.

When scoring cards, the scorer should remember to write down THE INDIVIDUAL'S ACTUAL SCORE ON THE CARD. The actual scores are needed to determine adjusted score and handicaps for the individual player. Then, in your head, you calculate the adjusted score for each hole taking into account the strokes given on the hole due to handicap to determine the low score winner and low aggregate score winner per hole. Details are in the rules. Unfortunately, there is math involved which must be done by sheer brainpower. Next week we discuss fractions..... $0000000000000 h$ !

Dues - Even though the dues are listed in the rules, they are repeated here as additional encouragement for you to pay on time! You must pay by this Friday if you do not want to incur penalties!! Captains should check with their team to ensure all have paid!

League dues for NUWC employees, contractors and NUWC retirees will be $\$ 40 /$ year, payment received before 1 May 2016. Payment increases to $\$ 45.00$ if received after 1 May 2015. Dues for others will be $\$ 45 /$ year, payment received before 1 May 2016.

Payment increases to $\$ 50.00$ if received after 1 May 2016. Members are responsible for paying their own dues. Payments can be made to Barbara Keller (Treasurer) or to any other League Official. Make checks payable to "NUWC Golf League". Cash will also be accepted. Deadline for payments is 1 May 2016. Please read the rules as there will be reduction in points penalties assessed to teams that have members who have not paid by this date. Additionally, members who do not pay by the date indicated are subject to removal as a member and will be placed on the Sub List. Their position on the Team roster will be filled by the next eligible individual on the Sub List based upon membership criteria (frequency of filling in as a sub and handicap with respect to division roster spot needing to be filled). Team Captains are encouraged to ensure all Team Members pay their dues in a timely manner.

## Slow Play Watch:

I think we must have improved from the $1^{\text {st }}$ week. I had the next to last tee time and finished slightly under 3 hours. Strive for completing your round in less than $21 / 2$ hours. Read the Pace of Play article on the website. It will be more enjoyable for all.

## Joke of the Week

## What's Your Handicap?

A businessman was attending a conference in Africa. He had a free day and wanted to play a round of golf and was directed to a golf course in the nearby jungle. After a short journey, he arrived at the course and asked the pro if he could get on.
"Sure," said the pro, "What's your handicap"
Not wanting to admit that he had an 18 handicap, he decided to cut it a bit. "Well, its $16, "$ said the businessman,
"But what's the relevance since I'll be playing alone"
"It's very important for us to know," said the pro, who then called a caddy.
"Go out with this gentleman," said the pro, "his handicap is $16 . "$
The businessman was very surprised at this constant reference to his handicap. The caddy picked up the businessman's bag and a large rifle. Again, the businessman was surprised, but decided to ask no questions.
They arrived on the 1st hole, a par-4.
"It's wise to avoid those trees on the left," said the caddy.
Needless to say, the businessman duck-hooked his ball into the trees. He found his ball and was about to punch it out when he heard the loud crack of the rifle and a large snake fell dead from a tree above his head. The caddy stood next to him with the rifle smoking in his hand.
"That's the Black Mamba, the most poisonous snake in all Africa. You're lucky I was here
with you."
After taking a bogey, they moved to the 2nd hole, a par-5.
"Good to avoid those bushes on the right," says the caddy.
Of course, the businessman's ball went straight into the bushes. As he went to pick up his ball, he heard the loud crack of the caddy's rifle once again, and a huge lion fell dead at his feet.
"I've saved your life again," said the caddy.
The 3rd hole was a par-3 with a lake in front of the green. The businessman's ball came up just short of the green and rolled back to the edge of the water. To take a shot, he had to stand with one foot in the lake. As he was about to swing, a large crocodile emerged from the water and bit off much of his right leg.
As he fell to the ground bleeding and in great pain, he saw the caddy with the rifle propped at his side, looking on unconcernedly.
"Why didn't you kill it" asked the man incredulously. "I'm sorry, sir," said the caddy. "This is the 17th handicap hole. You don't get a shot here."

And that, my golfing friends, is why you should never lie about your handicap!

## Quote of the Week

"I hold several records on the golf course, but they all pertain to beer." ~Anonymous Or could be attributed to many NGL Golfers!

## Golf Cartoon of the Week

IT'S NOT HARDTO KEEP YOURBALL INTHE FAIRWAY...ASLONG AS YOU'RE NOT PICKY ABOUT WHICH FAIRWAY.


## Great Picture of the Week

Nice Pants!


