

NUWC Golf Employees League Bulletin 1st Half Weeks #3 and #4 5 May, 2016

1st HALF STANDINGS

Place	Team	1 st Half Pts	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	1	152	42.5	36.5	37	36					
2	4	150.5	30	42	45	33.5					
3	7	146.5	35	37	36	38.5					
4	9	142.5	42	35	36	29.5					
5	2	141.5	29.5	32.5	37	42.5					
6	5	139	28	39.5	35	36.5					
7	8	136.5	44	35.5	35	22					
8	6	135.5	37	36	27	35.5					
9	3	110	36	30	36	8					

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

Birdie (or Better) Report (4/28):

Birdie Report	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Hole Number</u>
Dube	4
Schwab	7

Birdie (or Better) Report (5/5): NONE! What did you expect?

WEEKLY LOW SCORES:

LOW GROSS score for WEEK 3: Diodato, Schwab (42)

LOW NET scores for WEEK 3:

Group	Name	Team	Gross Score	Net Score
A	Paul Dube	1	44	35
B	Sue Petit	3	46	34
C	Mike Huggins	4	45	32
D	Pat Gallagher	4	51	36

WEEKLY LOW SCORES:

LOW GROSS score for WEEK 4: Lawrence Gallagher (47)

LOW NET scores for WEEK 4:

Group	Name	Team	Gross Score	Net Score
A	Paul Dube	SUB	48	40
	Pete Michno	2	49	
B	Lawrence Gallagher	2	47	36
C	Ray Malone	2	49	36
D	Ken Pietrzak	3	56	41
	Jay Snoke	3	57	
	Bill Leblanc	8	63	
	Jim Griffin	7	59	
	Mark Zingarelli	5	55	
	Ken Mendonca	6	57	

Lawrence Loudpants shoots the round of the week in horrendous weather.

1st 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
	Mike Huggins	4	45	
D	Mark Zingarelli	5	47	32

Note: Subs are ineligible for prizes

News

I wish I could have written the Week 3 bulletin but was on TDY. I wanted to flaunt it in everyone's face that I and my partner whipped another team and propelled Team 4 to the top spot. Unfortunately that was a short lived stay upon the top.

So I'm guessing everyone was talking about the weather. I sure am glad I was on TDY based on what I have been hearing from the masses. I heard that except for not having lightening, it was straight out of Caddyshack...frogs jumping out of holes, Father Gallagher wanting to play on, etc., etc.

I also heard every nasty thing one could say about our esteemed prez for not cancelling. I heard that on the 3rd hole, Aker, who was playing against him, offered him an early out with extra compensation if he would just call it! It made me wonder what ever happened to the kinder and gentler Dave. Years ago I remember he refused to play one day in the pouring rain and I ended up writing a poem in the bully read in the style of Dr. Seuss' Green Eggs and Ham. It went something like this..."I will not play when it is rainy, I will not play said Dave Nassaney." I wish I could find it as it was a classic. But apparently that Dave is gone. And he was forced to impose the rules and some strict penalties. When discussing the events Dave was concerned about how the many players who trudged through the storm would be upset if those who walked away and went home weren't penalized. So he imposed the rules as written. I recollect his exact words to Halpin were "I will strike down on thee with great vengeance and furious anger to those who attempt to destroy my league! And you will know that my name is the Prez when I lay my anger upon you!" How things have changed.

It was without a doubt some of the worst weather the league has ever played in. League officials thank all who played. This is the problem with New England weather. In defense of the prez (obligatory suck up and I do not want to feel his great vengeance) the prez had an early tee time and went off. It only started spitting on #3 but the heavy rain, wind and cold didn't come until much later in his round. Having his phone on silence so as not to bother others in his foursome, the Prez could not be reached by phone for comment when the VP showed up and joined the remainder of the troops under the tent clamoring for a decision. Once the course stated they weren't closing the course and it became known that the Prez was continuing his round the decision was obvious that following his lead we would play. But we are all not sure if this is in the cards for his next job upon retirement! Drum roll please.....



It's never an easy decision because we can only schedule one rainout week per half and once we have to cancel more than once in a half, someone always complains about the playoff implications as to which week we chose not to play. You are a tough group to satisfy. Those who have been around in the league for some time remember that we played in worse weather for the NGL. Once, during a captain and crew in the 90's where we started playing, it was sunny and warm but after 5 holes it turned into a steady snow. The story goes that golf balls being putt formed "rings" of Saturn on them as they were putt on the greens. And of course people complained....said it was an unfair advantage to those who golfed the later tee times in the snow because you could see all the breaks in the greens from the foursome ahead of you! Proving once again you can't win no matter what you do!

As for the players, some didn't show at all, one feigning car trouble but mysteriously was able to drive in the opposite direction to the comfort of his home and others unilaterally decided and believed they would simply call it a 9-9 tie. Well, the rules clearly state the penalties which have been in place for years now. What this means is that you need to put a competitive match on the field in each foursome otherwise the team(s) not being represented will be assessed -6 points. We had an entire foursome walk away so both teams were assessed -6 points for that division. If only one person from each team had gone out and played a singles match for 2 pts a hole there would have been no penalty assessed to either team. It is unfortunate that the players from that team that did play scored 11 and 9 points and probably would have put themselves into contention. So if this situation arises in the future, draw straws if you must to determine who plays, but field a match in the division. The rule was enacted because in years past people would walk off due to weather, call it a 9-9 tie and this type of collusion was deciding the winners of halves and who would play for the Championship. Then those who decided to "split a match" would drink beers in the clubhouse. Remember, without rules there is chaos!

Kudos go out to Ray Harnois and Dennis Coffey for going out and playing their round although they had no opponents. Ray was so proud of himself that he splurged on shots

in the 19th (presumably to warm up) and celebrated in an odd way. It was Cinco De Mayo last Thursday so the bartender was giving away free plastic Corona sombrero bottle openers. Ray asked for two so he could wear them as earrings. Ray had scared away everyone at the bar by this point!



So after week 4, it looks like teams 1, 4 and 7 are starting to distance themselves from the pack. Although with 5 weeks to go, there are many teams still in contention. A few weeks of scoring over 40 against the right team can change everything.

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.

Slow Play Watch:

I wasn't there but I bet it was either really slow based on the scores or really fast because people just wanted to get it over with!

Joke of the Week *You get two this week since I'm covering two weeks! Don't you feel special?*

Play As It Lies

Bill and Nick, both of equal ability, decide to have a round together and "play it as it lies" on all shots. Both hit their tee shots on the par-5 No.1 hole down the middle and about 260. They drive up for the second shot, and then Bill hits his shot down the middle for an easy approach. But Nick slices his over the trees and it ends up in the cart path of the adjoining hole.

"Guess I get a free drop from the cart path," he says. "Oh no," says Bill, "We agreed. Play it as it lies." So Nick drives Bill up to his ball in front of the green, drops him off and drives over to his ball on the cart path. Bill watches in amusement as sparks shower down from the practice swings of his opponent, then, in amazement as a perfectly struck shot lands on the green and roles to within 3 ft. of the pin. Nick drives back to the green.

Bill says, "Great shot back there! What club did you use" Nick responds, "Your five iron."

Two of the Best Balls Hit

Glen came to work Monday and his co-workers asked him how his weekend was. He said he played a little golf. So his co-worker asked him how well he did.

"I hit two of my best balls," he said.

"Tell me about it," said his co-worker.

"I stepped on a rake."

Quote of the Week – *Two again – I'm on a roll!*

"I don't want to play golf. When I hit a ball, I want someone else to go chase it."
~Rogers Hornsby

"You always know a bad golfer's name. He's always cursing at himself" ~ Anonymous

I think Don Aker is the best known golfer in the league!

Golf Cartoon of the Week *And two more! I feel like Brian filling the bully up with fluff!*



“Cattle prod.”

I know of a few in the league that this pertains to!



Thought I saw this stand by Taylor's house.

Great Picture of the Week – OK. As you might have guessed, two pictures. Although these are getting harder and harder to find without repeats!

