

NUWC Golf League Bulletin

Week #18

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2nd HALF FINAL STANDINGS

Results:

Place	Team	2 nd Half Pts	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	2	338.5	36	38	46.5	31	38	40	36	39.5	33.5
2	7	337.5	37	34	35	40.5	36	34.5	41	39	40.5
3	3	337.5	44.5	39.5	34.5	41	34	36	37	33	38
4	8	332.5	49.5	36	37	32.5	38	37	36	32.5	34
5	1	332	48.5	41	37.5	31.5	30.5	32	36	39	36
6	6	326	23.5	32.5	36.5	39.5	34	37.5	36	44	42.5
7	5	318	35	39.5	36	36	38	35	36	33	29.5
8	9	314	27.5	31	35.5	36	34	44.5	31	36	38.5
9	4	280	22.5	32.5	25.5	36	41.5	27.5	35	28	31.5

 Indicates Bye Week. The Bye Week team receives 36 points

TEAM 2 WILL FACE TEAM 7 IN THE 2ND HALF PLAYOFF. TEAM 7 TAKES 2ND PLACE BY VIRTUE OF THE TIEBREAKER AS THEY BEAT TEAM 3 HEAD TO HEAD IN THEIR 2ND HALF MATCH.

Birdie (or Better) Report:

Birdie Report	
<u>Name</u>	<u>Hole Number</u>
Corriveau	7
Michno	1
Velasco the Much Younger	7
Velasco the Much Elder	2
Donovan	6
Huggins	7

Team 1 Captain is wondering why Corriveau waited for the last week of the season to birdie while he was subbing. Did he ever birdie for his own team? It was determined that last week Velasco the elder had the bird and not the younger. He made sure that it was clearly noted this week in the bully as he exclaimed "We know which Velasco is the

better golfer". Unfortunately, the elder will be watching from the sidelines as the younger awaits the 2nd half winner to play in the league championship.

WEEKLY LOW SCORES:

LOW GROSS score for THIS WEEK: Velasco the Elder (39)

LOW NET scores for THIS WEEK:

Group	Name	Team	Gross Score	Net Score
A	Romeo Velasco	3	39	32
B	Glenn Donovan	6	41	28
C	Marc Coffland	8	47	33
D	Tom Matthews	9	48	29

Glenn Donovan had his best round of the year and made a gallant effort to take over the low net B lead. But still not enough to move Taylor Velasco from the top rank which he held wire to wire. Tom Matthews also tried his best to overtake the D division low net lead but Bob Latourette's 27 still held up.

2nd Half LOW SCORES:

LOW GROSS score for the SECOND HALF: Dan Schwab (35)

LOW NET scores for THE SECOND HALF:

Group	Name	Team	Gross Score	Net Score
A	Romeo Velasco	3	36	29
B	Taylor Velasco	5	39	26
C	Bob Iriye	2	43	29
D	Bob Latourette	7	46	27

Note: Subs are ineligible for prizes

No Change in the Second Half Low Gross and Net Scores. Congrats to the winners in all the categories!

News

What an unbelievable finish to the 2nd half! As one of the scripts, as Harnois calls us, I'll try my best to describe it.

The tension in the 19th was so thick that even a knife couldn't cut through it! Although Berube, Michno and Harnois tried their hardest to cut through it with their sharp tongues (I'd say sharp wit but that would be pushing it!). Rah-Hah Harnois (posted 9 points so neither Rah Rah or Hah Hah) ripping teammates until Wilusz came in with a card awarding 15 points to Team 7's D squad (great round by Bryan Sullivan!), Michno claiming Team 3 will be the winner at the end since he collects the cards and

finalizes/verifies the scores, and players such as Jay Snoke, amongst others, told to scam since their scorecards were meaningless (Reminded me of an old SNL episode where Phil Hartman, playing Frank Sinatra, kicked a hooker out of his hotel room saying "Your five bucks are on the bureau, I'm done with you" and with a flick of his wrist, shooed her away). It actually came down to Team 7C's Cliff Curtis and sub Don Aker bringing in the card from their 4:22 match before it was all decided. And even then, a math challenged Berube shouted out the unofficial scores which gave Team 2 first place and Team 3 second.

It was a rollercoaster of emotions for Harnois as at least 3 or 4 times he went from thinking his team was in the lead to his team being out. Once the dust settled, the beers finished, and a good night's rest, the scorecards were officially reviewed. Team 2 barely hung on to 1st place even though they lost their match to Team 9 by the score of 38.5 - 33.5 in four highly contested matches. Team 7 snuck into 2nd place by whipping on Team 4 by the score of 40.5 - 31.5, matching total 2nd half points with Team 3 but winning the tiebreak as they had beaten Team 3 in Week 17 by the score of 39-33. Team 3 didn't repeat their choke of the 1st half and did what they thought they needed to do by beating Team 8 by the score of 38-34 knocking Team 8 out of contention before the final cards were in. Unfortunately Team 8's Captain, who had sent what was intended to be a Knute Rockne email to his team, is about as good an inspirational speaker as Pinocchio in the Geico commercial ("I look at this team and all I see is unlimited potential".....).

What Team 3 didn't expect was that Team 1 players would mimic the Chicago Black Sox and help Team 7's unexpected leap to 2nd place. Wilusz subbed for Team 4 against Team 7 and provided nothing as Team 7's Sullivan and Latourette took 15 points from he and regular D player Joe Izzi. And in the C match, Team 1's John Brereton subbed for Team 4 playing against Team 7 which had Team 1's Don Aker. Team 7C won the match so it begs the question "Did John and Don purposely plan the outcome?" Team 3 and all league conspiracy theorists will be questioning the moves of Team 1 for years to come. Although, truth be told, there is no evidence that, unlike the Black Sox, that Team 1 players were paid off by Team 7 nor was any transfer of beers witnessed at the 19th between Harnois and Wilusz (or Aker). But there will be many eyes watching a certain foursome that includes Harnois and Wilusz at the EOY to see exactly how many beers Ray is seen purchasing! It has been rumored that Wilusz has hired personal protection in fear of Berube's, Michno's and Velasco's potential retribution!

So it will be Team 2 facing Team 7 in the 2nd half playoffs. And it could have easily been Team 3 in 1st or 2nd place. To put in perspective how close this half was, let's say the average score for each player was 50 (that is believable based on some of the D squad's scores). With 8 Players per team and 8 matches held, this results in each team taking approximately 3200 shots in the second half. (I can just see the anal engineers cranking out the numbers to correct me!) So the difference between Team 3 or 7 taking first place and knocking out Team 2 or Team 3 getting into the playoffs, boils down to that out of 3200 shots, essentially one short, lipped or misread putt; a chili-dipped chip; a sand save that wasn't; a misdirected 5 iron or a stray drive. Of course, for Team 7, their success could have been from a properly fluffed up preferred lie. We hear that Berube spent the weekend going over every single one of his shots, input them in an Excel spreadsheet and has done a Monte Carlo analysis to see where exactly he could have lost it. Apparently his results showed that it was obviously not his fault and he is soliciting all of his Team 3 players to provide their detailed shots for each week so he can pinpoint who is to blame.

If you recall, Team 2 was the 1st place Team in the 1st half and lost their playoff match to the surprising Team 5. They now have a chance to redeem themselves against Team 7 who just could be the Team 5 of the second half.

The winner of this match will face Team 5 for all the marbles. In Week 18, it looked like Team 5 was working on inflating their handicaps with Velasco the Younger, taking a page out of the book of his mentor, GD Mellin, exclaiming on the 1st tee that he was going to take all risks and wasn't going to be worried about his score. He ended up shooting 6 higher than his handicap. Fellow Team member Neil Jackson also stunk up the joint hitting 9 strokes over his handicap. And GD Mellin, not to be outdone, got into the act showing up for his 2:46 tee time at 3:46 and tried to take triple bogies for the 3 holes that he missed! Doesn't Team 5 know that the highest score is dropped before calculating the handicaps?

Apparently, before Team 1 partnered up with Team 7 to sabotage Team 3, they had on original plan to take out Team 2 who they needed to lose miserably for them to have any chance. The Team 1 Captain pulled a line drive off the 1st tee hitting a tree and catapulting the ball across the 4th fairway where it nearly took out the legs of Keith Casey who was chipping up to the 4th green. When that failed, the Team 1 Captain decided to be a spoiler, so conspiracy theorists say.

Ron Cirillo was stocking up on the clubs again last night. His partner, Hugh Murphy was coming to the realization that the match could be lost as well as his Team's chances for a Playoff bid, uncharacteristically threw his putter on the 8th hole in the direction of Ron. Ron took this to mean that Hugh didn't want the putter, and was giving it to him as a gift. Ron also was more excited about receiving a putter vice getting into the playoffs.

Good luck to Teams 2 and 7 as they face off next week!

HOT NEWS:

We will be having a mini-tourney next Thursday. The Prez has provided you the details in an email on Friday Sept. 5th so they will not be posted here. The details also should be available on the web page.

The End of Year Tourney is coming up and we want to get a full sell off of all the tee times. Please get your foursomes to the Prez and ask around if there are any others that would like to play. It should be a great event and many

stories of "what could have been" for several of the Teams this year

Notes:

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

Slow Play Watch:

Everyone finished before dark so I guess the pace was okay. Just remember that sunset is only a bit after 7:00pm for the 11 Sept playoff/mini-tourney so play ready golf.

Joke of the Week

First Putting Lesson

The schoolteacher was taking her first golfing lesson.

"Is the word spelt p-u-t or p-u-t-t"" she asked the instructor.

"P-u-t-t is correct," he replied.

"Put means to place a thing where you want it. Putt means merely a vain attempt to do the same thing."

Quote of the Week

"Nothing goes down slower than a golf handicap." ~ Bobby Nichols

Cartoon of the Week



"The easiest way to hook a ball is to try to slice it!"

Great Picture of the Week



THAT'S ALL FOLKS



**HAVE A GREAT
ROUND!**

