

“The Tee Box”[©]

#8 Week of June 24 2014

Match Play heats up without RAIN

We final got a break in the weather and was able to continue some of the matches at one of our favorite venues-Westwynd Golf Club. The club was in great shape, the greens were as close to perfect as the can be, the fairways manicured nicely and the rough, well the rough was very thick and very rough,,,,,,,,,,,,,

There were five matches played while the other 18 of us dabbled around the course trying to pick up a skin or two along with a greenie. On match play, another one of our low handicappers was cut down in the last two holes of their match. Matthews vs. Siegert was looked at as one of the favorite matches to follow. Siegert trying to keep comfortable while nurturing some “Tigeres” back issues kept up with Matthews until the last two holes and fell victim to some missed shots while Matthews kept up that steady play. Matthews has won the honor on advancing on to the SEMI-Finals. Steady Mike Whitty was taking on straight driving Frank Salucci. Ed Phillips and I covered this match. Whitty has been cruising along the brackets with little or no competition until this day when Salucci rose to the occasion and put down another lower handicap player 3/2. Salucci put a dagger into Whitty on the 16th with his second shot about 170 away, over the water and landed just six feet past the hole. Whitty at this time had no choice but to try to go for it just to stay in the match, but came up a bit short. Another match to follow was our HHC Miller taking on Richard Schiff. Miller needed to put together a good round since giving Schiff 13 shots. Rumor has it that Miller did not play the day before and is nurturing a bad left shoulder. Miller pulled off one of his better rounds and put down Schiff 4/3. Schiff has made a good run at this championship by taking down a number of lower handicappers. Two matches that went to extra holes and both in the same foursome. Doug Joy taking on Armando Santos—this match was back and forth throughout the hole 18 holes where on the 19th, both players replaying the 18th pored but Santos received a shot and came on top with a 1 up victory. Alongside those two was the match between Norm Goldner and newcomer Bill Huney. The “Miller betting group” had Huney at a 7 to 1 favorite and Goldner somewhere down the field at 15 to 1. Another one of those 19th hole playoff with Goldner winning out 1 up.

Competing for a move into the semi-finals, we have Jim Walenczak vs. Armando Santos and Wynn Miller vs. Norm Goldner. Place and date of these two matches will come after the July 4 holiday week.

ONE MORE POINT ABOUT MATCH PLAY

I have heard a bit of discussion about what do we do in the event of a tie at the end of 18 holes. Everyone has an opinion or an answer of what it is---THERE IS NO distinct ruling under USGA/GAM or RIGC what to do in the event of a tie. Here is the RIGC portion:

You go back to the 18th hole NOT the 1st hole. Why the 18th? Look how the t times are set in the match play. All matches after the first round are set within the middle of our t-sheets. This is so if you are tied, you can go back to the 18th and play it over, therefore not disturbing another group that is not associated with RIGC.

That foursome will let you in and you can hit away (we hope).

Someone asked “what if it is a stroke hole—OK it is a stroke hole, we do not go looking for the hole that has no strokes and is even up. That is why we play handicapped match play. That is the “rub of the draw.”

Any questions or concerns, please ask, better to ask now than not to ask and get it incorrect.

Congratulations to the winner that are moving on.

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The rest of us enjoyed this round of golf at Westwynd. The one hard effect was the pin placements. In the past years playing there, this player has never seen some of the placements in difficult positions. Example is the #12 the par five. This is a large green and the pin was placed all the way to the back on the top tier where you had only 10 feet to find the flat spot. If not, your ball would roll down the slope some 50 ft. I am certain we had many three putts from that hole, me being one. There were a number of holes with the pin positions in the front, difficult to get to and if you were above the hole, you would putt it off. Looking at the scores, no one really jumped out and took control.

The results of play are

Results of play June 25, 2014 Westwynd Golf Club-Oakland Township Michigan

Player	Index	Strokes	Gross	Net	Ranking
Mike Henderson	12.8	14	92	78	
John Stencil 111	13.8	16	86	70	1
Ron Graham	19.1	22	103	81	
Myron Lederman	29.9	33	109	76	
Jim Filak	19.2	22	107	85	
Julian Almany	15.0	17	97	80	
Dave Kauppila	27.3	31	117	86	
Bob Park	29.3	33	124	91	
John Landis	17.7	20	94	74	3
Devin Downey	19.4	22	103	81	
Jim Farrow	19.9	23	97	74	3
Ed Phillips	18.0	20	99	79	
Rid Cooper	9.9	11	89	78	
Mike Palazzolo	27.5	31	103	72	2
Wayne Curto	17.6	20	99	79	
John Gross	10	10	88	78	
Carlos Whitmore	21.5	24	97	75	
Bill Siegert	7.9	9	92	83	
Sam Matthews	10.4	12	92	80	
Wynn Miller	15.8	18	97	79	
Richard Schiff	27.4	31	101	70	
Norm Goldner	11.3	13	99	86	
Bill Huney	14.0	16	102	86	
Doug Joy	9.9	11	90	79	
Armando Santos	14.9	17	104	87	
Mike Whitty	15.2	17	115	98	
Frank Salucci	21.5	24	110	86	

In red playing in match play

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Low net for the day JOHN STENCEL111 \$17.00

Greenies (5) Skins (8) @ \$9.00 ea

#2 Ed Phillips	John Stencil 111	(1)	#1
#4 Kevin Downey	Kevin Downey	(1)	#4
#6 Julian Almany	Ron Graham	(1)	#5
#11 RIGC TREASURY	John Gross	(1)	#9
#14 Wayne Curto	John Landis	(2)	#3/16
	Myron Lederman	(1)	#12
	Julian Almany	(1)	#17

There was a revenue exchange of \$68.00 to the RIGC treasury: par three donation, 47-3 putts and a \$6.00 roll up to the treasury from skins. Next week maybe the treasury will gain additional revenue ☺

"THE JUG"

Week 8

Player	points	standing 6/25
Wynn Miller	50	
Mike Whitty	55	
Jim Walenczak	45	
Ed Phillips	45	
Don Johnson	15	
Scott Moore	65	
Carlos Whitmore	60	
Sam Matthews	30	
Rod Cooper	30	
Julian Almany	30	
Wayne Curto	30	
Mike Palazzolo	90	2
Kevin Downey	15	
Jim Filak	45	
Ron Graham	15	
Bob Hagedorn	30	
Mike Henderson	45	
Bill Huney	60	
Don Johnson	30	
John Landis	60	
Myron Lederman	45	
John McCauslin	15	
Robert Park	45	
Frank Salucci	30	
Armando Santos	30	
Richard Schiff	60	
Bill Siegert	75	
Willie Smith	30	
John Stencil	105	1
Dave Kauppila	45	
Doug Joy	45	

50 pts 1st 40 pts 2nd 30 pts 3rd all other players 15 no play 0

See you at Pine Knob
Rod Cooper