Tournament Review—Grand Canyon University

Last Saturday saw 32 SGL golfers competing at the Grand Canyon University golf course. It was a solid performance for the field, with an average gross of 89.4 and average net of 73.0. J.R. Blaszek shot a blistering even-par 71 to lead the way, while he and Patrick Tacderan shared the low net at 64.

Our birdie rate returned to more normal levels. There were 18 of them in total, posted by 15 different players on 9 different holes. J.R., Prag Shah and Marc Caporrimo each had two, and J.R. added an eagle on the par-5 finishing hole. He is the fifth player this season to score one.

There was a tie for this week's hardest hole. The par-4 1st and par-4 12th both played to an average of 1.44 strokes over par. The easiest was the short par-4 4th, at just +0.47.

J.R.'s totals were good for the Flight 1 win. Marc has it really going on right now, as he scored 79/net 66 in Flight 2 for his 3rd win in a row. His handicap has dropped to a point where he may have opportunities to become the first player to win in three different Flights. Patrick shot 86/64 to top Flight 3, and Nandita Shah emerged from a three-way tie-break to capture Flight 4 at 101/68. Ken Slagle won a three-player Callaway Flight at 79/72.

Bo Montgomery's birdie on the par-4 17th was good for 12 Gross Skins, while Prag combined a birdie on the par-5 3rd with ten leftovers to earn 13 Net Skins.

CTPs went to Ken on the 2nd, Steve Oliva on the 8th, Marc on the 11th and Richard Pilewicz on the 13th. Ken was the only player to convert his to a Deuce, and J.R.'s eagle also shared in that pot.

The greens were slick, undulating and often subtle, but that didn't stop Gerry Owsianny from needing just 29 putts on the day to win the Low Putts title.

Ken topped a list of 18 money winners in his SGL debut. Don't anyone tell him we're like one of those live auction websites that make sure you win your first time, so you'll keep pouring your money in. (3)

Next Up—Arizona Biltmore (Links)

This Saturday we will be at the Arizona Biltmore's Links course. The last time the league was here in early 2018, Steve Oliva emptied the Hole-in-One pot to the tune of \$1,415.

Still 10 spots available for this one as we go to press. It will be a 7:30 shotgun start. It's worth the trip just to see some of the homes along the course.



Stuffed into a corner of the property, the scene of the crime. The 129-yard 8th hole at Arizona Biltmore (Links).

Important Announcement Regarding Handicaps and Membership

Effective January 1, 2020, SGL will be joining the new <u>World Handicap System</u>. This will require all members to join this system through the AGA and will affect league dues. For more detail, please visit <u>our website</u>, where Dave has posted an announcement on the homepage.

Not Too Late For Ringers

Just a quick reminder that you can still sign up for Ringers. We currently have 46 entries. The entry fee is \$25. The next Ringers round at Longbow is on December 14.

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