Tournament Review—Noodling Around at Wigwam

Thirty-nine SGL golfers showed up to whack short putts off of spongy swim noodles at Wigwam's Gold course last Saturday. The forgiveness of those cup stuffers was evident in an average gross of 90.3—a full four strokes better than the last time we played here. Jeff Thursam, J.R. Blaszek and John Wilhelm all put up 79 to share medalist honors. Kevin Hudspeth was the low net leader at 65.

The hardest hole was the par-4 8th with its green-guarding retaining wall. It played to an average of 1.59 strokes over par. The easiest was the one right before, the par-4 7th at +0.77.

We scored 25 birdies from 19 players on 12 different holes. Jeff led the way with three.

The noodles and the associated "if it touches, it's in" rule not only made short putts less missable, it also resulted in a whopping 10 zero-putt holes, one of which helped Tom Hegna to his Low Putts winning total of 24. That ties the league low for '19-'20.

Jeff's 79 netted to 73 and earned him the Flight 1 win. John's placed him comfortably atop Flight 2 at 79/70. Val LeChuga recorded another Flight 3 victory at 86/72. Kevin's net 65 was off a gross of 97 to take Flight 4. David Fang won the two-player Callaway field with 92/72.

Jeff's three birdies all earned Gross Skins, while June Vutrano won two on the Net side.

Gross (\$15)			Net (\$9)			
Player	Hole	Result	Player	Hole	Result	
Jeff Thursam	1	Birdie	Steve Neil	3	Birdie/net eagle	
Steve Neil	3	Birdie	Jeff Coughran	4	Birdie/net eagle	
Al Palange	9	Birdie	Ben Goodwin	5	Birdie/net eagle	
Jeff Thursam	13	Birdie	June Vutrano	8	Birdie/net eagle	
Jeff Thursam	14	Birdie	Tyler Thursam	10	Birdie/net eagle	
John Wilhelm	17	Birdie	June Vutrano	14	Par/net eagle	
			Mike Tobin	15	Birdie/net eagle	
			John Wilhelm	17	Birdie/net eagle	
			Frank Lieberman	18	Birdie/net eagle	

CTPs were claimed by Al Palange on the 3rd, J.R. on the 6th, Tyler Thursam on the 11th and George Banach on the 16th.

In yet another week featuring a dearth of Deuces, Steve Neil claimed the only one, good for \$66. And he rode that to the top of the money list at \$94 total.

Next Up—StoneRidge

Due to a most unlikely set of coincidences, we are the Sunday Golf League this week, as we venture northwest to play a rescheduled event at the rollercoaster thrill ride that is StoneRidge Golf Club in Prescott.

This one is tee times starting at 9:03, with plenty of openings. Check Facebook later this week for pairings. And don't forget to bring an extra layer, as temps will likely be in the mid-40s at the start. Below are this week's tee boxes:

Gender	Tees	Rating / Slope	Par	Handicap Range	Yardage
Male	Gold (Tournament)	69.1 / 133	72	<= 8.5	6111
Male	White (Regular)	66.9 / 126	72	>= 8.6 & Qualifiers	5609
Male	White / Green (Combo)	65.2 / 120	72	Seniors with >= 8.6	5234
Female	Green (Senior)	68.2 / 132	72	Female Option	5004
Female	Red (Forward)	67.5 / 124	72	All Female & Qualifiers	4719

A few additional notes for this event:

- The course will have normal hole cuts, i.e., nothing in or above the cup. We are; however, encouraged to leave the pin in at all times.
- The restaurant is closed, but there will be drinks and snacks available in the pro shop.
- Individual carts will be available.
- You may bring a small ice chest for you cart, but no alcohol.
- If you were signed up for this event last November, you will receive a coupon for a free round at a future date of your choice.

Another reminder, the event originally scheduled at Capital Canyon in Prescott for Saturday is now slated for August 8 due to #@*^\$ COVID-19.



Your good round is not guaranteed until you have navigated this monster—the par-5 18th at StoneRidge. And don't hit the wrong side of that green.

Dave Dean is Your 2020 Ultimate Wigwam Warrior

Dave Dean's net 76 on Saturday was enough to hold on to first place and claim the 2020 Wigwam Warriors title and the accompanying \$275 payout. Dave essentially won by five total strokes over Steve Oliva and Dan Gallegos, who tied for 2nd and each earned \$175. Lori Neiderman and Frank Vutrano tied for 4th, and Jeff Coughran claimed the final money-winning spot. Congrats to all the winners!

Name	Round 1 Red Course	Round 2 Blue Course	Round 3 Gold Course	Net Scoring Average	Payout
Dave Dean	65	67	76	69.333	\$ 275.00
Steve Oliva	64	71	78	71.000	\$ 175.00
Dan Gallegos	68	70	75	71.000	\$ 175.00
Lori Neiderman	62	82	71	71.667	\$ 75.00
Frank Vutrano	59	76	80	71.667	\$ 75.00
Jeff Coughran	66	77	73	72.000	\$ 25.00

Heading Down the Homestretch

There are three events left in our regular season, so time to see how the Tony Albrecht Cup standings sit heading down the homestretch. There are currently 67 members who already have the requisite eight events to qualify, or can still get there by playing these final three.

Your initial seeding heading into the playoffs is determined by your accumulated weekly event points, the number of events you have played and your number of flight wins.

The Albrecht Cup playoffs are a three-flight, four-event format with \$1000 of prize money available in each flight. The tables below show your top seven members in each of the flights as of today. Keep in mind the handicap index cut points will shift slightly over these final weeks.

Flight 1-	Flight 1Current Indices 3.3 to 10.4							
		Handicap	Cup	Events	Flight	Total Qual		
	Player	Index	Points	Played	Wins	Points		
Dan	Gallegos	10.2	44	25	2	71		
Во	Montgomery	6.2	42	22	3	67		
JR	Blaszek	5.3	43	18	4	65		
Bob	Owen	6.7	42	18	3	63		
John	Wilhelm	10.4	38	21	4	63		
Elmer	Schmidt	7.3	36	22	3	61		
Jeff	Thursam	5.5	36	18	2	56		

Flight 2	Flight 2Current Indices 10.7 to 16.1							
		Handicap	Cup	Events	Flight	Total Qual		
	Player	Index	Points	Played	Wins	Points		
Dave	Dean	10.7	66	30	6	102		
Val	LeChuga	14.7	58	21	6	85		
Ben	Goodwin	13.9	38	23	2	63		
George	Banach	15.3	31	26	3	60		
Amy	Arnold	15.1	36	21	2	59		
Ron	Sweat	14.1	28	20	2	50		
Joe	Pilewicz	14.1	18	19	0	37		

Flight 3Current Indices 16.8 and up							
		Handicap	Cup	Events	Flight	Total Qual	
	Player	Index	Points	Played	Wins	Points	
June	Vutrano	20.3	45	26	3	74	
Richard	Perry	24.1	40	25	4	69	
Jeff	Coughran	16.8	43	18	4	65	
Lori	Neiderman	30.0	41	16	3	60	
Lovell	Robinson	31.4	29	22	3	54	
Nandita	Shah	32.5	36	11	2	49	
Mike	Tobin	17.1	27	20	1	48	

If you do intend to compete for the Cup, do not hesitate to sign up. Current availability for the four events is:

Copper Canyon, 5/9 4 open spots

Legend Trail, 5/16 12 spots

Longbow, 5/23 8 spots

· Las Sendas, 5/30 3 spots

While we can often get extra foursomes when needed, there is no guarantee. Sign up here!

Ringers Returns

You may have forgotten all about it, but Ringers returns with rounds 3 and 4 at Longbow on April 25 and May 2. There are a few spots still open for May 2. Also, you can still enter if you're not already in. It's a \$25 entry fee.

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