

## Tournament Review—Playoff Kickoff at Copper Canyon

Forty-three players ventured way out to Copper Canyon last Saturday to open the 2020 Tony Albrecht Cup Playoffs on the Lake and Mountain nines. Qualifier Jordan Murray was the day's medalist with a solid 74, while Amy Arnold's 66 represented low net.

The field averages were 90.0 gross (.003 better than Longbow the prior week) and 75.6 net. The hardest hole was the long par-4 Mountain 1st, playing to an average of 1.44 strokes over par. The easiest was the short par-4 3<sup>rd</sup> on the Lakes nine at +0.53.

It was a good day for birdies. There were 32 from 19 different players on 13 holes. Jordan, Amy, Jeff Thursam, Anthony Uribe and Bo Montgomery all posted three.

Jeff topped Flight 1 at 76/69. Amy had a gross of 79 to go with her net 66 to win Flight 2. Jeff Brunton claimed the Flight 3 title at 84/69, while Lori Neiderman did so in Flight 4 with 99/71. Jordan won a two-player Callaway field at 74/72.

Jeff had two Gross Skins. The rest in both Gross and Net were distributed in ones.

Gross (\$17)			Net (\$27)		
Player	Hole	Result	Player	Hole	Result
Jeff Thursam	L6	Birdie	Amy Arnold	L3	Birdie/net eagle
Anthony Uribe	L7	Birdie	Jeffrey Evans	L5	Par/net eagle
Bo Montgomery	L8	Birdie	Anthony Uribe	L7	Birdie/net eagle
Scott Ragland	L9	Birdie	Jeff Henriksen	L8	Birdie/net eagle
Jeff Thursam	M6	Birdie			
Steve Neil	M7	Birdie			

Jared Nielsen earned the CTP on the opening hole. Jeff picked it up on Lake #6. Dan Gallegos won it on Mountain #5 and George Banach claimed it on Mountain #8.

Jeff and George converted their CTPs to Deuces, while Amy, Anthony, Tyler Thursam and Jeff Henriksen also recorded 2s.

Jeff Thursam also led the way in Low Putts, with 28.

It was a big money day for Jeff. He cashed in on every game except Net Skins on his way to \$155.

### Seeding Shakeups

As we try to position ourselves for the all-important points reset before the final round, we saw some significant movement based on Saturday's results.

- In Playoff Flight 1, Jeff Thursam moved from 4<sup>th</sup> place to 1<sup>st</sup> with a win on Saturday. He is now ahead of Elmer Schmidt by 1 point.
- Amy Arnold took over 2<sup>nd</sup> in Flight 2, moving past Val LeChuga.
- Lori Neiderman slid into 2<sup>nd</sup> in Flight 3, and Richard Pilewicz jumped from 9<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> in Flight 3.

Remember, anyone in the top 7 after the third round at Longbow can still claim 1<sup>st</sup> place, and anyone in the top 11 can finish in the money. You can find the complete Post-round 1 standings [here](#).

## Next Up—Legend Trail, Playoff Round 2

This Saturday finds us in North Scottsdale at Legend Trail, the course that once featured Alice Cooper in television ads. The course is highly rated and is renowned for the challenge of its holes 11 through 17.

Tee times begin at 7:30. Check the Facebook page on Friday for pairings.



*The 14<sup>th</sup> at Legend Trail. After a desert-carry tee shot, all that's left to do is drop your approach over a deep wash and a slew of front bunkers.*

## Score Posting

If you were not aware, your league scores are now automatically being posted after each round. If you are doing so yourself, you will end up with double postings and a mess trying to get things back in order.

Please do remember to post your non-league scores. With your GHIN and SGL handicaps now one and the same, it is important to the integrity of league play that you post them in a timely and accurate fashion.

## Summer Schedule Published

Have you made summer plans yet? Of course, you haven't, because COVID-19! But, you can plan your SGL summer, because the [schedule](#) is now posted at the website.

Course Acquisition Director June Vutrano just keeps getting better at her job. Here are some of the highlights:

- Two private venues—Flagstaff Ranch in Flagstaff and Capital Canyon in Prescott
- Flagstaff Ranch is part of a two-day trip up north, combining with Continental Country Club
- Both highly-ranked We-Ko-Pa courses are on the docket
- Troon North (Monument) is set for August
- The Summer Series playoffs will take place on both Grayhawk courses
- And every course not listed here is still highly-rated

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