

## BLGC MGA 9-Holer Report for July 27, 2017

With late July temperatures approaching three digits, eight of those World Famous 9-Holers showed early for coffee, clubhouse chatter and a round of NASSAU golf.

The Herd was evenly divided today with four Putting Competitors and four Golfing Competitors.

But we played as a Herd because C.L. keeps score for everyone!

C.L. Newsome, Greg Kepner, Don Webb and James Longoria were the Putting guys.

Tom Robinson, Mac McConahy, Bob Westbrook and me attempted to be the Golfing guys.

Once Doug had the pesky 18-holers out of the way, The Herd proceeded to smash golf balls – everywhere.

Hitting three consecutive trees with my first three shots on #1, I knew I was in contention for the “Shot-of-the-Day” prize money.

Bob and Mac were showing off by driving balls down the middle of each fairway. This caught Bob off guard since he always looks to the right or left for his drives! He was pleasantly surprised when I would stop in the fairway for him to hit his ball. His favorite question became, “Is that my ball?”

I have never heard such “course talk” as there was today among the Putting competitors. Just when I thought it couldn’t get livelier, Don Webb at the #1 green “aced” his putt. Fist pumps and shouts came from the Herd.

Don was using his “nail polish pink” golf ball today. I’m sure that Lou Ann doesn’t have enough pink nail polish to do all her fingernails now.

With a start like that, the level of “trash speak” rose several octaves. As C.L., James and Greg continued to struggle, Don continued to awe and amaze, even himself. He also “aced” holes # 3 and 4 and was on his way to setting new 9-Holer putting records. Don tied C.L. Newsome’s record of three “aces” in nine holes.

Meanwhile, the golfing guys spent as much time as we could in the shade – generally looking for my golf ball that hit another tree. But they were actually glad to get out of the sun for a while, even though they complained about my game. I don’t know how you can “sandbag” when there are no sand traps on the course?

The highlight of the day came at holes #7, 8 and 9. The Herd had the unique opportunity to hold up the pesky threesome of 18-holers. In three separate votes to allow them to play-through, it was always 0 out of 8. The Herd sticks together!

At green #9 James finally abandoned his “longhorn” golf ball for some brilliant pink-red ball which helped him out putt Don, but it was too little, too late.

With the Herd safely back in the pro-shop, C.L. tossed the scorecard into the Quantum 9-Holer computer card shredder. Bruno, the voice interface began playing some ocean sounds since it was NASSAU day. And faster than Don can fingernail polish a golf ball, out came today’s results.

### **Putting Competition:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place for \$5: Don Webb, 17 putts (a new 9-Holer record);

2<sup>nd</sup> Place for \$3: Greg Kepner, 19 putts;

3<sup>rd</sup> Place for \$2: James Longoria, 22 putts;

4<sup>th</sup> Place for \$1: C.L. Newsome, 24 putts.

“Shot-of-the-Day” for a “9-Holer” \$1 bill: Don Webb for an “ace” on #1 or #3 or #4!

### **Golfing Competition:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place for \$5: Mac McConahy, net 32 ½;

2<sup>nd</sup> Place for \$4: Bob Westbrook, net 34 ½;

3<sup>rd</sup> Place for \$2: Tom Robinson, net 36 ½;

4<sup>th</sup> Place for \$1: Paul Castiglione, net 37 ½.

That’s it for another great day of 9-Holer golf at good old Blue Lake!

Paul Castiglione  
9-Holer Herder