

## BLGC MGA 9-Holer Report for November 2, 2017

A very warm day greeted those World Famous 9-Holers who were out early for some fresh coffee, some chit-chat and then some NASSAU golf.

We had nine of the Herd playing today and had a new Blue Laker to be our guest today. He is Stephen Tullino who lives next door to Ken and Janet Mayne. Steve is somewhat new to the golfing world and especially new the 9-Holer “no rules” golfing approach. So we started Steve out with the Putting Competitors. He played against Don Webb, Ken Mayne and C.L. Newsome (scorecard in hand). With six old guys golfing I had to divide the Herd into two groups. Greg Kepner, Mac McConahy, Tommy Atkins and John Moran (scorekeeper) comprised the first group while Bob Westbrook and I traveled with the Putters just to keep an eye on them and speed them along (they sometimes get sidetracked with talking and forget its Thursday and that we are playing golf).

Bob and I stood on the 9-Holer’s #1 tee box and watched the first golfing group move down the #1 fairway. Bob’s comment was something like, “Do you think they know what they’re doing?” My reply was, “Yep, that’s their normal routine of driving almost five miles to go 346 yards.”

Once the coast was clear, Bob and I flailed away and began our drive of five miles to get to the #1 green. Those rascal putters made Steve go first so they could see how slow the fluffy greens were. Steve caught on quick to their subtle strategy and blasted a long putt clear across the green. Ken, C.L. and Don’s plan was now thwarted, so they had to find out how “fast” the green was (and it wasn’t). Putts were falling way short as they went through the maze of short and taller winter grass. Now one would think that it wouldn’t take all nine holes to realize the greens were slow, but it did.

Periodically, I looked ahead at the foursome in front just to make sure they weren’t lost (sometimes they stop at the pro-shop for coffee and forget they were playing golf). I’m pretty certain they were cheating because I saw most of them in the fairways looking for their golf balls and not out in the ruff or the street or the tennis courts trying to “make a shot.” At the end of play my suspicions were confirmed just by looking at their scores!

Bob and I had some great drives today and then we took turns “topping” the ball on our second, third, four, fifth, etc. shots. It did make the game more interesting.

The whole Herd was back in the pro-shop before 11 a.m. sipping some more coffee and getting hungry for lunch since it was the first Thursday of November. The two score cards were tossed into the Quantum 9-Holer Computer card shredder and Bruno, the Voice Interface (VI), was told to run the NASSAU program. Sounds of grunting and churning were heard, but they were from the old guys getting hungry for lunch. The 9-Holer Computer was running in quiet mode today as the quantum entanglements progressed and computations made. And faster than Don Webb can find a new color of golf ball, the results were displayed in a holographic 4K projection. And the winners are:

### **Putting Competition:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place for \$5: C.L. Newsome, 22 putts (scorekeeper\*);

2<sup>nd</sup> Place for \$3: Don Webb, 24 putts;

3<sup>rd</sup> Place for \$1: Ken Mayne, 25 putts;

Honorable Mention: Stephen Tullino, 33 putts.

### **Golfing Competition:**

1<sup>st</sup> Place for \$8: John Moran, net 31 (scorekeeper\*);

2<sup>nd</sup> Place for \$4: Mac McConahy, net 32 ½;

3<sup>rd</sup> Place for \$3: Tommy Atkins, net 33 ½;

4<sup>th</sup> Place for \$1 each: Greg Kepner and Paul Castiglione, net 35;

5<sup>th</sup> Place for \$1: Bob Westbrook, net 37 ½.

\*It always helps to be scorekeeper!

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

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