

BLGC MGA 9-Holer Report for May 17, 2018

The strong threat of summer temperatures didn't keep those BLGC MGA World Famous 9-Holers away from the course today. And since it was the 9-Holer lunch day, that helped the old guys decide to show up and win more money towards the lunch.

Missing today was C.L. Newsome who is touring in East Texas. He left home early yesterday morning and we calculated he had cleared IH 35 sometime during the night and was headed east! C.L. is a cautious driver, so I'm told.

The Herd was comprised of ten of the Fellowship of Golf (FOG). We had three Putting Competitors and seven Golfing Competitors. Needless to say, no matter how I attempted to subdivide the Herd, they kept changing sides and carts. Finally, in some desperation, I said "go" and the first five golfers flailed away from the #1 tee box and the rest of the Herd who were still talking and didn't hear me say "go" became the second group. That worked well.

The front fivesome were: Greg, John, Tommy, Mac and Tom Robinson. The second group were Bob, me and the three putters: Ken, James and Don "the wind" Webb.

The fivesome were slow even though it was lunch day and even with Tommy hitting from imaginary "yellow" tees. Someone commented that when Tommy becomes a Putting Competitor we will need a set of yellow tees at the edge of the green for him to use!

Now for today's highlights: Ken Mayne was out for the big money. He "aced" hole #1 as he has done before. There were almost "high fives" and fist pumps all around. At green #2 Don Webb's second putt stopped and teetered on the rim of the hole. On an otherwise windless day there was a mighty "webb" wind that blew and the ball falls into the cup within the 10 second time limit. The Herd did their "end zone dance" as Don's face returned to its normal color. What a great second "effort" by Don who needed a two to tie James on the hole.

The second group pushed the first group forward as we attempted to hit into them to keep them moving. Unfortunately, we can't hit the ball that far, but we shouted "fore" anyway to keep those slowpokes moving. After all, it was lunch day and we wanted to eat before afternoon nap time.

With all ten in the pro shop the two scorecards were tossed into the Quantum 9-Holer Computer and the ECLECTIC routine engaged. And with sound of a mighty rushing wind, the computations were complete and displayed for all to see (doesn't do any good to announce the results since most of The Herd is deaf).

Here are the results from today's "action":

Putting Competition: (handicap adjusted)

1st Place for \$3: Ken Mayne, net 16 putts;

2nd Place for \$2: James Longoria, net 19 putts;

3rd Place for \$1: Don Webb, net 19.5 putts;

Golfing Competition:

1st Place for \$5: Mac McConahy, net 28 (gross 33);

2nd Place for \$2 each: Tommy Atkins & Bob Westbrook, net 30;

3rd Place for \$2: Tom Robinson, net 30 ½;

4th Place for \$1: Greg Kepner, net 31 ½;

5th Place for \$1: Paul Castiglione, net 33;

6th Place for \$1: John Moran, net 35 ½.

The Herd headed to River City Grill for lunch which featured a plethora of chicken fried steaks and lots of cream gravy. Don had a double-portion of gravy. They brought out straws for him!

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

Paul Castiglione
9-Holer Herder