

Vintner's Golf & Social Club's Newsletter #13

Forty-five VGSC members tried their luck at the not so crazy tee set up on Saturday, September 1st and Sunday, September 2nd. The weather could not have been more comfortable and the course was in great shape. The members played the black tees then the blue tees then the white tees then the gold tees all the way through their rounds. Most of our players took advantage of the short tees scoring better than their normal VGSC tournament rounds. Others looked dazed and confused. We did not use these scores in our tournament handicaps because of the set up.

In first place in the first flight Larry Gomez shot 68 for net 61. Larry enjoyed the set up and briefly had hopes of shooting his age (64 looks 54) when he made the turn at two under par. In a three-way tie for second place were Sean Murray, Greg Winkle and Bob Murio with net 63's. Sean shot a four-under par 64 and we knew we would get his "A" game when he heard there was no posting. Greg played an excellent round shooting 68 even with a double bogey on his eighteenth hole. Bob's game is rock steady of late and he made shooting 68 look very easy. In fifth place Joe Molina had his best VGSC round shooting a 72 for net 64. Just in time for his semi-final match up in our VGSC Net Club Championship versus Gordy Templeton. In a tie for sixth place Drew Kuehl and Cary McDermott shot net 65's. Drew shot a three under par 65 and has been tearing this course up as of late and will be hard to beat in our Gross Club Championship. Cary started with some reservations, but shook off the negative and stayed positive in route to a 75.

In first place in the second flight was Ricky Wondergem shooting a 75 for net 60. Ricky has earned his VGSC handicap, but shedding strokes off his game and lbs off his weight has become easier and easier. In second place in the second flight Brian Stegner shot net 61 winning \$23 in gift cards. Brian came late, but avoided all mistakes with some consistent golf. In third place Jim Ray shot net 63 and will always be one of our favorites. Crazy tees did not faze this guy. In fourth place Jim Hunter Jr made a rare appearance in a VGSC tourney shooting a net 64. Another guy feeling very comfortable with some odd tees. In a three-way tie for fifth place were Dan Dougherty, John Lyon and Robin Short with net 65's. Dan has got his game going again shooting a natural 76. John settled down and played some good tournament golf. We appreciate his sense of humor work behind the bar. Robin played well without the easier set up as she played the white and gold tees. She came in with a smile and will certainly use her gift card money on an adult beverage.

Our next event will be the VGSC Member Shootout on Saturday, September 22nd and Sunday, September 23rd. This is our only two-day event of the year and definitely a member's favorite. Two-person teams play four nine-hole matches versus four different teams in their flight. The top two teams in each flight will qualify for the Sunday afternoon horserace. The VGSC Member Shootout Champions get their names on the plaque in our Hall of Fame. The prizes are the best of the year and the \$100 for two days includes golf/cart/range/food/keg. Staff joins the fun and the tournament is talked about for months after the event. The shotguns will be 8:00 am both days so sign up with a partner or let me pair you up....but don't miss this event.