

SIR BRANCH 8: NINE HOLE GOLF GROUP

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October 26th began with clear skies and lots of sunshine, a remarkable difference from the previous couple of days!



Players began assembling at the first tee before 8:30 ready to begin playing. We had seven groups signed up but a couple of drop outs reduced our total participation to 26 players.

The teams were fairly evenly matched, less than 10 strokes difference between the first and last place. Individual scores were also competitive. The handicap system we used based on the last ten scores posted at Diablo Hills has certainly been very fair and a big thank you to Dick Brooks for keeping the records and tracking performance. The teams were put together so that the total of the teams' handicaps was as close as possible and after some manipulation all seven teams had a

combined handicap total of 49!

After all the scores were posted the low gross team score was a 37 shot by two teams. Knowles, Hughes, Persson, Ghost was in first with a 37 followed by the team of Sanderson, Gilman, Brown and Pable with the same score. This required comparing cards starting at the highest handicap hole (#4) which was a tie: 2nd handicap hole (#2) which was a tie: 3rd handicap hole (#7) which was a tie: 4th handicap hole (#9) which gave the low gross team championship to the Knowles group with a par 4 compared to a bogey for the Sanderson group.

The best ball team competition was also close with the Knowles group edging out 2 other groups by just a couple of strokes to claim the low net score team championship.

In the individual competitions Rich Knowles edged out Barry Brown by one stroke to claim the individual low gross title. The low net score was a tie at 30 between Jack Bybee, Frank Kilaar, Mike Anderson and Rich Knowles. A comparison of cards showed the title going to Rich with a par on the #1 handicap hole compared to bogies for the other players.

You might have noticed a trend in this scoring: Rich Knowles won in all four categories! This is a first for the group so a big hand to Rich for an outstanding performance.



It appeared everyone had a good time and the temporary bar was very busy after the round. At this time, we should thank Ingrid our tireless waitress for her great service and attention we appreciate all you do!



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