

FRGC/MGA

Event Results

Our last event was the FRGC/MGA event within the Forest Ridge Golf Club Championship. This was a bit of an experiment. It appears that it was very successful and added something to the Club Championship.

Here are the results:

Forest Flight

Place	Name	Score
1 st	Craig Cosgrove	138
2 nd	Kent Schlesselman	145
3 rd	Scott Crane	146

Ridge Flight

1 st	Keith Mercatoris	138
2 nd	Marvin Loyd	140
3 rd (t)	Steven Roberts Dan Lloyd	142

Kool Kats (Seniors)

1 st	Jim Chittenden	134
2 nd	Jerry Mabry	138
3 rd	Bill Shoemaker	142

Last month's newsletter reported on the results of the Member/Guest tournament and inadvertently omitted the listing of Overall Champions. You will recall that the format was 4-Ball stroke play the first day and 2-Man Shamble the second day with both balls counting for score. All scores listed are net.

1 st	Barney James/Bill Shoemaker	202
2 nd (t)	James Howard/Allen Howard Craig Cosgrove/David Oliver	205

There was another score lower than the 205. However, the team making that score had no MGA members in it.

Next Event

Our next event is the Match Play Championship Qualifier. This is an individual stroke play event that will determine the qualifiers for the brackets in the match play portion of the event. As with the 4-Ball event this year we will be paying prizes in both events and there will be an entry fee required for both.

All entrants in the Qualifier will receive ten Player of the Year points. However, the winner's points will be paid for the top ten winners in the Match Play Championship.

Shanks of the Month

Forest Ridge has been very successful in attracting individual players this year and also in the area of tournaments of various sorts. I for one am happy to see this success because it is in my best interest, and for most of you, that the course be successful and profitable.

It sometimes is an inconvenience to us because we can't get that tee time we want or can't play on a particular day that we want to play. But, we should all be aware that it is a needed activity and we can work around it if we choose to do so.

Now, having said all that, I want to remind all players that we need to use the sand bottles to fill the fairway (and rough) divots to help the course stay in a playable condition for all. Maybe it's the outside tournaments, maybe it's some of us, but there are way too many divots out there that someone did not fill with sand. It takes all of us to make it work and it doesn't take much time or effort to do it. I do my part, will you?

That brings me to ball marks on the green. The greens this year have been a bit more firm and have not been as susceptible to ball mark damage as in the past. However, you should hunt for your mark and repair it to the best of your ability, plus any others you may find.

Remember, don't lift the depressed area as that tears the roots. If there is a severely compressed piece of turf, remove it and toss it off the green. Then, use your divot tool to pull the sides of the divot toward the center and lightly tamp the area to level. You will find that the divot will heal in a very short time.

And - thanks for your help!

In the meantime -

See you on the course at Forest Ridge!