



TP Golf Weekly...

#3 Nucci/Gooldy - 3 vs #10 Girmonde/Girmonde - 0

Vinny Nucci and Eric Gooldy would win 4 holes and tie one hole and won all three points over Sam Girmonde and Dave Girmonde, Sr. A possessed Vinny Nucci would birdie holes 2 and 3 and be -2 after four holes. Partner Eric Gooldy would shoot 23 on the first four holes and shoot 19 the rest of the way. That featured an eagle on hole #7. Sam Girmonde would have an up and down day. He too would have a better last 5 holes with a 20 for a total round of 41. The win by Nucci and Gooldy keeps them solidly in the middle of the pack. Team Girmonde will finish the year in third place with the loss.

#8 Girmonde/Palmer - 3 vs #15 Hubble/Clarke - 0

Dave Girmonde, Jr and Joe Palmer would stop the Hubblecraft and end their chances at glory and win this match 3-0. The winners would win the first three holes and pretty much coast the rest of the way. Most of the Hubblecraft's problems were early and sealed their fate. This win by Joe and Dave secures second place and a first round bye. It was a great learning experience for the Hubblecraft this year. They played well most of the year and almost secured a playoff spot. I've said it before, Hey, there's always next year.

#5 Lubey/Blunt - 3 vs #12 Bunal/Hamlin - 0

Lance Lubey and Bill Blunt have the the gas pedal to the floor and coast to a 3-0 victory. They would win the first five holes, push on hole 6 and win the last three holes. If your keeping score, the line reads 8-0-1 for the winners who haven't lost a match since August 5th. It's been a tough year for the Bunal Hamlin duo. Chris Bunal had work commitments and missed a bunch of golf. Dave Hamlin had a sort of up and down year. The winners have won 10.5 points the last month to climb into first place, three points ahead of second place. The bye in the first round will only enhance Bill Blunt as he rests his aching elbow.

#16 McAndrew/Hyer - 2 vs #1 Hickel/Wallace - 1

Ryan McAndrew and Jake Hyer would play inspired golf in beat defending Champs, Rich Hickel and Will Wallace 2-1. Ryan McAndrew would not need his

strokes and beat Rich Hickel straight up. Will Wallace would beat Jake Hyer to give his team their only point. The uninspired play by the defending champs nearly cost them a chance to repeat. With a little help from Russ Cahill and Pete Logue, they will have a chance to repeat.

#7 Bialek/Brown - 2 vs # 14 Logue/Cahill - 1

John Bialek and Tim Brown would play winning golf in winning six of nine holes and waltzed home with a 2-1 victory over Pete Logue and Russ Cahill. The winners held a 3-2 advantage through the first 5 holes. They were helped by Pete Logue, who posted some ugly numbers in route to an uncharacteristic season high fitty. Things went from bad to worse as the losers would lose three of the last four holes ending any chance at a playoff berth.

#11 Zegarelli/Berge - 2 vs #4 Cahill/Stern - 1

Nick Zegarelli and Shane Berge would win six of nine holes to take a 2-1 victory over Pete Cahill and Dave Stern. Pete and Dave would win the first hole. After that, Ziggy and Shane would either win or tie the last eight holes. Shane made it home in two on seven as his drive was probably the longest drive this reporter has ever seen on said hole. The second shot was just as majestic as the ball landed perhaps 10 feet away, below the hole. I'd like to report that he made the put for eagle but I can't. Both teams played for pride as neither made the playoffs. Pete and Dave escaped last place by a half a point.

#2 Niemers/Banas - 1.5 vs #9 Grabinski/Welch - 1.5

This was an important match for both teams. Team 2 , the playoffs seemed academic while Gary and Lee had to win big to make the field. It was very close after 5 holes as Don and Tim would enjoy a 2-1-2 lead. The straw, Lee Welch, posted some ugly numbers in that run. Gary Grabinski would post birdies on holes 6 and 7. His team would win one hole and push on one hole. So, after all was said, Niemers and Banas would hang on and end up as the 4th seed in the playoffs. Gary Grabinski and Lee Welch would end up in the middle of the pack

The 19th Hole...

The playoffs are all set. The teams are itchy to go. Team 5, Lance Lubey and Bill Blunt are the Top seed. They will not play this week. They get a bye. The second seed is Team #8, Dave Girmonde, Jr. and Joe Palmer. They also get a bye this week. The 3rd. seed is Team #10, Dave Girmonde, Sr. and Sam Girmonde. The 4th seed belongs to Team #2 Don Niemers and Tim Banas. The 5th seed is the hottest team in the league after Lance Lubey and Bill Blunt, Team D'Amico. The last team to make the playoffs will be defending Champions, Rich Hickel and Will Wallace. This week, The matches are # 3 seed, Dave Girmonde, Sr. and Sam Girmonde vs #6 seed,

Rich Hickel and Will Wallace. The other game matches the #4 seed, Don Niemers and Tim Banas vs the # 5 seed, Gene D'Amico , Jr. and Gene D'Amico, Sr. The winners of these matches will play the 1 and 2 seeds the following week in the semi-final matches. The winners of the semifinal matches will play for the championship in the Final Outing at Lakeshore Golf and Yacht Club On Sunday, September 20th.