

2009 Benefit Tournament

Airway Meadows Golf Course held its 6th Annual Benefit Tournament on Saturday, August 22nd. 136 players came out to play in the 4-player scramble tournament. This year's event was to benefit Michael Riedy and held in the memory of Tom Ellis Sr. a former member and friend of the course who past away over the winter. Michael was diagnosed at the age of 28 with Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a form of cancer that affects the lymph system throughout the body. Michael's treatment regiment will include 12 chemotherapy injections to be followed by 1 month of daily radiation therapy. As of July 1st, Michael has received 7 of 12 chemotherapy shots and a recent CT scan has shown that the tumor has shrunk considerably. Currently, Michael has no health insurance and is only able to work approximately every other week due to his chemo treatments. Once he defeats his cancer, he would like to pay it forward and raise money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society to help find a cure for this terrible disease. We raised over \$7500 for the Michael through the golfers who participated, the selling of hole sponsor signs, a 50/50 raffle and a live auction. Below are the top finishers in the event.

Low Net Division:

1st place: (51) – Rob Fosmer, Brett Belden, Ivy Vitenbergs, Nate Dyer

2nd place: (51) – Mike Winters, Don Seymour, Chris Dunn, Bobby Madison 3rd place: (52) – Tim J. O'Brien, Tim M. O'Brien, Mike Ray, Mike Plue 4th place: (52) – Mike Bucci, Don Ratigan, Pete Pigeon, Joe Carney

5th place: (53) – Chuck Harris, John McKeon, Bob Struwe, Rich Grimaldi

Low Gross Division:

1st place: (54) – Earl Skiff Sr, Earl Skiff Jr, Ray Schultz, Darren Crawford

2nd place: (57) – Kathy Jones, Steve Brown, John Granger, Chris Braim 3rd place: (59) – Tony Duff, Pat Girard, John Vallelunga, Bill Fisher

4th place: (59) – Jeff Yeackel, Wayne Wagner, Aaron Holtby, Frank Bueler

5th place: (59) – Matt Riggins, Mark Paine, Jay Latullipe, Bill Paine

Closest to the Pin #17 – Dennis Gosier 5' 1" Women's Longest Drive #2 – Kathy Jones Seniors Longest Drive #10 – Tim Ellis

Closest to the Pin #9 – Tom Rebisz 4' 11" Men's Longest Drive #8 – Jake Hoffman Most Accurate Drive #5 – Kirsten Bittel