

Golf Chips From the 19th Hole

By Jim Gaddis

OCC golfers took the ultimate challenge on April 13 pretending they were playing the old course at St. Andrews. The windblown links were actually Hawaii Kai Golf Course, but with flagsticks bent in the wind and whitecaps covering the ocean it was easy to taste the flavor of Scotland.

Normally there are five or six golfers with net scores in the mid to high 60s. But on this day no one could break 70. When the low gross score for the day is 85, you know the weather came into play.

Jack Sheehan fired that 85 to win the Low Gross award for men. Terri Lui shot an 89 to take the Low Gross honors for the ladies. Bruce Bolton and Adney Smith came in with net 70s to take Low Net honors for men. Pam Dillingham fired a net 71 to win the ladies Low Net award.

Closest to the Pin winners were Pam Dillingham (#5), Bill Wilson (#8), Joie Gopez (#10) and Strat Whiting (#17). Pam put her tee shot three feet from the

hole and made her birdie. Long time OCC member Bill Wilson, visiting from his new home in Santa Barbara, hit a tremendous shot into the wind on #8 to easily win the hole.

The highlight of the day was Pam Dillingham, who left her golfclubs somewhere and had to use her husband's sticks which she had never touched before. Well, except for a couple of bad shots and one 4-putt hole, Pam had the round of her life. Her drives were incredibly long and straight and Pam's front nine was her lowest score ever. Husband Peter may never see his clubs again.

The next stop on the OCC tour was June 29 at Leilehua.

All golfers are reminded to turn in your scores for your handicap and check out other golf news at the Front Desk.

There has been only one match played thus far in the 1994 Match Play Championship. Bob Hogan defeated Strat Whiting 5-4. Look for more results in the Outrigger next month. 🏌️