

Golf ...Like It Was 100 Year's Ago

Playing pre-1935 hickory shafted clubs, 99 players celebrated the 11th AZ Desert Hickory in Sun City West, Arizona. Equipped with vintage equipment, and attired in knickers, argyle socks, woolen caps and vintage outfits, they challenged Grandview & Pebblebrook Golf Courses in grand style over a two day competition.



During the last weekend of February, players from across the USA and Canada, and a few international contestants joined with Arizona hickory golfers from; Sun City West, Tatum Ranch, Buckeye, Pebblecreek, El Mirage, Gilbert, Scottsdale, Surprise, Payson, Sedona and Goodyear... to compete. The tournament supported a field for Championship, Senior, New To Hickory, Super Senior, Legends 77+ and a Division of Lady Players.

The weather provided a beautiful 1st round of Arizona sunshine, followed by some brisk Scottish style weather on the 2nd day. All players commented on the excellent course conditions. Many attending were from out of town and thoroughly enjoyed their get-away from winter to our beautiful SCW community. Players and guests enjoyed the golf, hospitality, entertainment, weather, prizes and fun.

The scoring provided some spectacular performances; In the Championship Division (Age 59 & younger); Matt Stovall of Litchfield Park, AZ was our overall Tournament Champion, shooting a fine 2 day performance of 74 / 80, winning a scorecard playoff over Ben Plaunt of Beaumont, Alberta Canada, taking runner up position, shooting 77 / 77.

Our Senior Division (Age 60-69) winner was won by our very own, Bill "Ernie" Ernst from Sun City West, AZ shooting 77 / 77. 2nd place was captured by John Henry Williams of Shoreline, WA shooting 80 / 77 and 3rd place was secured by Bill Nevin of Payson, AZ recording a fine 81 / 80 in a scorecard playoff over Jack Fandl of Sun City West, taking 2nd place net.

The New To Hickory Division winner was Harry Miller, from Surprise, AZ with 85 / 90 and Runner Up was Glenn Moore of Sun City West, AZ with 88 / 95. Both of these players have only played hickory a few times before the competition but produced fine results.

The Super Senior Division (Age 70-76) was won by tournament director, Ken Holtz of Sun City West, AZ with 78 / 78. He holed a 15ft birdie putt on the last hole, to secured the win over Tom Tracy of Star, Idaho, shooting 79/78. 3rd Place was awarded to Nick Hackstock of Scottsdale, AZ, recording a performance of 79 / 79.

Our new Legends Division (Age 77+) was won by Matt Nelson of La Quinta, CA, carding 84/84 and our Runner up was Kenn Looten of Sherwood Park, Alberta, Canada recording 87/83.

The Ladies Division produced some spectacular performances. Our winner was Sue Tracy of Star, Idaho shooting 83 / 81 and our Runner Up was Mary Burgland of Galesburg, IL with 95 / 102.

Please see the Tournament Score Board & Photos for performances of our Gross/Net Winners & Runner Ups.

Additional Highlights!

The 2023 “Hickory Humanitarian Award” was presented to Janet and Cal Whitman for their significant contributions of adding FUN to the experience of hickory golf through their direct involvement with events around the world. Congrats to Janet and Cal!



Entertainment at this year’s hospitality was provided by Angus Rollo on keyboard and Cal Whitman on drums.

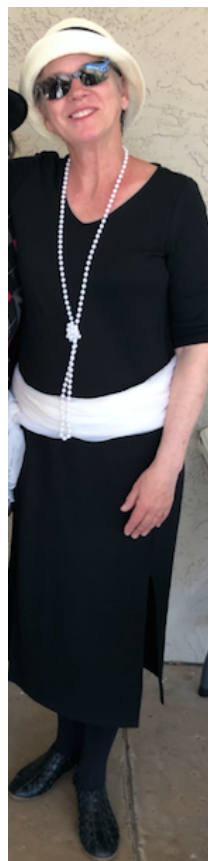


Before & After Pics

Our Best Dressed Awards went to; Lisa McGowan from Bend, OR wearing a beautiful vintage 1920's outfit and Michael Sloan of Houston, TX, sporting a dapper kilt on Saturday and followed by yellow plaid knickers on Sunday.

Special Thanks. Thanks go out to the tournament committee, the Sun City West Golf Operational staff, Todd Patty Greens & Grounds Superintendent and the support of all the players. A personal thank you also goes to our Tournament Volunteers. Thank you!

Dates for next year's 2024 12th Annual AZ Desert Hickory tournament is slated to be Saturday / Sunday the last weekend in February. For information about the tournament please contact Ken Holtz k.holtz2430@gmail.com and for more information about hickory golf to www.hickorygolfers.com



AZ Desert Hickory Gross / Net Scoreboard - Winners, Runner Up, 3rd

Name	Division	Day One	Day Two	Finish	
Matt Stovall	Litchfield Park, AZ	Championship	74 Gross	80 Gross	1st Place Winner*
Ben Plaunt	Beaumont, Alberta CN	Championship	77 Gross	77 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Rylee Stovall	Litchfield Park, AZ	Championship	81/67 Net	80/66 Net	1st Place Net
Ryan Galloway	Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta Canada	Championship	91/74 Net	97/82 Net	2nd Place Net
					* Score Card Playoff over Ben Plaunt receiving 2nd place gross.
Bill "Ernie" Ernst	Sun City West, AZ	Senior	77 Gross	77 Gross	1st Place Winner
John Henry Williams	Shoreline, WA	Senior	80 Gross	77 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Bill Nevin	Payson, AZ	Senior	81 Gross	80 Gross	3rd Place**
Mike Petersen	Phoenix, AZ	Senior	86/71 Net	87/72 Net	1st Place Net
Jack Fandl	Sun City West, AZ	Senior	84/77 Net	77/70 Net	2nd Place Net
Greg Haffley	Pebblecreek, AZ	Senior	86/75 Net	84/73 Net	3rd Place Net
					** Score Card Playoff over Jack Fandl receiving 2nd place net.

Name		Division	Day One	Day Two	Finish
Harry Miller	Surprise, AZ	New To Hickory	85 Gross	90 Gross	1st Place Winner
Glenn Moore	Sun City West, AZ	New To Hickory	88 Gross	95 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Jason Hamilton	Laveen, AZ	New To Hickory	93/80 Net	92/79 Net	1st Place Net
Eric Larson	Chandler, AZ	New To Hickory	90/74 Net	103/88 Net	2nd Place Net
Ken Holtz	Sun City West, AZ	Super Senior	78 Gross	78 Gross	1st Place Winner
Tom Tracy	Star, Idaho	Super Senior	79 Gross	78 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Nick Hackstock	Scottsdale, AZ	Super Senior	79 Gross	79 Gross	3rd Place
Jim Griffen	Sun City West, AZ	Super Senior	81/73 Net	80/72 Net	1st Place Net
Lyle Rowland	Sun City West, AZ	Super Senior	83/72 Net	86/75 Net	2nd Place Net
Angus Rollo	Scotland	Super Senior	91/77 Net	85/71 Net	3rd Place Net
Matt Nelson	La Quinta, CA	Legends	84 Gross	84 Gross	1st Place Winner
Kenn Looten	Sherwood Park, Alberta, Canada	Legends	87 Gross	83 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Jack Delaney	Peoria, AZ	Legends	87/74 Net	87/75 Net	1st Place Net
Mike Kaus	Cave Creek, AZ	Legends	90/79	84/73	2nd Place Net
Susan Tracy	Star, Idaho	Ladies	83 Gross	81 Gross	1st Place Winner
Mary Burgland	Galesburg, IL	Ladies	95 Gross	102 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Pam Rowland	Sun City West, AZ	Ladies	95/72 Net	104/82 Net	1st Place Net
Jamie Miller	Surprise, AZ	Ladies	106/83 Net	99/76 Net	2nd Place Net



AZ Desert Hickory “Our Tournament Gross Winners”

Pictured from left: Matt Stovall - Championship,
Ernie Ernst - Senior,
Sue Tracy - Ladies,
Harry Miller - New to Hickory,
Ken Holtz - Super Senior,
Matt Nelson - Legends (not pictured)

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos

Championship Division Gross & Net



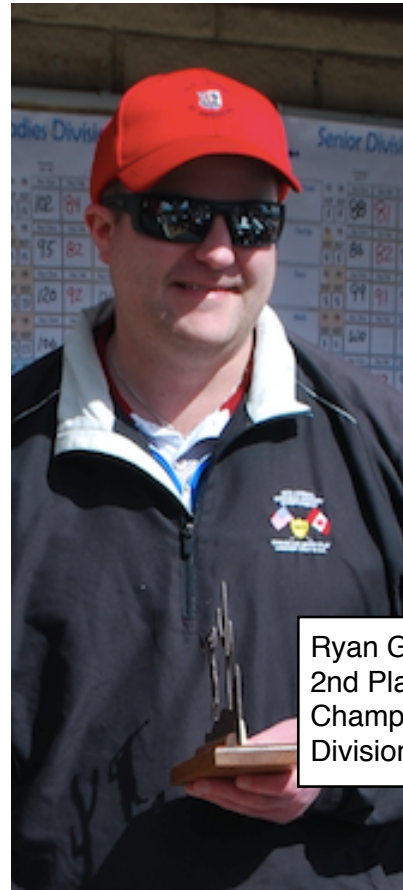
Matt Stovall (left)
1st Place Gross
Championship
Division



Ben Paunt
2nd Place Gross
Championship
Division



Rylee Stovall
1st Place Net
Championship
Division



Ryan Galloway
2nd Place Net
Championship
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos

Senior Division Gross & Net



Bill "Ernie" Ernst
1st Place Gross
Senior Division



John Henry
Williams
2nd Place Gross
Senior Division

Note: Bill Nevin
3rd place Gross
Senior Division.
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Mike Petersen
1st Place Net
Senior Division



Jack Fandl
2nd Place Net
Senior Division



Greg Haffley
3rd Place Net
Senior Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos - Ladies Division



Sue Tracy
1st Place Gross
Ladies Division



Mary Burgland
2nd Place Gross
Ladies Division



Pam Rowland
1st Place Net
Ladies Division



Jamie Miller
2nd Place Net
Ladies Division

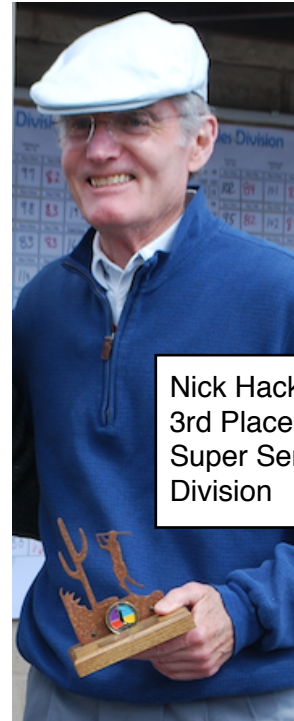
AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos - Super Senior Division



Ken Holtz
1st Place Gross
Super Senior
Division



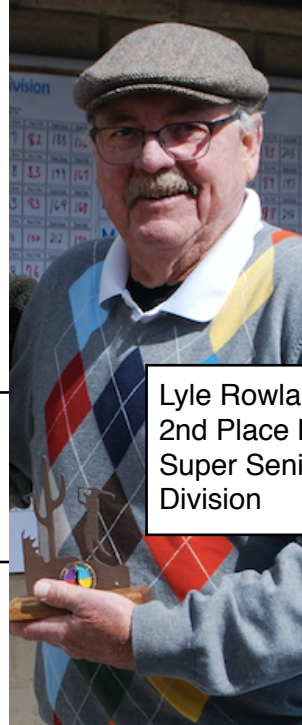
Tom Tracy
2nd Place Gross
Super Senior
Division



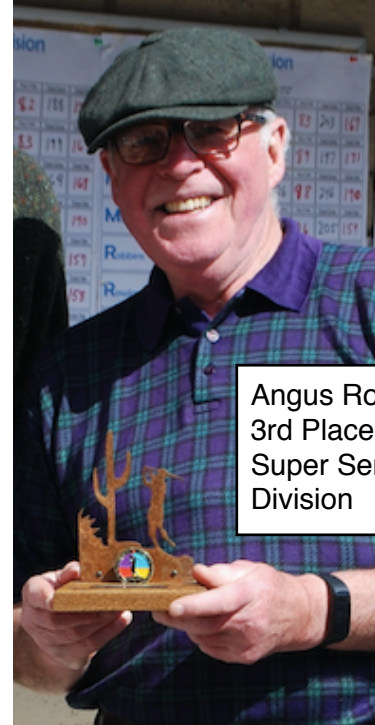
Nick Hackstock
3rd Place Gross
Super Senior
Division



Jim Griffen
1st Place Net
Super Senior
Division



Lyle Rowland
2nd Place Net
Super Senior
Division



Angus Rollo
3rd Place Net
Super Senior
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos - New To Hickory Division



Harry Miller
1st Place Gross
New To Hickory
Division



Glenn Moore
2nd Place Gross
New To Hickory
Division



Jason Hamilton
1st Place Net
New To Hickory
Division

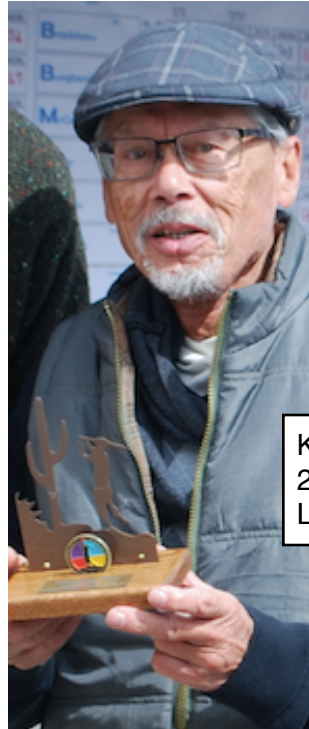


Eric Larson
2nd Place Net
New To Hickory
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos - Legends Division



Matt Nelson
1st Place Gross
Legends Division



Kenn Looten
2nd Place Gross
Legends Division



Jack Delaney
1st Place Net
Legends Division



Mike Kaus
2nd Place Net
Legends Division

Tournament Scoreboards

Championship Division

AZ Desert History 2023

Name	GV	PB	Crescent 634/100		Pebblebrook 643/100		Total Gross	Total Net
			Day 1 Gross	Day 1 Net	Day 2 Gross	Day 2 Net		
Galloway	19	15	91	74	97	82	188	156
Hawes	13	15	101	84	98	83	199	167
Hogan	1	0	86	85	83	83	169	168
Hosford	13	10	102	90	116	100	212	190
Johnson	3	2	84	81	78	76	162	159
Kienle	0	0	79	79	79	77	158	158
Kyler	6	5	93	87	86	81	179	168
Martin	2	0	78	76	82	82	160	158
Plaunt	1	0	77	76	77	77	154	153
Reynolds	5	1	76	73	82	81	158	154
Stovall	3	2	74	71	80	78	154	149
Stovall	14	14	81	67	80	66	161	143

Ladies Division

AZ Desert History 2023

Name	GV	PB	Crescent 634/100		Pebblebrook 643/100		Total Gross	Total Net
			Day 1 Gross	Day 1 Net	Day 2 Gross	Day 2 Net		
Bradshaw	13	13	102	84	101	83	203	167
Burgland	15	15	95	82	102	89	197	171
McGowan	23	23	120	92	126	98	246	190
Miller	13	13	106	83	99	76	205	159
Robbins	13	13	109	88	95	74	204	162
Rowland	13	12	95	72	104	82	199	154
Tracy	7	7	83	76	81	74	164	150

New To Hickory Division

AZ Desert History 2023

Name	GV	PB	Crescent 634/100		Pebblebrook 643/100		Total Gross	Total Net
			Day 1 Gross	Day 1 Net	Day 2 Gross	Day 2 Net		
Chmielewski	16	15	99	83	107	92	206	175
Hamilton	13	13	93	80	92	79	185	159
Hamilton	16	15	104	88	92	79	196	167
Larson	16	15	109	93	112	97	221	190
Larson	16	15	90	74	103	88	193	162
Miller	10	10	85	75	90	80	175	155
Moore	11	11	88	77	95	84	183	161
Saye	5	5	WD	-	-	-	-	-
Zengler	11	10	WD	-	-	-	-	-

Legends Division

AZ Desert History 2023

Name	GV	PB	Crescent 634/100		Pebblebrook 643/100		Total Gross	Total Net
			Day 1 Gross	Day 1 Net	Day 2 Gross	Day 2 Net		
Delaney	19	16	87	74	87	75	174	149
Duffus	9	9	90	81	84	74	174	156
Griebling	29	28	116	87	126	98	242	185
Kaus	11	11	90	79	84	73	174	152
Kosich	11	11	88	77	87	76	175	153
Looten	6	6	87	81	83	77	170	158
Mabry	6	6	90	84	83	77	173	161
Miller	7	7	99	82	89	82	178	164
Moore	12	12	85	73	97	85	182	158
Murphy	14	14	94	80	86	72	180	152
Nelson	9	9	84	75	84	75	168	150
Scott	9	9	91	82	85	76	176	158
Wise	14	14	91	77	91	77	182	154

Senior Division

AZ Desert Hickory
2023

Player	Handicap	Day 1		Day 2		Total Gross	Total Net
		Gross	Net	Gross	Net		
Brown	7	88	81	82	75	170	156
Burgland	4	86	82	84	79	170	161
Cain	5	99	91	92	84	191	175
Carter	10	WD		102		WD	
Coelho	9	90	79	95	84	185	163
Coghill	1	83	82	84	83	167	165
Cullberson	10	91	78	84	71	175	149
Eche	8	94	86	94	87	188	173
Ernst	2	77	75	77	75	154	150
Fanell	9	84	77	77	70	161	147
Fitzgerald	5	83	70	84	79	167	157
Fulcher	5	113	77	113	78	226	155
Furnia	10	89	79	93	83	182	162

Senior Division

AZ Desert Hickory
2023

Player	Handicap	Day 1		Day 2		Total Gross	Total Net
		Gross	Net	Gross	Net		
Huffley	3	86	75	84	73	170	148
Horvat	5	85	80	77	72	162	152
Jackson	8	89	81	79	71	168	152
Johnson	14	93	81	96	84	189	165
Kennedy	9	86	79	84	77	170	156
Levandowski	10	98	85	88	76	186	161
Lindsay	5	84	79	84	79	168	158
McGowan	5	92	87	83	78	175	165
Moore	8	84	76	82	74	166	150
Newton	8	81	73	80	72	161	145
Ogden	10	82	89	93	81	195	170
Pedersen	9	87	78	80	71	167	159
Pedersen	6	84	71	87	70	173	143

Senior Division

AZ Desert Hickory
2023

Grindview 64.8 / 17
Pebblebrook 62.4 / 11

Player	Handicap	Day 1		Day 2		Total Gross	Total Net
		Gross	Net	Gross	Net		
Platt	8	90	82	91	83	181	165
Pool	10	87	77	84	74	171	151
Simer	2	82	80	80	78	162	158
Sloan	15	106	91	103	88	209	179
Stevenson	8	93	85	87	79	180	164
Stevenson	11	91	80	96	85	187	165
Williams	0	80	80	77	77	157	157

Super Senior Division

AZ Desert Hickory 2023

Player	GV	PB	Grandhouse 65.4 / 95		Pebblebrook 66.5 / 99		Total Gross	Total Net
			Day 1 Gross	Day 1 Net	Day 2 Gross	Day 2 Net		
Adams Les	HCP 8	HCP 8	86	78	83	75	169	153
Ahlschwede Rob	HCP 0	HCP 0	92	92	94	94	186	186
Baylor Duane	HCP 16	HCP 15	88	72	94	79	182	151
Bradshaw Joe	HCP 7	HCP 7	85	78	84	77	169	155
Ford Nelson	HCP 10	HCP 10	93	83	84	74	177	157
Griffen Jim <i>1st Max</i>	HCP 8	HCP 8	81	73	80	72	161	145
Guerrard Joe	HCP 11	HCP 11	88	77	92	81	180	159
Hackstock Nick <i>1st Max</i>	HCP 4	HCP 4	79	75	79	75	158	150
Hickman Bob	HCP 16	HCP 16	94	78	89	73	183	151
Hill Roger	HCP 13	HCP 13	94	81	95	82	189	163
Holtz Ken <i>1st Max</i>	HCP 6	HCP 6	78	72	78	72	156	144
Kastelic Rudy	HCP 15	HCP 14	102	87	98	84	200	171
Malmquist Steven	HCP 8	HCP 8	102	94	94	86	196	180

Super Senior Division

AZ Desert Hickory 2023

Player	GV	PB	Grandhouse 65.4 / 95		Pebblebrook 66.5 / 99		Total Gross	Total Net
			Day 1 Gross	Day 1 Net	Day 2 Gross	Day 2 Net		
Mc Aleer Michael	HCP 9	HCP 9	DQ	-				
Niehaus Dana	HCP 10	HCP 10	90	80	95	85	185	165
O'Connor Jr Robert	HCP 2	HCP 2	99	97	87	85	186	182
Peterson Calen	HCP 6	HCP 6	87	81	79	73	166	154
Reams Chris	HCP 2	HCP 2	86	84	79	77	165	161
Rollo <i>1st Max</i>	HCP 11	HCP 14	91	77	85	71	176	148
Rowland <i>1st Max</i>	HCP 11	HCP 11	83	72	86	75	169	147
Smith Gary	HCP 8	HCP 8	88	78				ND
Tracy Tom <i>2nd Max</i>	HCP 3	HCP 4	79	76	78	74	157	150
Walker Milt	HCP 14	HCP 14	92	78	88	74	176	152
Whitman Col	HCP 11	HCP 11	90	79	85	74	175	153
Wray Bruce	HCP 11	HCP 11	91	80	85	74	176	154

Thank You to All of Our 2023 Tournament Players!