

2025 VGSC Letter #5

Sixty members played in VGSC Event #5 in the four-club format on Saturday, May 3rd and Sunday, May 4th. To have success in the four-club format a player needs to have some pre-round strategy when picking his weapons and then some during round strategy when navigating the golf course. Although that seems like a lot of thinking the player that does well usually reports the lack of deciding which club to hit helps them focus on the shot at hand without indecision. This is usually one of our members' favorite formats as the player learns more about his game during this round than all the other tournament rounds put together. Hit more club than you think, be committed to your shot and use your favorite clubs as much as possible.

In first place in the first flight was Tim Choyce shooting a 74 for net 67. Tim's love for the game is easy to see and he has turned into one of the club's best players. Whether he is playing Tuesday night league, Thursday skin's games or in our VGSC events he is an absolute pleasure to play with and be around. In second place in the first flight was our back to back Club Champion Lucas Cozzitorto who shot a 67 for net 68. Ironically, before his round there was some grumbling over his VGSC tourney plus one handicap. Hmmm. In third place in the first flight was Ricky Wondergem who shot a 72 for net 69. Ricky just pulled off one of the biggest comebacks in our Club Championship history with four birdies in a row coming from three back to beat one of Vintner's best players and Dad's Andrew Pieper. Ricky will now face Lucas in the semifinals for the opportunity to play an absolutely flaming hot Jay Bakker who has just came off beating Glenn Andrade on the 19th hole and Dan Sakai on the 21st hole. In a four-way tie for fourth place were Randy Gourley, Luke Austen, David Wright and Jacob Duncan. Randy, Luke and David shot 74's and all of these guys must be proud of their play. Jacob has the power of a lion and his 78 had to make Dad and grandpa Duncan proud.

In first place in the second flight was Aaron Jastrow who shot an 88 for net 63. Aaron loves the game and probably thinks a little too much on the golf course. This format fell right into his wheel zone limiting club choice decisions and making a complicated game with over analysis detrimental....simple for a day. Steve Jones came in second in the second flight shooting a 75 for net 64. Steve is decently new to the membership, but has found his way, winning skin money on Thursday and gift card credit in VGSC events....and he is fun to tease also. Bill Collins shined in this format shooting an 89 for net 65 capturing third place and \$22 in gift cards. It was great to see Linda McDaniel and Dana Davis play well shooting net 68's coming in fourth place

while enjoying a beautiful Sunday afternoon. In a three-way tie for sixth place at net 69's were Aaron Williams, Merle Telle and Kay Gulbengay. All three of these players represent our club very well rolling with the punches and understanding the culture of the Vintner's Golf Club. Thank you to all of our members that realize we are trying to create an atmosphere where the staff and customer enjoy their day.