

2026 Vintner's Golf & Social Club's Newsletter #10

Sixty-players participated in VGSC Event #10 in the pick-six format on the first weekend in October. Our members were tasked to pick six red tees, six whites and six blue tees to play from in no required order. How they picked and when they picked is always interesting to me. The gamete was wide as some plotted out their picks weeks ahead, while others waited till they stepped on each hole. Some took advantage of the red tees and some did not. In any case, the format is one of the members' favorites of the year and I enjoy hearing about their process. The other interesting part of this format is we do not use these scores in the VGSC tournament handicap, so we see people let loose and go low.

In first place in the first flight was Desmond Spoor who shot a natural 68 for net 59 winning \$30 in gift cards. Desmond's game has improved more than anyone I know and it started with him getting an annual pass. One of the staff's favorites and I mean it this time. In second place in the first flight was Randy Gourley who shot a 67 for net 62. Talking about someone who knows when to play well, this guy comes straight from the school of Sean Murray. In third place was John Jacks who shot an amazing 69 for net 64. He also knows how to turn it on and off, and other than a playing partner jumping in front of him John played flawlessly. In fourth place was Conch Beery who shot an even par 68 despite a bogey-bogey start. Conch did take advantage of his red tee choices making birdies on almost half of them. In a four-way tie for fifth place with net 66's were Tim Choyce, Luke Austen, Peter Galea and Dan Sakai. Tim and Luke shot natural 69's. while Peter's 76 and Dan's 67 showed their plans worked out well.

In first place in the second flight was Winston Wallace shooting 71 for net 59. Winston moved into the top four in points giving him a solid chance to make the fraudulent four with one tournament remaining for that qualifying. In second place was Steve Sumida who shot a 73 for net 62 and loved the format and the prep. Jared Cato came in third place making three birdies on his front side. Jared's energy and personality have always greatly appreciated by our staff and customers. Tom Dinkle shot a 75 for net 64 and his loose head and influencer personality will be playing in a playoff for the zone qualifier this weekend. In a tie for fourth place, Jason Loring and Bob Figoni shot net 65's and must have chosen the tees efficiently. Jason will be partnering with Jared in THE PLAYOFF, while Bob has played the most golf of his life this year and it show with his solid results.

