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PIONEERS/MAHONEY BEST BALL TOURNAMENT

On Wednesday, June 29, 2011, one hundred and forty eight men converged on the City Golf Courses to play in a 4-man team Best Ball event. Since this number of players was more than any city course could handle, 100 men were sent to Pioneers Golf Course and another group of 48 men were sent to Mahoney Golf Course to compete in the same event on an overflow basis. The groups had previously been formed into teams and were further grouped into flights according to the team handicaps. Three of the flights were assigned to play at Pioneers and the other flight played at Mahoney. All golfers played under the same rules.

This was a handicapped event and the team score was the sum of the best two NET scores from each team. The NET score was the actual score minus the handicap strokes for each person on each team. Handicap strokes were marked for each person on each team on each hole, on specially marked scorecards. Each player played his own ball throughout the event. Players played from the same tees they used in league play and could play preferred lie throughout. The grandma rule was in effect; If a team had only three players the fourth player was Grandma and Grandma always shot par on each hole. The event started at 8 am under clear skies on what promised to be a hot day.

At the end of play the winners of the first flight, at Mahoney, were the team of Rich Hoover, Bill Kortus, Bob Monson and Jerry Petersen. They shot a team score of 115. The second flight winners, at Pioneers, were the team of Don Williams, Bill Rondeau, Fred Whitehead and Bob Swan with a team score of 111. Third flight honors went to the team of Dave Karr, Steve Ferris, Joe Steele and Mike Stoakes with a team score of 110, and the fourth flight was taken by the team of Dennis Witfoth, Dean Bergman, Fred Harb and Gary Tomlin with a team score of 113 Great shooting on a hot day in June.

All members and substitutes are welcome to play in these events, but you must sign up for the event a week in advance. Some events may be filled but you may sign up in expectation that an opening may occur, or call Ned Hedges at 402-488-3113 for the latest info.

Pictures by Ned Hedges at Pioneers GC and Marion Tatum at Mahoney GC

CAPTIONS

Winners of the First Flight at Mahoney, L to R; Rich Hoover, Bill Kortus, Bob Monson and Jerry Petersen.

Winners of the Second Flight at Pioneers, L to R; Don Williams, Bill Rondeau, Fred Whitehead and Bob Swan

Winners of the Third Flight at Pioneers, L to R; Dave Karr, Steve Ferris, Joe Steele and Mike Stoakes

Winners of the Fourth Flight at Pioneers, L to R; Dennis Witfoth, Dean Bergman, Fred Harb and Gary Tomlin