

Hello Cascade Golfer Cup Participants,

We have reached the halfway point of the 2010 Cascade Golfer Cup. We would like to thank all of you that participated in at least one event and provide you with some updates. With the second half of the series six weeks away we all have a chance to catch our breath and gear up for the rest of the events.

Points

With 6200 points still available for each team, the Cascade Golfer Cup season points series is still very much up for grabs. Although Byron Rich and Todd Roney have jumped out to a lead, that lead can disappear in one event, in particular with the Championship Event being worth double. As a reminder the top 10 teams will finish in the 'money', while we even have a little something for all teams in the top 15.

Highlights

This weekend Byron Rich and Todd Roney will be at the US Open in Pebble Beach watching the world's best fight it out for our country's National Championship. Thank you to Michelob ULTRA for hooking them up after they took down the Michelob ULTRA Open at Chambers Bay. That is a once in a lifetime opportunity.

Thanks to their win at the Cascade Golfer Challenge, sometime in the not to distant future Mark Sandwidth and Russ Berkman will be enjoying the best public golf resort in the country, Bandon Dunes. They will play Pacific Dunes, Bandon Dunes, Bandon Trails and the just opening Old MacDonald course, while enjoying 3 nights stay. This is a who's who of Top 100 Public Golf Courses in the Country.

With their win this weekend at the 950 KJR Sports Radio Scramble at McCormick Woods, Ward Groves and Marc Shannon will enjoy an 8 day-4 rounds of golf vacation in Maui. Always a treat for any golfers that spends much of his/her existence in the rain saturated climate of the Pacific Northwest.

Congratulations for Jim Cook for his ace at McCormick Woods Saturday. He dunked it with a 3 Hybrid!

Handicaps

As mentioned in the rules of the CG Cup we reserve to adjust player/team handicaps as needed. Through three events we have adjusted a total of six team's handicaps and will continue to monitor all players and adjust as needed.

Prizes

Through three events we have had 137 teams register for the CG Cup with 51 different teams winning prizes thus far. So far we have given away the following prizes:

One US Open package to Pebble Beach including airfare. One stay and play package to Bandon Dunes. One 8 night , one 5 night and one 4 night stay and play package to Kaanapali Golf Resort in Maui.

Stay and Play Packages to Central Oregon(3), Reno-Tahoe(5), Mesquite-NV(3), Vegas and Sandpines Golf Resort

Rounds of golf to: Pumpkin Ridge(6), Mt Si(18), Bear Mt Ranch(10), Wine Valley(8), OKI Golf(6), The Reserve(2), Druids Glen(2), McCormick Woods(8) and The Classic(2).

Thirty-six week passes to the Senior Open at Sahalee. Two passes to the US Am. at Chambers Bay Product consisting of Callaway Fairway Woods(3), Fisher Touch Putters(15), Michelob ULTRA golf bags and coolers(4), Clicgear push carts(3), wooden shafted clubs(2) Lesson Packages to GolfTec(12) and two-for-ones to Pumpkin Ridge(10)

You will see more rounds of golf come into play as we head into the final three events.

Pace of Play

Obviously the CG Cup started out with a painfully slow round at Chambers Bay. However, we have made progress since then. On a wet and cart path driven day our 2nd event concluded in just under 6 hours at Druids Glen. This past weekend at McCormick Woods our first group got done in 5 hours and 20 minutes, a respectable pace for any shotgun format.

Changes coming for the last 3 events

Due to suggestions, we will be announcing the net results starting with the winners. Starting with the winners each team will now be able choose their prize with 20th place receiving the last prize available.

Changes coming for 2011

In order to continue to improve the pace of play some of the events in 2011 will be limited to 128 players instead of the full 144.

Our Portland Event

If you are interested in playing the two best public golf courses in Portland, then mark your calendars for October 2nd and 3rd. Two rounds and three tournaments in one weekend! Saturday will be a separate event at The Reserve, previous host to both PGA and Champions Tour events. Sunday will be a second separate event at Pumpkin Ridge, current host of the LPGA's Safeway Classic. For those teams that play in both, you are automatically entered into the cumulative event and that separate prize pool! For you Husky Football fans, the Dawgs do play that Saturday. They are on the road at USC for a night game. A viewing party is in the mix. Email me if you want more details.

Next event is the Callaway Golf Classic July 24th at the Olympic Course at Gold Mt.

If you have not played this course it may very well be the best public course in the state. If you have played it, well, you know exactly what I am talking about. In addition to the normal goodies, each player will receive a ticket to the 2010 Boeing Classic the following weekend. If you are not signed up and want to play, let me know.

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Constructive Criticism

If you have suggestions on how we can continue to improve our golf tournaments don't be a stranger. Call or email me and help us make this the best amateur golf series in the northwest.

Enjoy the next month. Hope to see you at Gold Mt.