

SHANKS and FLOPS – 2026.10

LATTY BOYS BATTLE TOUGH CONDITIONS ONCE AGAIN, AS ROUND 2 SHAKES UP THE 2026 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The Latty Boys, along with Bobo the Bitch, punctual as ever, showed up ready to grind. The course, however, had other plans. Whether it was ball down, the thick rough around the greens, or the full length of the track, scoring did not come easy. The greens rolled beautifully, but everything leading up to them was a war.

The pace of play? Brutal again. The club found itself stuck behind a not-so-talented group, and the suffering was real. Imagine if we teed off later? we'd be staring at a 5½-hour rounds, and the game runners wouldn't get home until 4 PM. Conclusion?: the tee stays at 7:00 AM.

No one broke 80. Andrew Padilla posted the low gross with an 80. But the net players brought some fireworks:

- Lawrence Arena — 82 / Net 68
- Mark Grunlund — 82 / Net 70
- Vinny the Chin — 81 / Net 71
- John Kelly — Net 71
- Joe Pallotta Jr — Net 71

25-MAN GAME — 5-MAN TEAMS (1 Gross + 2 Net Each Hole)

OVERALL

1st — John Gino, Vin DiCrescento, Joe Pallotta Jr., John Pirrone, Lawrence Arena (122 pts)

FRONT NINE

1st — Wil Larkin, Bobby Marino, Mark Grunlund, John Kelly, Tony Berardi (65 pts)

BACK NINE

1st — Gino, DiCrescento, Pallotta Jr., Pirrone, Arena (65 pts)

CLOSEST TO THE PINS

- **#3 — Pallotta Jr.**
- **#12 — Jim Bones**
- **#16 — Tom Lally**

- **#5 — Pallotta Jr.**
- **#11 — Davey Eller**

PAR 3's and 5's: Tom Lally 16 pts

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND 2 STORYLINES

Gino Leads the Championship

Club rookie **John Gino** posts an 81 to sit at **157**, one ahead of fellow rookie **Brian Foley**. Defending champ **Rich Piazza** and seasoned grinder **Vin DiCrescento** lurk just two back.

A Flight

- **DiCrescento** holds a **9-shot lead** over the “not-so-young” **Joey Pallotta Jr.**
- **Al Sala** is 10 back of the lead but only **1 shot out of second**.

B Flight

- Round 1 leader **Dom Sciandra** no-showed, opening the door for **Lawrence Arena**, who now leads by **14** over Pennisi.
- The rest of the flight is... far behind.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP — ROUND 2 LEADERBOARD

OVERALL (All Flights Combined)

2026 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP					
PLAYER	RD 1	RD 2	TOTAL	RD 3	TOTAL
Gino, John	76	81	157		
Foley, Brian	76	82	158		
Dicrescento, Vin	78	81	159		
Piazza, Rich	78	81	159		
Padilla, Andrew	83	80	163		
Delin, Eric	80	84	164		
Pallotta Jr., Joe	84	84	168		
Sala, Al	85	84	169		
Fareri Jr, Jim	87	91	178		
Kelly, John	96	85	181		
Nelson, Eric	81	DNS			
Kinlock, Jack	86	DNS			

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT (0–6)

2026 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT					
PLAYER	RD 1	RD 2	TOTAL	RD 3	TOTAL
Gino, John	76	81	157		
Foley, Brian	76	82	158		
Piazza, Rich	78	81	159		
Padilla, Andrew	83	80	163		
Delin, Eric	80	84	164		
Nelson, Eric	81	DNS			
Kinlock, Jack	86	DNS			

A FLIGHT (7–13.9)

2026 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - A-FLIGHT					(7 - 13.9)
PLAYER	RD 1	RD 2	TOTAL	RD 3	TOTAL
Dicrescento, Vin	78	81	159		
Pallotta Jr., Joe	84	84	168		
Grunlund, Mark	86	82	168		
Sala, Al	85	84	169		
Scaglione, John	88	86	174		
Eller, Dave	90	85	175		
Fareri Jr, Jim	87	91	178		
Arena, Sal	88	92	180		
Kelly, John	96	85	181		
Pirrone, John	95	96	191		
Garland, John	83	DNS			

B FLIGHT (14–22)

2026 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - B-FLIGHT					(14. - 22)
PLAYER	RD 1	RD 2	TOTAL	RD 3	TOTAL
Arena, Lawrence	88	82	170		
Pennisi, Guy	94	90	184		
Ricciardi, Jack	98	97	195		
Falcone, Mike	101	98	199		
Berardi, Tony	104	108	212		
Sciandra, Dom	87	DNS			
DeMartino, Len	NC				
Lally, Tom	NC				

FROM THE PATIO

Tony “The Ox” Berardi

Sources say his “loose impediments” included entire trees. Didn’t stop Bobo from calling him Bitch all day.

Scags Battles Illness

Rumored combination of **Covid, Hantavirus, Old-Fashioned Flu, and Common Cold** — still shot 86 from the Senior tees and grabbed two scats.

Lally Nearly Aces 16

Hit it tight and cleaned up the putt.

The Larkin–Kelly–Fareri Sr.–Dough Boy Experience

Wil Larkin had the pleasure of playing with:

- **John Kelly,**
- **Jim Fareri Sr. driving on collars,**
- **Len DeMartino making a 7 on 12.**

It may be time for Dough Boy to start ripping driver into the walkers behind the green.

Ball Down Vote

After a club vote, ball down stays.

88% of the players enjoyed themselves; you can do the math. (25 players... you can guess who the 12% were.)

CLUB NOTES

August 9th

NYC Amateur stole our tee times. That date now becomes the Club Outing. It’s also the final round of the Staten Island Amateur, so hopefully will be two light.

Steve Zuntag Classic Applications Open

- **Fri June 19 — Silver Lake**

- Sat June 20 — South Shore
- Sun June 21 — LaTourette
 - Men's Division (3 rounds): \$220
 - Senior Division (2 rounds): \$170
 - No cut — full shootout.
 - Gross (6.0 & lower) and Net (6.1 & higher) divisions.
- Deadline: June 17 at 6:00 PM

See you Sunday — it's going to be a scorcher.