



## "SCRAMBLED" VOL 7

by Luke Knisely

"Don't play too much golf.  
Two rounds a day are plenty"  
- Harry Vardon

Do you overlap? Or do you use the **Vardon Grip**? Harry was a special sort of player, amassing 7 total majors (6 of which were US Opens) roundabout the turn of the century circa **1900**. Much of my amazement with golfers in general from this time period, is how they were able to find the time to chase around a gutta percha all while lacking many of the technologies that we take for granted 122 years later. I mean I'd imagine a honey-do list from Mrs. Vardon must have included treacherous chores that we couldn't even fathom today. Evidently my own father had to walk *uphill* both ways in the snow to school, I'd be willing to bet Harry had a few trying days. If you ever get a chance to hit an old hickory shaft club, I'd recommend it. And if you're no good like me, be prepared for an unpleasant sensation in your hands even if you find the sweet spot. My longtime friend and fellow looper, whom became the Caddie Master at the Ocean Course @ Kiawah Island unfortunately left this earth at a much too young age of 47 about a month ago. **Brandon Woods**, a Michigander was a fierce competitor in many at every game we played. He and I would go neck and neck at Golf, Poker, and Ping Pong quite regularly. I often had Woody's number, but then he would point at his ice hockey skates, and I knew better than to even consider getting on the ice with him. Having to deal with a **Caddyshack** that most days has 150+ loopers reporting to the fabled **Pete Dye** layout, was a large undertaking that Woody handled with ease. I'd like to say that caddies in general are upstanding members of society but at a large program at Kiawah you will certainly see some unruly and **comical** characters that might drive any manager up a wall, but not Woody. He led with an iron fist, and he always put the **Kiawah Island Golf Resort** first. So when I got word that his Celebration of Life would take place just before sunset behind the 18th green of one of my favorite tracks in all the land, I knew that I had to make the 5 hour cruise north. I stayed with my old roommate Seth and his wife and got to meet his kids that I hadn't seen since they were in a stroller. On Sunday night when he said he was too busy with work to play on Monday, and that if I stayed one more day, he would treat me to a day at his home course on Tuesday. I knew right away I was staying, for Seth is a member at the **Country Club of Charleston**. A club that opened in 1900, some say the oldest Country Club in the US, is a well-manicured **Seth Raynor** layout situated along the Cooper River and

has some of the best views of downtown you can find. The anticipation of teeing it up at the site of the **2019 US Women's Open** certainly is what I will blame my double-double-double start. After Seth started bogey-birdie-birdie-eagle I knew my goose was cooked. We ended up playing 27 holes in 5hours and 17minutes. Miraculously I was able to string together a couple pars, and it really was an excellent day above the dirt. I've been considering fulfilling a lifelong dream of official becoming a **Scramble Only Golfer**, see me for more details. I've been told the same advice from numerous people concerning my golf game, "Luke, here's what you need to do...Just go ahead and **take two weeks off then quit**." So, I got that going for me, which is nice.

If last night was an indication, we're about to be knee deep in ideal golfing conditions. Thanks for all who came out last night, the **5:00** start time had people shuffling, which in turn led to many Cold Turkey tee balls to start the day. I truly wanted to title this email "**Holy Canoli on Stromboli**". 9 teams arrived, only one team opted for the No Card option, meaning they succumbed to the pressures of Wednesday and donated their \$40. The remaining 8 teams played a total of 72 holes and as a "flock" managed to be 52 under par. Medalist honors goes to the wiley veterans **Jody Marriot, Scotty Langford, Sahn Moon, and Andrew Courtney**. They finished one stroke ahead of a tie for second. Shelby chose was our random number generator, and we went backward from #7 to determine our bronze and silver finishers. A 5-way tie for fourth at **-6** led to many tales of missed opportunities. I'm particularly proud of my squad last night, despite nearly bogeying the first hole out of the gate, got back on track to shoot 30. **We will** play the next **3 Wednesdays**, as many of you confirmed that we should take advantage of October weather and a Turkey Creek course that improves daily, sometimes in front of your eyes. Let's stick with the **5:00** start time, unless you hear otherwise.

I spoke with many of you about the **Glow Ball Night Golf Scramble** on Wednesday the 9th of November. Mark that calendar and keep an eye on your inbox for all the details of the Glow Ball. As a reminder, this event's sole purpose is to create memories and smiles. There are already a few husband/wife combos as well as a few all-women's teams expressing interest, I would appreciate if ya'll would spread the word.



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## RESULTS

OCTOBER 5th **33** PLAYERS

**CTP #4 \$30 – CRAIG TOMLINSON**

**CTP #8 \$30 – DUSTIN LOW**

**1<sup>st</sup> PLACE -8 \$140**

**JODY MARRIOTT**

**SCOTTY LANGFORD**

**SOHN MOON**

**ANDREW COURTNEY**

**2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE -7 \$80    \*\* SCORECARD**

**PLAYOFF \*\***

**ALAIN TRUDEAU**

**MARKY MAY**

**CLAYTON EILAND**

**3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE -7 \$50    \*\* SCORECARD**

**PLAYOFF \*\***

**JACK LIPPS (*triumphant return, Jack!*)**

ADAM BRANNEN

MICHAEL CHRISTIE

ADAM MOORE

## THE GAME

### 4 PLAYER SCRAMBLE

\$20 TO ENTER (golf shop)++++PLUS++++ \$10

CASH (your team captain)

EACH PLAYER MUST USE THEIR DRIVE AT  
LEAST ONCE

BALL MUST BE PLACED NO NEARER THE HOLE / 1  
CLUB LENGTH

CANNOT MODIFY THE LIE CONDITION (sand>grass)  
(rough>fairway)

AGE 65 AND UP >>>>> PLAY THE **RED** TEES

AGE 80 AND UP >>>>> PLAY THE **GREEN** TEES

CAPTAIN: BRING SCORECARD AND \$40 TO  
ME @ *CREEKS 19th*

**HAVE FUN!!!**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

FIX BALL MARKS

FILL DIVOTS

CARTS ON PATH ONLY ON PAR 3s

CARTS NO CLOSER THAN 12 YARDS FROM THE  
GREEN

RETURN CARTS TO THE CART RETURN AREA  
UPON COMPLETION OF YOUR ROUND

Have a great week!

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