

CGC Recap - Haggin Oaks (Alister MacKenzie), July 14, 2018

The City of Sacramento golf courses (specifically Haggin Oaks) have backed off a little bit in their attempt to 'upscale' the golfing experience - this is a benefit for the local golfers who had a hard time paying the high end prices Haggin Oaks was charging, specifically for weekend tournament groups. With the weekend group rates now more reasonable, Haggin Oaks is a nice combination of price, location, and starting tee time availability that works well as a local track to play around the time of our yearly away trips - with early tee times in the Summer to help beat the heat.

And on this day, beating the heat was definitely in play. The course itself was in good shape, but was kept a little wet as they attempt to keep it as green as possible throughout the Summer. Being probably the most familiar golf course in the Sacramento area for most of us, the occasional hazards throughout the course are more comfortable than daunting - in many ways confirming the role the mind plays in how we view individual shots, holes, or courses.

Recent CGC events at Haggin Oaks had a fair number of good scores - which seems to confirm the theory that the comfort most of us have with Haggin Oaks allows us to play some of our best golf. That appeared to be the case again - as on this day 20 of the 38 players shot scores of lower than net par 72 (with another 2 players shooting a net par 72). Sixteen (16) scores were shot in the net 60's - while only 2 players shot scores of net 80 or higher.

The Flight winners on this day were as follows:

1st: Mitch Johnson, net 66 (by 2 strokes over Jerry Fat)

2nd: Tim Kosik, net 68 (by 1 stroke over Rhonda Johnson)

3rd: Errol Thomas, net 61 (by 8 strokes over Rick Givans)

4th: Sherry Aceituno, net 62 (by 7 strokes over Mike Agrippino, Gary Borge, and Diane

Hoffman)

5th: Paul Kernowski, net 62 (by 3 strokes over Mike Neff)