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**NEXT TOURNAMENT** Dubsdread **8:00** Sunday September 19<sup>th</sup> for \$46. **Tournament Format** Individual 3-4 Flights. **Entry Fee** \$46.00 total (includes green fees, cart, prize certificates, 50/50, closest to pin, and hole-in-one pot). **AGO Hotline** Phone number 407-273-7798. **USGA rules of golf** apply during all AGO events. **Register for Grand Cypress** using mail, phone (hotline), email & fax ([larry@allbusinessprinting.com](mailto:larry@allbusinessprinting.com) & fax 407-677-0465).

### Results from Grand Cypress, August 15, 2010

<b>Low Gross</b>	<b>Gary Miller</b>	<b>84</b>			<b>\$45</b>
<b>Low Net</b>	<b>Steve Claxton</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>\$45</b>
<b>A Flight</b>	<b>1) Jim Murray</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>\$35</b>
	<b>2) Greg Howe</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>\$26</b>
	<b>3) Al Chandler</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>\$22</b>
	<b>4) Robert Czechowski</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>\$18</b>
	<b>5) Brad Burt</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>\$14</b>
<b>B Flight</b>	<b>1) Dave Bass</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>\$35</b>
	<b>2) Jim Bishop</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>\$26</b>
	<b>3) Greg Akin</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>\$22</b>
	<b>4) Charles Brookes</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>\$18</b>
	<b>5) Larry Prill</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>\$14</b>
<b>C Flight</b>	<b>1) Ronald Bateman</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>\$35</b>
	<b>2) Ken Copley</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>\$26</b>
	<b>3) Rick Harris</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>\$22</b>
	<b>4) George Frey</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>\$18</b>
	<b>5) Kevin Roberts</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>\$14</b>
<b>D Flight</b>	<b>1) Johnny Gonzalez</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>\$35</b>
	<b>2) Don McGinnis</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>\$26</b>
	<b>3) Tom Hubbard</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>\$22</b>
	<b>4) Mark Manookian</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>\$18</b>
	<b>5) Gary Morin</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>\$14</b>
<b>Low Putts</b>	<b>Gary Miller</b>	<b>27 Putts</b>			<b>\$10</b>
	<b>Blind Bogey</b>	<b>#77</b>			<b>\$15 each</b>
	<b>Richard Burgan, Luis Gracequi, Balbino Farina, Charlie Lentz, Roger Stout, Joe Wingerter</b>				
	<b>Closest to the Pin</b>				<b>\$10 each</b>
	<b>#3 South, Steve Claxton, #8 South, Randall Jorgensen, #4 North, Dave Gubert, #8 North, Gary Miller</b>				
<b>50-50</b>	<b>Randall Jorgensen</b>				<b>\$78</b>
	<b>Gross Skins</b>	<b>4 Skins</b>			<b>\$77 Each</b>
	<b>#2 South, Conrad Quintero, #8 South, Matt Swanson, #5 North, Bill Laufenberg, #9 North, Brian Hartman</b>				
	<b>Net Skins</b>	<b>8 skins</b>			<b>\$26 each</b>
	<b>#1 South, Randy Gosch, #4 South, Johnny Gonzalez, #6 South, Tony Priem, #8 South, Greg Akin, #9 South, Tony Priem, #3 North, Mark Manookian, #5 North, Mark Manookian, #9 North, Wen Stocksett</b>				

# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK – BY LARRY PRILL, PRESIDENT AGO

We had a good turnout at the Grand Cypress this past August 15<sup>th</sup>. Both the North & South courses were in excellent shape even though the greens had been recently aerated. Gary Miller had the low gross with an 84 (Al Chandler also had an 84 but lost out when comparing scorecards). Low net was shot by Steve Claxton with a 96 less 28 handicap = 68. Our winners of each flight were, Flight A, Jim Murray 86 net 74, Flight B, Dave Bass, 85 net 70. Flight C, Ronald Bateman, 90 net 71 and D Flight, Johnny Gonzales, 104 net 69. Congratulations to you all.

But why such high scores? It was very hot, muggy and just plain uncomfortable. I believe that did make it more difficult and tiring. Plus we played from the blue tees, which measured 6454 yards. We asked the course to move the blue tee's forward on some of the holes to make the yardage closer to our normal 6200 distance. (This seems like a fair yardage since all levels of handicaps play from the same tee.) As we discovered they didn't move them like we asked, so we played from the 6454 yardage. But playing an extra 255 yards wasn't the reason for the high scores. It's just a more difficult course. This is shown when looking at the courses slope and ratings. Slope rating is a measurement of the difficulty of a golf course for bogey golfers relative to the course rating. Course rating tells scratch golfers how difficult the course will be; slope rating tells bogey golfers how difficult it will be. To put it another way, USGA Course Rating tells the best golfers how hard a golf course actually plays, USGA Slope Rating indicates how much harder the course plays for "regular" golfers. The minimum slope is 55 and the maximum is 155. Slope does not relate specifically to strokes played as course rating does. The slope rating for a course of average difficulty is 113. That's also why your handicaps can change based on previous scores but also on the difficulty of a course we'd be playing. (The lower the slope the lower the handicap and vice versa)

So the slope from the blue tees, on the North/South courses at Grand Cypress was 131 with a rating of 72, which shows the difficulty. We should have played from the whites, which had a slope of 123 and a rating of 69.3. The management of Grand Cypress apologized for making this error but it opened our eyes to look at the overall difficulty ratings of a course and not just the yardage to determine which tees we play from. Plus we can't depend on the course to move the tees; this mistake wasn't the first time this has happened.

Well I could go on and on about this but the bottom line is all courses are not the same. Some are more difficult than others. So at some tournaments we will just have more red numbers than other times. (Reunion's slope from the senior tees is 140) Speaking of tournaments are next one is at Dubsdread on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM. It's centrally located, is in good shape and has a great bar & restaurant. So get your entries in early. As a reminder, late entries received after the Wednesday (before the tournament), may not be able to play with their favorite partner. Once the pairings are set we send them to the course and we send to our Webmaster for posting. So if it's important to you to play with someone, then send in your entry early and we'll try to accommodate your request.

And to you new members, be sure to read all info that's in the new member packet that is given to you. All info you need to know about AGO is not only there but also on our website [www.agogolf.net](http://www.agogolf.net). Rules, policies, games etc are explained in detail. Any questions contact any of our eight board members.

Look forward in seeing a good turnout at Dubsdread. It may seem short but it plays very tough. It's a good challenging course. See you all there and thanks for your support.

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Entry: Dubsdread \$46.00

Sunday September 19, 2010 @ 8:00

SHOTGUN START. FORMAT: INDIVIDUAL, 3/4 FLIGHTS. ENTRY FEE: \$46.00. (GREEN FEES, CART, PRIZE CERTIFICATES, BLIND BOGEY, 50/50 AND HOLE-IN-ONE POT).

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Directions to Dubsdread 549 West Par Street, Orlando, FL 32804 (407) 246-2551  
From Disney and area attractions: Interstate 4 East to Exit 86, Par Ave.; Left on Par Ave;  
Located 1 mile down on right  
From North Orlando: Interstate 4 West to Fairbanks Ave., Exit 87; Left on Fairbanks; Right on  
Formosa St.; Right on Par Ave.; Located 1 mile down on right

Early Entry: Providence \$42.00

Sunday October 17, 2010 @ 8:00

SHOTGUN START. FORMAT: INDIVIDUAL, 3/4 FLIGHTS. ENTRY FEE: \$42.00. (GREEN FEES, CART, PRIZE CERTIIFICATES, BLIND BOGEY, 50/50 AND HOLE-IN-ONE POT).

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From Orlando, Take I-4 West to Exit 58. At the end of the ramp, take a left onto CR 532. Follow CR 532 for four miles. CR 532 dead ends into highway 17/92. Turn right onto 17/92 and go three miles and you will come to the Providence community on the left hand side. Go thru the guard house and follow the road straight (go through the round about) back and you will see the clubhouse on the left.

18-2a/7 Ball Moved by Wind Replaced \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.** In stroke play, a competitor's ball was moved by wind. Since wind is not an outside agency (see Definition of "Outside Agency"), he should have played it from where it came to rest, but he replaced it. What is the ruling?

**A.** The competitor incurred one penalty stroke under Rule 18-2a, and, before playing his next stroke, he should have replaced the ball on the spot where it came to rest after being moved by the wind. If he did not do so, he incurred a total penalty of two strokes — see penalty statement under Rule 18.

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**UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS**

Dubsdread	8:00 Sunday September 19 <sup>th</sup>	\$46
Providence	8:00 Sunday October 17 <sup>th</sup>	\$42
Kings Ridge	8:00 Sunday November 21	\$39

**What is a "Course Rating"?**

The quick answer is that it's a single number indicating the difficulty of a golf course to an expert golfer, a "par golfer". The figure is used when calculating handicaps.

The Course Rating is a number, close to par for the course, and is expressed with a single decimal digit. For example: If par for a course is 72, it's Course Rating might be 71.4.

Rating values go up with difficulty.

Actually, for any given golf course, you can expect to see three (or even more) values for the Course Rating. Each value corresponds to a different tee.

For example: On this same course, the Course Rating for golfers who play from the men's blue tees might be 72.8. From the men's white tees, the Course Rating might be 71.0. The ladies' red tees may be rated at 73.3.

These figures are almost always printed on the score card.

**What is a "Course Slope"?**

The quick (and overly simplistic) answer is that it's a single number indicating the difficulty of a golf course to a "bogey golfer". The figure is used when calculating handicaps.

The Course Slope value is a two- or three-digit integer, always between 55 and 155, with 113 being the average or "standard" value.

Slope values increase with difficulty. But there is a catch that we'll discuss shortly.

There will be one Course Slope for each Course Rating. The blue men's tees might have a Course Slope of 123. The white men's tees: 119 and the ladies' red tees perhaps a 114.

**Why are there two numbers to describe the difficulty of a golf course?**

Ever notice that the professionals on television always seem to shoot in the low 70s or high 60s no matter how easy or difficult the golf course is?

In the 1980s, The USGA noticed this too. Statistically, they could show that no matter how easy or difficult a course was, the very best of golfers will still shoot a score close to par.

But they also noticed that the scores of less-proficient golfers were more strongly affected by the difficulty of a golf course. And in general, the worse the golfer, the more that golfer's score was likely to be affected by the difficulty of the course itself.

And so, the handicap system was revised in the late 1980s to include a second figure to describe the difficulty of a golf course. This figure is known as The Slope.

The Slope is actually not a measure of a course's difficulty. That's the responsibility of The Rating figure.

The Slope is a measure of how much difference a course's difficulty is for the average bogey golfer compared to the scratch golfer.

**LEADING MONEY WINNERS 2010/2011**

Bishop, Jim	\$97	BROOKES,C.	\$36	Gracesqui, Luis	\$22	ADAMSON, B.	\$10
Akin, Greg	\$91	SINGHOFEN, P.	\$36	HARRIS, R.	\$22	ATKINSON, J	\$10
MILLER, G.	\$83	Bass, Dave	\$35	CZECHOWSKI, R.	\$18	GUBERT, D.	\$10
Murray, Jim	\$83	BATEMAN, R.	\$35	FREY, G.	\$18	Jorgensen, Randall	\$10
Chandler, Al	\$77	FRASIER, J.	\$35	Kimbley, W.	\$18	RICE, M.	\$10
Russell, Carl	\$70	Martin, Reggie	\$35	MANOOKIAN, M.	\$18	Strickland, Don	\$10
GONZALEZ, J.	\$57	NOON, J.	\$35	OAKLEY, L.	\$18		
CLAXTON, S.	\$55	Quintero, Conrad	\$35	Smith, Tim	\$18		
Munn, Andrew	\$55	HLADKY, D.	\$32	BURT, B.	\$14		
KINSEY, T.	\$50	PRILL, L.	\$32	Gamble, Dave	\$14		
BRETZ, L.	\$48	Bandera, Fred	\$26	INGRAM, JO.	\$14		
HUBBARD, T.	\$48	Copley, Ken	\$26	Johnson, Terry	\$14		
FUSCO, J.	\$45	HOWE, G.	\$26	Morin, Gary	\$14		
		MCGINNIS, D.	\$26	PLATT, L.	\$14		
		NIKONCYK, T.	\$26	Roberts, Kevin	\$14		
		PRIEM, T.	\$26	SWANSON, M.	\$14		

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