

The Golden Era of Golf ...

Celebrated in Sun City West!

Having fun and staying safe... 84 players, sporting 100 year old clubs with wooden shafts and attired in knickers, argyle socks, woolen caps and vintage outfits, found their way to Sun City West, Grandview & Pebblebrook Golf Courses for the 2021 9th Annual Arizona Desert Hickory Tournament.



On 2/27 and 2/28/21 players from across the USA and Canada, along with Arizona communities of; Sun City West, Tatum Ranch, Buckeye, Pebblecreek, El Mirage, Gilbert, Scottsdale, Surprise, Payson, Sedona and Goodyear joined together to compete. The tournament supported a field for Championship, Senior, New To Hickory, Super Senior and a Division of Lady Players.

The weather was outstanding and complimented the excellent course conditions, even with a windy Sunday with gusts of 35 mph+. Many attending were from out of town and thoroughly enjoyed their get-away from winter to our beautiful community. Players and guests enjoyed the golf, hospitality, weather, prizes and fun, while following covid environment protocols to keep everyone safe.

The scoring provided some spectacular performances. In the Championship Division, our very own Bill "Ernie" Ernst of Sun City West, AZ was our overall Tournament Champion, shooting a fine 2 day performance of 75 / 80, and Jason Reynolds of Griswold, IA took 2nd, posting 77 / 80.

Our Senior division winner was Kevin Cawley from Omaha, Nebraska shooting 81 on the first day and 80 on day two. Ed Horvat of Sun City West, was the Senior leader on day one, shooting a fine 79 but came in second in Seniors with an 83 on the second day.

The New To Hickory Division winner was Keith “Woody” Woods, from El Mirage, AZ with 96 / 87 and the New To Hickory Runner Up was Mike Pedersen of Phoenix, AZ with 94 / 93 and our Super Senior Division was won by Tom Tracy of Star, Idaho with 79 / 78, Runner Up in Super Senior was Chuck McCollum of Rocklin, CA shooting 85 / 80 winning in a score play off over: John Mabry & Lyle Rowland, finishing 3rd and 4th respectively. Note: Chuck McCollum has competed in all nine of the AZ Desert Hickory Events since 2013.

The Ladies Division produced some spectacular performances. Our winner was Rylee Stovall of Litchfield Park, AZ shooting 79/89 and our Runner Up was Susan Tracy of Star, Idaho with 88 / 84.

Please see the Tournament Score Board & Photos for list of all competitor performances and our Net Winners & Runner Ups.

Additional Highlights!

Our Best Dressed Awards when to: Fran Zinger from Sherwood Park, Alberta, Canada wearing a beautiful vintage outfit and Richard McAllister of Payson, AZ, sporting a fine kilt both days of the event. I hope the wind did not cause too many issues on day two from the neighbors watching the event.

Special Thanks. Thanks go out to the tournament committee, the Sun City West Golf Operational staff, Todd Patty Greens & Grounds Superintendent and the support of all the players. A personal thank you also goes to our Tournament Volunteers. With all the covid procedures and new steps we needed to follow, the tournament came off without a hitch. Thank you!



Dates for next year's 2022 10th Anniversary tournament is slated to be Saturday / Sunday the last weekend in February. For information about the tournament please contact Ken Holtz k.holtz2430@gmail.com and for more information about hickory golf to www.hickorygolfers.com

AZ Desert Hickory Gross / Net Scoreboard - Winners & Runner Up

Name	Division	Day One	Day Two	Finish	
Bill "Ernie" Ernst	Sun City West, AZ	Championship	75 Gross	80 Gross	1st Place Winner
Jason Reynolds	Griswold, IA	Championship	77 Gross	80 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Steve Simer	Cave Creek, AZ	Championship	80/76 Net	78/76 Net	1st Place Net
Bert Coghill	Orland Park, IL	Championship	79/75 Net	82/79 Net	2nd Place Net*
					*Score Playoff over Matt Stovall who finished 3rd Net
Kevin Cawley	Omaha, NE	Senior	81 Gross	80 Gross	1st Place Winner
Ed Horvat	Sun City West, AZ	Senior	79 Gross	83 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Tony Coelho	Payson, AZ	Senior	86/75 Net	86/75 Net	1st Place Net
Kerry Moore	Sun City West, AZ	Senior	83/76 Net	85/78 Net	2nd Place Net**
					**Scorecard playoff over Bruce Wray finishing 3rd net.
Keith "Woody" Woods	El Mirage, AZ	New To Hickory	96 Gross	87 Gross	1st Place Winner
Mike Pedersen	Phoenix, AZ	New To Hickory	94 Gross	93 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up
Mike Elliott	El Mirage, AZ	New To Hickory	98/72 Net	106/80 Net	1st Place Net
Jeff Thomas	Surprise, AZ	New To Hickory	104/92 Net	94/82 Net	2nd Place Net
Tom Tracy	Star, Idaho	Super Senior	79 Gross	78 Gross	1st Place Winner
Chuck McCollum	Rocklin, CA	Super Senior	85 Gross	80 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up***
Tom Wawrzeniak	Hyde Park, Vermont	Super Senior	89/71 Net	85/68 Net	1st Place Net
Michael McAleer	Scottsdale, AZ	Super Senior	85/71 Net	82/69 Net	2nd Place Net
					*** Scorecard playoff over, John Mabry 3rd, Lyle Rowland 4th.
Rylee Stovall	Litchfield Park, AZ	Ladies	79 Gross	89 Gross	1st Place Winner
Susan Tracy	Star, Idaho	Ladies	88 Gross	84 Gross	2nd Place Runner Up

Name	Division	Day One	Day Two	Finish
Jean Bradshaw	Cave Creek, AZ	Ladies	94/78 Net	1st Place Net
Sandra Bucher	Seattle, WA	Ladies	99/77 Net	2nd Place Net

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos



Ernie Ernst
1st Place Gross
Championship
Division



Jason Reynolds
2nd Place Gross
Championship
Division



Steve Simer
1st Place Net
Championship
Division



Bert Coghill
2nd Place Net
Championship
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos

Senior Division



Keven Cawley
1st Place Gross
Senior
Division



Ed Horvat
2nd Place Gross
Senior
Division



Tony Coelho
1st Place Net
Senior
Division



Kerry Moore
2nd Place Net
Senior
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos - Ladies Division



Rylee Stovall
1st Place Gross
Ladies
Division



Susan Tracy
2nd Place Gross
Ladies
Division



Jean Bradshaw
1st Place Net
Ladies
Division



Sandra Bucher
2nd Place Net
Ladies
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos - Super Senior Division



Tom Tracy
1st Place Gross
Super Senior
Division



Chuck McCollum
2nd Place Gross
Super Senior
Division



Tom Wawrzeiak
1st Place Net
Super Senior
Division



Michael McAleer
2nd Place Net
Super Senior
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Awards & Photos - New To Hickory Division



Keith "Woody" Woods
1st Place Gross
New To Hickory
Division



Mike Petersen
2nd Place Gross
New To Hickory
Division



Mike Elliott
1st Place Net
New To Hickory
Division



Jeff Thomas
2nd Place Net
New To Hickory
Division

AZ Desert Hickory Best Dressed Awards

Fran Zinger
Best Dressed
Lady Award



Richard McAllister
Best Dressed
Man Award

