2015 San Jose Classic

Elite Tour Boys 13-15

Over the past two plus years I've had the pleasure to watch all of our young players grow, mature and improve their games. We have together, watched the ups and downs, which is the nature of the game. What is especially pleasing to me is to watch someone struggle in events for a period of time, knowing that their potential is much higher than the result and then WHAM! It finally comes together and when it does you have a birdie run we all dream of experiencing, not just watching on TV, but living it!

What causes it? Faith? Focus? Luck? Friends? Feeling the moment? Whatever it is Living the dream and just riding the wave as long as you can is simply priceless! That's just what William Levinson did as he rode the San Jose birdie train birdieing five consecutive holes (holes 11-15). This after double bogeying the 10th hole. Eventually the wave stops and it did on the 16th hole as Levinson pared the hole from atop the green to stop the streak, but he turned it around again on the 17th hole and nailed another birdie. On the day eight birdies in all, WOW! Good on you William! "69" We're all proud of your accomplishment.

By the way, it was also a pleasure to watch the joy in your parents faces knowing you worked hard to achieve this great milestone.

Elite Tour Boys 16-18

Hot, was also Alex Austin and Mitchell Bennett in the Elite Tour Boys 16-18 division as they each carded an even par round of 72. Austin carded four birdies on the day with four bogeys to match, while Mitchell Bennett totaled five birdies, three bogeys and a double. Winning in a sudden death play-off was Austin. Kyle Jewett worked hard during his round, but just couldn't get the putts to fall taking up the final medal spot in third. Great job fella's

Rising Tour Girls 13-18

The girls are back! Our largest girls field of the year and I know from the membership increase that the fields are going to get bigger as we move through all the majors of the Summer Tournament Series. It's a great thing to see! In the top spot Katelyn McCallum led the way with an 86, followed closely behind by our newest member of the year Alivia Mattiace with a score of 88 and Reni Jancsik hung in there and is now dawning the Bronze.

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Jason Duff is showing the Rising Tour Boys what hard work and dedication to the game is all about. He's been working hard on his game and the results are showing. This week he carded another fine score of 73 to bring home the game. Duff also had the great experience of writing down four birdies on the day, but triple bogey eight slighted the card. What I really like here is, Duff came back with an impressive par on the next hole. Good on you! What's done is done, move on to the next hole. Right behind them was Jay Adams and Tommy Bishop who both shot a fine 74. Adams had three birdies while Bishop had one. It was Adam's nipping Bishop in a scorecard play-off to take the Silver medal and Bishop the Bronze.

Boys 10-12

Will Davis used his San Jose talent and San Jose home field knowledge to shoot a fine score of 74 tying Lucas Slayden at 74 resulting in the second sudden death play-off of the day. This one would go a couple holes with Davis the victor. In the third spot was brother, Sam Davis, with a fine 78

Foundation Girls

The Girls Foundation only had two for this great event and it was Kylie Turner finishing in the top sport with a nice score of 45 followed by Julia Wallace in the Runner-up position. You can tell by their photo they are happy campers and truly a joy to watch. Keep up girls, I like your great attitudes and pleasant manners.

Foundation Boys

In our Foundation Boys Phillip Dunham is still riding the great round at Hyde Park Golf Club by posting another fine round of 38. At Hyde Park Dunham shot a two day total of 3-under par. In my report I stated that Phillip was nine years old, but I was wrong and I apologize as Phillip is only seven. He looked older on TV though, as my Friend Brent Martineau from Fox 30 Action Sports News showed Jacksonville what a great young player Dunham is.

Matching cards with Dunham was Gavin Fleming who has also been showing great results on the course. To the first tee they went to battle it out for the Gold and once again Dunham would bring home the gold while Fleming took home the coveted Silver. Finishing in the third spot was newcomer Andrew Riley with a nice 44 on the day.