

Green Oaks Retains Arbre Cup for 2016

Each year members from Green Oaks and Elm Lake meet to compete for the Arbre Cup. Some think of this as a competition to determine which club has the best players. Actually, it is a chance to renew old friendships in the spirit of competition. 16 players from each club meet and played 27 holes in three different formats. Before the start of play, old friendships are renewed and new ones started. Biscuits and muffins were provided before the start of the first round.

First nine hole match consisted of two players from each course who were paired together and played a scramble format. The team with the most holes won is awarded one point. In the event of a tie, each team is awarded ½ a point (.5 points each). After the round, they take time to socialize while eating a small snack provided by the host club (this year it was Green Oaks).

The same team then squareed off and played a nine hole, 4 ball format where each player must play his own ball and the lowest score from each team is recorded. Again the winning team is awarded 1 point with ties getting ½ a point each (.5 points each).

After a short break, the final nine holes are played in match play (one on one) format. Here the players were aligned to match skill levels. The player who wins the most holes during their match is awarded 1point, ties are awarded .5 points.

At the end of the 27 holes, the club with the most points is awarded the Arbre Cup for the upcoming year. Next year Elm lake will host the Arbre cup.

After the completion of match play, all players gathered in the dining room and ate. This year, Green Oaks provided Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, and assorted pastries. The course with the most points accumulated is awarded the honor of displaying the Arbre cup until next year when the teams will meet on the battlefield again. This year Green Oaks has won that honor, but next year the event will be hosted at Elm Lake and home-field advantage may make the difference.

A special thanks to Mike and Cleo Spalding for providing the food and beverages for this event. Mike also worked with Elm Lake to set up the teams and manage the entire event. I am sure that Cleo was involved in this part, too. Again thanks to all who participated and again Mike and Cleo, great job. Mike also rode around and took the photos which can be seen by clicking the Arbre 2015 link on the home page .

The following is list of the players who participated in this year's event.

Elm Lake

Bell	Chad
Cedano	Tony
Criddle	David
Dunlap	Willie
Hall	Fred
Hardin	Jayce
Lanford	Justin
Lee	George
Manley	Robert
McBrayer	Albert
McMurry	Tom
Pederson	John
Putt	Chuck
Roberts	Ken
Spradley	Drew
Woods	Ronnie

Green Oaks

Bartowick	Bart
Box	Wayne
Bryant	Greg
Egger	Skip
Fowler	Jerry
Hinshaw	Roger
Lisowski	Carl
McBride	Lindy
Murrah	Doug
Odom	Owen
Purvis	Mike
Shoemake	Sam
Studdard	Dana
Studdard	Jerry
Vasser	Jason
Wade	Roger