

2025 NVGA Combined Amateur / Senior Amateur 4-ball Summary

1 October 2025 at Army Navy CC (Fairfax Course): It was nearly a perfect day for golf at Army Navy CC (Fairfax Course) for the 2025 NVGA Combined Amateur / Senior Amateur 4-ball: clear skies, temperatures in the mid-70s, light winds and a large field of 52 teams. The field was divided into 4 divisions: Amateurs (age 49 and under) playing from the Black tees at about 6600 yds; Seniors (age 50+) playing from the Blue tees at about 6300 yds; Super-Seniors (age 65+) playing from the White tees at about 6000 yds; and Legends (age 70+) playing from the Green tees at about 5400 yds.

Results by division:

Amateur Division

Congratulations to Charlie Niland and Mike Johnston (Evergreen CC) who won on the 3rd hole of a sudden death playoff. The Amateur division played the Blue-Red combination of nines at ANCC FFX.



L-R: Mike Johnston and Charlie Niland

Mike Johnston, who is a Super-Senior (age 65+), paired up with Amateur Charlie Niland which required Mike to play from the Black tees with the flat-bellies. At that distance, Mike was challenged to help Charlie on most of the holes but his par save on the 3rd playoff hole was crucial to the team's victory. After Mike and Charlie shot a 1-under par 35 on the Blue nine, Charlie was having a great back nine with a birdie on R2, birdie on R6, eagle on R7 and birdie on R8 to lead the team to a 2-shot lead with 1 hole to play ahead of Keith Snyder (Twin Lakes GC) and Henry Reardon (Laurel Hill GC). Mike and Charlie had a hiccup on R9 with both players making bogey while Keith birdied R9 for a 2-shot swing and both teams tied at 5-under par 67.

The winning team was decided by a sudden-death playoff. Both teams made par on R1 and R2. All 4 players missed the green with their approach shots to the par 4 R3 hole but Mike hit his approach from about 165 yards in the left rough to a position about 3 feet short of the putting surface to a front pin located only about 5 paces from the front of the green. The other 3 players all had long putts for par. Keith and Charlie putted first but made bogey. Mike then made an excellent chip to about 1 foot away and tapped in for par. Henry had one last putt to tie but missed on the high side.

Will Harrison (Twin Lakes GC) and Alex Titus (Laurel Hill GC) finished 3rd at 2-under par 70. Anton Krecic and Rock Cartwright (River Creek CC) finished 4th in a scorecard tie-breaker with Jason Shin and Tom Follain (International CC) at even par 72.

Senior Division

Congratulations to Carlos Aranda (Springfield CC) and Somsak Chivavibul (River Bend Club) for their 2-shot win in the Senior Division with a 4-under par 68. The Senior Division played the White-Blue combination of nines at ANCC FFX.



Somsak Chivavibul (River Bend) and Carlos Aranda (Springfield CC)

After a 1-under par front nine (White nine), Sak and Carlos both birdied the short par 4 B2 hole. Sak added another birdie on the par 5 B6 and then made a par 4 on the difficult 443 yd uphill B7 hole. Both Sak and Carlos birdied B8 and Carlos made par on B9 to end the back nine with a 3-under par 33 and complete the round with a 4-under par 68.

Three teams tied at 2-under par 70: Kevin Dillard and Scott Salmon (Army Navy CC); Rick Regalla and Steve Lutkehus (Dominion Valley CC); and Shaun Deering (TPC Potomac) and Elmer Amaya (Washington Golf & CC). Defending champions Jon Zampedro (Pleasant Valley CC) and Jeff Klatt (Medal of Honor GC) tied for 5th place with Joe Kruper and John Durastanti (Piedmont Club) at 1-under par 71.

Super-Senior Division

Congratulations to Steve Galing (Army Navy CC) and Keith Morgan (Evergreen CC) for their runaway 5-shot win in the Super-Senior division with an 8-under par 64 – an impressive score on a tough course today!



L-R – Keith Morgan and Steve Galing

Keith and Steve cruised to victory in their division with Keith's stellar play with 8 birdies and shooting a 6-under par 66 on his own ball. Steve added 1 birdie on the par 5 W4 hole and the team only had 1 bogey all day on the par 4 Red 2 hole to finish at 8-under par. Great playing Keith!.

Harry Thomas (Washington Golf & CC) and Tim Vigotsky (RTJ Club) finished second at 3-under par; Mike Howell and Paul Gural (International CC) finished 3rd at 2-under par 70.

Legends Division

Congratulations to Dave LeClere and Charlie Nardiello (International CC) for winning their division 2 years in a row. Dave is now a 7-time co-champion in this event in various divisions since he was co-champion 4 times in a row with John Price (International CC) 2006-2009. The Legends division played the Blue-Red combination of nines.



L-R – Dave LeClere and Charlie Nardiello

Dave had birdies on B1, R3 and R7 and Charlie added birdies on B6 and B7 against no bogeys on the card for a 5-under par 67. Bob Gardiner (South Riding GC) and John Hoffman (Laurel Hill GC) took second place with a 1-under par 71.

We would like to express our most sincere appreciation to Army Navy CC (Fairfax Course) for hosting this wonderful event, especially Tyler Tucker, PGA Head Golf Professional, Joey Gilman, PGA Assistant Golf Professional at Fairfax, and Joe Betcher, Golf Course Superintendent (FFX). The golf staff ran the event flawlessly. The golf course was in excellent condition and the players loved playing the course!

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