

2026 Club Championship Match at Bartley Cavanaugh on Monday, September 14

Randy Ronning vs Scott Leonard

Randy played White tees. Scott played Blue. Card-length winter rules. Scott got 4 pops.

Hole 1: After Scott gave Randy a 3-footer for bogey, he drained a 20-footer for bogey to push the hole. On Hole 2, Randy took a 1-up lead with a GIR par after Scott missed his 5-footer. On Hole 3, both players hacked their way down the fairway and ended up going 'good-good' on their 3-footers for bogey. Randy still +1.

Hole 4: Scott's 1st pop hole of the match. The Par 5 with OB down the left side. Scott immediately throws his pop away by hitting his drive OB left, and then after taking a drop in the fairway, hits his next shot OB, too. He eventually concedes the hole giving Randy a 2-up lead. Both players par the Par 3, 5th with great chips to gimme range. Scott finally draws blood on the 6th hole with a nice GIR Par. Randy back to +1

Hole 7: Randy bounces back with a GIR par to go back to +2. Both players miss makeable par putts on the Par 3, 8th and head to the 9th Hole where Scott gets his 2nd pop of the day. After a huge drive, Scott takes 3 more shots to get on the green leaving a 30-foot bogey putt. Randy also has a bogey putt from about 12'. Scott 3-putts for a double. Randy cans his bogey putt to push the hole. Randy remains +2.

Hole 10: Both players hack this hole up. Scott wins the hole with a double bogey. Randy +1. On the short Par 5, 11th, Scott drains a 20-footer for par and then Randy misses a 2-footer for his par. Match All Square.

Hole 12: Scott chunks his tee shot into the water. Randy hits the green and 2-putts for a par to win the hole. Randy +1. Hole 13: Scott hits his tee shot into the water on this short Par 4. After dropping, he hits his 3rd shot into the water. Randy, after playing his 2nd shot from the #4 fairway, gets on in 3 and 2-putts for a bogey to win the hole. Hole 14: Randy plays the left-side trees. Scott plays the right-side trees. Scott hoozles his 3rd shot into the water behind the green and Randy again 2-putts for a bogey to win the hole. Randy +3 with 4 to play.

Hole 15: Scott takes advantage of his 1st pop hole on the Back 9 with a par putt from 8' to beat Randy's par. Randy +2 with 3. Hole 16: Scott on in regulation. Randy hoozles his 2nd shot but manages to get on in 3 and 2-putts for a bogey. Scott babies his birdie putt and then misses his 5-footer to win the hole. Randy dormie +2 with 2 to play.

Both players hit the island green. Scott about 30' long and Randy about 15' short. Scott just misses his birdie putt leaving Randy 2-putts to win, which he does making a 2-footer, the same length putt he missed on #11.

It was a beautiful day for golf and we had the privilege of playing with Dave and Mike Means to keep the conversation lively and the trash talk non-stop.