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OAKMONT'S ALEX VENERI & VINCENT ZARIAN WIN 2016 MACBETH IN PLAYOFF

Veneri wins after near miss in 2015

After a second place finish in 2015 with then partner Bill Decker, Alex Veneri and new partner Vincent Zarian won the Macbeth with their total net score of 276 (65-66-145). The win came after a sudden death playoff against David Scherer and Jim Boon of Rancho Santa Fe. The top two were followed by Dan Boehle and Michael Lebbin of The Los Angeles CC (280) and Steve Serratore and Paul Smith, who took low Wilshire honors, also at 280. Oakmont's Gary Fox and Greg Lumsden, Wilshire teams Gary Hamblet and Pete Kelly and David Levine and Pat Magnarella rounded out the top seven spots at 282. Scott Krivis and Ben Delgadillo of Valencia CC took eighth place in a card off with Wilshire's Robert Barna and Jay Griffey shooting three day totals of 283. Jim Williams and Fred Hoffman from Victoria finished in tenth place at 284.

On the gross side, Adam Capasso and Mackever Tedford of Dove Canyon took low honors with a gross three-day total of 281. They were one shot better than the team from Bakersfield CC, DJ Fernando and Jim Seymour. Three shots back were Rick Taniguchi and Iain MacDonald of Bear Creek (285). At 286, Kris Hons and Derek Patao of Oakmont took 4th in a card off with Jeff Johnston and Craig Steinberg from North Ranch.

The weekend started with the Thursday afternoon Scotch event, with Bear Creeks' Robert Erling and Todd Stires matching El Camino's Geoff Park and David Oas for first place gross with a score of two under 33. Wilshire's Steve Serratore and Paul Smith won the net prize with a score of 32.6.

At the end of play on Friday evening, David Levine and Pat Magnarella stood at the top of the leaderboard after the first day of better-ball play with a low net score of 63. Saturday low net honors went to Rancho Santa Fe's David Scherer and Jim Boon with a net 62.

The Macbeth Derby went off on Saturday afternoon as the field's best players challenged each other over the new three hole layout of Nos. 10, 11 and 18. This year's field included players with handicaps of +4 to 2. Akash Scotty Patel (San Diego) bested the other eleven players in the field. Second place went to Kris Hons (Oakmont) while Craig Steinberg (North Ranch) finished third.

Thanks must be offered to the many volunteers, the Pro Shop staff, clubhouse personnel, and the maintenance crew for making this 66th Annual Norman Macbeth Invitational Tournament a success. Special recognition is due our management staff members who put in countless hours to make this Macbeth so memorable. Congratulations once again to the winners and all that participated.