



Bay Area Golf Group

Tournament	Tour Championship	Course	Coyote Creek, Championship
Date	December 8, 2019	Designation	Individual

Summary:

Please join us in congratulating Hassan Firzok as the winner of the BAGG Championship. While the weather held up fine for the most of the day, there was a patch of inclement weather which made the playing conditions difficult. As has been the case in this year's tournaments it came down to the last hole.

Championship course is tough place to play on a good day, with a downpour in the middle of the round multiplies the challenge significantly. Everyone had to toil hard to keep their chances of winning open for the last tournament of the year. This is evident from the final leaderboard where only 11% of the field was able to score better than their handicaps.

Ayaz loves his golf and has been a tremendous addition to BAGG. He is one of those golfers whom you cannot count out in any of the tournament. A quiet force. He signed up for Tour Championship but had to pull-out due to illness after an international trip. He came to this tournament ready to showcase his skills after another international trip.

He started the round strong and kept it going till the 16th with 5 under despite of missing 4 close puts. Game changed on the 17th. Story of the last two holes:

17th tee-shot went to left side bunker, clean 6-iron landed nicely on the right side first cut of landing zone with 129 yds to pin. Feeling aggressive he went after the sucker pin position, hit his 3rd shot clean with high ball flight and landed at the tip of the green, unfortunately, ball rolled back into the wet bunker. With water on the other side, he has to be careful and was unable to get the ball out of the bunker in one stroke and ended up with a net bogey. Net Score -4.

Hole-18, nice connection with the driver started from left of the water with the hope of fade, but the ball kept going straight on the rough on the left. 182 yds to pin, clean shot with the hope to go straight, but this time it faded and rolled from right green edge towards water hazard. Ball was half submerged in the water, but was able to play from there and get it out to the thick rough and finished the hole with another net bogey. Score -3. Club house leader.

Hassan has been at the top of the BAGG since the day he joined the group. He is passionate about the game and always working hard to improve his craft. With his handicap being in low single digits, the margin of error is very slim. One errant hole can move him out of contention.

Hassan started the tournament off with 5 straight pars before making the first bogey on hole #6. However, immediately bounced back with a birdie on hole #7, playing scratch on the front 9. Back 9 was similar story with 7 straight pars before making a bogey on #17.

Story of the last hole:

Leading by 1 stroke going into the 18th, hit a great drive with water lurking on the right. The approach shot was 150 yards which landed in the center of the green. Needing two putts from 50 feet to secure the win. Lagged the first putt to 3 feet and made the knee knocker to close the deal. Score -4. BAGG Champion!

Picture below captures the amazing game Hassan had under difficult conditions. To score a gross +1 for the round speaks volumes about his game and mental toughness under pressure. Standing ovation for Hassan!!!

Scorecard

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Game 12
Coyote Creek Golf Club, The Tournament Course at Coyote Creek Golf Club
Stroke Play HCP

HOLES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
Mens Handicap	11	9	5	17	13	1	15	7	3	
Ladies Handicap	11	17	1	3	15	5	13	9	7	
Par	4	3	5	5	3	4	3	4	4	35

10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
4	18	16	6	14	10	2	8	12		
12	16	2	14	18	10	6	4	8		
4	4	5	4	3	4	4	5	4	37	72

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT
Kamran Khan	5 ₅	3 ₂	6 ₅	6 ₆	2 ₂	7 ₆	4 ₄	4 ₃	4 ₃	41 ₃₆
Hassan Firzok	4 ₄	3 ₃	5 ₄	5 ₅	3 ₃	5 ₄	2 ₂	4 ₄	4 ₃	35 ₃₂
Jawad Tareen	7 ₆	5 ₄	9 ₇	7 ₆	4 ₃	7 ₅	4 ₃	9 ₇	6 ₄	58 ₄₅
Mumtaz Husain	6 ₅	3 ₂	8 ₇	7 ₆	4 ₃	7 ₆	2 ₁	6 ₅	4 ₃	47 ₃₈

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Kamran Khan	6 ₅	5 ₅	6 ₆	5 ₄	4 ₄	4 ₄	4 ₃	7 ₆	5 ₅	46 ₄₂	87 ₇₈	9	78	Gold
Hassan Firzok	4 ₃	4 ₄	5 ₅	4 ₄	3 ₃	4 ₄	4 ₃	6 ₆	4 ₄	38 ₃₆	73 ₅₈	5	68	Gold
Jawad Tareen	7 ₅	4 ₃	6 ₅	6 ₄	4 ₃	10 ₉	5 ₃	6 ₄	6 ₅	54 ₄₁	112 ₈₆	26	86	Gold
Mumtaz Husain	5 ₄	5 ₄	6 ₅	5 ₄	3 ₂	5 ₄	4 ₃	7 ₆	5 ₄	45 ₃₆	92 ₇₄	18	74	Gold

The POY Race:

With the back to back wins in Doubles and Tour Championship, KK was a lock to win the POY. Mumtaz, Faraz or Raheel had a good chance to change that picture with a strong showing and KK having a middling performance.

While some may have done the math but nobody said it out loud that Hassan has a shot of winning the POY. After all said and done this was the closest POY race in BAGGs history since the "Player of the Year" concept has been established.

Hassan with his superb performance almost caught KK who had an average tournament. The difference between #1 and #2 was **6 points**. Congrats to KK for winning the POY and Hassan for making it extremely exciting.

Honorable POY mentions:

- Mumtaz Husain
- Faraz Hoodbhoy
- Raheel Merchant

Official Tournament Results:

Name	Position	Net Score	To Par	POY points
Hassan Firzok	1	68	-4	600
Ayaz Khan	2	69	-3	330
Aamir Akram	3	72	E	210
Atif Kazmi	T4	73	+1	135
Mir Baqar	T4	73	+1	135
Mumtaz Husain	T6	74	+2	101
Ghazzali Majeed	T6	74	+2	101
Raheel Merchant	T6	74	+2	101
Ahmer Ali Khan	T9	76	+4	85
Zaki Hassan	T9	76	+4	85
Kamran Khan	T11	78	+6	75
Zile Rehman	T11	78	+6	75
Yasser Khan	13	80	+8	68
Ghufran Ahmed	14	82	+10	64
Bilal Rizvi	15	83	+11	61
Jawad Tareen	16	86	+14	59
Abdul Waheed	17	87	+15	57
Usman Qureshi	18	88	+16	55

CTP Winner: Mumtaz Husain (Hole 7). Kamran Khan (Hole 14).

BC'19's assessment:

Positives:

The Heroes	Nasir Cochinwala and Raheel Merchant did the negotiation with the golf course and got us a great deal with an early start time. Thank you Nasir and Raheel for all the effort!
Cost	\$55 and an early morning start is a steal for a very well maintained course
Weather	Cooperated for the most part. Conditions got tough for couple of holes when it started to pour. With the downpour there was standing water on the back-9 which made the playing conditions very difficult.
Participation – We can do better!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18 members signed up and participated for the event • 6 members could not join due to travel or family commitments <p>At times the good deals require a minimum player commitment and your support can only make it possible. Good golf courses start to pay attention when the clubs bring in 24+ people for the tournament. We encourage all to block times on their calendar as it makes for a fun and competitive environment. We do understand that sometimes it is impossible to lock times in advance but please make an effort.</p>

Areas of Improvement:

After game hangout	Always an area of challenge especially on a Sunday. Given that the days are shorter during the fall and winter time. We think it is possible to sneak in an hour to hang out after the game
Pace of Play	We spent roughly 5:15 hours on the course. Group 3 did struggle with the pace and fell behind 2 holes. Rain and cart path only did create a challenge for them. All members in the group were high-handicappers who did have a tough round under difficult playing conditions. Pace of play has generally been very good throughout the year so minor tweaks on the pairings can be considered.