

# The Green Tour Review 2018



Welcome to a review of the 2018 Season of the Green tour :

In another epic finish to the Green Tour the winner of the coveted Green Jacket was decided on the last hole. It was the bridesmaid himself and one of the GT Original Founding Members, Jimmy “the Grip” O’Sullivan, who won on the last green, holding off the challenge of Noel Goggin, Brian Boland and Danny Lynch over the last 9 holes to claim the jacket at Golf Club of Georgia.

It came down to the last putt on the last hole for “the Grip” to secure the elusive Green Jacket. Brian Boland made it an extremely tight race with a tremendous birdie on the 17th hole. It never went to a playoff, but it certainly felt like one, as the other GT members witnessed the epic battle on the 18th hole. Other members that were in the hunt included.

\* Noel Goggin and Brian Boland who both finished a mere 3 points back, are certain future contenders

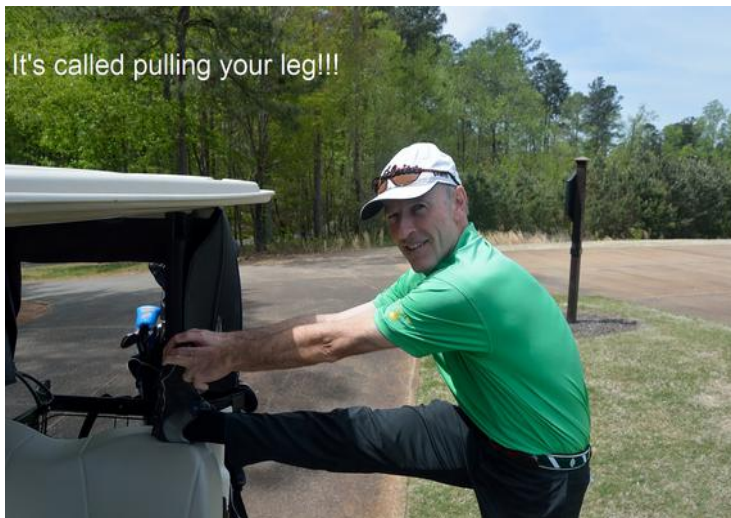
- Ciaran O’Flaherty and Danny Lynch finished 7 points back and were in closer contention than they realized.
- Martin McDonnell finished runner up to “the Grip” and finally realized what Mayo and Kerry people have been feeling these past few years.



The winning Putt



2018 Green Tour Champion



## Chairman's Cupla focal :

Many thanks to everyone for making 2018 another great year for The Green Tour. It's hard to believe but it was the 16th anniversary of the Green Tour.

We had multiple Green Tour division winners with Danny Lynch, Martin McDonnell and Brian Boland winning their respective divisions. Brian Boland won the prestigious low Gross prize for the year. We are still waiting on the winners of the Singles and Doubles Matchplay.

The final round of The Green Tour was held at the Golf Club of Georgia, where finally after 16 attempts, "Jimmy the Grip" O'Sullivan emerged as the Green Tour Champion for 2018. Jim was one of the original founders of The Green Tour and it was only fitting that he should finally get to don the Green Jacket.

I would like to thank Brian and Nicola McCarthy for hosting our year-end Gala night – it was a great night, with one of the most amusing moments was watching Brian trying to stay upright to hit a golf ball after a few jars!.

A special thanks to our favorite Green Tour bookie, Ciaran Morris, who works hard at taking your money and to Brian Mahony for doing an excellent job of running the singles match-play. Thanks to everyone for their continued support of The Green Tour. In particular, I would like to give thanks to my hard-working committee members - Chalky GTI White, Michael O'Driscoll, Martin McDonnell and Stephen Colman.

We look forward to another exciting year in 2019.

Michael





## Match Play write up : Brian O'Mahony

The 2018 matchplay completion feels like déjà vu all over again – for the second year in a row, the title was not decided within the calendar year despite the usual application of coaxing / cajoling / threats. Coincidentally, Brian Boland features in the final matchup for the second year in a row, and after an agonizingly close miss in the competition for the 2018 Green Jacket, he will be ultra-determined to ensure that he retains his matchplay title by winning the 2018 matchplay competition.

Facing Boland in the “Battle of the Brian’s” is CEO-whisperer Brian McCarthy. McCarthy has been battle hardened in his run to the final, edging out Bernard McGuinness, Paul Valentine and Brian Mahony in very close matches. He’s leaving no stones unturned in his preparation – your correspondent bumped into him on his way back from cold-weather training in a harsh northern climate. No doubt, he was calibrating his distances and ball flights in case the final is played on a cold day.

Boland has not had an easy run to the final either; he faced Ciaran Morris in the first round and edged him by the slimmest of margins, and repeated that feat with a 1up victory over perennial challenger Noel Goggin in their bracket final. He also beat out Danny Lynch and Mike Adams, so the tour’s CSO (Chief Sandwich-Making Officer) will be ready for a stern test in the final.

The 2017 matchplay final was completed the day before the first event in the 2018 green tour competition, meaning that the newly minted champion, Brian Boland, was effectively champion for a day. We hope to bring you news of the 2018 decider soon, and look forward to declaring which Brian will have bragging rights for a few months before 2019 kicks into gear. Watch this space!

Brian

## Two Man Match Play: Martin McDonnell:



The completion of the 2018 two man match was extended to March 2019 to allow time for all matches to be completed.

Alas the extended time has not produced the desired effect and we still have three matches yet to be played. The team of Boland and Colman have reached the final from the Dejected flight however there are still two matches to be played in the Rejected flight before they know who their opponents will be.

Getting four GT players on the same course/ continent has always been a challenge and it is quite possible we will have a wall on the Southern Border before we know who the 2018 winners are!!!!

For 2019 we have decided to change the format of the two man match play and it will now be a two man best ball played over one day at Druid Hills--- Further details to follow.

Martin

Congratulation to the category winners :

Bowl winner : Brian Boland



GREEN TOUR BOWL 2018							
PLAYERS	21 - Apr Results	12 - May Results	8 - Sep Results	Best 2/3	13 - Oct Results	13 - Oct Results	Current Ranking
Boland	34	36	0	70	33	33	136 1st
Goggin	34	33	39	73	30	30	136 1st
Canty	28	33	33	66	32	32	130 3rd
Morris	29	31	36	67	25	25	121 4th
Heffernan	27	30	0	57	32	32	121 4th
Walsh M	26	32	33	65	23	23	114 6th
McCarthy	19	30	26	56	25	25	106 7th
O'Reilly	20	24	27	51	25	25	101 8th
Monaghan	28	-	0	28	35	35	28 9th
Lynch M	19	-	0	19	24	24	19 10th
Reilly	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.1	0 11th

Plate Winner : Martin McDonnell



GREEN TOUR PLATE 2018							
PLAYERS	21 - Apr Results	12 - May Results	8 - Sep Results	Best 2/3	13 - Oct Results	13 - Oct Results	Current Ranking
O'Sullivan	36	41	27	77	31	31	139 1st
McDonnell	29	36	26	65	36	36	137 2nd
O'Flaherty	32	29	30	62	35	35	132 3rd
Lehane	38	26	25	64	30	30	124 4th
Adams	21	0	23	44	34	34	112 5th
Mahony	34	32	23	66	22	22	111 6th
Colman	28	30	29	59	23	23	110 7th
Daly	26	0	31	57	25	25	107 8th
Green	16	29	0	45	26	26	97 9th
McGuinness	21	28	29	57	0	0	78 10th
White	34	25	-	59	0	0	59 11th

Plate winner : Danny Lynch



GREEN TOUR SHIELD 2018							
PLAYERS	21 - Apr Results	12 - May Results	8 - Sep Results	Best 2/3	13 - Oct Results	13 - Oct Results	Current Ranking
Lynch D	31	40	33	73	28	28	132 1st
Walsh D	28	34	0	62	29	29	120 2nd
O'Driscoll	22	36	30	66	25	25	116 3rd
McGill	25	0	39	64	22	22	108 4th
Kearns	26	24	29	55	19	19	98 5th
Finan	0	0	28	28	28	28	84 6th
Valentine	0	0	30	30	27	27	84 7th
O'Malley	0	29	0	29	22	22	73 8th
Casey	27	0	0	27	0	0	27 9th
Mulligan	0	0	-	0	0.1	0	0 10th

Best Gross Score : Brian Boland



PLAYERS	Avg Score
Boland	80.3
Goggin	81.8
Heffernan	84.0
Morris	85.0
McDonnell	85.8

Most improved player : Ciaran Morris.





Past Champions with TCGTC ----- WTF is Eoin!!!!



The Last Supper!!!



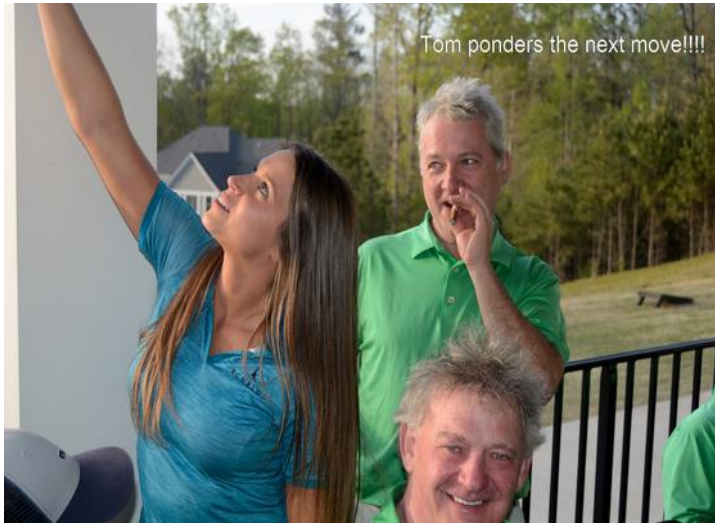


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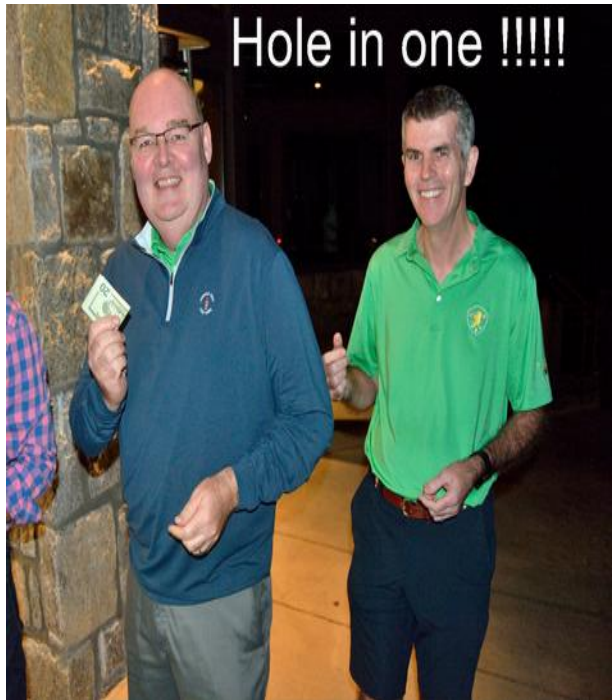


TCGTC photobombs the group photo.











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