

## TEAM McLOS CAPTURES YGS 4-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP, CLAIM CASH PRIZE

WEST WINDSOR, NJ – The season-long YGS 4-Ball Championship came to a dramatic conclusion as Team McLos (comprised of “Roddy” and “Los”) defeated Team Mullingham (comprised of Tommy “Mullet” and Jimmy “The Sherriff”) 3 and 2 last Sunday afternoon at historic Cranbury Golf Club in West Windsor, New Jersey. With the victory, Team McLos captures the first ever YGS 4-Ball Championship Trophy and claims the \$100,000 cash prize. “I told DiCo (YGS Secretary of Handicaps & Scores) to keep that \$100k in liquid assets so he can write us one of those oversized checks but he didn’t show up with one. Come to think of it, I haven’t heard from him in a while,” said Los. Calls and emails to DiCo were not immediately returned and his whereabouts are the subject of some controversy.

Each team earned their way to the Championship round by outlasting a formidable 14 team field in a grueling season-long single elimination tournament. Team McLos survived a semi-final scare from favored squad Tony/Lance in 19 holes, while Team Mullingham eked past elPresidushka/TrooperD in their semi-final match to set up the epic final clash.

Team McLos shot out to an early lead as “Roddy” recovered from a poor tee shot to win the 1<sup>st</sup> hole, and Los pumped his tee shot to within 8 feet to claim the par 3 2<sup>nd</sup>. “Roddy”, foreshadowing some of the greatness that was to come later in the match, chipped on from off the back of the green to win the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole with a birdie/net eagle.

But Team Mullingham cut the deficit to two as “The Sherriff”, who only uses black tees (apparently, once you go black you never go back – to white tees that is), laced a 5 iron to within 10 feet on the 187 yard par 3 4<sup>th</sup> hole and two-putted for par/net birdie. Los

traded halves with Mullet and The Sherriff on holes 5, 6 and 7, but Mullet started warming up after donning what appeared to be a red Members Only jacket as he birdied the 8<sup>th</sup> hole to cut Team McLos’s lead to one. After all three other players hit their tee shots on the par 5 9<sup>th</sup> into the fairway bunker, “Roddy” calmly roped a tee shot just right of the trees on the left edge of the fairway, but cracked his second shot about 3 feet into the hazard near the green with the ball half-exposed above the water. Not to be daunted, “Roddy” grabbed his wedge and waded into the hazard to play a miraculous chip out of the water onto the green and three-putted for net par to reclaim a 2 hole lead for Team McLos at the turn.

Los’s par took advantage of Jimmy’s 3 putt from six feet on the par 5 10<sup>th</sup> to put McLos up again by three, only to see Mullet scamper a barkie on the 11<sup>th</sup> and then hit his driver on the par 3 14<sup>th</sup> onto the green as the tide seemed to be turning in Mullingham’s favor. But “Roddy” and Los each got home in 6 on the par 5 15<sup>th</sup> to reclaim a 2 hole lead with the critical par 3 16<sup>th</sup> still to play.

“Roddy’s” heroics culminated on the 16<sup>th</sup> tee as the Ginger Gentleman spanked a high flying 9 iron to within six feet, setting up a par/net birdie to close out the match. “I knew I was the only player getting a stroke on 16 and just wanted to make it close and the good lord willing I would put up a good number,” said “Roddy”, moments after taking a Tebow pose on the 16<sup>th</sup> green. “I’m very proud to be part of this team, Los and I worked hard for this championship and we look forward to defending it next season.”

As should be tradition, the four gladiators enjoyed tasty draft Heinis after the round, courtesy of Mullet who managed to keep a tapped keg in his golf bag for all to enjoy. “We may have lost the war, but we won the battle, or something like that,” said a tipsy Mullet at his tailgate. Mullet received a consolation call from YGS President elPresidushka who expressed his condolences with three words: “That’s a shame,” he said.

With the victory, “Roddy” and “Los” etch their names in the annals (that’s annals with 2 “n’s” TrooperD) of YGS lore as the first ever champions of the Annual YGS 4Ball Championship. Special thanks are extended to all participants to make the inaugural event a successful campaign and to DiCo for organizing the brackets and escrowing the \$100,000 championship prize. If anyone knows where to find DiCo, email Los immediately.

