

# A Picture Perfect Day

By Kumar Rajendra

**Thursday June 26th, 2008 - 05:00**

**hrs:** I had a restless night, checking on the clock often. As expected the alarm went off at 5:00 a.m. I jumped out of bed, went over to the bedroom window and took a peek between the blinds. I could not believe my eyes! It was pouring heavily with lightning and thunder. I was so disappointed. I was thinking, "If this weather persists, we may not be able to conduct the tournament as planned." Suddenly there was a big flash and I braced myself for the mighty boom of the thunder to follow. All I heard was the alarm for the second time. Phew! Thank God the storm was only a dream...



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As you all know we could not have asked for better weather than what we had for our 20th charity golf classic. It was perfect for playing golf at the beautiful Glen Eagle golf course. We had over 80 golfers showing up bright and early to support TUG's charity event for the Bloorview Kid's rehabilitation center.

**Thursday June 25th, 2008 - 23:00**  
**hrs:** After going over the final details of the TUG 20th Annual Charity Golf Classic, I switched the TV to Weather Network. The forecast called for morning rain with thunderstorms and the possibility of hail. With a heavy sigh, I set the alarm for 5:00 a.m. and hit the sack with the anticipation of the event to unfold the next day.



**Blind golfer David Burnett**



**Hole-in-one / Closest to the Pin Competition sponsored by Mid-Range**





2008 Tournament Champions



The Gord Jackson Memorial Award


It is never enough to thank the sponsors for an event that is not for profit, but yet to generate a donation to a worthy cause, while having some fun doing it. This year we had **Able-One Systems Inc.**, **Aon**, **Canon**, **Dynamic DR**, **End to End Networks**, **IBM**, **Mid-Range**, **Rogers**, and **Syntax.net**. Some of these sponsors provided valuable gifts to the prize table as well. We would also like to thank **Ganz**, and **Kuehne & Nagel** for supporting this event by sending 8 players from each company to the tournament.

The following are the winners of various charity events we conducted: With the lowest gross score of 11 under par, the foursome of **Craig Donnachie**, **Ed Pimental**, **Doug Wallace**, and **David Jong** took home the Gord Jackson Memorial Award donated by **Bruce Saville**. The "Most Honest" golf team (with a score of 14 over par) was a foursome from GANZ comprised of **Michael Shear**, **Stephen**

**Owen**, **Abdual Mufti**, and **Sumita Chatterjee**. **Roberto Mannella** had the "IBM Longest Drive", and **Richard Van Geilswyk** won the "Dynamic DR Closest to the Target." The "Mid-Range Hole in One / Closest to the Pin" prize was won by **Kevin Bush**. In addition everyone who participated received valuable gifts as well.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a big THANK YOU to **Lindsay Sutherland**, our association manager, who tirelessly helped in the administration and logistical aspects of the tournament. Thanks also to **Jay Buford** for being the official "paparazzi" and manning IBM's charity hole. Also, I would not do justice by not mentioning my better half **Shanthi** for taking a day off work to lend us a hand. **Léo Lefebvre** and **Vaughn Dragland** provided guidance to the two "rookies" who were involved in organizing this event. We hope to do a better job next time after this valuable

experience and hope to see you all return. Stay tuned for a date and location so you can book that date early.

In conclusion, I would like to report that we have collected \$1606 towards the Bloorview Kids Rehab centre and will be making arrangements to hand them over the money. I would also like to mention that we will be topping the 20K mark with this donation to the center from TUG golf classics over the years. Once again a big thank you on behalf of all of us at TUG, to the participants, sponsors, and volunteers, for making this event a great success. 

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