

On June 5, 2009 the Agnes Hodge Elementary School in Brantford hosted a fundraising golf tournament in support of the Brant County SPCA. Through the generous sponsorship of a parent from CL Brant, Glenda Minard, four people had the opportunity to compete in our first golf tournament. Glenda saw an opportunity for reciprocity and giving back to your community. Through Glenda's donation, people who receive support from CL Brant had the opportunity to try something new and give back to their community, the SPCA benefited by the fundraised dollars and the Agnes Hodge School students held a successful fundraising event.

Our team members were Scott Gowing, Steve Csordas and first time golfers Gary Cutler and Jason Richardson. Due to quick notice and last minute scrambling to form a team we were only able to fit in one afternoon practice session at the driving range. However, our attitude was to have fun and enjoy the experience of a tournament.

The tournament was held at Fescue's Edge Golf Course and our foursome was second to tee off. Scott led the team with an outstanding round of golf. Jason and Gary gained confidence with every shot and Steve rounded out the teamwork with assisting with mechanics and club selection. We were very pleased to finish our first tournament with a respectable two over par.

During the great meal that was provided we had a chance to mingle with the other golfers and try our hand at the putting contest. While talking with the other teams we realized our score was better than some of theirs. Gary very proudly pointed out to them that some members of our team were just learning to play the game.

It was an awesome experience, a memorable day and our team is already planning another day of golf.

Thank you to everyone that helped us make this day a success. Marty Chapple for generously loaning us some equipment; Michelle Job for being our caddy and photographer; and, especially Glenda Minard, you made this experience possible for all of us!

Scott Gowing, Jason Richardson, Gary Cutler, Steve Csordas

