

THE MATCH
(Book by Mark Frost)
Scorecard

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From the inside flap of THE MATCH

"The year: 1956. Four decades have passed since Eddie Lowery came to fame as the ten-year-old caddie to U.S. Open Champion Francis Quimet. Now a wealthy car dealer and avid supporter of amateur golf, Lowery has just made a bet with fellow millionaire George Coleman. Lowery claims that two of his employees, amateur champion Harvie Ward and Ken Venturi, cannot be beaten in a best-ball match. Lowery challenges Coleman to bring any two golfers in the world to the course at 10 a.m. the next day to settle the issue.

Coleman accepts the challenge and shows up with his own power team: Ben Hogan and Byron Nelson, the game's greatest living professionals, with fourteen major championships between them.

In Mark Frost's peerless hands, complete with recollections of all the participants, the story of this immortal foursome and the game they played that day – legendarily known in golf circles as the greatest private match ever played - comes to life with powerful, emotional impact and edge-of-your-seat suspense."

From the Back Cover of THE MATCH

"The Match was a dream I never thought would come true. If I hadn't been there I wouldn't believe it myself, and if you know anything about sports or the game of golf, once you pick up this book you won't put it down. No one will ever see an event like this again. Fiction can't touch it."

– Ken Venturi

The Bet – George Coleman & Eddie Lowery

"The initial amount Eddie suggested ranges in accounts from five to as high as twenty thousand dollars. Whatever the number – and according to some reports it would continue to escalate the next day – George didn't bat an eye."

Side Bet – Ben Hogan & Byron Nelson v. Ken Venturi & Harvie Ward

"Hundred dollar Nassau... a hundred for the front nine, a hundred for the back, and a hundred for the match."

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Ben Hogan & Byron Nelson v. Ken Venturi & Harvie Ward

10 January 1956 Cypress Point Club

BEN HOGAN

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
Yardage	418	532	156	410	468	503	155	321	295	3258	475	436	402	353	388	113	222	400	350	3139	6397
Par	4	5	3	4	5	5	3	4	4	37	5	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	35	72
Tee Shot in Fairway	Yes	Yes & 2nd	X	Yes	Yes & 2nd	Yes 320	X	Yes	Yes On G	7/7	Yes & 2nd	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	X	X	No Rt	Yes 3W	6/7	13/14
Club Used	6 iron	PW	?	5 iron	PW	4W	6 iron	PW	1W		E PW	4W	9 iron	?	?	9 iron	1W	8 iron	8 Iron		
Hit Green in Regulation	Yes 165	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes 30	Yes	Yes	Yes 90	Yes On	9/9	Yes 85	Yes 236	Yes 120	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	9/9	18/18
Distance from Hole	20'	15'	?	20'	12'	15'	- 12"	12'	?		IN	20'	6'	12'	?	2'	?	?	10'		
Putts	2	2	2	2	?	2	1	2	2	17?	0	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	12	29
SCORE	4	5	3	4	5	4	2	4	3	34	3	4	3	3	4	2	3	4	3	29	63

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BYRON NELSON

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
Yardage	418	532	156	410	468	503	155	321	295	3258	475	436	402	353	388	113	222	400	350	3139	6397
Par	4	5	3	4	5	5	3	4	4	37	5	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	35	72
Tee Shot in Fairway	Yes	Yes & 2nd	X	Yes	Yes & 2nd	Yes	X	Yes	Yes	7/7	Yes & 2nd	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	X	X	Yes	Yes 3W	6/7	14/14
Club Used	?	?	?	4 iron	?	?	5 iron	9 Iron	PW		?	2 Iron	6 iron	?	?	9 iron	1W	PW	?		
Hit Green in Regulation	Yes 170	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes chip	Yes 20	Yes	No 130	Yes	8/9	Yes 100	No	Yes 160	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	7/9	16/18
Distance from Hole	25'	10'	3'	?	6''	3'	?	?	20'		12'	chip 4'	?	?	?	8'	6'	7'	?		
Putts	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	2	13	?	1	2	2	2	?	1	1	2	15	28
SCORE	4	4	2	4	4	4	3	4	4	33	5	4	4	4	5	3	2	3	4	34	67

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KEN VENTURI

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
Yardage	418	532	156	410	468	503	155	321	295	3258	475	436	402	353	388	113	222	400	350	3139	6397
Par	4	5	3	4	5	5	3	4	4	37	5	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	35	72
Tee Shot in Fairway	Yes	Yes & 2nd	X	Yes	Yes	Yes & 2nd F	X	Yes 3W	No	6/7	Yes & 2nd	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	X	X	Yes	Yes	6/7	12/14
Club Used	9 iron	?	?	5 iron	?	4W	6 iron	SW	1W		?	?	9 iron	?	?	PW	1W	PW	8 iron		
Hit Green in Regulation	Yes 140	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes 90	Yes	8/9	Yes	No 236	Yes 120	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes 90	Yes	8/9	16/18
Distance from Hole	12'	10'	?	10'	?	1'	30'	1'	?		12'	12'	6'	?	?	-2'	?	15'	12'		
Putts	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	14	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	15	29
SCORE	4	4	3	3	4	4	3	3	4	32	5	5	3	4	4	2	3	4	3	33	65

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HARVIE WARD

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
Yardage	418	532	156	410	468	503	155	321	295	3258	475	436	402	353	388	113	222	400	350	3139	6397
Par	4	5	3	4	5	5	3	4	4	37	5	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	35	72
Tee Shot in Fairway	Yes	Yes & 2nd	X	Yes	Yes	Yes	X	Yes	Yes On G	7/7	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	X	X	Yes	Yes 4W	6/7	14/14
Club Used	?	?	?	?	4W	?		?	1W		3W	4W	?	?	?	?	1W	PW	?		
Hit Green in Regulation	Yes 170	No	Yes	Yes	Yes ON	Yes 60	No	Yes 130	Yes On	7/9	Yes	Yes 236	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	8/9	15/18
Distance from Hole	?	?	?	?	10'	?	?	15'	60'		45'	20'	?	12'	?	5'	?	5'	25'		
Putts	2	1	2	2	2	2	1?	2	2	16?	2	2	2	1	2	2?	1	1	2	14	31
SCORE	4	5	3	4	4	5	3	4	3	35	4	4	4	3	4	4	2	3	4	32	67

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FOUR-BALL MATCH

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
Ben Hogan	4	5	3	4	5	4	2	4	3	34	3	4	3	3	4	2	3	4	3	29	63
Byron Nelson	4	4	2	4	4	4	3	4	4	33	5	4	4	4	5	3	2	3	4	34	67
Best Score	4	4	2	4	4	4	2	4	3	31	3	4	3	3	4	2	2	3	3	27	58
MATCH	-	-	+1	-	-	-	+1	-	-	Level	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	+1	1 Up
Ken Venturi	4	4	3	3	4	4	3	3	4	32	5	5	3	4	4	2	3	4	3	33	65
Harvie Ward	4	5	3	4	4	5	3	4	3	35	4	4	4	3	4	4	2	3	4	32	67
Best Score	4	4	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	31	4	4	3	3	4	2	2	3	3	28	59
MATCH	-	-	-1	-	-	-	-1	-	-	Level	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	1 Down

SUMMARY

EAGLES

Ben Hogan – 1
Byron Nelson – 0
Ken Venturi – 0
Harvie Ward – 0

BIRDIES

Ben Hogan – 7
Byron Nelson – 6
Ken Venturi – 8
Harvie Ward – 6

PARS

Ben Hogan – 10
Byron Nelson – 11
Ken Venturi – 9
Harvie Ward – 11

BOGIES

Ben Hogan – 0
Byron Nelson – 1
Ken Venturi – 1
Harvie Ward – 1

SCORES

Ben Hogan – 63
Byron Nelson – 67
Ken Venturi – 65
Harvie Ward – 67

FAIRWAYS HIT

Ben Hogan – 13 of 14
Byron Nelson – 14 of 14
Ken Venturi – 12 of 14
Harvie Ward – 14 of 14

GREENS HIT

Ben Hogan – 18 of 18
Byron Nelson – 16 of 18
Ken Venturi – 16 of 18
Harvie Ward – 15 of 18

PUTTS

Ben Hogan – 29
Byron Nelson – 28
Ken Venturi – 29
Harvie Ward – 31