

July 2017

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello Members. Well, half the year is almost gone, another year that has been flying by quickly. Our Tournaments have been going smoothly with some good numbers of participants. With still numerous Tournaments scheduled the second half of 2017, there are some exciting times ahead. I hope that the turnout is good for the upcoming Tournaments as it makes for some exciting golf with large participation.

On June 5th, the annual David Oxley Memorial Tournament was held in conjunction with the First Tee of Greater Sacramento. This was the 50th year of this Tournament! There were over 100 entries in this Tournament with some excellent golf. Many scores were low, but the most fun was seeing just how great these young Players were with regards to their sportsmanship and enthusiasm. This is my fifth year that I have been involved with this Tournament and I have

thoroughly enjoyed seeing these young Players play the game the correct way. It might be noted, an ex-First Tee Player and ex-David Oxley Participant by the name of Cameron Champ was the 2nd low Amateur at this year's US Open at Erin Hills. In fact, Cameron finished 32nd shooting an even score. What an accomplishment for a former Oxley participant!

Overall, I cannot say enough about the 25 Volunteers who helped with this year's Tournament. I was very proud to be the President of RGC and see the hard work by these volunteers. Many of these Volunteers have been doing this for 20+ years. Thanks again to everyone who gave up their day to make this Tournament a success once again. I look forward to next year's David Oxley Memorial Tournament.

John Parola President



VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are right in the heat of summer and I mean the heat. Make sure, when you are out playing that you hydrate well and do your best to keep cool.

In this newsletter, I wanted to touch on the course. It is our responsibility to do our best to fill divots and to fix ball marks on the green and so on. I know this is a public golf course but our club and its members play it heavily and the little things we do will help. Later this year or starting next year I am going to propose a new committee for course management. This committee will meet at least once a month at the course and go out to fill all the divots in fairways and to fix ball marks on the greens. It will be the clubs way to do our part, while at the same time working with the new superintendent to make sure we get the best course conditions.

I still have some of the ZBest books available that I am selling to help with the RGC Christmas party. Now that it is July and the year is half over I am dropping

the price to \$15 a book. You can get that back in one use in some cases. I will have some at events or you can just let me know and I will bring you one.

Hope to see you at the July open meeting and out on the course. It is nice seeing a bunch of new names out there and joining our club.

If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, I can be reached at <u>bryanlange2003@yahoo.com</u>. This will be the email address I use to send the newsletter and reminders so make sure I do not fall to your spam or junk folder. Again you can also like us on Facebook to get updates as well. In case you do not have email I can also be reached at 916-600-8396.

Bryan Lange RGC Vice President

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS MESSAGE



Well we have made it halfway through the year. I have tried very hard to get the tournament information out to those that play as soon as possible. I appreciate that when unofficial results go out with a mistake you let me know, so I can get it corrected. I think I have been getting better at figuring out the payout with help from the tournament committee keeping an eye on my results spreadsheets.

We have finished all the NCGA qualifier events for the year and I would like to congratulate all of our winners:

Zone – Mark Donnan / Dave Bloodgood & Rico Johnson / Paul Wilson
4-Ball – Pete Paige / Ray Sprague & Raul Martinez / Steve Matthews
Net AM – Mitch Bradley, Steve Hiett, Angel Judal, and Gary Wilson
Senior 4 Ball – Rafa Sierra / Pat Kidder & Frank Serra / Ron Weddle

We official changed the deadline for events from Fridays to Saturday s at 6pm on April 1.

We still have late entries. This causes extra work for Charlie, Ken and I. We will do what we can to get any player in when we can, because the more players the better.

I provide the tee times to the pro shop and the player latest on Tuesday, I will only be able to get late entries in if there is a cancellation or an open spot.

We still have many events left this year; I hope to see more new faces play our events.

Thank you,

Jesse Sierra Tournament Director

HANDICAP CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Handicappers Report EQUITABLE STROKE CONTROL

Course Handicap	Maximum Number	
	on Any Hole	
9 or less	Double bogey	
10 through 19	7	
20 through 29	8	
30 through 39	9	
40 or more	10	

I always include the ESC table in my reports in the hope that you are all using it and adjusting your scores before posting them. Sometimes my Newsletter articles write themselves and such was the case last month when a long time member contacted me regarding his handicap in an event. He was confused about why his GHIN handicap was one number, but his Course Handicap for the event was lower. I explained it to him and he was surprised that we as a club utilize a Tournament Handicap. Again this is a member that has been playing in our club for over 8 years. Here is an edited version of my response to him:

"The Course Handicap is explained in the Tournament Guide which is posted on the RGC website. We use the lower of a player's GHIN or Tournament Handicap as the Course Handicap. The Tournament Handicap is based on the lowest five of the last 10 scores (differentials) shot in RGC stroke play events at Diamond Oaks.

The mixed tees refer to the different tees played on Diamond Oaks during our tournaments. We even the playing field by comparing the course ratings from each tee. The blues are rated 69.4, the whites 68.1 and the red (women) is 70.9. In our tournaments we use blue as the base, so subtract 1 from the whites and actually add 2 for the women. This is all predicated on the USGA Handicap Manual."

Not everyone loves the fact that we use a Course Handicap for our events played at Diamond Oaks, but it is fair and even a player who argues that he "concentrates more" during tournaments and that is why his scores are lower actually make my argument for me. If indeed you "concentrate more" and shoot "lower scores" in tournaments then your Tournament Handicap is more indicative of what you would actually shoot in a tournament at Diamond Oaks. I personally love the fact that we use the Course Handicap for our events and know that there aren't any players in the field that have manipulated their GHIN in order to win one of our events. In fact, the only problem with the Tournament Handicap.

I will be back out on the golf course starting in July after successful shoulder surgery in February. I'll see you all out on the course.

Ken Lyon RGC Handicapper

RULES COMMITTEE MESSAGE



We are halfway through another season at the wonderful RGC and I would like to go over the correct way to fill out your scorecard before it is turned in. There have been some issues in the past tournaments.

1. On the personal printed scorecards, there is a spot on the top left above your name to put down the start time.

2. Write the number of strokes you took for each hole. If it was a par 4 and you made a par, write down four. Please do not use +1 or -1 for bogies or birdies. Just the number of strokes for each hole.

3. Add up the total strokes for the front nine and the back nine. Then add those two scores together to get your total.

4. Under your name, there is a place for you to put the end time of your round.

It is important that you check your scores for each hole and add them up correctly before you sign and turn in your scorecard. If they are not filled out correctly and signed, it could result in a disqualification. The people entering the scorecards are not responsible for deciphering any special codes that you use to keep your score.

If anyone has any questions regarding the scorecards feel free to ask.

Thank you

Steve Hiett

Rules Chairperson



ROSEVILLE GOLF CLUB OPEN MEETING

Thursday July 20TH

6:30 PM The Legends Bar and Grill Diamond Oaks Golf Course

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED