



January 2024

President's Message



Hello RGC Members. I am excited to serve as your Club President this year. I believe we have a great mix of volunteers for the 2024 Board. We are working on ideas to improve offerings to the membership, including new tournament locations, an expanded Invitational Tournament, and a new format for the year-end party. I would like to thank the outgoing President, Dennis Fox who has stepped up twice to lead our club. Think he is looking forward to just playing some golf for a while. .

One thing I've worked on since joining the board is improving course conditions at Diamond Oaks. I continue to talk with the City of Roseville, but we can only really control how we affect the course. A small, but important aspect of play is filling your divots. I would like everyone to take a minute to think about the last time your ball came to rest in a nice big divot. I'm sure you had a couple of choice words for whoever left it for you! I've got Diamond Oaks to commit to providing divot mix in carts, which hasn't been the case lately. But many RGC Members use speed carts and we need to do our part. Consider purchasing a sand bottle attachment. Amazon has them for \$13 to \$20 that attach quickly to your cart and are easy to use. My Bag Boy bottle only cost \$13 and works great.

As always, we get better with your involvement. Please let me know if you have any ideas or suggestions to improve our club.

Ron Floyd
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Vice President's Message



Welcome new and returning RGC Members to the 2024 golf year!

I have the privilege of serving as your Vice President this year. Previously, I served as Rules Chairperson and Member at Large. As your Vice President, my responsibilities include organizing the annual Christmas Party, selling raffle tickets at home events to help fund the Christmas party, and serving on various Board Committees as assigned by your Board President. Please get your money into the raffles and win big as we offset much of the Christmas Party expenses. My priority is to listen to you, the membership, to help grow and improve our club which is one of the finest in the area. If you have any questions or suggestions that you would like to talk with me about please see me directly or contact me by phone, text message, or email. We have not yet set a date or location for this year's Christmas Party but information will be coming.

Once again our Tournament Director has lined up an exciting schedule of tournaments for the 2024 golf year. The away tournaments are always fun and we play some quality courses. First up are the NCGA Qualifier and Captain and Crew. Good luck!

I hope to see everyone on the course..

Sincerely,

David Bills

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Secretary's Message



I'm looking forward to once again serving as the club Secretary. I maintain the membership list and input your information into Memberplanet. You should have received a confirmation letter from me summarizing your preferred tees and reminding you to access our website for all club and tournament information. If you have any problems getting your club e-mails or NCGA news, please let me know.

Our membership is off to a solid start as nearly 190 players have signed up so far. RGC averages about 220 members annually. 13 new members have joined this year. Please welcome Mike Dihel, Brock Beddow, Jim Espinoza, Kevin Harrington, Jeff Thurman, Chris Cobb, Wayne Reedy, Michael Bongiorno, Marc Engellenner, Steve Wetklow, Giel Myburgh, Andrew Johnson, and Troy Ford. In recent years our tournament fields have grown in size, and I hope that our new and returning members alike will help that trend continue.

Don't forget to purchase the Diamond membership through the pro shop for amazing savings on your green fees, merchandise, and food options. It costs \$120 and really does pay for itself if you play three times. In addition, there is a Rose card that adds an additional 10% savings on the previously listed items. Please contact the pro shop for more information.

I look forward to serving you.

Paul Wilson

Secretary

Roseville Golf Club

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Handicapper's Message

Hello all and welcome to another year of golf,

My name is Rick Carter and I am your Handicap chairperson. As a note to all new members and a reminder to existing members, the club will post all tournament scores for you. The club utilizes a tournament handicap to keep the playing field as even and fair as possible. We use a system that compares your tournament index vs your actual USGA index. The formula of the tournament index we use is we take the lowest 2 of the last for tournament differentials, add them together, and divide by 2. This gives a nice snapshot of how an individual is playing in the previous few tournaments and is also fair because it moves scores along quickly if you play regularly.

Another note I would like to share is there have been a few updates to the World Handicapping system for 2024.

Significant updates to the WHS include:

- **Inclusion of Shorter-Length Golf Courses Within the Course Rating System:** The overall length requirements for Course Rating in the WHS will be significantly reduced. A set of tees on an 18-hole course may be as short as 1,500 yards [1,370 meters] to be eligible for a Course Rating and Slope Rating®, and a set of tees on a 9-hole course may be as short as 750 yards [685 meters]. This change is intended to expand the WHS to thousands of shorter length courses, including par-3 courses, and enable more golfers to obtain and use a Handicap Index.
- **Use of an Expected Score for a Hole Not Played:** Improvements have been made to the method used to handle holes not played, which will now be based on a player's expected score rather than a score of net par. This new method will produce a 9-hole or 18-hole Score Differential that more accurately reflects a player's ability. As golfers across the world are playing more 9-hole rounds, an expected score can also be used to convert a 9-hole round into an 18-hole Score Differential. For some countries, this means that 9-hole scores will be considered in the calculation of a player's Handicap Index immediately after the day of play, rather than waiting to combine with another 9-hole score.
- **Playing Conditions Calculation Adjustments Made More Frequent:** The Playing Conditions Calculation (PCC) has been modified to increase the likelihood of an adjustment for abnormal playing conditions. National associations were given discretion, beginning in July 2022, to introduce this revision within their computation platforms, which will be complete by April 1, 2024.
- **Enhanced Guidance on Conducting a Handicap Review:** The role of the Handicap Committee is vital to the success of the WHS and the Rules recommend that a Handicap Review is conducted regularly, or at least once a year to ensure a Handicap Index® remains reflective of a player's ability. New reporting tools have been developed that national associations can incorporate into their handicapping software to assist Committees in conducting the review process effectively and consistently.

Happy Golfing and I hope to see you all out swinging the clubs this year!



Tournament Director's Message

Well, here we go again for the 3rd time in 6 years we are switching scoring software. We are going back to the original one the club used for some 15 years before we went to Golf Genius. This software is much cheaper, and the savings will be passed along to each of the tournaments played this coming year.

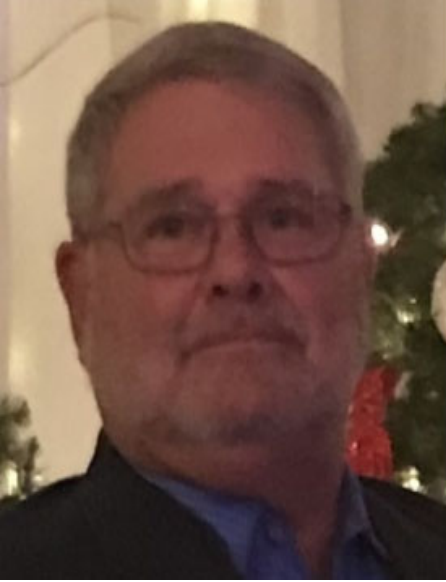
Please have a look at the 2024 schedule and plan your travel for the away events and the rest of the schedule. Hopefully the weather this year holds up for all our events.

I still have information as to who most of you like to play with, but please make sure you fill out your entry form with that information and/or contact Harry Wharff and myself with any special requests. Based on the list of players provided by the Tournament Bookkeeper, I create the tee sheets for all events. So, if you would like an earlier tee time to get your entries in early. If you ever need an early or late time specifically, please notify me when you submit your entry, and I will try to accommodate you. Some of the major tournaments require that your tee time is based on score, and I probably will not be able to accommodate you for those tournaments after the first day, but I will do my best.

If you would like to work on the day of a Tournament, please drop me an email. If you have any questions, please contact me at either RGC.2010.prez@comcast.net or (916) 517-9500.



Tournament Bookkeeper's Message



My name is Harry Wharff. I'm the Tournament Bookkeeper for our club. I'm the person you send your entry fees and skins money to and, if needed, the cancellations for the tournaments. If you need to cancel for a tournament, the money will be refunded back to the way that you paid for that tournament (Memberplanet, Venmo or Zelle). When you sign up and want to get into skins the Fees are \$5 for gross and \$5 for net or \$10 for both. If you are playing in a team event just remember it is team skins and both players need to be in. Please check with your partner if you will be participating in the skins game. For team skins, the fees are \$10 gross and \$10 net or \$20 for both per day for the team (\$40 per team on a two day event for both skins). Also, when you are signing up please include a note indicating what tournament and who you would like to play with. We will try, if possible, to accommodate your request.

We will be changing the app that you will be using to record your scores during play. The app you need to download on App Store for iPhone or Google Store for Android phones is **Golfsoftware**. This app works the same as previous software, but with more reliability. After you download the app please go in and register with your email. The app will provide you with a password to use for all tournaments. If you cannot get the app to download or set up please see me at the signup table before each tournament. I will have a printout of the instructions to sign up and sign in. Contact me rgcbkeeper@gmail.com 916-599-5178

Rules Committee Report

I am your new rules chairperson and have taken an extended leave from the Roseville Golf Club board, last having served as your Handicap Chairman in 2018 under Bryan Lange. I had been on the board for 14 years prior to that, having served as President in 2008. I was ready for a break and it was thoroughly enjoyed. I agreed to serve as the new Rules Chairperson for Ron Foyd, our new President.

My goal this year is to further the work done by past Rules Chairpersons in helping to mark the course for tournaments and to provide insight to the rules of golf in my newsletter articles. Also this year my committee and I will take a look at the local rules and revise those and update them as necessary.

A continuing priority of the Roseville Golf Club is pace of play. All tournament rounds are expected to be completed within 4 and a half hours or within 15 minutes of the group completing play directly ahead of you. Everyone enjoys a comfortable pace of play, but we all have a real issue with a group that has been holding us up all day and then sprints to finish within 15 minutes of the group ahead of them. It makes it double hard on those of us who like to walk the course. So knock it off! We know who you are. Additionally, there is a maximum three (3) minute search time looking for your golf ball. After this 3-minute period expires, the ball is deemed lost. At that point, a Player must take stroke and distance relief by adding one penalty stroke (Rule 14.6). Let's all do our best to play ready golf and keep up with the group ahead of you.



There are no changes to the Rules of Golf for 2024, but there are a few changes to the World Handicapping system, one of which will allow for nine hole scores to immediately be calculated in your daily handicap. I'll let Rick discuss that in more detail.

Remember that if there is a rules dispute in tournament stroke play, a player always has the option of playing two balls. You must announce to your fellow competitors that you are going to play two balls and which ball you intend to use for scoring if the rules allow it and announce that to your marker. Then bring your scorecard in and check with a member of the rules committee BEFORE signing your scorecard and turning it in. We will make a ruling and clarify what your actual tournament score is.

The rules committee for 2024 is:

Ken Lyon, Chair
Ron Floyd
Jesse Sierra
David Bills
Dan McCollough
Harry Wharff



ROSEVILLE GOLF CLUB OPEN MEETINGS

Thursday April 18thth, 2024 6:30 PM
Thursday September 19th, 2024 6:30 PM

DIAMOND OAKS SNACK BAR

Refreshments will be served