



# EL PRADO MEN'S GOLF CLUB

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## President's Message

Hello everyone,

The holiday season is a wonderful time to reflect on what we're grateful for and to reach out to those in need. Here are some reasons to be thankful and ways to extend kindness to others:

### Reasons to Be Thankful

- Family and Friends:** Having loved ones to share life's journey is something to cherish.
- Health:** Good health, or even access to healthcare, is a precious gift.
- A Roof Over Our Heads:** Having shelter, warmth, and a safe space to call home.
- Food on the Table:** Not everyone has the blessing of a hot meal, so having food is something to appreciate.
- Opportunities:** Access to education, jobs, and personal growth are valuable privileges.
- Community:** Feeling connected with others, whether in your neighborhood, faith group, or online community, provides support and a sense of belonging.



### Ways to Be a Source of Light for Others

- Donate to Food Banks:** During the holidays, many families struggle with food insecurity. Consider donating non-perishable items or funds to local food banks.
- Volunteer:** Homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and community centers often need extra help during the season.
- Random Acts of Kindness:** Small gestures like paying for someone's coffee, leaving a kind note, or donating winter clothes can make a big difference.
- Check on Loved Ones:** Loneliness can be common during the holidays. Take a moment to call or visit someone who might need company.
- Support Local Charities:** Find charities that resonate with you and give in any way you can, whether financially or with your time.

By recognizing our blessings and being there for others, we can help spread warmth, joy, and hope, making the season brighter for everyone.

### A Heartfelt Thanks to the El Prado Men's Club Board of Directors

On behalf of the entire membership, we extend our deepest gratitude to the Board of Directors for their unwavering dedication and countless hours of hard work. Your commitment to excellence has played a pivotal role in making the El Prado Men's Club one of the largest and most active memberships in Southern California.

Your leadership, vision, and passion continue to foster a thriving community that we are all proud to be part of. Thank you for all that you do to make the EPMC an incredible organization.

Danny Ortiz, President

## UPCOMING DATES

**December 17**  
Online Tournament  
Signups Close

**December 21**  
4 Clubs Red Tees

**January 14**  
Online Tournament  
Signups Close

**January 18**  
2 Man Better Ball

## SIGNUPS

**Saturday Skins**  
(772) 408-2421  
[dbenc@ap.org](mailto:dbenc@ap.org)

[Tuesday Skins](#)

## Tournament News

The second EPMC tournament of the season is in the books. Several pace of play issues were again brought to attention. Remember that maintaining pace of play applies in tournaments, Tuesday and Saturday Skins games. Thank you to those members who maintain pace of play and are aware of your group's position on the golf course. For those members that fall behind, be it the lost ball search, or grinding over knee knocker putts – find ways to pick up your pace and maintain a good pace of play. Everyone hates waiting, waiting, and waiting to hit their next shot. So please do your part and don't be offended if someone gives you or your group a friendly reminder of the obvious.



This month's Individual Low Net tournament had 93 players registered to play with 87 who showed up and competed in our usual 4 flights. The club paid out \$3943 to the top 25%, closest to pins, and skins. Earnings are placed on scrip cards and can be used in the golf shop for green fees, cart fees, pro-shop merchandise, as well as food and beverage from the snack bar or bar lounge. The 50/50 winners were Amaan Patel, Adam Jones, and Ted Sutton who split the \$300 pot. Congratulations to all the winners, and thanks to all that played.

I need to pass on this important reminder again, please turn in your scorecard(s) immediately, or as soon as possible, when you've finished playing. It's frustrating for volunteers working at the score table to chase down one player or an entire group for your scorecard. This includes skins game buy-in money. Also, if you sign up to play in tournaments or skins games and need to cancel, no problem. Please be considerate and let a board member or the golf shop know. Most members are doing the latter, but some need to do better in this regard! Thanks for understanding.

Our next EPMC tournament is the popular 4 Club Red Tees on December 21<sup>st</sup>. Be on the lookout for the usual Golf Genius tournament signup email. Signup early to guarantee a spot. We will confirm the roster of players in email on Wednesday December 18<sup>th</sup> before the tournament, and release tee times and pairings Friday December 20<sup>th</sup>.

This is an individual event, and you must sign up in Golf Genius yourself.

When signups open, please follow these simple steps to register:

Step 1. You will need to navigate through the signup confirmation buttons by checking Playing or Not Playing. Look, or scroll to the bottom of the invitation email.

Step 2. If you choose - you can also SEND message to the manager with any special request. Example – Tee time and pairing preference. (We'll try our best to accommodate)

Step 3. Hit the SEND button.

The tee sheet link in Golf Genius will populate names for the confirmed list of players. As always, be assured we will monitor signups closely and communicate with you if there are any issues. Registered players should get a Golf Genius automated signup confirmation email.

December tournament tip – AB Flights - Butterfield, CD Flights – Chino Creek. Pick your favorite 4 Clubs!

Respectfully,  
Gary Abbott, Golf Competitions

### TOP 25 - 2024-2025

Rank	Name	Total
1	Verne, Eric	250
2	Gonzalez, Paul	240
3	Bruder, Thomas	230
4	Patel, Amaan	229
5	Hallam, Thomas	225
6	Alderete, Ralph	203
7	Potts, Dean	195
8	Montelongo, Cruz	190
9	Dyer, Joe	186
10	Collins, Nick	180
11	Cabezas, Cali	178
12	Cabezas, Alberto	173
13	Lindsay, David	168
14	Baker, Clarence	163
15	Earhart, Tom	151
16	Lohman, Shay	140
17	Hederman, Joseph	133
17	Kramer, John	133
19	Lorenz, Dave	131
20	Barcenas, Cristhian	130
20	Irizarry, Mario	130
20	Ortiz, Danny	130
20	Siliceo, Miguel	130
24	Baker, Robert	120
24	Habermehl, Eric	120
24	Rief, Mark	120
24	Verne, Sean	120

## Holiday Collections

Every year at our December tournament, we have a tradition of collecting toys for local families.

This year's Toy Drive will again be for the City of Chino Fire Department. They will also take a cash donation if you don't want to bring a toy. The toys are given to local kids from the Chino Area, so everything stays in our community.

Please help us show how we support the City of Chino by bringing a toy or cash donation to the check-in table at the December tournament.



At the table we will also have a jar out to collect cash for an end-of-the-year tip for the El Prado staff. This benefits the golf shop staff, as well as the cart barn operations. Please be generous to these people who take care of you all year long.

## Email Tips

Every member must have a unique email, which is used for SCGA communications, the GHIN mobile app, and notifications from the club. To be sure that you don't miss anything, here are some tips:

Add the following addresses to your "safe senders" or "contacts" or "Not SPAM" list:

info@elpradomensclub.com

noreply@golfgenius.com

info@membership.scga.org

If an email says "DO NOT REPLY to this email", don't reply, since these accounts are not monitored. Follow the instructions inside the email.

Before a skins game or tournament, please check your email for updates. If there are any announcements or changes about golf competitions, they will be sent via email.

Merk Rief, Communications

## This is Not the Cart Return



It appears some bad habits have returned to our members. Please return your carts to the **cart return area by the cart barn** when completing your round. If you are unaware, it looks like this:



We know it's an uphill walk back to the bar, but you can do it!

## Tournament Schedule

Mark your calendars now! The 2025 Tournament Schedule is included in this newsletter and available on the web site.

## Getaway – Save the Date



As you can see on the schedule, the 2025 Getaway is scheduled for June 5-7 in Mesquite.

The general format will be similar to this year, except that we are booking another course instead of Falcon Ridge. You can expect details and sign-up information early next year.

Scott Harlin, Treasurer

## Tournament Results – Individual Low Net – November 16, 2024

All payouts are in El Prado Golf Courses scrip. Team payouts will be split.  
Complete results are always available at <https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc>

### Individual Low Net

<b>A Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>To Par Net</b>	<b>Total Net</b>	<b>Purse</b>
T1	DeLine, Steve	E	72	\$115
T1	Hallam, Thomas	E	72	\$115
T3	Lovell, Jim	1	73	\$87
T3	Earhart, Tom	1	73	\$87
T3	Lindsay, David	1	73	\$87
T6	Dancses, Brian	2	74	\$15
T6	Mouw, Billy	2	74	\$15
T6	Pierce, James	2	74	\$15
T6	Clark, Thomas	2	74	\$15
<b>B Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>To Par Net</b>	<b>Total Net</b>	<b>Purse</b>
1	Habermehl, Eric	-2	70	\$120
2	Verne, Eric	-1	71	\$110
T3	Collins, Nick	E	72	\$87
T3	Rivera, Albert	E	72	\$87
T3	Gonzalez, Paul	E	72	\$87
T6	Evans, Cary	1	73	\$20
T6	Johnson, Kelly	1	73	\$20
T6	Hadley, John	1	73	\$20
<b>C Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>To Par Net</b>	<b>Total Net</b>	<b>Purse</b>
1	Montelongo, Cruz	-3	69	\$120
2	Baker, Clarence	E	72	\$110
3	Rief, Mark	2	74	\$100
T4	Barcenas, Cristhian	3	75	\$80
T4	Hederman, Joseph	3	75	\$80
T6	Harlin, Steve	4	76	\$20
T6	Verne, Sean	4	76	\$20
T6	Williams, Bobby	4	76	\$20
<b>D Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>To Par Net</b>	<b>Total Net</b>	<b>Purse</b>
1	Baker, Robert	-4	68	\$120
T2	Cabezas, Alberto	-3	69	\$100
T2	Bruder, Thomas	-3	69	\$100
T2	Alderete, Ralph	-3	69	\$100
5	Verne, Troy	-2	70	\$70
6	Kramer, John	-1	71	\$60

Total Purse Allocated: \$2,202.00



## Gross Skins

<b>A Flight</b>	<b>Skins</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
Hallam, Thomas	2	\$110	Birdie on 3, Birdie on 11
Patel, Amaan	1	\$55	Birdie on 14
Lindsay, David	1	\$55	Birdie on 16

  

<b>B Flight</b>	<b>Skins</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
Verne, Eric	1	\$55	Birdie on 15
Oshiro, David	1	\$55	Birdie on 18
Gonzalez, Paul	1	\$55	Birdie on 9
Patterson, Ronald	1	\$55	Birdie on 5

  

<b>C Flight</b>	<b>Skins</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
Montelongo, Cruz	2	\$70	Birdie on 5, Birdie on 11
Lovell, Ron	1	\$35	Birdie on 13
Cabezas, Cali	1	\$35	Birdie on 2
Williams, Bobby	1	\$35	Birdie on 10
Becerra, Ralph	1	\$35	Birdie on 9

  

<b>D Flight</b>	<b>Skins</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
Cabezas, Alberto	1	\$73	Birdie on 11
Alderete, Ralph	1	\$73	Birdie on 9
Kramer, John	1	\$73	Birdie on 2

Total Purse Allocated: \$869.00

## Closest to the pin

<b>A Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
	Patel, Amaan	\$110	#4 8'3" #14 3'5"
	Mouw, Billy	\$55	#16 11'
	Dyer, Joe	\$55	#7 7'11"

Total Purse Allocated: \$220.00

<b>B Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
	Verne, Eric	\$55	#14 20'7"
	Rocovitz, Mark	\$55	#16 4'
	Sleeper, Tim	\$55	#4 8'9"
	Davis, Bruce	\$55	#7 9'2"

Total Purse Allocated: \$220.00

<b>C Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
	Bates, Patrick	\$53	#14 23'
	Baker, Clarence	\$53	#17 1'4"
	Cabezas, Cali	\$53	#2 12'3"
	Hederman, Joseph	\$53	#7 20'2"

Total Purse Allocated: \$212.00

<b>D Flight</b>	<b>Player</b>	<b>Purse</b>	<b>Details</b>
	Potts, Dean	\$55	#14 6'10"
	Cox, David	\$55	#17 10'9"
	Walsh, James	\$55	#2 8'
	Hogate, Scott	\$55	#7 17'11"

Total Purse Allocated: \$220.00



# El Prado Men's Golf Club 2024 Tournament Schedule

Date	Description
January 18	2 Man Better Ball
February 15	President's Cup Individual Low Net
March 8	Member/Member – 9 holes Better Ball / 9 holes Aggregate
April 12	ILN 5-4-3 Out
May 17	2 Man 4 Clubs – Red Tees Better Ball
June 5-7	El Prado Getaway Classic – Mesquite
June 21	2 Man Scramble
July 19	Invitational - 2 Man Better Ball <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guests play to Low Index and have 6 recent verifiable rounds.</li> </ul>
August 16	4 Man Scramble - ABCD Blind Draw
September 12 Championship Gross Senior Gross  September 13-14 All Net Flights	Club Championship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Must have played in 3 tournaments or 9 skins games, or be club champion within the past 5 years.</li> <li>• Must be an active member as of June 30.</li> <li>• Sunday handicap is based on index that morning.</li> <li>• Sunday pairings are based on standings after previous round(s).</li> <li>• Net flights play 2 rounds. Championship gross plays 3 rounds. Senior SCGA TOCC candidates play 3 rounds.</li> <li>• Gross champion must play blue tees all three rounds.</li> </ul>
October 18	2 Man Better Ball
November 15	Individual Low Net
December 13	4 Clubs – Red Tees
<b>Notes</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In 4 flight events, A plays blue tees; B plays white tees on Chino Creek or blue tees on Butterfield Stage; C and D play white tees.</li> <li>• 2 Man team events are maximum 8 stroke handicap difference.</li> <li>• Course Handicap and flights are based on the index of the previous Wednesday.</li> <li>• Tee Times and Results are at <a href="https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc">https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc</a></li> <li>• Formats and rules are subject to change.</li> </ul>	