

# EL PRADO men's golf club

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# **President's Message**

As another month and tournament passes I would like to thank everyone for such a great turn out. Let's get ready for this month's president cup and have fun. I'm so excited to see this year's champion.

As we move forward let's remember that the bunkers and greens need all of our attention. Please rake the bunkers and fix ball marks as we play. As we do so continue to watch and pay attention to pace of play. Thank you for your time

Have a blessed day.

Gil Vicario, President



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### February 5

Tournament Signups Due

#### February 12

Individual Low Net and President's Cup Qualifier

#### February 27

Tournament Signups Due

#### March 5

Member/Member Mixed formats

Tournaments Saturday Skins (772) 408-2421

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# **Membership Drive**

February is our EPMC Membership Drive. All members who recruit a new EPMC member (must sign up as a regular club member, not an associate member), will receive 2 rounds of golf, valid on Tuesday's or Saturday's Skins Game. (Cart not included on Saturday)

Did you know our membership is up to 271 members? Thank you to all of our current members who helped increase our club by 68 new members in 2021. We look forward to increasing our membership to 300 EPMC members in 2022.

Remember, the larger our membership, the larger the tournament participation, the larger the payouts! \$\$\$\$\$ If you have any questions about your membership, referrals, or recruitment perks, let me know! Danny Ortiz, Membership.

#### **Tournament News**

January brought us or largest turnout of the season, with 118 players teeing it up for 2 Man Better Ball. Some of you know that this is officially called foursomes, but we only really hear that term used when the Ryder Cup rolls around. In casual golf the name is not widely used, so we stick with Better Ball.

It was a good day for most, as 74 players split the pot of \$4,660. The B and D flights were particularly tight at the top, with a 4-way tie for first in B, and 5 teams within 2 strikes in C. A and C flights had breakaway winners, so I really didn't need to lament over the putt I missed, as it would not have changed much.

I am glad to report that we had no cancellations, so thanks to everyone for that! Some of you asked why we had 2 blind draws, instead of teaming them up. The answer is because they were 20+ strokes apart, and that's a big disadvantage for the team. The blind draw gets them a partner from within their flight.

We are generally very accommodating with pairing requests, but you may notice us saying "no" a little more often. We are trying to avoid groups with 4 players who, for example, may be inexperienced and don't know the rules - how will they learn? Or maybe they are known be a little forgetful when adding up their strokes. Or maybe they are as slow as Ben Crane. You can run loose when playing casual golf with your buddies, but when playing for money in tournaments and skins, we need to selfregulate as a club to protect the field. I know peer review is very uncomfortable for a lot of players, but it's your responsibility in club golf. If somebody doesn't know where to drop, or has trouble counting to seven, you need to talk about it when it happens. There's no need for a brutal public call out, so be nice about it, but help them become a more knowledgeable golfer. One the ways Ed Green taught me to approach a rules situation is to ask "Do you understand your options?" This has a helpful tone, promotes an open discussion, and keeps you from being penalized for giving advice. By trying to keep groups better blended with novice and experienced players, or fast and slow players, the whole club gets better. And if you don't know a rule, check your rule book or the USGA Rules App. And if you're still not sure, play 2 balls and ask for clarification when you finish your round.

February's tournament is Individual Low Net - President's Cup Qualifier. First of all, this is our regular monthly tournament with four flights of payouts for net scores, gross skins, and closest to the pin. In addition, this is the qualifier for the

President's cup, our annual match play competition. If you finish in the top 16 in your flight, you will be seeded in our own "March Madness", where we start with 64 players, and play single elimination matches once a week until only one player is left standing. Last year that was Dan Hughes, and he'll be defending his title this year. If you don't want to commit to weekly match play, don't let that keep you out of the February tournament. If you qualify, no worries, just forfeit your first round match. But most members will tell you, match play is a great format that we don't get to experience very often.

Signups for a guaranteed spot in the tournament close Saturday February 5, or Tuesday February 8 if we have room. Signup by emailing Doug at <a href="mailto:dbenc@ap.org">dbenc@ap.org</a>. We will publish the roster of signed up players on the Wednesday before the tournament, and release pairings by Friday.

Mark Rief, Communications Doug Benc, Tournament

#### FINAL TOP 25 - 2020-2021

Rank	Name	Total
1	Patterson, Ronald	500
2	Ortiz, Danny	493
3	Kramer, John	413
4	Moir, James	388
5	Moore, George	363
6	Yurgans, Donald	330
7	Siakisini, Esela	291
8	Cabezas, Cali	283
9	Poh, Colby	276
10	Cheshire, Mike	275
11	Pacheco, John	268
12	Gonzales, Rick	255
13	Peniata, Oscar	248
14	Anthony, Michael	244
15	Tapia, Mike	240
16	Sanchez, Nick	240
17	Delgado, Robert	238
18	Nomura, Vino	224
19	Oshiro, David	214
20	Sullivan, Mike	204
21	Aguilar, Francisco	202
22	Nolan, Tim	200
23	Clark, Thomas	193
24	Mackey, Jim	186
25	Waasdorp, Pete	185

# 50/50 Winners

Congratulations to Roseller Dequit, Ted Mercado, and Aaron Esparza, who each started the December tournament with an extra \$110 in their pocket. And don't forget, all the tickets each month are saved for the end of the season raffle in September.

# **Getaway Signups are Close!**

It's almost time to sign up for the 2022 Getaway on May 12-14 in Laughlin. We'll be staying at the Aquarius, and playing golf at El Rio, Los Lagos, and Mojave Resort (Avi).

We are still working on the final package prices and contents, and should be ready to publish the form in a week or so. We'll send an email when registration opens.

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# Tournament Results - 2 Man Better Ball - January 15, 2021

Complete results are always available at <a href="https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc">https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc</a>
All payouts are PER TEAM and will be split for scrip and checks

#### 2 Man Better Ball (Scrip)

A Flight				
Pos.	Players	To Par Net	<b>Total Net</b>	Purse
1	Abbott, Gary + Dyer, Joe	-12	60	\$180
2	Patterson, Ronald + Rocovitz, Mark	-8	64	\$160
Т3	Castillo, Tony + Marquez, Alfonso	-7	65	\$130
Т3	Mercado, Martin + Psalms, Marcus	-7	65	\$130
B Flight				
Pos.	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
T1	Aguilar, Francisco + Alva, Luis	-9	63	\$150
T1	Esparza, Aaron + Sleeger, Tim	-9	63	\$150
T1	Johnson, Kelly + Moore, George	-9	63	\$150
T1	Peniata, Oscar + Siakisini, Esela	-9	63	\$150
C Flight				
Pos.	Players	To Par Net	<b>Total Net</b>	Purse
1	Oshiro, David + Tapia, Mike	-15	57	\$180
T2	Davis, Bruce + Jones, Kim	-11	61	\$150
T2	Rief, Brian + Rief, Mark	-11	61	\$150
4	DelGado, Robert + Ortiz, Danny	-8	64	\$120
D Flight				
Pos.	Players	To Par Net	<b>Total Net</b>	Purse
1	Barrow, Boone + Kramer, John	-13	59	\$180
2	Nomura, Vino + Rivera, Albert	-12	60	\$160
T3	Ostergaard, Chris + Salazar, Justin	-11	61	\$86
T3	Grinder, John + Pacheco, John	-11	61	\$86
Т3	Cerda, Mario + Cheshire, Mike	-11	61	\$86

Total Purse Allocated: \$2,398.00

### **Rules News**

We recently modified our local rules:

**Footprints in Bunkers** – Obvious footprints in bunkers are an *abnormal course condition*. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1c. Please rake the bunker when you are finished.

Be sure to rake the bunker AFTER you have played your shot. Of course, if everyone played with the proper etiquette, this would not be necessary. Let's hope everyone remembers how to rake!

We are still playing preferred lies, until course conditions consistently provide the expected lies in the fairway.

**Preferred Lies:** When a player's ball lies in the *general area*, the player may take free relief once by lifting, cleaning, and placing the ball within **one club-length**, in the *general area*, no nearer the hole.

Mark Rief, Communications

# Tournament Results – 2 Man Better Ball – January 15, 2021

#### **Gross Skins – (cash pots)**

A Flight Players	Skins	Purse	Details
Benc, Doug + Weber, Bart	3 <b>K</b> 1113	\$60	Birdie on 7
Graven, Tim + Harlin, Troy	1	\$60 \$60	Birdie on 13
Godines, Elijah + Poirier, Dennis	1	\$60 \$60	Eagle on 15
Clark, Thomas + Sullivan, Mike	1	\$60 \$60	Birdie on 1
Rincon, Julio + Robertson, Brian	1	\$60 \$60	Birdie on 10
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B Flight			
Players	Skins	Purse	Details
Esparza, Aaron + Sleeger, Tim	2	\$74	Birdie on 8, Birdie on 15
Graven, Chris + Harlin, Jeff	1	\$36	Birdie on 17
Aguilar, Francisco + Alva, Luis	1	\$36	Birdie on 18
Dequit, Roseller + Sanchez, Nick	1	\$36	Birdie on 2
Ford, Dane + Spangler, Mark	1	\$36	Birdie on 16
Peniata, Oscar + Siakisini, Esela	1	\$36	Birdie on 14
Johnson, Kelly + Moore, George	1	\$36	Birdie on 4
C Flight			
Players	Skins	Purse	Details
Oshiro, David + Tapia, Mike	1	\$60	Eagle on 11
Becerra, Rafael + Torres, Ramiro	1	\$60	Birdie on 12
Davis, Bruce + Jones, Kim	1	\$60	Birdie on 3
Mercurio, Ronald + Smith, Ken	1	\$60	Birdie on 7
Trudeau, Michael + Vanpelt, Jeff	1	\$60	Birdie on 4
D Flight			
Players	Skins	Purse	Details
Bates, Patrick + Ford, Steve	1	\$100	Birdie on 17
Ostergaard, Chris + Salazar, Justin	1	\$100	Birdie on 9
Coan, Perry + Martin, Gary	1	\$100	Par on 1

Total Purse Allocated: \$1,190.00

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# Closest to the pin – (cash pots)

Team	Purse	Details
Ford, Lance + Iriart, J.p.	\$68	#14 14 ft 5 in
Clark, Thomas + Sullivan, Mike	\$68	#17 4 ft 10 in
Benc, Doug + Weber, Bart	\$68	#2 7 ft 2 in
Nolan, Tim + Rodriguez, Eduardo	\$68	#7 4 ft 2 in
	Ford, Lance + Iriart, J.p. Clark, Thomas + Sullivan, Mike Benc, Doug + Weber, Bart	Ford, Lance + Iriart, J.p. \$68 Clark, Thomas + Sullivan, Mike \$68 Benc, Doug + Weber, Bart \$68

Total Purse Allocated: \$272.00

B Flight	Team	Purse	Details
_	Johnson, Kelly + Moore, George	\$66	#14 11 ft 3 in
	Peniata, Oscar + Siakisini, Esela	\$66	#17 8 ft 2 in
	Dequit, Roseller + Sanchez, Nick	\$66	#2 2 ft 1 in
	Ford, Dane + Spangler, Mark	\$66	#7 31 ft 7 in

Total Purse Allocated: \$264.00

C Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Baker, Clarence + Baker, Robert	\$68	#14 4 ft 3 in
	Gilley, Jason + Gilley, Roger	\$68	#16 1 ft 2 in
	Oshiro, David + Tapia, Mike	\$68	#4 4 ft 3 in
	McArdle, Joseph + Vicario, Gil	\$68	#7 10 ft 2 in

Total Purse Allocated: \$272.00

D Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Ostergaard, Chris + Salazar, Justin	\$66	#14 14 ft 11 in
	Wallace, Fred + Walsh, James	\$66	#16 15 ft 11 in
	Cerda, Mario + Cheshire, Mike	\$66	#4 15 ft 7 in
	Anderson, Marc + Muleady, Shawn	\$66	#7 14 ft 6 in

Total Purse Allocated: \$264.00