



EL PRADO MEN'S GOLF CLUB

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Outgoing President's Message

Following the election, the new board met to assign positions, and you can see the results above. There are several shared positions, where we are either dividing the workload or transitioning board members to new positions. Two areas that we want to assure coverage in are our golf competitions and our financial practices. Wayne Nichols brings his financial background to our new bookkeeper position, which will help us with budgeting and reporting, and allow our Treasurer Scott Harlin to focus on day-to-day money handling. We're also training more people in GolfGenius, our system for competitions.



Leading the team is our new President, Danny Ortiz. Thank you all for your support over the years, and please extend the same support to Danny as he takes the reins.

Mark Rief, Outgoing President.

New President's Message

Hello everyone,

It is an honor to be the newly elected president of the El Prado Men's Club. I am truly grateful for the trust and confidence you have placed in me, and I look forward to working with each of you to continue fostering the camaraderie and success that this club represents.



Before I begin my journey in this role, I want to take a moment to acknowledge the outstanding service of our outgoing president, Mark Rief. For the past two years, Mark has led this club with unwavering dedication, vision, and passion. Under his leadership, we have seen remarkable progress, whether it be in our events, our community involvement, or the overall spirit that makes El Prado Men's Club so special.

Mark, your hard work and commitment have made a lasting impact, and we are all deeply grateful for your contributions. I know I have big shoes to fill, but I also know that with your example to follow, and the support of this wonderful group, we will continue to build on the foundation you have laid.

To all of you, I am excited about what lies ahead. Together, let's ensure that the El Prado Men's Club continues to thrive, bringing people together, and making a positive difference in our community.

Thank you once again for this incredible opportunity.

Danny Ortiz, President

UPCOMING DATES

November 12
Online Tournament Signups Close

November 16
Individual Low Net

December 17
Online Tournament Signups Close

December 21
4 Clubs Red Tees

SIGNUPS

Saturday Skins
(772) 408-2421
dbenc@ap.org

[Tuesday Skins](#)

Tournament News

Our first tournament of the season is in the books and again, EPMC proved to be competitive as ever. This year's October 2-Man Better Ball tournament had 50 teams competing in our usual 4 flights. Unfortunately, we report that a team incorrectly documented a closest to the pin nullifying one hole for all A-flight competitors. A friendly reminder (again), make sure you read the rule sheet for our events and pay attention to the Flight you are assigned. It's printed on your scorecard. If you have any questions, please ask.



The club paid out \$2,602 for our win, place, and show flight winners and \$1,988 for closest to pins and skins. The 50/50 winners were Bradley Skoglund, Dean Potts, and Dave Cox who split the \$315 pot. Congratulations to all the winners, and thanks to all that played.

Special note: For tournaments only, we are no longer paying with cash and checks. El Prado scrip will be credited for all tournament winnings: finishing order, skins, and closest to pins.

Our next EPMC tournament is the Individual Low Net November 16th. Be on the lookout for the usual Golf Genius tournament signup email. Sign up early to guarantee a spot. We will confirm the roster of players in email on Wednesday November 13th before the tournament, and release tee times and pairings Friday November 15th.

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 will get a Golf Genius automated signup confirmation email.

November tournament – AB Flights Chino Creek, CD Flights Butterfield.

Respectfully,

Gary Abbott, Golf Competitions

TOP 25 - 2024-2025

Rank	Name	Total
1	Lohman, Shay	140
1	Potts, Dean	140
3	Dyer, Joe	131
3	Lorenz, Dave	131
5	Bruder, Thomas	130
5	Irizarry, Mario	130
5	Ortiz, Danny	130
5	Siliceo, Miguel	130
9	Sutton, Theodore	112
9	Vicario, Gil	112
11	Anderson, Steve	110
11	Springer, Marc	110
13	Boucher, Norm	106
13	Ignacz, Ken	106
15	Agan, John	100
15	Grinder, John	100
15	Verne, Bryon	100
15	Verne, Sean	100
19	Cerda, Mario	98
19	Gonzalez, Paul	98
21	Collins, Nick	93
21	Dufour, Jerry	93
23	Cabezas, Cali	90
23	Nichols, Wayne	90
25	Bowers, Kevin	80
25	Ozols, Kriss	80
25	Willman, Jason	80
25	Willman, Steven	80



Skins and Competition

As we begin a new season, there are some notes that we thought we could broach with all members.



First and foremost, I want to thank all of you for the club atmosphere that all of you have created by participating in our weekly skins games and monthly tournaments. We have an amazing group of golfers that enjoy the combined enjoyment of a little friendly competition, along with the social aspect of a great club.

Going over a few notes this month, starting with competition.

1. Be aware of the flight you are playing in to ensure you play from the proper tees and write your name on the proper section of the closest card. We have had to DQ a few of the closest to the pin because someone wrote their name on the wrong flight. We don't like to do this.
2. You **MUST** write in the proper information on the closest card, or you will be disqualified from the closest. **NO** initials or nicknames
 - a. First name
 - b. Last name
 - c. Feet
 - d. Inches
3. Cards **MUST** have the following for all skins games, or they will be DQ'd
 - a. First names
 - b. Last names
 - c. Final score for each player (we use this to verify scores and find the source of incorrect scores)

We have adjusted the Saturday Skins flights to split the field more evenly. We are always looking to keep the flights split the best we can.

The new flights are as follows:

Flight	Index	Tees
A	6.6 and below	Blue Always
B	6.7 to 14.6	Blue on Butterfield White on Chino Creek
C	14.7 and above	White Always

PLEASE PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO YOUR FLIGHT/TEES*

We have also seen a few players that play with friends and are doing a "splitsy" game. Both enter the skins game and if either one wins any money, they will split the money. Doubling your chances to win a little bit.

But we want to be clear, this **IS NOT** allowed and would be considered a breach of our competitive rules.

Our skins games are individual competitions and should be always treated that way. I have witnessed times where golfers are getting a bit lax and sharing the club they hit, or sharing information on the break of the green and other minor information that is **NOT** allowed.

Our skins' games are meant to be social but competitive in nature. It is never fair to the field if information or winnings is being shared among competitors.

Please do your best to keep this from happening.

And lastly, I have one more note about our groups.

If you show up on the tee box and there are three carts, you must share with one golfer and take one back to the clubhouse, unless you paid double for a single cart. I have seen multiple times where there are three carts for four players.

When your round is over, please take the cart down to the cart barn and do not leave it up at the bar. The course is doing a great job of taking care of the club and we need to reciprocate.

Thanks all and we'll see you on the course!!

Doug Benc, Golf Competitions

Getaway – Save the Date



Mark your calendars now! 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

Derby News

We had 11 teams participate in our October Derby, the last of the year. The club contributed \$200 to the pot, which was over \$300 and the payouts were pretty sweet, considering the \$5 buy in. Thanks to everyone who came out to play.



We played Chino Creek this time, and many teams were very adventurous, seeing a lot of the course.



Shot of the day was Amaan Patel holing out from the greenside bunker on #3, assuring advancement to the 4th hole.



In the end, four teams made it to the par 5 5th hole. Thomas "Mac" Hallam and John Agan secured first place with a par and split \$155. After a chip-off from



the bunker, Amaan Patel and Matt Hoch took second place and split \$93. Tom Clark and Rafael Becerra came in third with \$62.

If you haven't had a chance to play in one of the derbies, you really should try and make it next spring. A \$5 entry fee gets you potentially 5 holes of golf with cart and a chance at a share of the pot. No teams are eliminated on the first hole and where else can you play golf, have fun and have a chance to win some money for \$5?

Derbies will start up again next year in March when daylight savings time returns. Remember – they are always the Tuesday after the monthly tournament.

Lance Ford, Social Chairman



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



Organizational Changes and Our Commitment to Quality

Dear El Prado Men's Club,

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for your ongoing support and patronage. Your club remains a priority for us, and as we navigate through some exciting changes, we want to ensure that your needs and concerns are always front and center.

We are excited to announce that Art Guevara has been promoted to Director of Golf Courses. Art is leading the effort to implement new developments, such as the recent transition to new carts, and he will continue to oversee improvements across all departments. While Art manages all golf-related operations, Ulysses Maldonado remains in charge of Food and Beverage. Together, they are working closely to ensure both areas align seamlessly, providing the best possible experience for all members and guests.

Richard Lizarraga, who many of you know from his years on the Men's Club board, is also playing a key role. As Cart Barn Manager and an experienced player, Richard is collaborating with Jaime Gonzales, our interim superintendent, to prioritize the course

improvements that matter most to you, particularly the greens and fairways. His unique understanding of both the club and course conditions makes him an invaluable part of the team, ensuring that your concerns are heard and addressed.

Our immediate focus is on making Chino Creek the best it can be. Once that's done, we'll shift our attention to Butterfield Stage, ensuring both courses continue to deliver the quality experience you expect.

We're excited to see the recent improvements taking shape, with the team working closely and more effectively than ever. With Art, Ulysses, Richard, and Jaime collaborating, we are confident these changes will provide lasting benefits for both the course and our members. This new company structure has brought a fresh focus on quality and innovation, and we look forward to sharing the results with you.

As always, I am available for any questions or feedback, and you're welcome to speak directly with Art, Ulysses, Richard, or Jaime as well. We are all here to ensure that El Prado remains a place you enjoy, and we look forward to continuing our partnership with the Men's Club.

Thank you for being our valued partner.

Warm regards,
Danielle Lizarraga
El Prado Golf Courses



Tournament Results – 2 Man Better Ball – October 19, 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>

2 Man Better Ball

A Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Dyer, Joe + Lorenz, Dave	-6	66	\$220
T2	Collins, Nick + Dufour, Jerry	-5	67	\$144
T2	Ferguson, Anthony + Poh, Colby	-5	67	\$144
T2	Ford, Dane + Ford, Lance	-5	67	\$144
B Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Anderson, Steve + Springer, Marc	-12	60	\$220
T2	Willman, Jason + Willman, Steven	-11	61	\$160
T2	Boucher, Norm + Ignacz, Ken	-11	61	\$160
4	Cerda, Mario + Gonzalez, Paul	-9	63	\$110
C Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Lohman, Shay + Potts, Dean	-12	60	\$220
T2	Bowers, Kevin + Ozols, Kriss	-8	64	\$160
T2	Verne, Bryon + Verne, Sean	-8	64	\$160
4	Alberto, Mel + Slavin, Troy	-7	65	\$110
D Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
T1	Agan, John + Grinder, John	-9	63	\$200
T1	Irizarry, Mario + Siliceo, Miguel	-9	63	\$200
3	Bruder, Thomas + Ortiz, Danny	-7	65	\$140
4	Dominguez, Philip + Jones, Kim	-6	66	\$110

Total Purse Allocated: \$2,602.00

Gross Skins

A Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Benc, Doug + Masanovich, Mark	1	\$42	Eagle on 12
Mouw, Billy + Mouw, Trea	1	\$42	Birdie on 10
Collins, Nick + Dufour, Jerry	1	\$42	Birdie on 13
Dyer, Joe + Lorenz, Dave	1	\$42	Birdie on 14
Earhart, Tom + Fitch, Chris	1	\$42	Eagle on 6
Clark, Thomas + Patel, Amaan	1	\$42	Birdie on 15
B Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Rincon, Julio + Williams, Bobby	1	\$52	Birdie on 16
Boucher, Norm + Ignacz, Ken	1	\$52	Birdie on 10
Davis, Bruce + Lindsay, David	1	\$52	Birdie on 13
Harlin, Jeff + Harlin, Scott	1	\$52	Birdie on 5
Sutton, Theodore + Vicario, Gil	1	\$52	Birdie on 7

C Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Cabezas, Cali + Nichols, Wayne	3	\$120	Birdie on 4, Birdie on 12, Birdie on 13
Barcnas, Cristhian + Williams, Anthony	1	\$40	Birdie on 6
Verne, Bryon + Verne, Sean	1	\$40	Par on 1
Rief, Brian + Rief, Mark	1	\$40	Birdie on 9

D Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Anderson, Chad + Anderson, David	2	\$120	Par on 4, Birdie on 17
Alderete, Ralph + Hoch, Matt	1	\$60	Birdie on 13
Bruder, Thomas + Ortiz, Danny	1	\$60	Birdie on 7

Total Purse Allocated: \$992.00

Closest to the pin

A Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Earhart, Tom + Fitch, Chris	\$86	#14 10 ft 8 in
	Benc, Doug + Masanovich, Mark	\$86	#2 7 ft 8 in
	Clark, Thomas + Patel, Amaan	\$86	#7 20 ft 8 in
Total Purse Allocated: \$258.00			

B Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Sutton, Theodore + Vicario, Gil	\$172	#7 4 ft 1 in, #14 16 ft 2 in
	Cerda, Mario + Gonzalez, Paul	\$86	#2 10 ft 8 in
Total Purse Allocated: \$258.00			

C Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Sterling, Rock + Verne, Eric	\$60	#14 4 ft 8 in
	Barcnas, Cristhian + Williams, Anthony	\$60	#16 9 ft 3 in
	Cabezas, Cali + Nichols, Wayne	\$60	#4 2 ft 8 in
	Lohman, Shay + Potts, Dean	\$60	#7 5 ft 6 oin
Total Purse Allocated: \$240.00			

D Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Siniscalchi, Nathan + Verne, Troy	\$60	#14 12 ft 5 in
	Clancy, Tom + DeVries, Christopher	\$60	#16 5 ft
	Irizarry, Mario + Siliceo, Miguel	\$60	#4 25 ft 1 in
	Bruder, Thomas + Ortiz, Danny	\$60	#7 5 ft 1 in
Total Purse Allocated: \$240.00			