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President's Message

Are We Having Fun Yet?

On the golf course, I see many of you just trying to have fun, and not caring a whole lot about how you shoot. I also see many of you grinding it out for a low score, or that birdie or closest. If you are serious about competition, can you still be having fun? I think so.

I find that I play better when I'm having fun. In a better ball tournament many years ago, I shot 56 on the front nine, and told my partner Eric Hagelberg "We're done, let's just have fun". I forgot about the score, consumed some aiming fluid, and had a blast slapping the ball around the back 9. That's when Eric said, "Do you know you shot 40 on the back?" Of course not! Had I known I would have choked, but I focused on fun, and somehow went low (for me) without trying. This is a lesson I try to remember, and was reminded of it in the last tournament, when I played with Brian Rief, Aaron Esparza, and Richard Lizarraga. Our teams placed first and third in our flight, and I'm convinced it's because we were relaxed and had so much fun. The score was a bonus.

There are several efforts happening right now to attract new and casual players to play more golf by making it more fun, especially for millennials.

- The USGA and R&A spent years developing rules revisions that will take effect next year. They • even promoted them during the recent US Open telecasts. Most of them are aimed at simplifying rules and removing penalties that are there just because they always have been. It has always been difficult to explain to a new golfer why they are penalized for something unintentional, or why things have to be done a certain way, even though it has no effect on the score. I'm one of those rules nerds who enjoy a good rules discussion, but to a new player, this is not fun.
- A local course just rolled out carts with built in speakers, Bluetooth, and music channels. • Although many players look forward to 5 hours of quiet in the great outdoors, and cringe at the thought of music on the course, there is a generation that needs to stay connected and entertained, or they won't play. Let's hope we can all get along, in the interest of growing the game.
- The El Prado Golf Courses run a Summer Golf League, with 9 holes of team match play every Wednesday evening. Unlike slow and deliberate SCGA Team Play, Kevin Knutson makes it clear to everyone in the league that the emphasis is on fun, finishing before dark, making friends, and grabbing a bite at the 19th hole. If you want to focus on serious play or crushing your opponents, find another league. Before you balk at the idea, remember that this league has grown every year and is now over 90 players.

According to Professor Norton of Harvard, research shows that reminiscing about an experience afterward achieves nearly the same level of happiness as the original event. I guess this explains the stories that are relived and exaggerated at the 19th hole. Let's hope they're happy tales!

Have fun! Mark Rief. President

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CALENDAR **OF EVENTS**

July 14 Tournament Signups Due

July 21 2-Man Invitational

August 11 Tournament Signups Due

August 18 2-Man, 4 Clubs Red Tees

INFORMATION

Saturday Skins Call 909-988-0012 Text (909) 260-1717 Signup by Wed 3 pm

Tournaments Call 909-984-8220

Tournament News

Two-Man Scramble

70 players signed up for the 2-man scramble tournament and we had one team scratch for a final count of 68 players. It was Deja-vu with close to the same teams winning this year as last. The good news was we spread the pots better with four flights. Congratulations to all the winners. The A group of Brian Dancses /Mike Cole taking first place honors with 62.5. With 59.5 Manny Valdez /John Thune won first in B flight, and with 58's Mark Rief/Brian Rief came in first in the C flight and Danny Ortiz/Gary Martin in the D flight.

Golf Axioms;

#19: It is surprisingly easy to hole a 50-foot putt when you already lie 10.

#21: Never leave your opponent with the sole responsibility for thinking of all the things that might go wrong with his shot – remind him.

Next month Tourney is the annual invitational on July 14th. This is a partner event with an 8-stroke differential, so invite your guests or another member and let's make it another great event.

Thanks again to Kevin for the outstanding work on the scoreboard. I was able to complete the audit very quickly this time because it is always a bit easier to add up team scores.

Please, sand your divots (and a couple extras), repair your pitch marks (and a couple extras), and rake the traps. This is your home course, show some spirit and for the field, show that you care.

Put your entry into the EPMC mailbox in the golf shop or email it to either our EPMC website or directly to me at

dcox181@hotmail.com Dave Cox - Tournament Director

Money List Top 25 - 2017-2018

	- 1-				
	Name	Skins	Close	Script	Total
1	Oshiro, David	198	163	573	934
2	Cole, Mike	210	64	505	779
3	Rief, Mark	251	67	373	691
4	Becerra, Rafael	116	178	360	654
5	Alva, Luis	162	135	315	612
6	Tharp, Richard	117	76	398	591
7	Dancses, Kirk	75	70	440	585
8	Dancses, Brian	172	57	345	574
9	Barreto, Martin	73	94	335	502
10	Yurgans, Donald	110	27	345	482
11	Street, Fred	88	33	360	481
12	Anderson, Marc	55	71	315	441
13	Saulet, Darrel	76	68	295	439
14	Sleeger, Tim	77	61	280	418
15	Tapia III, Mike	46	73	280	399
16	Agan, John	75	164	152	391
17	Young, Larry	20	62	280	362
18	Kaplan, Chris	155	55	150	360
19	Esparza, Aaron	110	72	170	352
20	Moore, George	118	145	75	338
21	Barrow, Boone	50	0	286	336
22	Braucht, Jeff	16	86	220	322
23	McLaren, David	106	59	155	320
24	Walsh, James M	90	109	108	307
25	Weber, Bart	53	107	145	305

Tournament Results – 2-Man Scramble

A Script	Flight	Chino Creek		B Script	Flight	Chino Creek	
1	62.5	Dancses, Brian	\$80	1	59.5	Thune, John	\$80
2	63	Cole, Mike Jara, Aaron	\$80 \$35	2	60	Valdez Jr, Manny Oshiro, David	\$80 \$50
2	63	Caliri, Adam Earhart, Tom	\$35 \$35	3	61.5	Tapia III, Mike Young, Larry	\$50 \$20
		Randall, David	\$35			Young, Troy	\$20
Closest	t			Closest			
#4	24' 1"	Jara, Aaron	\$18	#4	15' 4"	Polzel, Robert	\$18
		Caliri, Adam	\$18			Mercurio, Ronald G	\$18
#7	16' 2"	Jara, Aaron	\$18	#7	13' .5"	Bologna, Joe	\$18
		Caliri, Adam	\$18			Klepper, Steve	\$18
#14	8' 11"	Earhart, Tom	\$18	#14	9' 7"	Oshiro, David	\$18
		Randall, David	\$18			Tapia III, Mike	\$18
#16	9' 3.5"	Jara, Aaron	\$18	#16	7' .5"	Thune, John	\$18
		Caliri, Adam	\$18			Valdez Jr, Manny	\$18
Skins				Skins			
#10		Fitch, Chris	\$16	#3		Thune, John	\$20
		Anthony, Michael	\$16			Valdez Jr, Manny	\$20
#11		Mundy, Robert	\$16	#4		Clark, Thomas	\$20
		Anderson, David	\$16			Feinman, Michael	\$20
#13	Eagle	Weber, Bart	\$16	#10		Teneriello, Louie	\$20
	-	Tanner, Joe	\$16			Hederman, Joseph P	\$20
#14		Earhart, Tom	\$16	#13		Young, Larry	\$20
		Randall, David	\$16			Young, Troy	\$20
#18		Jara, Aaron	\$16				
		Caliri, Adam	\$16				
С	Flight	Butterfield Stag	ge	D	Flight	Butterfield Stage	
Script				Script			
1	58	Rief, Mark	\$80	1	58	Ortiz, Danny	\$85
-		Rief, Brian	\$80	-		Martin, Gary W	\$85
2	58.5	Becerra, Rafael	\$50	2	59.5	Street, Fred	\$55
		Alva, Luis	\$50			Wallace, Fred	\$55
3	59	Lizarraga, Richard	\$20	3	60	McLaren, David	\$30
0	00	Esparza, Aaron	\$20	0	00	McLaren, Don	\$30
3	59	Briggle, Thomas	\$20			Molarch, Don	ψυυ
0	00	Muscare, Michael	\$20				
Closes	t			Closest			
					11'		
#2	0' 9"	Becerra, Rafael Alva, Luis	\$20 \$20	#2	7.5"	Bruder, Thomas Barber, Darnell	\$27 \$27
#7	1' 11"	Anderson, Marc	\$20	#7	none	Lanser, Darrion	Ψ-1
		Rowan, Paul L	\$20				
#14	4' 4.5"	Briggle, Thomas	\$20	#14	8' 10"	McLaren, David	\$27
		Muscare, Michael	\$20			McLaren, Don	\$27
#17	3' 4"	Briggle, Thomas	\$20	#17	13' 11"	Koch, Stephen	\$27
		Muscare, Michael	\$20			Sherman, Lee	\$27

Skins			Skins		
#5	Lovell, Ron	\$11	#5	McLaren, David	\$90
	Kramer, John Lizarraga,	\$11		McLaren, Don	\$90
#8	Richard	\$11			
	Esparza, Aaron	\$11			
#9	Rief, Mark	\$11			
	Rief, Brian	\$11			
#11	Torres, Ramiro	\$11			
	Cabezas, Calixto	\$11			
12	Elliott, Steven	\$11			
	Nomura, Vino	\$11			
#14	Briggle, Thomas	\$11			
	Muscare, Michael	\$11			
#17	Briggle, Thomas	\$11			
	Muscare, Michael	\$11			
#18	Briggle, Thomas	\$11			
	Muscare, Michael	\$11			

Tournament Signup

2 Man - Invitational

Saturday July 21st, 2018 *Please Print!*

The tournament is \$70 per player.
This includes \$51 entry fee, optional
\$10 skins, optional \$9 closest to the
pin.

Member Name		
Member Name	Entry Forms due &	Email due: July 14th
GHIN #	Send email to:	dcox181@hotmail.com
Home phone		
Requests		

Make Checks payable to El Prado Men's Club

El Prado Men's Club 6555 Pine Ave Chino, CA 91710

Do Not Send Cash or Checks - Please pay at the sign in table.

Tournament Adjustments

Tom Clark (-1) _

- Larry Young (-1) _
- Kelly Johnson (-2) -
- Gary Roehrig (-1) -
- David Oshiro (-2) -
- John Kramer (-1) -
- Brian Dancses (-1) -