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Tournament signup deadline: Saturday February 7

President's Message – A Golf Poem

In My Hand I Hold A Ball, White and Dimpled, Rather Small. Oh, How Bland It Does Appear, This Harmless Looking Little Sphere. By Its Size I Could Not Guess, The Awesome Strength It Does Possess. But Since I Fell Beneath Its Spell, I've Wandered through the Fires of Hell. My Life Has Not Been Quite The Same, Since I Chose To Play This Stupid Game. It Rules My Mind For Hours On End, A Fortune It Has Made Me Spend. It Has Made Me Yell, Curse And Cry; I Hate Myself And Want To Die. It Promises A Thing Called Par, If I Can Hit It Straight And Far. To Master Such A Tiny Ball, Should Not Be Very Hard At All. But My Desires The Ball Refuses, And Does Exactly As It Chooses. It Hooks And Slices, Dribbles And Dies, And Even Disappears Before My Eyes. Often It Will Have A Whim, To Hit A Tree Or Take A Swim. With Miles Of Grass On Which To Land, It Finds A Tiny Patch Of Sand. Then Has Me Offering Up My Soul, If Only It Would Find The Hole. It's Made Me Whimper Like A Pup, And Swear That I Will Give It Up. And Take To Drink To Ease My Sorrow, But The Ball Knows.... I'll Be Back Tomorrow. Author Unknown

Fred Street President

Getaway News

This newsletter includes the entry form for the 2015 Getaway Classic. Due dates for entry fees are earlier this year since we moved the tournament up to the end of April.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 2015 rev 0

Feb 7 Tournament Signups Due

Feb 14 Individual Low Net - President's Cup Qualifier

Mar 7 Tournament Signups Due

Mar 14-15 Memorial - 2 Man – Pick your partner

INFORMATION Saturday Skins 909-988-0012 Entry deadline Wed 3 pm

Monthly Tournaments 909-984-8220

Golf Course e-club Elpradogolfcourses .com

Tournament News

It seems that we have a lot of players who like the 2 man better ball format. Maybe we should discuss having more of these type tournaments on our schedule. We had 102 players sign up and 2 players who didn't know they were signed up. Which leads me to my first caution: Each player or team must sign up with either a paper form delivered to the EPMC mail box or by sending an email directly to me or the EPMC website. Do not verbally sign up for other players or teams. I took two of these this time and one team did not show. I did accept the nice apology but I think in the future it is best if the players themselves sign up.

Congratulations to the winning teams; Parker/Wilson (61), Kaplan/Moore (60), Munroe/Romo (61) and Green/Klepper (61). Look! All the winning scores are very close! Now that's what competition is meant to be.

Second caution: In our tournament local rules, item B:10 states that you must enter your closest to the pin data in the proper column for your flight. That means both your name and the distance from the pin in the same column! This time we had three entries that were invalid and not scored. Two teams used both sides of the card by posting name in the C column and the distance in the D column and one team posted under the wrong flight column. Please mark these properly......I do not like to take anyone out.

We have altered the tournament schedule slightly and moved the May tournament back to the middle of the month where it belongs. The Laughlin get away is on May 1st, and 2nd. Our regular May tournament will now be on the 16th. This will give everyone time to recuperate from the away trip.

Our next tournament is the President's cup qualifier in February.

First of all, it is an individual low net tournament, with regular payouts, skins, and closests in 4 flights.

Secondly, this tournament determines the qualifiers and seeding for our annual match play event, the President's Cup. After the tournament, the top 16 in each flight qualify for this single elimination event, with weekly matches for several weeks. Our President's Cup Champion from last year, Kirk Dancses the #1 seed in his flight and will not have to qualify.

If you cannot participate in all the match play, you can still play the monthly tournament, so don't let that scare you off!

I would like to see another big field so we can have some great match play following the qualifier. For those of you who make it to the end of matches it can be quite rewarding. I already have four sign ups so let's keep 'em coming.

Dave Cox Tournament Director

Top 25 - 2014-2015

	Name	Skins	Close	Script	Total
1	Morrison, Ed	123	76	325	524
2	Martin, Gary W	60	39	210	309
3	Sherman, Lee	76	61	167	304
4	Earhart, Tom	149	99	50	298
5	Hove, Terry	35	166	95	296
6	Jones, Kim Edward	51	90	150	291
7	Parker, Matt	55	29	180	264
8	Younger Jr, Mike	101	52	110	263
9	Dancses, Kirk	146	0	115	261
10	Fekin, Melvin	0	39	210	249
10	La Bonte, Lawrence	25	29	195	249
12	Barrow, Boone	0	0	235	235
13	Valdez Jr, Manny	115	27	90	232
14	Green, Edwin L	0	40	190	230
15	Baker, Robert	58	74	80	212
16	Becerra, Rafael	43	43	125	211
17	McLaren, Don	33	29	145	207
17	Tejeda Jr, Jesus	90	27	90	207
19	Kaplan, Chris	0	101	100	201
20	Nomura, Adam	83	45	70	198
21	Johnson, Kelly	85	0	110	195
21	Wilson, Darrell L	26	29	140	195
23	McLaren, David	58	0	130	188
24	Devries, Dave	0	50	132	182
25	Dancses, Brian	26	0	150	176

2015 Tournament Schedule

Date	Description		
January 17	2 Man Better Ball		
February 14	President's Cup Qualifier – Low Net		
March 14-15	Memorial – Mixed Formats		
April 18	Individual Low Net		
May 1-2	El Prado Getaway Classic – Laughlin		
May 16	2 Man Modified Pinehurst		
June 13	2 Man Scramble		
July 11-12	Invitational – Mixed Formats		
August 15	2 Man 4 Clubs – Red Tees Better Ball		
Sept 12-13	Club Championship		
October 17	AB+CD 2 Best Balls		
November 14	Individual Low Net		
December 12	4 Clubs – Red Tees		

Tournament Results - 2 Man Better Ball – January 17, 2015

A Script	Flight	Butterfield Stage	
1	61	Parker, Matt	\$90
		Wilson, Darrell L	\$90
T2	63	Tharp, Richard	\$65
		Saulet, Darrel	\$65
T2	63	Randall, David W	\$65
		Reynolds, Randy	\$65
T2	63	Dancses, Brian	\$65
		Dancses, Kirk	\$65
Closes	t		
#5	10' 5"	Davis, Bruce C	\$29
		Cattell, Mark	\$29
#8	11' 0"	Thune II, John	\$29
		Hove, Terry	\$29
#11	5' 8.5"	Petta, Daniel	\$29
		Entrup, Gregory L	\$29
#16	5' 3.5"	Parker, Matt	\$29
		Wilson, Darrell L	\$29
Skins			
#10		Clark, Thomas K	\$26
		Anthony, Michael	\$26
#12		Dancses, Brian	\$26
		Dancses, Kirk	\$26
#14		Petta, Daniel	\$26
		Entrup, Gregory L	\$26
#17		Benc, Doug	\$26
		Baker, Curtis	\$26
#18		Parker, Matt	\$26
		Wilson, Darrell L	\$26

B Script	Flight	Butterfield Stage	
1	60	Kaplan, Chris	\$100
		Moore, George	\$100
2	63	Tejeda Jr, Jesus	\$90
		Valdez Jr, Manny	\$90
3	64	Springer, Jack	\$75
		Morrison, Ed	\$75
Closes			Ф О 7
#5	17' 7"	Sleeger, Tim	\$27 \$27
#8	7' 11"	Feeney, Tim	\$27 \$27
#0	1 11	Wilson, Michael Feinman, Michael	≉∠ر \$27
#11	4' 9"	Kaplan, Chris	\$27 \$27
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#16	1' 8.5"	Tejeda Jr, Jesus	\$27
		Valdez Jr, Manny	\$27
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Skins			
#3		Tejeda Jr, Jesus	\$30
		Valdez Jr, Manny	\$30
#8		Springer, Jack	\$30
		Morrison, Ed	\$30
#9		Tejeda Jr, Jesus	\$30
		Valdez Jr, Manny	\$30
#14		Tejeda Jr, Jesus	\$30
		Valdez Jr, Manny	\$30

Tournament Results - 2 Man Better Ball – January 17, 2015

C Script	Flight	Chino Creek		D Script	Flight	Chino Creek	
1	61	Munroe, Richard Romo, Richard	\$90 \$90	1	61	Green, Edwin L Klepper, Steve	\$90 \$90
2	62	Ahmed, Jerine Lagura, Noel	\$80 \$80	T2	63	Pope, Stephen Brown Sr, Jim	\$65 \$65
Т3	63	Lovett, Gary W Jones, Kim	\$40 \$40	T2	63	Wirtjes, Kenneth L Devries, Dave	\$65 \$65
Т3	63	McKee, Jerry Barrow, Boone	\$40 \$40 \$40	T2	63	McLaren, David McLaren, Don	\$65 \$65 \$65
Т3	63	Young, Troy Tapia III, Mike	\$40 \$40 \$40			McLaren, Don	φυυ
Closes	t			Closes	t		
#4	5' 11"	Young, Troy Tapia III, Mike	\$29 \$29	#4	-	None	
#7	14' 8.5"	Younger Jr, Mike Younger Sr, Mike	\$29 \$29	#7	15' .25"	Murphy, Douglas Fekin, Melvin	\$39 \$39
#14	10' 5.5"	Munroe, Richard	\$29	#14	25' 10"	Hoover, Bob	\$39
#16	8"	Romo, Richard Munroe, Richard Romo, Richard	\$29 \$29 \$29	#16	10' 8"	Martin, Gary W Cox, David Wallace, Fred	\$39 \$39 \$39
Skins				Skins			
#1		Young, Troy Tapia III, Mike	\$26 \$26	#2		Cabezas, Calixto Becerra, Rafael	\$43 \$43
#8		Munroe, Richard Romo, Richard	\$26 \$26	#11		Sherman, Lee Gibbons, Gerald J	\$43 \$43
#9		Younger Jr, Mike Younger Sr, Mike	\$26 \$26	#13		Agan, John Street, Fred	\$43 \$43
#11		Lovett, Gary W	\$26			Sileei, l'Ieu	Φ 43
#18		Jones, Kim Young, Troy Tapia III, Mike	\$26 \$26 \$26				

Golf Course News

On behalf of El Prado Golf Courses, I would like wish all of you a happy new year. We thank you for all your support and participation in 2014 and we wish you a year full of new memories, great stories and a whole lot of birdies.

I would like to start this year off by giving you an update on the golf course and the upcoming year.

As many of you already know, our former General Manger of 20 years, Bruce Janke, is no longer with us. In mid-December, he chose to step down. We thank Mr. Janke for his years of service to El Prado. His love for the game and the course will not be forgotten and we wish him much happiness in the new chapter of his life.

Moving forward, no general manager has been named yet. As of now, I (Kevin Knutson) will be the acting manager until any official decision has been made. I can assure you, my love for El Prado, my knowledge for the constant-changing industry and my 15 years of experience puts El Prado in good hands. Our talented staff and myself are extremely excited for the upcoming year.

Piggy-backing off of the topic of the upcoming year, I would like to clear up any rumors or uncertainties you may have about the state of golf or the state of El Prado.

State of Golf - It's no secret the game of golf has been effected with a slow decline the last decade.

Its decline can be contributed to a number of factors. The real result of the factors are simple – fewer golfers and fewer rounds per year. Combine fewer rounds with an increase in the cost of business in an industry in which golfers are bombarded with options – it definitely creates its challenges. BUT... we embrace those challenges and continue on because we will not let this game that we all love slip away.

State of El Prado – The game's decline has affected golf as a large and El Prado as a small. It has created challenges. Some challenges are clearly visible and some not so much. We feel very optimistic that we will overcome these challenges. It is our goal to improve the overall golf experience at El Prado in 2015. These improvements include everything from course conditions, to image, to inventory, and everything in between. El Prado isn't going anywhere. We are here to stay (36 holes) and we have some big things planned in 2015. We hope that you'll stick around to see them through.

My time and space in this newsletter is limited but my willingness to elaborate in person is not. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Again, we thank you for your support and participation. Have a great 2015!

Kevin Knutson Head Golf Professional | Director of Golf El Prado Golf Courses

Tournament Signup				
Presidents Cup Qual Saturday February 14, 2015 Please Print!	The tournament is \$70 per player. This includes \$51 entry fee, optional \$10 skins, optional \$9 closest to the pin.			
Member Name GHIN # Home phone Special Request:	<i>Entry Forms due: Email due:</i> Send email to:	Saturday February 7 Monday February 9 dcox181@hotmail.com		
Make Checks payable to <u>El Prado Men's Club</u> and send w DO NOT SEND CASH	El Prado Men's Club 6555 Pine Ave Chino, CA 91710			

Golf:

Thursday April 30- Skins game at Laughlin Ranch with a shotgun start at 12:00. Cost is \$80 which includes green fees, cart, net and gross skins (please pay in advance separately from the fee list on application).

Friday May 1 - Gross and Net Skins Game (two flights) with closest to pin at Mohave- Shotgun start at 8:00.

Saturday May 2- Tournament at Los Lagos paying approximately 30% of the field for low net with gross skins/closest– **2 or 3** flights depending on entries. Shotgun start at 8:00.

Socializing

- Awards Ceremony 6:00-7:30PM Saturday at the Aquarius Hotel & Casino with a full buffet dinner (fish, chicken, and beef) and a no host bar.
- Entertainment / camaraderie–must see to believe.

Lodging

Aquarius Hotel & Casino with a 3PM check in time.

Payment

- The prices on the entry form include everything required: hotel, golf, cart, range balls, prize money, and the socializing mentioned above.
- The entry form with money attached is requested by Mar 1 with final deadline Mar 22. Will not commit Men's Club money for people who have not paid (you are not in until I have your entry fee in hand).
- Guests are welcome and male guests are eligible to cash (provided they have an established handicap) in everything except the low net on Saturday. Subtract \$20 from price list on entry form for guest and call me for a price if female golfer playing.
- Our Pro Shop professionals are also welcome.

Prize Money

Other than rooms and golf, the major expense is the awards ceremony/ buffet —please check "no" on the entry form if you do not plan to attend because I have to pay in advance. No cost for significant other for Awards Ceremony but \$30 for each additional guest. There is a built-in discount for those who stay at the Aquarius to encourage socializing and fun. After room, golf, and awards ceremony costs, the remainder of the entry fee goes into prize money and allows for substantial payoffs in each flight and very sizeable skins pots. For the Thursday skins game, \$59 goes to green fees and \$10.50 into gross and \$10.50 into net skins pot.

Gary Roehrig (661) 878-1001 b2garyroehrig@gmail.com

Note: Room prices same if you bring significant other or room alone– no additional cost unless he/she wants to play golf. March 22 deadline-driven by payments required 30 days prior. **No fivesomes.** Now is the time to make plans for the 2015 Getaway Classic in Laughlin on Apr 30, May 1&2. Sign up as an individual or put your group together



El Prado

Getaway Classic

El Prado Getaway Classic Entry Form May 1-2, 2015 in Laughlin Golf Golfers/Room Room Cost Wed—Sat Fri/Sat One \$ 450 Wed---Sat Fri/Sat Two \$ 350 ea Thur/Fri/Sat Fri/Sat One \$415 Thur/Fri/Sat Fri/Sat Two \$ 330 ea Fri/Sat Fri/Sat One \$ 385 Fri/Sat Fri/Sat \$ 315 ea Two Fri/Sat Sat One \$ 285 Fri/Sat Sat Two \$ 220 None Fri/Sat \$ 250 None Sat \$ 165 \$ Check to El Prado Men's Club Play Thur., Apr 30 at Laughlin Ranch: \$80 check or cash to G. Roehrig Name _____ Address -----Citv----- Zip------Cell Phone _____ Home_____ E-mail Address ------Sharing room with: ____ Smoking Room □Yes □No Attending awards ceremony Yes No Bringing a guest to ceremony **D**Yes **D**No One quest no cost—additional: children, parents, etc \$30 each **Final Deadline: March 22** Gary Roehrig 517 Fairway Drive Palmdale, CA 93551

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