



EL PRADO MEN'S GOLF CLUB

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Tournament signup deadline: Saturday November 9. No more late signups!

President's Message

CONGRATULATIONS!

Boone Barrow 2012/2013 Player of the Year

WOW! What a great start to the new 2013/2014 EMPC season, we had 88 players in the 1st tournament of the year, with several new members and previous members who were gone for a year or more and rejoined: Brian Dancses and Kirk Dancses, Brian King, Randy Reynolds "Welcome back"! We also had two new members play in the tournament: Gordon Reel and Michael Muscare. Welcome to EPMC!

At the last board of directors meeting, the handicap committee with the approval of the board looked at several members' handicaps and past history as they related to their tournament scores. We adjusted two members' handicaps to fairly represent their potential in our tournaments. This was not done arbitrarily and no one was being picked on. It is the handicap committee's responsibility to maintain a fair and level playing field in our tournaments, and we will be looking at all members that play at a handicap higher than their potential in the future.

We have had issues with the sign-ups for our tournaments. The course needs to have enough time to sell tee times that we don't use. We have always allowed signups as late as the Monday or Tuesday before the tournament, but this has caused problems with the pairings and made it more difficult for the course to schedule weekend tournaments and public tee times. To eliminate this and to allow the course to have the opportunity to sell out the tee times, and to take the pressure off of the tournament director and his ability to do the pairings, we are changing the sign-up process. Effective with the November tournament the deadline for signing-up is the Saturday prior to the tournament, this applies to the entry form dropped at the Golf shop and E-Mails.

At the next board of directors meeting we will decide on the formats for next year's tournaments. We welcome any input from the membership.

Fred Street

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 1
El Prado Pro-AM
Contact Greg or Kevin to sign up

November 9
Tournament
Signups Due

November 16
Individual Low Net

December 14
4 Clubs – Red
Tees

INFORMATION

Saturday Skins

772-408-2421

Entry deadline

Wed 3 pm

Monthly

Tournaments

909-229-1141

Golf Course

e-club

Elpradogolfcourses.com

Tournament News

Seems we had another successful Tournament. We had a total of 88 players tee it up on Chino Creek for a fine day of 2 man Scramble. Congratulations to the winners in A flight a two way tie at 62 were the teams Rick Kerian/Richard Lizarraga and Brian Dancses/Kirk Dancses. Taking the B flight all alone in first at 58.5 was the team of Robert Johns/Tom Canfield. Way to go! Welcome to all our new members and returning members. Let's see you all out again next month at the Individual Low net.

I was asked to write some informational things instead of just repeating the winners so when I was auditing the scorecards I thought I would pass on some of the issues and observations I have from both auditing and check in table.

1. There were 4 math errors (none of which affected the Tournament outcome but you never know....☺)
2. 3 cards did not indicate the player required 6 tee balls. (one of those cards had a math error and came within ½ stroke of placing after the correction) It would have been a shame to DQ them for not indicating the tee balls.

Now for some tips on scoring:

1. Keep the Player/Team score on one line. The line designated with the players name.
2. Use the Team/Net line when designated.
3. Do Not keep other team/player scores on the same card unless designated. Please grab another card if you want to keep your own or the other team/player scores on the side.
4. Clearly mark drive count with an x, check mark, dot, player initial or other clearly annotated method. (one team marked x's on the front and then switched to initials on the back). It never hurts to go one more hole than the required 6 in case of controversy.

Check in table tips:

1. Don't check in before the table is open (usually 7 am).
2. Do check in before the table is designated to close (depends on the type of tournament).

3. Your handicap is usually going to be taken from the first of the month so if you have an issue please let me know but don't discuss it in detail at the check in. I will repair any discrepancies by the end of the day.

Most of you do a pretty good job with these things but a few of you need help! Notice I didn't ask you to be neat! I know asking for that would be like trying to poke hot butter up a wildcats asshole with an ice pick, but I considered it!

Dave Cox

Top 25 - 2013-2014

	Name	Skins	Close	Script	Total
1	Kerian, Richard J	70	0	110	180
1	Lizarraga, Richard	70	0	110	180
3	Cattell, Mark	35	47	90	172
3	Davis, Bruce C	35	47	90	172
5	Canfield, Tom	0	52	110	162
5	Johns, Robert	0	52	110	162
7	Hughes, Daniel	57	0	100	157
7	Reardon, Donald	57	0	100	157
9	Dancses, Brian	35	0	110	145
9	Dancses, Kirk	35	0	110	145
11	Milligan, Dean	35	0	75	110
11	Wilson, Darrell L	35	0	75	110
13	Hood, Brian	57	52	0	109
13	Kaplan, Chris	57	52	0	109
13	Moore, George	57	52	0	109
13	Muscare, Michael	57	52	0	109
17	Johnson, Kelly	0	0	84	84
17	Jones, John	0	0	84	84
17	McArdle, Joseph	0	0	84	84
17	Roehrig, Gary	0	0	84	84
21	Baker, Curtis	0	0	75	75
21	Benc, Doug	0	0	75	75
23	Brown Sr, Jim	0	0	64	64
23	Green, Edwin L	0	0	64	64
23	Maddox, Randy	0	0	64	64
23	Pope, Stephen	0	0	64	64

Tournament Results – 2 Man Scramble

A	Chino Creek		
Script			
1	62	Kerian, Richard J	110
1	62	Lizarraga, Richard	110
1	62	Dancses, Brian	110
1	62	Dancses, Kirk	110
3	62.5	Cattell, Mark	90
3	62.5	Davis, Bruce C	90
4	63	Wilson, Darrell L	75
4	63	Milligan, Dean	75
4	63	Benc, Doug	75
4	63	Baker, Curtis	75

Closest			
#4	7' 4.5"	Fitch, Chris	47
#4	7' 4.5"	Kovach, John	47
#7	12' 4"	Cattell, Mark	47
#7	12' 4"	Davis, Bruce C	47
#14	9' 0"	Thune II, John	47
#14	9' 0"	Love, Don	47
#16	9' 1"	Rocovitz, Mark	47
#16	9' 1"	Reel, Gordon	47

Skins			
#1		Barrow, Boone	35
#1		McKee, Jerry	35
#3		Kerian, Richard J	35
#3		Lizarraga, Richard	35
#7		Cattell, Mark	35
#7		Davis, Bruce C	35
#13		Dancses, Brian	35
#13		Dancses, Kirk	35
#17		Wilson, Darrell L	35
#17		Milligan, Dean	35
#18		Kerian, Richard J	35
#18		Lizarraga, Richard	35

B	Chino Creek		
Script			
1	58.5	Johns, Robert	110
1	58.5	Canfield, Tom	110
2	60	Hughes, Daniel	100
2	60	Reardon, Donald	100
3	60.5	McArdle, Joseph	84

3	60.5	Johnson, Kelly	84
3	60.5	Roehrig, Gary	84
3	60.5	Jones, John	84
5	62	Maddox, Randy	64
5	62	Green, Edwin L	64
5	62	Pope, Stephen	64
5	62	Brown Sr, Jim	64

Closest

#4	8' 4"	Hood, Brian	52
#4	8' 4"	Muscare, Michael	52
#7	18' 8"	Murphy, Douglas	52
#7	18' 8"	Fekin, Melvin	52
#14	12' 9"	Johns, Robert	52
#14	12' 9"	Canfield, Tom	52
#16	7' 1"	Moore, George	52
#16	7' 1"	Kaplan, Chris	52

Skins

#2		Moore, George	57
#2		Kaplan, Chris	57
#5		Sherman, Lee	57
#5		Gibbons, Gerald J	57
#12		Hood, Brian	57
#12		Muscare, Michael	57
#18		Hughes, Daniel	57
#18		Reardon, Donald	57

Membership News

This is the start of our membership year and it's important to each of us that we recruit new members and retain existing ones. More members mean larger numbers in tournaments as well as Tuesday and Saturday skins games. This means not just bigger pots but more competition and camaraderie all around. Remember the days when we had 60 to 70 in the Saturday skins and 50 on a Tuesday?

Word of mouth is still the best advertisement. Put a couple of membership forms in your bag and don't hesitate to try and sell the club that you find so worthwhile. Here are a couple of selling points. New members receive a free round of golf for a Tuesday or Saturday skins game. Tuesday comes with a cart, Saturday's does not. Additionally, new members get a \$25 gift card to be used for anything of their choice at the course. That's a \$62 value—nearly half of the membership fee of \$135. Don't forget to sell the fact that we have two great skins games and a monthly tournament with one of the best payouts in the county. Lastly, the best thing about our club is its members—our best selling point.

John Kramer

Social News

Congratulations to the three winners in the 50/50 drawing that took place before the October, Two-Man Scramble Tournament. Dan Hughes, Darnell Barber and Tom Canfield each won money before having to hit a shot!

We have quite a few new members that have joined the in the last few weeks, to go along with a few previous members that have come back to us.

Please say hello and welcome any new members you might run across while participating in a Men's Club event.

The last derby of 2013 featured one of the best turnouts of the year and featured eight teams vying for prize money and gift cards for free rounds of golf, compliments of Bruce and Kevin and the El Prado Golf Course!

Doug Benc and Steve Elliot came out victorious after a chip off out of the bunker on the 5th hole over Dave Cox and Joe Hederman. Rounding out the top finishers was Dan Hughes and Bill Jones in third place. Congrats to all those that participated.

All teams enjoyed the evening after the derby, as we sat down in the bar and had free pizza and some very good hot wings supplied by El Prado.

Thanks so much to Bruce, Kevin, Greg and the entire El Prado staff for making this happen and supplying the winners with a surprise of the free rounds of golf after the derby!!

Doug Benc



Golf Course News

Yelp Us Out

Online Course Reviews

By: Kevin Knutson, Director of Golf

"Why" is sometimes the favorite word for youngsters growing up. "Why" they would ask about almost anything. Sometimes dad would have the answer and sometimes he wouldn't. Mom would say, "Yeah dad, why? Tell him why." Back then there was that sense of uncertainty. If you didn't know something you really had to work to figure it out.

We are now in an age where that sense of uncertainty is becoming less and less. If we do not have an answer to one of our daily life struggles, we simply reach in our pocket and with the touch of a finger we now have the answer. Common sense and hard work seems to become less and less apparent as technology progresses. Do you agree?

How many of you go online and look up reviews for new restaurants, new hotels or new golf courses? I think at some point we all have. This new technology allows all of us to have a bit more certainty in life's uncertain moments by simply clicking a button.

Sounds great right? No, not exactly.

Facts show that more people are likely to write a review with a complaint rather than a compliment. If they don't get the service they were looking for they are more prone to write about it than if they received good service. This creates review websites full of information that might be truthful, but a bit skewed due to the fact that they might just be hearing one side. Let's change this.

We challenge you to make a review for El Prado Golf Courses. Go to either yelp.com or greenskeeper.org and write an honest note of your experience at El Prado. Obviously, we would like you to write good things but don't hold back. Be honest and let others know what they can expect when they visit El Prado in the near future.

Tournament Signup Form

Individual Low Net

Saturday November 16, 2013

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: _____

Entry Forms are due in the EPMC mailbox or

*Email by: **Saturday November 9***

Send email to: **dcox181@hotmail.com**

Make Checks payable to El Prado Men's Club .El Prado Men's Club

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

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