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President's Message

Doug Benc Communications

After the last tournament, I heard from some members about low skins payouts in the A-flight. Since tournaments are much smaller than they were a few years ago, they are concerned that the payouts are not enough to attract more members. Skins math is pretty simple - \$10 per player goes in to the pot, so with 13 A players the pot was \$130. The skins were diluted because there were nine! Had there been only one, it would have paid \$130, but with smaller flights the odds are that there will be more skins. To increase the payouts, we can either increase the buy in or the number of players. We could increase the buy in from \$10 to \$15 or \$20, but increasing the tournament fee is never popular. The best solution is to increase the total tournament participation, but we know that's not easy. The only other way to increase the players in each skins pot is to reduce the number of flights. The downside to this is that the handicap spread becomes larger, so lower handicap players gain an advantage, with 12 handicappers going head to head with scratch players for gross skins (and closets'). For example, if we had done this in November, instead of 9 \$15 skins in A and 5 \$28 skins in B, we would have had 6 \$45 skins in a combined flight, with 5 of those from the former A flight. So, what's the best approach - Increase the buy in or increase the flight size? Or leave it alone and hope for fewer skins? Please let me know.

When I hear about course conditions, some members embrace the challenge of a poor lie, but others are somewhat spoiled. If you hit the ball in the rough, it should be penal, so I don't hear much about that. But when you pound a drive down the fairway, some golfers think they deserve a good lie, and are not happy to find their ball on a bare spot or in a divot. We know some members and former members will play elsewhere looking for better conditions. In order to attract or retain these members, the board is considering playing the ball up in the fairway only. The seniors club has adopted this, so we are going to try it in a couple skins games to see how it goes. Are the conditions good enough now that this is not an issue? Or should we play the ball up? Please let the board know what you think of this.

If you want to experience a PGA golf tournament at Riviera, consider volunteering for the Genesis Open in February. I have been doing Shotlink for many years, and I am always looking for a carpool buddy. If you are interested, talk to me, or check out http://genesisopen.com/volunteer

I am expecting a lot of holiday spirit at the December tournament. First of all, the Ed Malone 4 club red tee tournament is one of our most fun events, so choose your clubs wisely and have a good time. Once again, we are working with the Rancho Del Chino Rotary club to provide for local families by collecting new unwrapped toys or cash during check in. This group does an outstanding job of distributing food and gifts to families in the local community, and we are happy to help them out again this year. After the tournament, several of us will be raising a glass to toast Bob Liese, who passed away two years ago. Bob's widow Val will be here, so feel free to share your memories of Bob. I hope you all enjoyed a great Thanksgiving with friends and family, and wish you all a very Merry Christmas. Mark Rief. President

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 9 Tournament Signups Due

December 16 4 Clubs Red Tees

December 31 Tournament Signups Due

January 7 Two-Man Better Ball/Aggragate

INFORMATION

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

Tournaments Call 909-984-8220

Tournament News

Individual Low Net

November 2017 – Individual Low Net Tournament We ended up with 57 players in the Individual Low Net format. This is about normal for our turnouts lately. I would sure like to see more of our members play in the events. I'm sure all of you have figured out that we moved most of the 2017 tournaments to one day events. The only multi-day events this last year were the Laughlin getaway and the Club Championship. We are trying hard to give you what you want but it would be nice if we had more participation. Congratulations to the winners and you can check out the results column to see how well you did.

It would be a big help if you sign up on time: (Officially, this is one week prior to the Tourney)

First of all, it is easier to fulfill your requests. Secondly, there is a lot more that goes in to running a tournament than some of you realize. We reserve off a number of tee times and when we don't use them we have to give them back to the course. **They are running a business!** We have to be a good partner and respect this. We are doing the best we can but we need your help.

It would be a big help if you sign in on time:

The sign in table is open from 7 to 8 am. No matter what tee time you get please sign in no later than 8 am. We have to get you all in and out, close out the table, count, and pay for your golf. We need your cooperation to get this done in a reasonable manner.

I am happy to say that most of you are doing just great and we appreciate it. It only takes a couple of players to make this an issue. Please don't be the one.

Next month we host a 4-club red tee event. This is a popular event and we usually have a big turnout, so sign up as early as possible. I am attaching the 2018 Tournament Schedule for your information. Dave Cox—Tournament Director

Top 25 - 2017-2018

	Name	Skins	Close	Script	Total
1	Oshiro, David	74	32	125	231
2	Street, Fred	0	33	175	208
3	Anderson, Marc	22	33	140	195
4	Maddox, Randy	90	33	70	193
5	Barrow, Boone	0	0	190	190
6	Barreto, Martin	22	0	155	177
7	Rief, Mark	68	33	70	171
8	Tapia III, Mike	46	32	75	153
9	Randall, David W	15	30	80	125
10	Gienger, Jerry	46	0	70	116
10	Rief, Brian	46	0	70	116
12	Kaplan, Chris	79	32	0	111
13	Anderson, Nolan	0	30	80	110
13	Clark, Thomas K	38	32	40	110
13	Pacheco, John	45	65	0	110
16	Becerra, Rafael	rra, Rafael 22 0		85	107
17	Cole, Mike	15	32	55	102
18	Sleeger, Tim	0	0	100	100
19	Patterson, Ronald R	38	60	0	98
20	Saulet, Darrel	0	30	65	95
21	Alva, Luis	45	0	45	90
22	Dancses, Kirk	0	32	55	87
23	Moore, George	51	32	0	83
24	Mercurio, Ronald G	22	0	55	77
24	Walsh, James M	44	33	0	77
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Tournament Results – Individual Low Net - Nov. 18, 2017

С	Flight	Chino Creek		D	Flight	Chino Creek	
Script				Script			
1	66	Barrow, Boone	\$105	1	64	Street, Fred	\$105
2	68	Becerra, Rafael	\$85	2	66	Barreto Jr, Martin	\$85
3	69	Mercurio, Ronald G	\$55	3	67	Yurgans, Donald	\$65
3	69	Anderson, Marc	\$55	4	74	Alva, Luis	\$45
Closest				Closest			
#4	9' 10"	Kramer, John	\$33	#4	21'	Street, Fred	\$33
#7	9' 3"	Rief, Mark	\$33	#7	4' 5"	Pacheco, John	\$33
#14	5' 2"	Fanning, James	\$33	#14	33' 7"	Maddox, Randy	\$33
#16	11' 4"	Anderson, Marc	\$33	#16	16' 6"	Walsh, James M	\$33
Skins				Skins			
5		Rief, Mark	\$22	#1	par	Barreto Jr, Martin	\$22
7		Mercurio, Ronald G	\$22	#4		Walsh, James M	\$22
8	par	Becerra, Rafael	\$22	#5		Maddox, Randy	\$22
12		Peniata, Oscar	\$22	#7		Pacheco, John	\$22
14		Fanning, James	\$22	#12	par	Walsh, James M	\$22
16		Anderson, Marc	\$22	#14		Maddox, Randy	\$22
18	par	Valdez Jr, Manny	\$22	#17		Alva, Luis	\$22
Α	Flight	Butterfield Stage		В	Flight	Butterfield Stage	
Script				Script			
1	64	Wilson, Darrell	\$100	1	68	Sleeger, Tim	\$100
2	71	Randall, David	\$80	2	71	Anderson, Nolan	\$80
3	72	Benc, Doug	\$40	3	72	Oshiro, David	\$50
3	72	Clark, Thomas	\$40	3	72	Young, Larry	\$50
Closest				Closest			
#5	23' 5"	Randall, David	\$30	#5	3' .5"	Briggle, Thomas	\$30
#8	8' 6"	Patterson, Ronald R	\$30	#8	14' 9"	Anderson, Nolan	\$30
#11	2' 1"	Wilson, Darrell	\$30	#8	14' 9"	Moore, Gary	\$30
#16	41' 0"	Patterson, Ronald R	\$30	#11	17' 5"	Saulet, Darrel	\$30
				#16	38' 4"	Young, Larry	\$30
Skins				Skins			
#2		Tharp, Richard	\$15	#2		Kaplan, Chris	\$28
#3		Cole, Mike	\$15	#3		Moore, George	\$28
#8		Patterson, Ronald R	\$15	#5		Briggle, Thomas	\$28
#9		Waasdorp, Pete	\$15	#8		Kaplan, Chris	\$28
#11		Wilson, Darrell	\$15	#17		Oshiro, David	\$28
#13		Clark, Thomas	\$15				
#14		Benc, Doug	\$15				
#15	Eagle	Wilson, Darrell	\$15				
17		Randall, David	\$15				

Tournament Signup

The tournament is \$70 per 4 Club – Red Tees player. This includes \$51 entry Saturday December 16, 2017 fee, optional \$10 skins, optional \$9 closest to the pin. Member Name ______ GHIN # _____ Entry Forms are due in the EPMC mailbox or Email by: Saturday December 9th Home phone ____ Send email to: dcox181@hotmail.com Special Request: Make Checks payable to El Prado Men's Club 6555 Pine Ave Do Not Send Cash or Checks - Please pay at the sign in table Chino, CA 91710