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President's Message

Another tournament year is almost over, and that means...

It's election time for the board of directors. We have a great group now, but we are always looking for fresh skills and ideas. We are also proposing the expansion of the board from 7 to 9 members, providing more opportunities. If you are interested in serving your club as a board member, [email me](#) by September 2, and your name will be on the ballot if you're eligible.



The club championship is here! Once again we are including lunch both days, so stick around! There are many competitions happening at once, so pay attention:

- The four net flights will compete Saturday and Sunday, September 8-9. This determines the Four **Net Flight Champions**. One or two of these flight winners will be eligible to represent us in the [SCGA Tournaments of Club Champions – Net Division](#).
- Our **Club Champion** contest starts on Friday, with three rounds of gross scores leading to the title. Club Champion candidates are competing both in their flights AND the low gross club championship. If you want to compete for club champion, you need to register separately for the extra round on Friday, and play blue tees all three days. If eligible, our winner will represent us in the [SCGA Tournament of Club Champions – Men's Championship Division](#).
- We also offer the opportunity for a low gross senior to represent us in the [SCGA Tournament of Club Champions – Senior Men's Championship Division](#). To qualify for this, you must be 55+ and have an index of 9.4 or less. If you want to compete for this, you also need to register separately for the extra round on Friday and play blue tees all three days.

It's time for our end of the year gathering. After the Sunday round of the Club Championship, grab your lunch (included) and hang around until everyone finishes. The afternoon will include our annual business meeting, announcement of election results, recognition of our club championship winners, big news about the 2024 Getaway, and of course our infamous prize-packed raffle. We should have close to \$2,000 worth of prizes to give away, and if you want to help out with donating a raffle prize, please contact Scott or Doug.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at your best for this busy September in front of us.

Mark Rief, President.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug 25
Online Tournament Signups Open

Sep 5
Online Tournament Signups Close

Sep 8-10
Club Championship Gross, Senior Gross

Sep 9-10
Club Championship Net Flights

Sep 12
Derby!

SIGNUPS

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

[Tuesday Skins](#)

Tournament News

The August 2023 Pinehurst tournament had 98 golfers/49 teams. This month our number of players was lower than the usual turnouts and hopefully not because of the format, which is always fun and different. Our total purse was \$4094, paid out to 70 players. Our 50/50 drawing winners were: Joe Hederman, Marc Springer, and Justin Hall - each receiving \$105 in pot money. Congratulations to the winners, and thanks to all for making another memorable event.

Next month is the Club Championship! Please read carefully, September 8th through the 10th is for those members wishing to compete in the Low Gross and Senior Low Gross, and September 9th and 10th will be our Net Flights competition. In addition to our tournament, 2-4 players may be eligible to represent us in some of the [SCGA Tournaments of Club Champions \(TOCC\)](#) this fall. (See President's message)

Net Flights – 4 flights playing Saturday and Sunday only. The flight winner with the lowest net score may play in the Net TOCC.

Club Champion – Low gross score playing Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; blue tees only. May play in the Champ TOCC if index is 5.4 or less, otherwise may play in the Net TOCC.

Senior Club Champion – Low gross score playing Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; blue tees only; age 55 & above, index 9.4 or less. May play in the Senior TOCC.

To be eligible for our Club Championship, you must be an active member as of June 30th, played in 3 tournaments and/or 9 skins games, or be a former club champion from the last 5 years.

The entry fee is \$170, which includes Saturday and Sunday golf, lunch, skins and closest to pins. Those playing Friday in the gross divisions will pay for that separately.

After golf on Sunday, we will have our annual meeting, including a raffle with thousands of dollars' worth of merchandise. Don't forget, all the 50/50 tickets for the year that were sold before tournaments will be in the barrel, so you still have a chance to win! We will also sell extra

raffle tickets that day to increase your chances of winning. Even if you don't play in the tournament, please come out for the meeting and raffle!

Club Championship signups will be opening soon so look for the usual Golf Genius tournament signup email and signup early to guarantee a spot. Everyone playing needs to sign up online for Saturday and Sunday. If you are competing in the gross Club Championship or senior low gross, you will also need to sign up with Doug to play on Friday. We will confirm the roster of players in email on Wednesday before the tournament, and release tee times and pairings Thursday September 8th for those playing Friday (Low Gross competitors), and release pairings and tee times Friday September 9th for all Net Flight competitors. After 1st rounds are completed, pairings and tee times will be adjusted for final round of play.

When Signups open, please follow these steps to register:

Step 1: You will need to navigate through the signup confirmation buttons by checking **Playing** or **Not Playing**.

Step 2: If you choose - you can also **SEND message to the manager** with any special request. Please note that pairings for the final round of play will be determined by the tournament committee.

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 should get a Golf Genius automated signup confirmation email.

Good luck to all in our final event of the year!

Gary Abbott, Tournament/Skins

Doug Benc, Tournament/Skins

TOP 25 - 2022-2023

Rank	Name	Total
1	Fanning, James	1084
2	Hederman, Joseph	874
3	Dancses, Brian	778
4	Dancses, Kirk	768
5	Martin, Gary	755
6	Alva, Luis	659
7	Tapia, Mike	655
8	Hughes, Daniel	632
9	Clark, Thomas	609
10	Lovell, Ron	607
11	Cole, Mike	584
12	Ferguson, Lyle	572
13	Barrow, Boone	567
14	Becerra, Rafael	566
15	Deshay, Stan	564
16	Armijo, Albert J.	552
17	Briggle, Thomas	551
18	Moore, George	543
19	Lorenz, Dave	534
20	Ortiz, Danny	520
21	Patterson, Ronald	512
22	Barber, Darnell	498
23	Edmondson, Richard	495
24	Verne, Sean	484
25	Anzora, Nelson	463

El Prado on TV



If you're a fan of Chino Hills native Sahith Theegala, be sure to watch the latest episode of the PGA Tour production *The Life: Theegala*. You will recognize the scenes shot at El Prado, as well as our own PGA teaching pro Rick Hunter. The episode first aired August 20, so watch for a re-run or [watch it on YouTube](#).

Pro's Corner

El Prado members, it looks like the end of summer is upon us, so we wanted to create some fall programs that might make you want to join us to experience.



The first will be a Saturday, short game clinic and this will take place in our designated short game area. We will be working on pitch shots from 100 yards and in along with critical short game techniques that include putting and chipping. Our goal is to combine this with a Callaway wedge fitting so the date will be determined on when we can get a fitting cart available. We will post the date in the pro shop, or you can email me for further details. (art@elpradogolfcourses.com)

For those that entered the FAMBAM tournament, we had to postpone that event due to typhoon Hillary creating some trouble for us. We had a record 48 players entered and would like to reschedule this event for September 24. This event has been very popular since the format is a two-person scramble, you and your partner must have some sort of relationship to enter. Lastly, the best part is that we do a Santa Maria Tri-tip barbecue for all participants. All profits from this event go to the El Prado Junior Golf Academy. Please help me to thank Jim Brown who donated the Tri-tips for this event and to our staff assistant Jim Jack for doing the cooking. Please email me your entry as soon as possible.

For those members that have spouses that play, our Ladies club is looking to get new members to join them on Thursday mornings. The ladies play at 7:30 am during the summer months and at 8:30 am during the winter months. Please email Donna at dm4golf@verizon.net if interested.

Lastly, I have always advocated that members get the best deals on golf items that they would like to get. If anyone is interested in golf clubs, bags, travel covers or accessories, please give us a chance to get this for you. Hopefully, everyone knows that your club tournament winnings that are in script can be used in all departments including special orders.

Thanks again to everyone for supporting El Prado Golf Club this past summer, we appreciate all of you.

Art Guevara, PGA
Head Golf Professional/Tournament Director

Derby News

We had our 5th derby of the year on August 18, the Tuesday after the tournament. 22 players shared in the fun, including several first timers.

With Tom Clark playing the second round of the SCGA Super Senior Championship in Solvang, we were assured that somebody else would win this month!



This month we played Chino Creek holes 1-2-6-7-8, but some teams still managed to land their opening drives closer to Butterfield #1. It's a good thing we don't eliminate any teams on the first hole!



First place and \$105 went to Tim Sleeper and Brian Robertson. Second with \$65 were Nick Sanchez and Lance Ford. Ted Mercado and Rafael Becerra were third with \$40.



For new members, this is a 5 hole horse race in the afternoon on the Tuesday after the monthly tournament. It is alternate shot with a blind draw partner, focused on fun. It's a great opportunity to play with somebody new, from places you may have never played from.

We play the holes as a group, so if you've never seen 20 carts on the fairway at the same time, you won't want to miss it. And when we reach the green, we putt out closest to farthest. The highest scores on each hole earn the team an early exit, with ties broken by a chip-off. It's only a \$5 buy in, and the club sweetens the pot with an extra \$100.

Special thanks go out to Kevin, Art, and the golf course for sponsoring the carts and golf for this fun event!

Scott Harlin, Social Chairman

Tournament Results – Pinehurst – August 12, 2023

Complete results are always available at <https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc>
All payouts listed are PER TEAM and will be split.

Pinehurst (Scrip)

A Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Dancses, Kirk + Mouw, Billy	-10.5	61.5	\$180
2	Cole, Mike + Dancses, Brian	-6	66	\$150
3	Clark, Thomas + Sleeper, Tim	-4.5	67.5	\$120
4	Johnson, Kelly + Moore, George	-4	68	\$90
B Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Oshiro, David + Tapia, Mike	-13	59	\$180
2	Boucher, Norm + Ignacz, Ken	-5	67	\$150
3	Cerda, Mario + Harlin, Scott	-4.5	67.5	\$120
4	Springer, Marc + Verne, Eric	-3.5	68.5	\$90

C Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Skoglund, Bradley + Verne, Sean	-5	67	\$180
2	Moir, James + Moir, Justin	-3	69	\$150
3	Garispe, Mike + Green, Scott	-2	70	\$120
T4	Barber, Don + Fanning, James	-1.5	70.5	\$45
T4	Apao, Edward + Mejia, Carlos	-1.5	70.5	\$45

D Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Armijo, Albert J + Grinder, John	-4	68	\$180
2	Edmondson, Richard + Renteria, Lawrence	-3	69	\$150
3	Bretado, Henry + Ruiz, Manuel	-1.5	70.5	\$120
4	Baker, Robert + Kramer, John	-0.5	71.5	\$90

Total Purse Allocated: \$2,160.00

Gross Skins – (cash pots)

A Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Jones, Adam + Jones, Brad	2	\$74	Birdie on 15, Birdie on 17
Dancses, Kirk + Mouw, Billy	2	\$74	Birdie on 2, Eagle on 9
Dyer, Joe + Lorenz, Dave	1	\$36	Birdie on 8
Clark, Thomas + Sleeper, Tim	1	\$36	Birdie on 18
Ford, Lance + Iriart, J.P.	1	\$36	Birdie on 3
B Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Oshiro, David + Tapia, Mike	3	\$70	Birdie on 8, Birdie on 12, Birdie on 17
Barber, Darnell + Prisock, Aaron	2	\$46	Birdie on 10, Birdie on 11
Rincon, Joshua + Rincon, Julio	1	\$22	Birdie on 6
Alva, Luis + Becerra, Rafael	1	\$22	Birdie on 1
Hederman, Joseph + Teneriello, Louie	1	\$22	Birdie on 7
Mercado, Ted + Sanchez, Nick	1	\$22	Birdie on 18
Ford, Dane + Ford, John	1	\$22	Birdie on 9
Rief, Brian + Rief, Mark	1	\$22	Birdie on 15
C Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Barber, Don + Fanning, James	2	\$68	Birdie on 4, Birdie on 14
Martinez, Mario + Martinez, Robert	2	\$68	Birdie on 11, Birdie on 13
Apao, Edward + Mejia, Carlos	1	\$34	Birdie on 16
Barrow, Boone + Lovell, Ron	1	\$34	Birdie on 7
Rivera, Albert + Torres, Ramiro	1	\$34	Birdie on 12
D Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Jensen, Paul + Lolmaugh, Chad	2	\$72	Par on 7, Par on 12
Dominguez, Philip + Jones, Kim	1	\$36	Birdie on 17
Edmondson, Richard + Renteria, Lawrence	1	\$36	Par on 18
Nomura, Jonathan + Nomura, Vino	1	\$36	Par on 2
Cox, David + Walsh, James	1	\$36	Par on 3

Total Purse Allocated: \$958.00

Closest to the pin – (cash pots)

A Flight	Team	Purse	Details
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Cole, Mike + Dancses, Brian	\$128	#14 13'2", #17 9'
Dancses, Kirk + Mouw, Billy	\$128	#2 4'3", #7 10'7"

Total Purse Allocated: \$256.00

B Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Springer, Marc + Verne, Eric	\$64	#14 5'3"
	Oshiro, David + Tapia, Mike	\$64	#17 3'2"
	Ford, Dane + Ford, John	\$64	#2 4'6"
	Hederman, Joseph + Teneriello, Louie	\$64	#7 8'11"

Total Purse Allocated: \$256.00

C Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Garispe, Mike + Green, Scott	\$60	#14 8'
	Bruder, Thomas + Ortiz, Danny	\$60	#16 14'6"
	Rivera, Albert + Torres, Ramiro	\$60	#4 3'6"
	Apao, Edward + Mejia, Carlos	\$60	#7 3'10"

Total Purse Allocated: \$240.00

D Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Dominguez, Philip + Jones, Kim	\$56	#14 16'2"
	Cox, David + Walsh, James	\$56	#16 19'6"
	Edmondson, Richard + Renteria, Lawrence	\$56	#4 13'5"
	Jensen, Paul + Lolmaugh, Chad	\$56	#7 21'4"

Total Purse Allocated: \$224.00