



EL PRADO

men's GOLF CLUB

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President's Message

Happy Holidays, EPMC Members!

As 2025 comes to a close, I'm proud of the camaraderie, participation, and great events we've shared this year. From weekly Skins Games to our monthly tournaments, your enthusiasm and sportsmanship have made this one of our most memorable seasons yet.

Looking forward, may 2026 bring health, happiness, and success to each of you. Best of luck to all who continue to join us in our weekly games and tournaments — I know we'll create even more unforgettable moments together.

Thank you for being part of what makes EPMC so special. Here's to another year of great golf, great events, and lasting friendships!

Warm regards, Danny Ortiz President, El Prado Men's Club

Club Motto for 2026 *"EPMC — Where great golf, great events, and lasting friendships thrive all year long."*

★ Member Shout-Out ★

Big thank you to **Mark Rief** for generously donating the Ball Mark Tools to our club. We truly appreciate this thoughtful gesture — it's contributions like these that help keep our greens in great shape and our rounds enjoyable.

To all members: please make use of the Ball Mark Tool during your rounds. Even if you feel you don't leave a divot, do us all a favor and repair one that may have been missed. A small effort goes a long way in keeping our greens pristine for everyone.

Together, let's show respect for the course and for each other by taking pride in its condition.



UPCOMING DATES

January 6
Online Tournament
Signups Close

January 10
2 Man Better Ball

February 3
Online Tournament
Signups Close

February 7
Presidents Cup
Individual Low Net

SIGNUPS

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

[Tuesday Skins](#)

Tournament News

Tournament Wrap-Up

Our December 2025 - 4 Club Red Tees Tournament was a big success, with 116 players competing across our usual four flights. We paid out \$5,794 in scrip winnings to 55 players—congratulations to all winners!



The 50/50 drawing winners were Martin Mercado, Pete Waasdorp, and Bobby Williams, who each received \$140, and Dan Hughes, won the free round of golf. We would also like to extend a sincere thank-you to everyone who contributed to the golf staff Christmas tip jar and the Chino Fire Department toy drive. Your generosity is truly appreciated.

Upcoming Tournament – January 10

Our next EPMC tournament is the 2-Man Better Ball, scheduled for Saturday, January 10th. Watch for the Golf Genius signup email, and please sign up early to guarantee your spot, as this event will fill quickly.

We will confirm the roster of players via email on Wednesday, January 7th, and tee times and pairings will be released on Friday, January 9th.

The January event is a **TEAM** tournament, and only one team member needs to register the team in Golf Genius.

How to Sign Up in Golf Genius:

When signups open, please follow these steps:

1. You or your playing partner should proceed through the signup confirmation and select "Playing."
2. Click "Sign up other members," scroll, and add your partner's name.
3. If needed, send a message to the tournament manager with your team pairing and/or any special requests.
4. Click "Send". Once you and your partner are confirmed, names appear on the tee sheet roster in Golf Genius. All registered players receive an automated signup confirmation email. As always, we will monitor signups

closely and reach out if there are any issues.

Important Reminders

Please connect with your partner early to confirm availability before registering. If you are signing up as a single, please note this in a message to the manager and we will do our best to pair you with another single.

Tournament size is capped, and a waitlist is used once capacity is reached. If you have any questions or need help with the signup process, don't hesitate to reach out.

January Tournament Tip:

- AB Flights: Chino Creek
- CD Flights: Butterfield
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- Respectfully,
Gary Abbott – Tournaments
Doug Benc – Tournaments
Troy Slavin – Tournaments

TOP 25 - 2025-2026

Top 25

| Rank | Name | Total |
|------|---------------------|----------|
| 1 | Verne, Troy | \$353.00 |
| 2 | Haagsma, Dylan | \$289.00 |
| 3 | Younger, Mike | \$287.50 |
| 4 | Lizarraga, Richard | \$275.00 |
| 5 | Verne, Bryon | \$255.50 |
| 6 | Ferrer, Andrew | \$238.50 |
| 7 | Siniscalchi, Nathan | \$233.00 |
| 8 | Fekin, Eric | \$230.00 |
| 9 | Bates, Patrick | \$225.00 |
| 10 | Moir, James | \$206.00 |
| 11 | Evans, Cary | \$203.00 |
| 12 | Becerra, Rafael | \$202.50 |
| 13 | Acosta, Bailey | \$190.00 |
| 13 | Gonzalez, Paul | \$190.00 |
| 15 | Dancses, Brian | \$160.00 |
| 15 | Abbott, Gary | \$160.00 |
| 17 | Patel, Amaan | \$158.00 |
| 18 | Williams, Anthony | \$155.00 |

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|----|------------------|----------|
| 19 | Calderon, Pete | \$150.00 |
| 20 | Sanchez, Nick | \$149.00 |
| 21 | Barrow, Boone | \$148.00 |
| 22 | Castillo, Tony | \$146.00 |
| 22 | Masanovich, Mark | \$146.00 |
| 24 | Sterling, Rock | \$145.00 |
| 24 | Briggle, Thomas | \$145.00 |

Skins News

Around the holidays and New Year, many members find a bit more time off from work and can play in a Tuesday or Saturday skins game. For this reason we have asked for a few more times to accommodate those requests. With increase of participation also brings more players to the course.



Overall, we are noticing a bit of a slowdown in our pace of play. It tends to happen in the winter anyway, but we must be sure we are keeping pace.

Once again, some tips for doing this:

- Do not write your score down when leaving the green; wait until you get on the next tee box
 - Keep an eye on everyone's tee shot to help locate it
 - When you are behind, putt out and go to the next hole while playing partners finish putting.
- It's the responsibility of everyone in each group to find ways to keep pace.

If you are in a group that is habitually behind pace, we will take steps that can include moving your tee time back, forcing you to use a cart or possibly asking you to pick up your ball and moving on to the next hole until you are in proper position. We do not want to do any of these options but will do what we can to ensure proper pace during EPMC play.

Thanks to you all!

Doug

Getaway 2026

Signups are open for the 2026 Getaway June 4-6 in Las Vegas. The entry form with all the details is included with this Newsletter, and on the website. Please read the instructions carefully.

Remember – even If you pay with Zelle, you are NOT signed up until the form is completed and turned in.

We will be playing Painted Desert Thursday, Highland Falls on Friday and Palm Valley on Saturday followed by a buffet dinner.

Holiday Collections and Toy Drive

The Toy Drive was a great success. Many members brought some great gifts, and with our partnership with the Chino Fire Department helped make some smiles this Holiday. Thank you to everyone for gifts and also those that contributed to the El Prado tip jar, great job.



Lance Ford, Social



Zelle Instructions

Hello Fellow Golfers,

Thank you to everyone who has been using Zelle for payments — it greatly simplifies the check-in process. I do have a couple of requests to help keep everything running smoothly:



• **Please include your full name and the tournament month in the Zelle payment comment.** *Example: "Wayne Nichols for November Tournament."*

Some payments come through under a spouse's or another person's name, which makes it difficult to identify who the payment is for. Using the tournament month also helps us find your payment quickly.

• **All Zelle payments must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the Friday before the tournament.** Payments cannot be accepted at the check-in table on tournament day.

• **You must still check in at the table even if you paid through Zelle.**

This is the only way for us to confirm your attendance.

See you on the greens,



Wayne Nichols, Bookkeeper/Treasurer

Handicap

Make sure you post all rounds both 9 and 18 holes that you play outside of our skins and monthly tournaments. Also in our skins games make sure to verify your scores by keeping 2 cards in your group and checking hole by hole scores before turning in your card. Since we do play for cash we want to avoid as many mistakes as we can. Also please total out your official card so those of us that input the scores can verify the totals with Golf genius.



For more information on the handicap system you can visit the [USGA Handicapping Home](https://www.usga.org/handicapping).

Tim Sleeper, Handicap

Pro's Corner

Merry Christmas to everyone, I hope 2025 was a great golfing year for you. We are excited for what 2026 has in store for El Prado and we definitely will be making sure that we enhance your golfing experience every time you come and play our two golf courses.



We have some great things coming up and want to make sure that we get the word out on these member related activities. The first is that we hired a new Chef and her name is Stella, Chef Stella specializes in Korean cuisine and we have challenged her to revamp our menu to bring our items up to date. We will not be losing our very famous El Prado dogs and Breakfast burritos but will be adding lunch specials that we have never had before. Please help us promote our new menu and let me know if there is anything that you would like to see added or enhanced.

In the next few weeks, we will be adding our ball dispenser at the driving range. The ball dispenser will work with either printed tickets from the golf shop or key cards that can have a set amount of range balls dispersed based on the amount purchased. Another great change is the purchase of a new irrigation system that we plan on installing soon. The golf courses have never had the irrigation revamped and 2026 will see this come to fruition. These are just a few of the great things happening here at El Prado.

In regard to last month's rules question which had to do with chipping on Hole 8 Chino Creek. The question had to do with the player fixing the divot they made on the putting green before the ball actually hits the divot on its way back. The question was "Is this a penalty on the player"? The answer is yes, under Rule 11.2 (A player gets the general penalty if they deliberately deflects or stops any ball in motion.) Thanks everyone, no winner this month but look out for next months rules question. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone.

Art Guevara, PGA

Director of Golf,
Tournament Director
El Prado Golf Courses
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Tournament Results- 4 Club Red Tees-December 13, 2025

Complete results are always available at <https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc>

Individual Low Net

A Flight

| Pos. | Player | To Par Net | Total Net | Purse |
|------|------------------|------------|-----------|-------|
| 1 | Fenkin, Eric | +2 | 74 | \$150 |
| T2 | Dyer, Joe | +3 | 75 | \$130 |
| T2 | Earhart, Tom | +3 | 75 | \$130 |
| T2 | Abbott, Gary | +3 | 75 | \$130 |
| T5 | Castillo, Tony | +4 | 76 | \$66 |
| T5 | Masanovich, Mark | +4 | 76 | \$66 |
| T5 | Anthony, Michael | +4 | 76 | \$66 |
| T5 | Johnson, Kelly | +4 | 76 | \$66 |
| T5 | Springer, Marc | +4 | 76 | \$66 |

B Flight

| Pos. | Player | To Par Net | Total Net | Purse |
|------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------|
| T1 | Haagsma, Dylan | +1 | 73 | \$145 |
| T1 | Ferrer, Andrew | +1 | 73 | \$145 |
| 3 | Collins, Nick | +2 | 74 | \$130 |
| T4 | Barcenas, Cristhian | +3 | 75 | \$110 |
| T4 | Poh, Colby | +3 | 75 | \$110 |
| T4 | Siakisini, Esela | +3 | 75 | \$110 |
| T7 | Gonzalez, Paul | +4 | 76 | \$30 |
| T7 | Kostyk, David | +4 | 76 | \$30 |
| T7 | Moore, Gary | +4 | 76 | \$30 |
| T7 | Waasdorp, Pete | +4 | 76 | \$30 |

C Flight

| Pos. | Player | To Par Net | Total Net | Purse |
|------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-------|
| T1 | Sterling, Rock | +2 | 74 | \$145 |
| T1 | Verne, Troy | +2 | 74 | \$145 |
| T3 | Acosta, Bailey | +3 | 75 | \$120 |
| T3 | Williams, Anthony | +3 | 75 | \$120 |
| T3 | Comparone, Mark | +3 | 75 | \$120 |
| T6 | Bates, Patrick | +4 | 76 | \$85 |
| T6 | McArdle, Joseph | +4 | 76 | \$85 |
| T8 | Cabezas, Cali | +5 | 77 | \$25 |
| T8 | Williams, Bobby | +5 | 77 | \$25 |

D Flight

| Pos. | Player | To Par Net | Total Net | Purse |
|------|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------|
| 1 | Calderon, Pete | -3 | 69 | \$150 |
| T2 | Younger, Mike | +1 | 73 | \$135 |
| T2 | Hederman, Joseph | +1 | 73 | \$135 |
| T4 | Barrow, Boone | +2 | 74 | \$110 |
| T4 | Verne, Bryon | +2 | 74 | \$110 |
| T4 | Pacheco, John | +2 | 74 | \$110 |
| 7 | Kramer, John | +3 | 75 | \$70 |
| T8 | Potts, Dean | +4 | 76 | \$25 |
| T8 | Siniscalchi, Nathan | +4 | 76 | |

Gross Skins

A Flight

| Player | Skins | Purse | Details |
|----------------|-------|-------|--------------------------|
| Dancses, Brian | 2 | \$160 | Birdie on 8, Eagle on 17 |
| Moore, Nolan | 1 | \$80 | Birdie on 1 |
| Patel, Amaan | 1 | \$80 | Birdie on 2 |

B Flight

| Player | Skins | Purse | Details |
|--------------------|-------|-------|--------------|
| Haagsma, Dylan | 1 | \$72 | Birdie on 10 |
| Ferrer, Andrew | 1 | \$72 | Birdie on 9 |
| Kostyk, David | 1 | \$72 | Birdie on 12 |
| Lizarraga, Richard | 1 | \$72 | Birdie on 15 |

C Flight

| Player | Skins | Purse | Details |
|-------------------|-------|-------|---------------------------|
| Bates, Patrick | 2 | \$70 | Birdie on 7, Birdie on 15 |
| Williams, Anthony | 1 | \$35 | Birdie on 12 |
| Alva, Luis | 1 | \$35 | Birdie on 4 |
| Becerra, Ralph | 1 | \$35 | Birdie on 11 |
| Bermudez, Rolando | 1 | \$35 | Birdie on 2 |
| Ortiz, Danny | 1 | \$35 | Birdie on 18 |

D Flight

| Player | Skins | Purse | Details |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------------|
| Younger, Mike | 1 | \$38 | Birdie on 2 |
| Barrow, Boone | 1 | \$38 | Par on 4 |
| Verne, Bryon | 1 | \$38 | Birdie on 9 |
| Cabezas, Alberto | 1 | \$38 | Birdie on 13 |
| Jensen, Paul | 1 | \$38 | Birdie on 8 |
| Moir, James | 1 | \$38 | Birdie on 11 |
| Rumble, Tim | 1 | \$38 | Birdie on 16 |

Closest to the Pin

A Flight

| Player | Purse | Details |
|-------------------|-------|----------|
| Fekin, Eric | \$80 | #4 3'10" |
| Castillo, Tony | \$80 | #14 4'6" |
| Masanovich, Mark | \$80 | #7 4'7" |
| Patterson, Ronald | \$80 | #16 7'1" |

B Flight

| Player | Purse | Details |
|----------------|-------|------------------|
| Haagsma, Dylan | \$72 | #16 3'7" |
| Rivera, Albert | \$144 | #4 3'1", #7 5'5" |
| Gonzalez, Paul | \$72 | #14 7'10" |

C Flight

| Player | Purse | Details |
|-----------------|-------|------------------|
| Bates, Patrick | \$70 | #7 5'7" |
| Acosta, Bailey | \$70 | #2 8'9" |
| Becerra, Rafael | \$140 | #14 7'1", #17 4" |

| D Flight | | |
|---------------|-------|-----------|
| Player | Purse | Details |
| Younger, Mike | \$68 | #2 11'9" |
| Kramer, John | \$68 | #7 13'5" |
| Jones, Kim | \$68 | #14 12'2" |
| Sanchez, Nick | \$68 | #17 4'1" |



El Prado Men's Golf Club

2026 Tournament Schedule

| Date | Description |
|--|---|
| January 10 | 2 Man Better Ball |
| February 7 | President's Cup Individual Low Net |
| March 7 | Member/Member – 9 holes Better Ball / 9 holes Aggregate |
| April 11 | ILN 5-4-3 Out |
| May 16 | 2 Man 4 Clubs – Red Tees Better Ball |
| June 4-6 | El Prado Getaway Classic – Las Vegas |
| June 20 | 2 Man Scramble |
| July 18 | Invitational - 2 Man Better Ball <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guests play to Low Index and have 6 recent verifiable rounds. |
| August 15 | 4 Man Scramble - ABCD Blind Draw |
| September 11 Championship Gross Senior Gross September 12-13 All Net Flights | Club Championship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have played in 3 tournaments or 9 skins games, or be club champion within the past 5 years. • Must be an active member as of June 30. • Sunday handicap is based on index that morning. • Sunday pairings are based on standings after previous round(s). • Net flights play 2 rounds. Championship gross plays 3 rounds. Senior SCGA TOCC candidates play 3 rounds. • Gross champion must play blue tees all three rounds. |
| October 17 | 2 Man Better Ball |
| November 14 | Individual Low Net |
| December 12 | 4 Clubs – Red Tees |

Notes

- In 4 flight events, A plays blue tees; B plays white tees on Chino Creek or blue tees on Butterfield Stage; C and D play white tees.
- 2 Man team events are maximum 8 stroke handicap difference.
- Course Handicap and flights are based on the index of the previous Wednesday.
- Tee Times and Results are at <https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc>
- Formats and rules are subject to change.

EL PRADO MEN'S GOLF CLUB

2026 Getaway Classic

Las Vegas, NV – June 4-6

Lodging will be at the [Santa Fe Station Hotel and Casino](#). You are responsible for reserving and paying for your room online at [El Prado Mens Golf Club Offer ACIEPMC](#) or calling (702) 658-4900. Our group rates are Wed/Thu \$79, Fri/Sat \$131; plus 13% tax and \$25.99 resort fee.

Golf Thursday June 4 - [Painted Desert](#), tee times starting at 10:40 AM - Skins game with gross and net skins, closest; and single low gross/net. One or two flights based on size of field.

Golf Friday June 5 - [Highland Falls](#) 7:00 AM Shotgun -Skins game with 2-3 flights of gross & net skins, closest; and blind draw partner best ball.

Golf Saturday June 6 - [Palm Valley](#) 7:00 AM Shotgun Individual Low Net Tournament paying 30% of field, gross skins, closest.

Saturday June 6 Awards Dinner at the resort. Dinner Buffet from 6:00 to 9:00 PM. Dinner starts at 6:30 PM and is included for golfers. Guests are \$60.

Guests are welcome if [space is available](#) at the deadline. Guests play to GHIN LI or adjusted as determined by Handicap Committee in prior Getaway performances. If no GHIN handicap, guests will play to 0 handicap. Guests will be in on skins, closest, and Friday two-man blind draw, and Thursday low net/gross; but are NOT in Saturday's ILN tournament. If we have enough guests, there will be a separate tournament pot for guests on Saturday. For golf questions, contact [Gary Abbott or Mark Rief](#)

Payment- Prices on the entry form include Golf, Saturday Dinner, and prize money. You are responsible for your lodging. Payment must be received by April 6th, so that we can guarantee our place at all venues. Pay with Zelle, check, or cash. However you pay, **you still need to fill out this form.**

For payment questions, contact [Scott Harlin or Wayne Nichols](#).

ENTRY FORM

Required for all golfers

1. Select your golf package:

- ☐ 3-Day Thursday, Friday, and Saturday \$ 530
☐ 2-Day Friday and Saturday only \$ 415
☐ 1-Day Saturday only \$ 245

2. Awards Dinner Saturday Night

I will attend ☐Yes ☐No
I will bring _____ guests at \$60 each = _____

3. Total Amount \$ _____

4. Select your Payment Method

- ☐ Zelle to payment@elpradomensclub.com
Account Name _____



Zelle

- ☐ Check payable to El Prado Men's Club
☐ Cash to Scott Harlin or Wayne Nichols

5. Hand this form (with payment if not Zelle) to Wayne or Scott, or mail to:

El Prado Mens Golf Club
6555 Pine Ave
Chino, CA 91708

**Payment without completing this entry form
DOES NOT SIGN YOU UP.**

Signups will close when the field is full, or
April 6th, whichever comes first.

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Requests: _____