



EL PRADO MEN'S GOLF CLUB

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2020-2021 Board of Directors

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Rafael Becerra Social	Danny Ortiz Membership
Richard Lizarraga Treasurer	Louis Washington Handicap
Mark Rief Communications / SCGA	Kevin Knutson Golf Courses General Manager

President's Message

Introducing the new board for 2020-2021

Following the Club Championship and at the start of every club tournament year (Oct-Sept) the board meets, discusses, and selects/elects board member assignments for the coming season. Most of the time the assignments stay the same. This year we decided to split the Tournament Chair into two assignments to help facilitate continuity and ease some of the load.

Dave Cox: President/Chairman – Responsible for setting the Board meeting agenda, Conducting board meetings. Acting as liaison between the golf course management and our Club. Coordinating between board members and filling in for the other Board members when required.

Richard Lizarraga: Treasurer – Responsible for all financial issues, including maintaining the bank account, paying the bills to the golf course, writing the payout checks and delivering/mailling to the members.

Doug Benc: Tournament - will now be responsible preparing/updating the yearly tournament schedule/formats and coordination with the course (Art/Kevin) for reservations. He will now be taking your tournament sign ups/ requests and coordinating those with Mark. Doug will perform cashier duties at the sign in table. He will continue to run the 50/50 with other board members. He will also remain as coordinator for Presidents Cup match play.

Mark Rief: - Communications/Tournament – Assisting with tournaments, will set up the flights and tee time pairings, coordinate with the course (Art/Kevin) for scoreboard, makes up the score cards, resolves questions/issues on tournament day. He will perform audit for completed score cards and CP markers, which cover for rules errors, math errors, and/or for any transposition/omission errors from the scoreboard. He will prepare preliminary/final results and publish to the web site. He will prepare the payout cash/scrip results for Richard for issuing the checks, and to the course (Tina) for issuing scrip. Mark will also retain his duties as Director of Communications – Responsible for publishing the Web Site, results, newsletter, email; and as club delegate to the SCGA.

Louis Washington: Handicap Director – Responsible for the membership handicaps, checks all score cards to make sure that the posting to GHIN is accurate, timely, and that all members post. He will recommend and adjust member's handicap when needed. Issue warnings and/or penalize members who don't follow the rules, like not timely posting, or posting the wrong scores etc.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov 7
Tournament Signups Due

Nov 14
2 Individual Low Net

Dec 5
Tournament Signups Due

Dec 12
4 Clubs – Red Tees

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

Tournaments
(772) 408-2421
dbenc@ap.org
by Saturday prior

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President's Message *(continued)*

Rafael Becerra: Social Director – Responsible for the social activities of the club such as the derby held on the Tuesday after the tournament, Club Meetings, food arrangements with the course, and special activities away from the course except the Getaway. (Boone Barrow is currently handling Getaway).

Danny Ortiz: Membership Chairman – Responsible for recruiting new members, giving new members their free round of golf and \$25 gift certificate to the golf shop, register new members with SCGA and issue them a GHIN number for handicap posting, manage and maintain the membership roster.

Contact the Board: You can always reach the board by using the contact form on the web site. If you have any suggestions or concerns, please contact a Board member and they will be more than happy to listen to you, answer your questions, and consider your ideas and comments.

Dave Cox
President.

Tournament News

2 Man Better Ball

Another successful tournament is under our belt in 2020. As usual, it was close right down to the end.

In the A Flight, the teams of Tony Checchin and Eric Habermehl tied for first place with Joe Dyer and Mike Sullivan with net 64's. Mike Burns and Mike Tapia matched up on Saturday morning due to cancelations and won the B Flight with a score of 64. The C Flight was won by the team of Louis Washington and Ramiro Torres with a score of 62. And in the largest margin of victory, Danny Ortiz and Tom Bruder walked away with a net 62 and a five shot margin.

This was Dave Cox's last tournament as the Tournament Chair, and we thank him for many years of service. Dave has done a great job in getting our tournaments together and settling up all the scores and payouts afterwards. Doug Benc will be taking over for Dave, with Mark Rief assisting at times.

Over the next few months, we are hoping to transition to the Tournament Management system from the USGA, which is provided to us as part of our SCGA membership. This which would allow us to electronically record scores, post scores and track skins very easily. We won't say that hiccups won't

happen, but with your help and patience we can move forward and make our tournaments that much better.

From now on, if you are signing up for a tournament, please do so through Doug in the following manner.

Email: dbenc@ap.org

Call or Text: 772-408-2421

Doug Benc
Tournament Director

Saturday Skins Signups

Signups have also changed for Saturday Skins games. Please do not reach out to John Kramer any more. Send requests by Tuesday evening to Doug's contacts above.

Top 25 - 2020-2021

	Name	Skins	Close	Script	Total
1	Bruder, Thomas	37	25	80	142
1	Ortiz, Danny	37	25	80	142
3	Torres, Ramiro	40	23	75	138
3	Washington, Louis	40	23	75	138
5	Alderete, Ralph	37	25	70	132
5	Barber, Darnell	37	25	70	132
7	Burns, Mike	36	0	80	116
7	Tapia III, Mike	36	0	80	116
9	Young, Larry	36	0	70	106
9	Young, Troy	36	0	70	106
11	Dyer, Joe	0	25	75	100
11	Sullivan, Mike	0	25	75	100
13	Checchin, Tony	22	0	75	97
13	Habermehl, Eric	22	0	75	97
15	Irizarry, Mario	0	25	60	85
15	Pigeon, Mr. Russ	0	25	60	85
17	Lo, Danny	0	0	65	65
17	Nichols, Wayne	0	0	65	65
19	Patterson, Ronald R	0	25	30	55
19	Rocovitz, Mark	0	25	30	55
21	Kaplan, Chris	18	33	0	51
21	Moore, George	18	33	0	51
23	Delgado, Robert	0	0	50	50
23	Esparza, Aaron	0	0	50	50
25	Anthony, Michael	22	25	0	47
25	Benc, Doug	22	25	0	47
25	Caliri, Adam	22	25	0	47
25	Fekin, Eric	22	25	0	47

Tournament Results – 2 Man Better Ball - October 17, 2020

A	Flight	Butterfield Stage	
Scrip			
1	64	Checchin, Tony	\$75
		Habermehl, Eric	\$75
1	64	Dyer, Joe	\$75
		Sullivan, Mike	\$75
3	65	Hughes, Daniel	\$30
		Briggle, Thomas	\$30
3	65	Patterson, Ronald	\$30
		Rocovitz, Mark	\$30

Closest			
#2	6' 2"	Dyer, Joe	\$25
		Sullivan, Mike	\$25
#7	8' 4"	Benc, Doug	\$25
		Anthony, Michael	\$25
#14	8' 5"	Patterson, Ronald	\$25
		Rocovitz, Mark	\$25
#17	12' 1"	Caliri, Adam	\$25
		Fekin, Eric	\$25

Skins			
#5		Benc, Doug	\$22
		Anthony, Michael	\$22
#10		Caliri, Adam	\$22
		Fekin, Eric	\$22
#14		Checchin, Tony	\$22
		Habermehl, Eric	\$22
#17		Mundy, Robert	\$22
		Anderson, David	\$22
#22		Iriart, J.P.	\$22
		Ford, Lance	\$22

B	Flight	Butterfield Stage	
Scrip			
1	64	Burns, Mike	\$80
		Tapia, Mike	\$80
2	65	Young, Larry	\$70
		Young, Troy	\$70
3	69	Abbott, Gary	\$30
		Lovett, Gary	\$30
3	69	Gurganus, Doug	\$30
		Anderson, Marc	\$30

Closest			
#2	5' 6"	Ford, John	\$33
		Barry, Michael	\$33
#7	12' 6"	Waasdorp, Pete	\$33
		Younger, Mike	\$33
#14	None		
#17	5' 9"	Moore, George	\$33
		Kaplan, Chris	\$33

Skins			
#3		Young, Larry	\$18
		Young, Troy	\$18
#6		Burns, Mike	\$18
		Tapia, Mike	\$18
#8		Young, Larry	\$18
		Young, Troy	\$18
#10		Lizarraga, Richard	\$18
		Sleeger, Tim	\$18
#16		Burns, Mike	\$18
		Tapia, Mike	\$18
17		Moore, George	\$18
		Kaplan, Chris	\$18

Tournament Scoring

We continue to have issues with incorrect or illegible scorecards and closest markers. This makes a lot more work for us when auditing the results and determining payouts. We would like to think that all of our members can write down their last name, a hole score, or a distance; but lately we're having doubts.

For example, we initially disqualified a closest marker because the players used nicknames, and we could barely read the distance. We later learned that they reported their actual names to the scorer, so we cut them a little slack, but they should have corrected the card, which is what we use to process the payouts. After all, **whose name do you want on your check?**

We are paying out thousands of dollars in each tournament, so we really need you to take scoring seriously, so that we can do our jobs quickly and accurately.

Doug Benc, Tournament Director
 Mark Rief, Communications
 Louis Washington, Handicap

Tournament Results – 2 Man Better Ball - October 17, 2020

C Flight		Chino Creek	
Scrip			
1	62	Washington, Louis	\$75
		Torres, Ramiro	\$75
2	63	Nichols, Wayne	\$65
		Lo, Ka	\$65
3	64	Delgado, Robert	\$50
		Esparza, Aaron	\$50
Closest			
#4	9' 9"	Robertson, Brian	\$23
		Kramer, John	\$23
#7	3' 11"	Washington, Louis	\$23
		Torres, Ramiro	\$23
#14	29' 9"	Robertson, Brian	\$23
		Kramer, John	\$23
#16	10' 4"	Becerra, Rafael	\$23
		Alva, Luis	\$23
Skins			
#1	par	Bailey, Norm	\$20
		Bailey, Adam	\$20
#2		Washington, Louis	\$20
		Torres, Ramiro	\$20
#6		Coan, Perry	\$20
		Martin, Gary	\$20
#7		Washington, Louis	\$20
		Torres, Ramiro	\$20
15		Verne, Eric	\$20
		Ferguson, Lyle	\$20

D Flight		Chino Creek	
Scrip			
1	62	Ortiz, Danny	\$80
		Bruder, Thomas	\$80
2	67	Alderete, Ralph	\$70
		Barber, Darnell	\$70
3	68	Pigeon, Russ	\$60
		Irizarry, Mario	\$60
Closest			
#4	18' 8"	Moir, James	\$25
		Muleady, Shawn	\$25
#7	15' 2"	Ortiz, Danny	\$25
		Bruder, Thomas	\$25
#14	22' 10"	Pigeon, Russ	\$25
		Irizarry, Mario	\$25
#16	9' 2"	Alderete, Ralph	\$25
		Barber, Darnell	\$25
Skins			
#3	par	Ortiz, Danny	\$37
		Bruder, Thomas	\$37
#15	par	Fanning, James	\$37
		Fanning, Adam	\$37
#16		Alderete, Ralph	\$37
		Barber, Darnell	\$37

Tournament Signup

There is no signup form in the newsletter or the golf shop because signups are **EMAIL ONLY** to dbenc@ap.org. We will not accept paper entry forms. Signups are due the Saturday prior to the tournament, but we will take requests as late as the following Tuesday if we have openings.

Membership reaches 200!

Did you know that we now have over 200 regular members? It has been many years since we have seen numbers like this, so we are very encouraged by the growth. We also have almost 150 Associate members, who maintain a GHIN handicap and are invited to limited events.

A special callout goes to Lyle Furgeson and Aaron Esparza for their extra efforts in bringing in 5 new members last month. If everyone recruited like them we would have a waiting list!

If you see a new member, please remember to say hello and help them out if they don't know the rules or how things work in the club.

Danny Ortiz
Membership Chairman

Derby – October 20, 2020

We had a great turnout of 20 players for our last Derby of the year. I know we said September was the last, but with daylight savings still in effect, we couldn't pass up the chance for another derby. Several members reminisced about the derbies of old, and that this is what got them to join the club. It's great to see this tradition return.



This month the A/B cut line was high, with the A partners all the way up to 12.4 index, so there was a wide variance in the teams. As usual, many players discovered new areas of the course in the alternate shot format.



On the second hole we had a first – all 10 teams parred the hole. So instead of chipping off all 10 to get rid of two teams, we carried on and threw out an extra team on the next two holes. The next three holes required chip-offs, allowing several high handicappers to show off their short game skills.

In the end, Tony Checchin and John Grinder tied with Wayne Nichols and Tom Bruder for first place, pocketing \$80 per team. Doug Benc and Boone Barrow won a chip-off from the bunker to break a tie with Louis Washington and Danny Lo for third place and \$40.

Thanks to everyone who hung around after the skins game or drove in just for the Derby. We'll start again in the spring!

Rafael Becerra, Social Chairman
Mark Rief, Communications