

EL PRADO men's golf club

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President's Message

Dear Members,

I am grateful for your continued commitment and enthusiasm. Let's keep working together to make this club a place of camaraderie and positive impact. I look forward to seeing you all at our 4 Man Scramble - ABCD Blind Draw.



It's That Time of the Year!

We are looking for dedicated members to join the El Prado Mens Club Board of Directors. If you are interested in helping lead and shape our club's future, we encourage you to consider applying.

Qualifications to Become a Board Member:

- A. Be a member in good standing for at least three years.
- B. Participate actively in club activities, including but not limited to tournaments, skin games, monthly meetings, and derbies.
- C. Demonstrate through your actions and words a genuine desire to help the club continue to grow and thrive.

If you meet these qualifications and are interested in contributing to the leadership of our club, we encourage you to consider applying by contacting any board member. We are especially looking for folks with computer skills in communications, email, finance, excel, and web sites.

Your dedication and commitment can make a significant impact!

Thank you for your support and dedication!

Sincerely,

Danny Ortiz, President

UPCOMING DATES

August 12

Online Tournament Signups Close

August 16

4 Man Scramble ABCD Blind Draw

August 19

Derby

Sep 2

Online Tournament Signups Close

Sep 5-7

Club Championship Gross, Senior Gross

Sep 6-7

Club Championship Net Flights

Sep 9

Derby

SIGNUPS

Saturday Skins (772) 408-2421

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Tuesday Skins

Tournament News

The July 2025 Invitational had a sold-out field of 136 golfers/68 teams and paid out \$6100. Thank you to members who invited guests to play. Our 50/50 drawing winners were: Gary Abbott, Steve Willman, and Dean Potts - each receiving \$115 in pot money. Our free round of golf winner was Nick



Collins. Our club continues to show competitive results in all flights with 38 teams (76) players in the money! Thanks to all who played and making another memorable event.

I am happy to report that several board members heard positive feedback on the playing conditions, especially the putting greens following the Invitational. We continue to remind all to leave the course in the condition you found it and help us continue to improve our playing conditions. Put the pins in straight, rake your bunkers, fix divots with sand, repair ball marks, and keep carts off tee boxes and away from greens.

Our next tournament is August 16th, the 4 Man Scramble – ABCD Blind Draw. This is an excellent opportunity to meet other club members and have some fun! Each team is blind drawn to have an A, B, C, and D player. Each player hits from the teeing ground. After the tee shot, the team selects one of the balls to be the location for the next shot and picks up the others. A minimum of three (3) tee balls are required from each player over 18 holes. More details can be found in <u>Tournament Formats</u> on the Rules page of our website.

Tournament signups will close Tuesday August 12th. Look for the Golf Genius tournament signup email soon and sign up early! Don't forget online signups will close earlier if the player limit is reached before August 12th. We will confirm the roster of players in email on Wednesday August 13th before the tournament, and release tee times and pairings Friday August 15th.

It's a 4 Man TEAM event, but signups are on you! Again, **YOU must sign up yourself!**

When Signups open, please follow these steps to register:

Step 1. <u>You</u> will need to navigate through the signup confirmation buttons by checking <u>playing</u>.

Step 2. You can <u>SEND message to the manager</u> if you really need an early or late tee time.

Step 3. Hit the SEND button.

The tee sheet link in Golf Genius will populate names for the confirmed list of players. Pairings will not appear until TEAMS are made on the back end in Golf Genius. 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.

Remember that we cap our tournament size and will place players on a waitlist if reached. If you're lost in the signup process, or need any assistance please communicate with us.

New this month, you can use Zelle to pay the \$85 entry fee in advance. If you want to try this, follow the instructions in Wayne's column below before the deadline of August 12. After that, you will need cash or check at the check-in table as usual.

Course of play for the 4 Man ABCD Blind draw tournament will be blind drawn.

Gary Abbott, Tournament/Skins

TOP 25 - 2024-2025

Rank	Name	Scrip
1	Patel, Amaan	785
2	Collins, Nick	760
3	Barcenas, Cristhian	746
4	Kramer, John	728
5	Ortiz, Danny	687
6	Montelongo, Cruz	657
7	Verne, Troy	639
8	Law, Brian	631
9	Dufour, Jerry	631
10	Deshay, Stan	624
11	Earhart, Tom	614
12	Albany, Ramy	599
13	Lopez, Justin	564
14	Lorenz, Dave	556
15	Anderson, David	535
16	Dancses, Brian	533
17	Poh, Colby	530
18	Rief, Mark	525
19	Bruder, Thomas	517
20	Moir, Justin	512
21	Bates, Patrick	506
22	Walsh, James	505
23	Mouw, Billy	499
24	Johnson, Kelly	494
25	Lovell, Ron	490

Let's try Zelle!

We're excited to announce of trial run Zelle payments starting with the August Tournament! For who prefer those the convenience of digital payments, please review guidelines the below carefully to ensure smooth processing.



1. Tournament Fee Only

 Zelle payments may only be used for the tournament entry fee of \$85.00

o Do not include:

- 50/50 raffle tickets
- Multiple tournament entries
- Membership dues

2. Payment Timing

- You may submit payment only after you have signed up in Golf Genius. Paying with Zelle does not sign you up!
- No Zelle payments will be accepted after signups close on the Tuesday before the Tournament at 2 PM.
- If you pay after signups close, your payment will be refunded on the following Monday, and you will need to pay by cash or check at the check-in table.
- No Zelle payments will be accepted at the tournament check-in table.

4. Payment Notes

- Payments may only be made to <u>payment@elpradomensclub.com</u>. You can also select Send Money and use the QR code below.
- Please include your first and last name and "Aug Tournament Payment" in the notes field.
- If you're paying on behalf of another golfer, please do a second separate Zelle payment and include their first and last name and "Aug Tournament Payment"



To keep everything organized, we kindly ask that you follow the above policies.

We appreciate your cooperation as we explore new ways to improve the tournament

experience. Let's make this trial a success! As always, your suggestions and feedback are welcome.

See you on the green,

Wayne Nichols, Bookkeeper/Treasurer

Handicap - Posting 9-Hole Scores

We've noticed that not everyone playing in the Wednesday Summer League is posting their scores. I just wanted to let you know that if you play all 9 holes in your match, you should be posting a nine-hole round. Beginning next week, you may see a



penalty round on your record if you play a full match and don't post by Wednesday night.

I know some members question the fairness of posting scores in match play, but the USGA and SCGA have some rules specific to match play, that we all need to be aware of.

If your opponent concedes your putt, your hole score for posting your *most likely score*, up to net double bogie. The rules of handicapping have specific guidelines on this. For example, you are laying 3 and your opponent holes out for 3 and says "that's good". What is your score? The USGA says that if you are within 5 feet of the hole, you add one stroke and take a 4. If you are more than 5 feet but less than 20 yards away, you add 2-3 strokes. If you are over 20 yards away, you add 3-4 strokes.

Let us know what you think on anything you see, and remember that peer review is a very important part of the handicap process.

Tim Sleeger, Handicap

Getaway news

Thanks to the 41 Getaway attendees who responded to the online survey. Overall 37 of you — that's 90% - were satisfied with the event, so that's great news.

You were happy with the course selection and tee selection for lower handicap players. We received a lot of comments on the tee selection for C flight players, especially those who hit the ball a long ways. We will take a closer look at this when we discuss flights and tees next year.





We asked you where we should go next year, and you were open to Mesquite, Laughlin, Las Vegas, or Palm Springs; so who knows where we will end up! We have received a quote from Las Vegas, and we are soliciting prices from the Palm Springs area. We will keep you informed if we make any decisions.

Thanks again to all of you who attended this year!

Scott Harlin, Treasurer Mark Rief, Communications

Derby News

Nine teams competed in our July derby for a \$190 pot.

The team of last month's winner Justin Lopez and perennial derby killer Pat Bates proved to be dominant. They were the only team to par hole 2 and birdie hole 4, riding their



momentum in to the final hole. With three teams paring the final hole, a traditional chip-off from the bunker was required. All three players missed the green, but on the second chip-off, Pat and Justin emerged in first place with \$90.

Lance and John Ford were second with \$60, and Nelson Anzora and Lawrence Renteria got



third and \$40.

The next Derby is August 19. We will check in at 4:00, draw partners, and tee off at 4:30. We would love to see you there!

If you're new to this, the derby is a 5-hole horse race on Tuesday afternoon 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 together 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 chipoff. It's only a \$5 buy in, and the club sweetens the pot with an extra \$100.

Lance Ford, Social/Golf Competitions

Tournament Results – Invitational – July 19, 2025

Member payouts are in El Prado Golf Courses scrip. Guests receive gift cards. Team payouts will be split. Complete results are always available at https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc

2 Man Better Ball

A Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Dyer, Joe + Lorenz, Dave	-11	61	\$250
T2	Fekin, Aaron + Hallam, Thomas	-7	65	\$120
T2	Dancses, Brian + Jones, Brad	-7	65	\$120
T2	Davis, Bruce + Lindsay, David	-7	65	\$120
T2	Anderson, Nolan + Ignacz, Ken	-7	65	\$120
T2	Evans, Cary + Lizarraga, Richard	-7	65	\$120
B Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Verne, Sean + [Blind Draw]	-10	62	\$150
2	Alm, Charles1 + Poh, Colby	-9	63	\$220
3	Verne, Lawrence + Wright, Mitch	-8	64	\$180
T4	Kostyk, David + Law, Brian	-7	65	\$100
T4	Deshay, Stan + Hughes, Daniel	-7	65	\$100
T4	Johnson, Kelly + Vicario, Gil	-7	65	\$100
C Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Albany, Ramy + Barcenas, Cristhian	-13	59	\$250
T2	Bermudez, Rolando + Bretado, Henry	-12	60	\$180
T2	Rief, Brian + Rief, Mark	-12	60	\$180
4	Harlin, Scott + Ortiz, Danny	-10	62	\$130
5	Sanchez, Luis + Williams, Anthony	-9	63	\$110
D Flight	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Alderete, Ralph + Hoch, Matt	-14	58	\$250
2	Kramer, John + Renteria, Lawrence	-11	61	\$200
3	Kim, Jacob + Lopez, Justin	-9	63	\$160
T4	Young, Larry + buss, scott	-8	64	\$120
T4	Ferguson, Lyle + Ostergaard, Chris	-8	64	\$120

Total Purse Allocated: \$3,400.00

Gross Skins

A Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Bennett, Colin + Mundy, Robert	1	\$72	Birdie on 8
Fekin, Aaron + Hallam, Thomas	1	\$72	Birdie on 15
Fleming, Michael + Thomann, Doug	1	\$72	Birdie on 14
Davis, Bruce + Lindsay, David	1	\$72	Birdie on 16
Camarillo, Jonah + Patel, Amaan	1	\$72	Eagle on 5
B Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Reddel, Ben + Seifert, Michael	1	\$104	Birdie on 10
Becerra, Ralph + Woodhead, Glenn	1	\$104	Birdie on 14
Deshay, Stan + Hughes, Daniel	1	\$104	Birdie on 2

C Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Rief, Brian + Rief, Mark	2	\$136	Birdie on 6, Birdie on 8
Sanchez, Luis + Williams, Anthony	1	\$68	Birdie on 7
Hederman, Joseph + Teneriello, Louie	1	\$68	Birdie on 18
Harlin, Scott + Ortiz, Danny	1	\$68	Birdie on 1
D Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Ruiz, Manuel + Rumble, Tim	1	\$84	Birdie on 8
Siniscalchi, Nathan + Siniscalchi, Stephen	1	\$84	Birdie on 11
Alderete, Ralph + Hoch, Matt	1	\$84	Birdie on 16
Kim, Jacob + Lopez, Justin	1	\$84	Birdie on 9

Total Purse Allocated: \$1,348.00

Closest to the pin

A Flight Total Purse	Team Earhart, Tom + Smith, Jeff Fleming, Michael + Thomann, Doug Ford, Lance + Iriart, J.P. e Allocated: \$360.00	Purse \$180 \$90 \$90	Details #7 7 ft 6 in, #16 11 ft 6 in #14 15 ft 8 in #4 2 ft 2 in
B Flight Total Purse	Team Simester, Steve + Verne, Eric Saulet, Darrel + Tharp, Richard Kostyk, David + Law, Brian Johnson, Kelly + Vicario, Gil e Allocated: \$312.00	Purse \$78 \$78 \$78 \$78	Details #14 8 ft 1 in #16 5 ft 8 in #4 7 ft 10 in #7 11 ft 10 in
C Flight Total Purse	Team Harlin, Scott + Ortiz, Danny Baker, Robert + Prado, Joe Furgeson, Anthony + Verne, Bryon Allocated: \$340.00	Purse \$170 \$85 \$85	Details #2 11 ft 9 in, #17 3 ft 1 in #14 12 ft 7 in #7 9 ft 2 in
D Flight Total Purse	Team Alderete, Ralph + Hoch, Matt Kramer, John + Renteria, Lawrence Cox, David + Walsh, James De chavez , Oscar + Hall, Justin e Allocated: \$340.00	Purse \$85 \$85 \$85 \$85	Details #14 6 ft 7 in #17 12 ft 7 in #2 8 ft 11 in #7 9 ft 2 in