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President's Message

Dear EPMC Members,

As we move through another vibrant season at El Prado Men's Club, I want to take a moment to thank each of you for your continued participation, camaraderie, and commitment to the game we all love. Whether you're a long-time member or newly joined, your presence enriches our club and strengthens the spirit of EPMC.

This past month has brought exciting events, spirited competition, and a few weather curveballs—but thanks to our dedicated board and volunteers, we've kept things running smoothly. I'm especially proud of the way our members support one another, both on and off the course.

Looking ahead, we have several events planned that promise great golf and even better company. Be sure to check the calendar and keep an eye out for updates on formats, tee times, and any contingency plans. As always, our goal is to ensure every member feels informed, included, and valued.

Zelle Payments & Tournament Check-In Reminder

To better accommodate our members, we now accept payments through Zelle. This option offers a convenient way to pay in advance and helps streamline our operations.

However, please note: **Even if you pay in advance via Zelle, you must still check in on the day of the tournament.** There was some confusion recently, and we want to ensure everyone understands that check-in remains a required step for all participants.

Your cooperation helps us keep things organized and ensures a smooth experience for everyone. If you have any questions about payment or check-in procedures, feel free to reach out to a board member.

Thank you for being part of what makes EPMC special. Let's continue to play with integrity, support one another, and enjoy every round.

Warm regards,
Danny Ortiz, President



UPCOMING DATES

Nov 11
Online Tournament
Signups Close

Nov 15
Individual Low Net

December 9
Online Tournament
Signups Close

December 13
4 Clubs Red Tees

SIGNUPS

Saturday Skins
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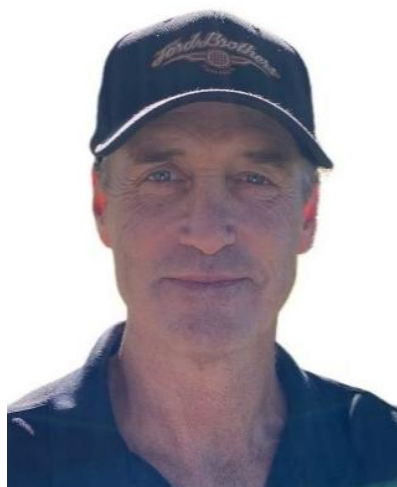
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Tournament News

October Tournament Recap and Season Update

Our first tournament of the season is officially in the books! I'm happy to report that this year's October 2-Man Better Ball Tournament kicked off with 104 players (52 teams) registered. Our final count came to 50½ teams competing across our usual four flights. The "½ team" resulted from a partner no-show, requiring a blind draw replacement. Additionally, our B Flight lost one full team due to a no-show, which slightly reduced the field.



The club paid out a total of \$2,795 to our flight winners (win, place, and show) and \$2,032 for Closest to the Pin and Skins. Our 50/50 winners—Ralph Alderete, Luis Sanchez, and Lyle Ferguson—split the \$390 pot, and Steve Harlin won the Free Round of Golf. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to everyone who participated!

Pace of Play Reminder

We need to address pace of play once again. During the tournament, I received three text messages about slow play while on the course. This message is not meant to debate or single anyone out, but rather to ensure that everyone enjoys their round at a reasonable pace.

Please remember:

- **Look ahead.** Are you waiting on every shot? If not, you may be the cause of a delay.
- **Look behind.** Are the groups behind you always waiting on the tee box or fairway for your group to finish? You're likely the problem. Work to get your group back into position. Let's all do our part to keep things moving smoothly for everyone.

Tuesday Skins Update

Board Member Tim Sleeper will serve as our **Tuesday Skins Coordinator** for the new season, with me as his backup. You will continue to receive Tuesday invites from Golf Genius under my name, but please direct any texts or emails outside of Golf Genius regarding Tuesday Skins directly to Tim.

Next Tournament – *Individual Low Net*

Our next EPMC Tournament is the Individual Low Net, scheduled for Saturday, November 15th. Watch for the upcoming Golf Genius signup email and register early to secure your spot. Zelle advance tournament payment option will be available.

We'll confirm the player roster via email on Wednesday, November 12th, and release tee times and pairings on Friday, November 14th.

This is an **individual event**, and **each player must sign up in Golf Genius** personally.

Registration Steps:

1. In the signup email, scroll to the bottom and click **Playing** or **Not Playing** to confirm.
2. If you'd like, you can **send a message to the manager** with a request for an early or late tee time. There are no pairing requests for this event as it is an individual competition.
3. Click **SEND** to complete your registration.

The Golf Genius tee sheet link will automatically display confirmed players. We'll monitor signups closely and communicate directly if any issues arise. Registered players will also receive an automated confirmation email from Golf Genius.

Course assignments:

- A & B Flights – Butterfield
- C & D Flights – Chino Creek

Respectfully,
Gary Abbott, Tournaments

TOP 25 - 2025-2026

Rank	Name	Scrip
1	Siniscalchi, Nathan	\$208
1	Verne, Troy	\$208
3	Evans, Cary	\$203
3	Lizarraga, Richard	\$203
5	Moir, James	\$168
5	Moir, Justin	\$168
7	Briggle, Thomas	\$145
7	Hughes, Daniel	\$145
9	Kim, Jacob	\$122
9	Lopez, Justin	\$122
11	Boucher, Norm	\$113
11	Ignacz, Ken	\$113
13	Armijo, Albert J	\$110
13	Torres, Ramiro	\$110
15	Lovell, Jim	\$109

15	Tamashiro, Wes	\$109
17	Anderson, Steve	\$108
17	Verne, Bryon	\$108
19	Hurtado, Octavio Jr	\$99
19	Montelongo, Cruz	\$99
21	Cerda, Mario	\$88
21	Gonzalez, Paul	\$88
23	Rumble, Tim	\$85
24	Bermudez, Rolando	\$84
24	Bretado, Henry	\$84

Skins News

Members are always inquiring about different aspects of the skins games that we run on Tuesday and Saturday. I wanted to give everyone an idea on how and why we do what we do.



First and foremost, the rules for the skins games, including guest policies are on our website. Go to the [El Prado Men's Club](#) home page, and in the green banner across the top is the link labeled "[Rules](#)". Once you click on that you can view our local rules along with many others regarding nearly all our events.

I will address some of the other common questions below:

How do we determine formats to make it fair for everyone?

- Our goal is to always make it as fair for everyone as possible. Our goal is to be as inclusive as possible. Over the years we have tweaked the skins games formats and have always been open to any suggestions that would benefit the greater good. Please feel free to make suggestions and I promise we will consider them.

When do we decide to play Lift, Clean and Place?

- We always want to play golf as often as we can, the way it was designed; play it where it lies. That is not always possible because of course conditions for various reasons. Going into winter, the course is going to soften up and you will find that we will tend to play more Lift, Clean and Place. Sometimes during the hotter months, we might find the fairways become more unplayable based on dryer conditions and we will do the same. Unfortunately, it's not always as clear cut, but we do our best to ensure that playing in the skins game is fun and fair. Read the tee sheet email for notes on how we are playing it that day.

Why do results sometimes change from the day of the game until the following day?

- Once we enter the scores into Golf Genius, we often get golfers that will send a note to us regarding an incorrect score, either because it was written down wrong or was read to us wrong. Because of this, we must adjust and that affects the scoring and the winnings at times. This is like what we do with tournaments, when we do an audit of the winning scores to ensure all is correct.

Should I circle my birdies or make marks for bogeys?

- We would appreciate it the person keeping score makes **NO** marks on the card that will make it more difficult to read. The computer will take care of bogeys and birdies, so there is no need to bring them to our attention. It is much more difficult to add scores and do audits when scorecards are sloppy or have other marks where scores should be. Please use a separate card if you want to track your score using circles, numbers, or squares within the square for scoring.

Why are we so concerned with speed of play?

- I know several members get irritated when speed of play is mentioned. I usually get a response about how "the group got a hole or two behind, but we caught up after that". I always appreciate that but understand with a large group like we have in our skins games, a 10-minute delay early can create a 45-minute delay 7 or 8 groups behind you. Unfortunately, it doesn't work that way. Like a slinky, it will never allow the groups behind you to get back into position. The easiest way to know if you are in position is this: If the group in front of you is walking away from your landing area when you approach your shot, or even if you occasionally have to wait a minute, then you are in position.

On a final note, it's important that you add the first and last name to your scorecards, as well as writing very legible. Remember, others need to read the card, not just you. Also, on the closest markers, I have seen people writing down their first name, or their last name only. Even if you have a unique name, our rules state you **MUST** write your first and last name legibly or you can be disqualified. It's in our rules and will be enforced moving forward because it's getting more difficult for us to spend time trying to figure out who or what the names and numbers are at times.

Doug Benc, Saturday Skins

Getaway 2026

Save the Dates! June 4–6, 2026!

As announced in last month's newsletter, we're thrilled to share that our annual EPMC Getaway will take place in **Las Vegas!**

Our group lodging will be at the **Santa Fe Station Hotel and Casino**. Like last year, each participant will be responsible for making their own lodging reservations. Complete booking details will be provided in next month's newsletter. We encourage everyone to **sign up early**, as space is limited. Once we reach capacity, any additional signups will be placed on a **waiting list**.



For those eager to know where we'll be teeing it up:

- **Thursday:** Painted Desert Golf Club
- **Friday:** Highland Falls
- **Saturday:** Palm Valley

Our traditional **banquet and awards ceremony** will be held on **Saturday, June 6th**.

Keep an eye out for the **Getaway Signup Form**, which will be available soon! Please note: **Submitting payment without completing the signup form does *not* secure your spot.** Be sure to read all instructions carefully when registering.

Gary Abbott, Tournaments

Zelle Instructions

We continue to offer Zelle to pay for the monthly tournament in advance.

Please remember:

- Zelle payments may only be used for the tournament entry fee of \$85.00. Do not include 50/50 raffle tickets, multiple tournament entries, or membership dues
- 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.
- You must still check in on the morning of the tournament. We need to know you are there, and you need your scorecard and rules.
- No Zelle payments will be accepted at the tournament check-in table.
- Payments may only be made to payment@elpradomensclub.com. You can also select Send Money and use the QR code below.
- Please include your first and last name and "Tournament" in the notes field.
- If you're paying on behalf of another golfer, please send a separate Zelle payment with their first and last name.



See you on the green,

Wayne Nichols, Bookkeeper/Treasurer

Handicap

This is a reminder that you are responsible for making sure all your eligible scores are posted on the day you play. When you play in our events, we post your scores, but for all other rounds, you need to post using the GHIN app or online. If you play in an SCGA or other tournament, ask if they are posting for you, just to be sure.



If you ever have a question, or make a mistake posting a score, please reach out to me and we will take care of it.

For more information on the handicap system you can visit the [USGA Handicapping Home](#).

Tim Sleeper, Handicap

Derby News

Eight teams went at it in the final derby of the season, played under an amazing sky last Tuesday.

Special thanks go out to El Prado Golf Courses for supporting our derby by providing carts and free golf to our members. Art Guevara also filled out our last team and provided a drink cart, and Darlene was nice enough to stick around and take care of us.



Anthony Williams and John Agan were our first casualties, carding a six on the second hole and coming up short in a chip off against Danny Ortiz and Lawrence Renteria. Danny and Lawrence didn't last much longer after posting the only six on hole #3. Next to go was JP Iriart and Ralph Alderete after scoring double bogey on hole #4. That left the remaining five teams vying for four spots in a chip off. Lance Ford and Justin Moir were eliminated as their chip failed to stay on the green.



The final hole saw two pars and two bogeys, which left chip offs to decide the money winners. Pat (Derby Killer) Bates and Brian Rief were eliminated by Art and Jim Moir who split the \$60

3rd place prize. Rich Lizarraga and Mark Comparone took home the 2nd place winnings of \$80 after their chip came up a little short against our 1st place winners, Gary Moore and Tim Rumble, who split the \$140 1st place money.



The next Derby is in the Spring, when daylight savings returns, on the Tuesday after the March tournament. Looking forward to seeing you all when we start up again

Lance Ford, Social



Pro's Corner

Let me start this newsletter by saying how much fun it was for myself to partner up with our men's club member Jim Moir and play in the monthly Men's Club Derby held this past Tuesday. Thank you to our President Danny Ortiz and Lance Ford our social events board member for the invite. I am regretting the number of times I was asked to play in this event and never had the opportunity to join, I will definitely be looking forward to when the Spring comes and will support and enhance this event so that it becomes something for all of us to look forward to. If your curious on what I am talking about, please find a board member and I'm sure they will gladly fill you in.



A few things are going on at the club: We have started working on the Driving Range deck and will be closing the top deck for two weeks to get the grass growing. Please help us by using irons only for now, until we move to our normal hitting areas.

For those that are looking for a PGA Tour influenced yardage book, we have them available for the Chino Creek course and will have Butterfield available by next month. The yardage books are the same ones that the tour uses for the courses they play, I hope it peaks some interest from some of you.

We will have a short game clinic that we are starting on Saturdays at 3:00 pm, please let me know if you are interested. The first date will be on November 8, 2025, please email me or go to our website to enter. We are starting a 9-hole night golf league on November 7th (Friday) at 6:00 pm. We will be having night golf the whole month of November and sign-ups will be done through our website or by emailing me.

Lastly, we will be getting number of new items in the golf shop. We have Nike golf shirts, shoes and winter wear coming in. We also have new EL Prado hats in as well, please make sure to tell the staff that you're a member and avail of your 10% discount.

The winner of the last rules quiz came from the Seniors Club, congratulations to Fred Guidera for winning. This month's rules question is the following:

Your ball and a practice ball from the nearby practice area are both at rest on the putting green. You putt, and your ball accidentally hits the practice ball on the putting green. What is the ruling in stroke play?

Please remember I need the correct rule and penalty if applicable.

Art Guevara, PGA
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EL PRADO GOLF COURSES

**GLOW
GOLF**

**NOVEMBER 7TH,
14TH, 21ST & 28TH**

\$55 PER PLAYER

Includes green fee, cart fee,
hot dog & soft drink

**SHOTGUN STARTS AT 6:00 PM
BAR OPEN TILL 9:30 PM**

CHINO CREEK • FRONT 9

To participate, contact Art Guevara
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626-712-1405

Tournament Results – 2 Man Better Ball – October 18, 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>

Better Ball

A Flight

Pos.	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Evans, Cary + Lizarraga, Richard	-13	59	\$250
T2	Hurtado, Octavio Jr + Montelongo, Cruz	-7	65	\$150
T2	Marquez, Alfonso + Mercado, Martin	-7	65	\$150
T2	Anthony, Michael + Sleeper, Tim	-7	65	\$150

B Flight

Pos.	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
T1	Boucher, Norm + Ignacz, Ken	-8	64	\$225
T1	Briggle, Thomas + Hughes, Daniel	-8	64	\$225
T3	Lovell, Jim + Tamashiro, Wes	-7	65	\$125
T3	Johnson, Kelly + Moore, George	-7	65	\$125

C Flight

Pos.	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Moir, James + Moir, Justin	-11	61	\$250
2	Kim, Jacob + Lopez, Justin	-10	62	\$200
T3	Bermudez, Rolando + Bretado, Henry	-8	64	\$125
T3	Alva, Luis + Becerra, Rafael	-8	64	\$125

D Flight

Pos.	Players	To Par Net	Total Net	Purse
1	Siniscalchi, Nathan + Verne, Troy	-13	59	\$270
2	Armijo, Albert J + Torres, Ramiro	-12	60	\$220
3	Ruiz, Manuel + Rumble, Tim	-9	63	\$85
4	Jensen, Paul + Sanchez, Nick	-7	65	\$120

Total Purse Allocated: \$2,795.00

Gross Skins

A Flight

	Skins	Purse	Details
Evans, Cary + Lizarraga, Richard	2	\$96	Birdie on 2, Birdie on 4
Abbott, Alex + Patel, Amaan	2	\$96	Birdie on 7, Birdie on 12
Hurtado, Octavio Jr + Montelongo, Cruz	1	\$48	Birdie on 3

B Flight

	Skins	Purse	Details
Lovell, Jim + Tamashiro, Wes	2	\$93	Birdie on 5, Birdie on 6
Waasdorp, Pete + Younger, Mike	2	\$93	Birdie on 9, Birdie on 17
Cerda, Mario + Gonzalez, Paul	1	\$46	Par on 18
Albany, Ramy + Barcnas, Cristhian	1	\$46	Birdie on 11

C Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Moir, James + Moir, Justin	2	\$86	Birdie on 6, Birdie on 16
Bermudez, Rolando + Bretado, Henry	1	\$43	Birdie on 13
Anderson, Steve + Verne, Bryon	1	\$43	Birdie on 14
Kim, Jacob + Lopez, Justin	1	\$43	Birdie on 12
Clancy, Tom + Ferrer, Andrew	1	\$43	Birdie on 10

D Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Siniscalchi, Nathan + Verne, Troy	2	\$84	Birdie on 14, Birdie on 16
Avila, Michael + Rodriguez, David A	2	\$84	Birdie on 3, Birdie on 17
Anderson, Chad + Anderson, David	1	\$42	Birdie on 6
Jensen, Paul + Sanchez, Nick	1	\$42	Birdie on 8

Total Purse Allocated: \$1,028.00

Closest to the pin

A Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Abbott, Gary + Siakisini, Esela	\$60	#14 - 1'1"
	Abbott, Alex + Patel, Amaan	\$60	#16 - 6'9"
	Evans, Cary + Lizarraga, Richard	\$60	#4 - 7'4"
	Bennett, Colin + Mundy, Robert	\$60	#7 - 8'6"
Total Purse Allocated: \$240.00			
B Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Cerda, Mario + Gonzalez, Paul	\$130	#7 - 3'2", #16. -0'10"
	Furgeson, Anthony + Ostergaard, Chris	\$65	#14. -16'4"
	Briggle, Thomas + Hughes, Daniel	\$65	#4 - 3'4"
Total Purse Allocated: \$260.00			
C Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Anderson, Steve + Verne, Bryon	\$172	#2 - 22'6", #14 - 22"0"
	Martinez, Mario + Newton, William	\$86	#17 - 0'8"
Total Purse Allocated: \$258.00			
D Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Siniscalchi, Nathan + Verne, Troy	\$62	#14 - 10'6"
	Avila, Michael + Rodriguez, David A	\$62	#17 - 9'3"
	Cox, David + Walsh, James	\$62	#2 - 11'8"
	Harlin, Steve + Hogate, Scott	\$62	#7 - 17'0"
Total Purse Allocated: \$248.00			