

### **Presidents Report**





By Gene Andrews

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Next is our Presidents Cup match play format. If you are away in June, don't sign up. If you cannot make a tournament at the last minute it is imperative that you call the proshop or the tournament director and let them know. In June is the Tahoe Classic Tournament!

Gene



### **George Porzio – Vice President**

The new score boards coming soon!

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Pete Saco giving LHS Boys and Girls Coach Dave Foxworthy a donation check from the Lincoln Hills Men's Golf Club.





### **RULES CHAIRMAN**

#### ROGER VAL

The following is a situation dealing with the provisional ball. It is important to remember that in order to hit a provisional ball the original ball might be out of bounds or lost outside of a hazard.

#### Situation:

On a short par-3 a player pulls his tee shot into dense trees to the left of the putting green. After the player's fellow competitors have played the player announces that he is going to play a provision ball and hits a great shot within six inches of the hole. The player decides that he would rather not look for the original ball and walks quickly down to the putting green and holes out, even though it is not his turn to play. As he walks away from the hole someone shouts that they have found a ball in the area where the player's ball was hit, but he refuses to identify it, saying that it is too late as his provisional ball was in play as soon as he played it into the hole. His fellow competitor says that he must add a two-stroke penalty for playing out of turn. What is the player's score for the hole?

Answers found on last page.

Roger





# **TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR**

# PETE SACO

#### Announcing our next Lincoln Hills Men's Golf Club Tournament President's Cup Match Play Championship Starting May 30, 2017

The format is match play starting on Tuesday, May 30. After that the players will have 7 days to complete their next match until the tournament is done. DO NOT ENTER IF YOU ARE GOING ON VACATION DURING JUNE.

The number of brackets/flights will be determined by number of entries. Brackets will set up by handicaps as of May 15, but each player will use their <u>current handicap for their</u> <u>matches.</u> An open bracket (scratch) will be set up if we have 8 or more entries. <u>The</u> <u>open final would be two days with a round on each of the two courses</u>. If there are not enough entries for an open bracket, those players will be placed in the appropriate flight.

NOTE CHANGE: The winners of each flight will conclude the event. All flight winners will be presented a plaque at the TOC for their respective flight.

All matches are on the Hills Course and are 18-hole matches! The Deadline for sign up is as follows:

> Presidents Cup: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 Signup by clicking HERE

> > <u>or</u>

Sign Up President's Cup On Line (<u>lhmgc.org</u>)

Any Questions: Contact: Pete Saco at psaco52@gmail.com

TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES: You will no longer be able to sign up as a single player due players canceling at the last minute. We can't have players left without a partner on the day of the event.

Therefore, if you are a single, <u>there will be a sign up sheet in the pro shop and players will</u> write their phone numbers down and future single players will contact each other to <u>determine partners</u>. Once you have found a partner, please put a line through your name. Hopefully, this process will hold individuals accountable to each other.

### Our website has links for all of our Men's Club Events. Website is <u>lhmgc.org</u>.

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**REMINDERS:** All players must check in the Pro Shop before all Tuesday sweeps and tournaments. When on the greens, repair any ball marks, and please refrain from stepping on your wedges to bring the handle up. This will reduce unneeded marks on the greens.



# HANDICAP REPORT

### BRIAN WANZER, HANDICAP CHAIR

Want to improve your handicap? Play away from the big number, and when the wheels come off the bus, hit a club you feel good about. We have all been there. We try to hit that miracle great shot over bunkers, hazards, around trees etc, only to find out that we now are in more trouble . Easy right! Well not exactly! Here's what the experts say......play smart golf, don't try to make those shots where the chance of you getting on the green is just not going to happen without an unbelievable shot on your part. Play away from the trouble, and set yourself up for success! A bogey is not that bad, but that snowman sucks.

Lastly, the experts say when your struggling hitting a club...lets say for now a 3 wood or 5 wood, and you are hitting gopher balls, big slices, etc, put it away and hit a club you feel good about. It's ok, better to play to your comfort level with a club you can hit solidly, ease your nerves, and start making good shots again. It will make you feel better about your round, and bring those handicaps down. Until next time,

#### Brian Wanzer



# MEMBERSHIP TOM TRAXEL

As of this morning we have a total of 283 members. Last years high was 287 members.

LHMGC has reduced membership to \$75.00 starting June 1st.

Any member who has a hole- in-one in a club tournament/event will receive <u>up to</u> \$250 to pay their "Hole in One" bar bill on all holes including the \$500 Hole(s) in One.

Tom



# CVS [CENTRAL VALLEY SENIORS]

# STEVE BEEDE, DIRECTOR. ASSISSANT, JESSE REUTER

Central Valley Seniors is off to a great start this year. Our players have enjoyed the challenges of Sierra View Country Club, Timber Creek Golf Club, and Valley Hi Country Club. On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, we host CVS here at Lincoln Hills and over 100 players have already registered. Volunteers are always welcome to assist at this Event. June will bring CVS events at El Macero Country Club, Stockton Country Club, and Yolo Flyers Golf Club. Although CVS members get priority in signing-up for all events, non-Members who are Members of LHMGC may be able to play if any openings arise. Generally these would be for the 1:00 PM Sessions. I will be on the road until mid-July on an RV odyssey so if you have any questions about CVS, please contact Co-Director, Jesse Reuter at jbreuter@aol.com

Steve Beede, CVS Director





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# Sunshine Alert

### By GIL LUCAS

From time to time, someone in the Men's Golf Club or their spouse will have a serious illness or pass away. As head of the Sunshine Effort, I would like to be informed of these events so I can send the person or their family an appropriate card. Also, if the member agrees, this information will be publicized in our monthly Linksletter so all members will be aware.

Webmaster Al Soares

Please browse every page on the website to familiarize yourself with the layout and content of the website, you can't break it! Any questions please contact me @ tincupal@sbcglobal.net.

### Answer to provisional ball situation.

1 - Tee shot into the trees.

2&3 – Playing from the tee under stroke and distance (because the provisional ball became the ball in play after the 4<sup>th</sup> stroke was made).

4 – Putt into the hole.

Note: The player was correct. As soon as the player made a stroke at his provisional ball from a place nearer the hole than where his original ball may have been lost, it immediately became his ball in play. So, when a ball was found that was probably his original ball it was too late for him to continue to play with it, whether it was his or not. There is no penalty in stroke play for playing out of turn (Rule 10-2c).

The player scores 4 for the hole.

REMEMBER "IT IS WHAT YOU THINK YOU KNOW IS WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW"



# Fun, short clip sent in by Russ Lynch:

https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=qUj\_qqVxVrE

Compiled by Doug Hinchey