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Presidents Report





By Gene Andrews

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Halfway thru the year I have had several of you comment on pace of play. We have a few members who don't realize or don't care that they should always keep up with the group in front of them. Here are some ways we can all improve the pace of play in our tournaments.

Please consider the following to help keep-up the pace of play:

- 1. Reduce the time to hit each shot by just 2 seconds.
- 2.One less practice swing, 1 less waggle.
- 3. When it is your turn to hit the shot, BE READY to hit the shot.
- 4. You must prepare to hit your shot while others are playing.
- 5.If you begin to fall behind, putt out and go on to the next tee to tee off. Don't wait for all the players in your group to finish before heading on to the next tee.

How to determine if you are behind:

1.If you arrive at the tee on a Par 3 and the green clear.

2.If you fail to clear the tee box on a Par 4 before the group in front of you clears the putting green.

3.If you are teeing off on a Par 5 and the group in front of you has already reached the putting green.

If you find yourself in one of these situations please have your entire foursome speed up your play until you catch up. Thank you for trying to improve pace of play.

Gene





George Porzio – Vice President

The new tournament score boards are now in use! Thank you, George!



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The Lincoln Hills Community Church Men's Ministry will hold it's 9th annual charity golf tournament on Monday, October 2, 2017 at the Lincoln Hills Golf Club (Hills course). The tournament will be a scramble format and all women and men are invited. Each year we share our proceeds with a local organization. This year we chose Ride to Walk, dedicated to improving the health of severely handicapped children and adults. If you, or anyone you know, are interested, please refer to the attached registration form:

<u>Lincoln Hills Community Church</u> CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT - MONDAY, October 2, 2017 \$90.00 per player, *Includes* green fees • cart • range balls • lunch

Please mail all registration forms, along with your check made payable to: Lincoln Hills Community Church (or LHCC), to BOB J. MCCOLLUM, 1855 ANDOVER LN, Lincoln, CA 95648. Questions? Call Bob McCollum, 916-408-0621



RULES CHAIRMAN

ROGER VAL

Now that we are at the mid point of our golf season I thought it would be good to review some of our local rules as many of you seek me out to verify their understanding of some of the rules.

First of all please take time to down load the local rules, which you can find on our web site. Make a copy and put that copy in your golf bag. If a situation comes up it is better to read the local rules rather than guess at what the procedure might be or someone in your group leading you down the wrong path. Remember it is "What you think you know is what you don't know".

SPLIT RAIL FENCES: All the split rail fences on both courses are deemed to be immoveable obstructions. If the fence impedes your swing or stance you then find the nearest point of relief and drop within one club length no nearer the hole being played. NO PENALITY. Remember when dropping out of a lateral water hazard defined by the split rail fence (two club lengths and a one stroke penalty) and your ball rolls and comes to rest near the fence causing your swing and stance to be interfered with, you now can find the nearest point of relief and drop the ball again within one club length for NO ADDITIONAL PENALTY.

DROP ZONES: Players are still confused about our drop zones. There are only four zones, one on the Hills course and three on the Orchard. The Hills drop zone is on the 2nd hole and located a cross the water near the forward tee. The Orchard zones are located across the ESA area near the cart path on the 3rd hole, the end of the 6th fairway and the forward tee on the 7th hole. Remember if you use the drop zone on 7 you must not tee the ball you must drop it. ALL OTHER ZONES MARKED ON THE TWO COURSES ARE NOT IN PLAY FOR THE MEN'S CLUB.

WATER HAZARD ON THE 2ND HOLE ON THE HILLS COURSE: If you played from the tee and your ball is in the fairway across the water and you hit your second shot into the water crossing the yellow margin of the water hazard you now can treat the water hazard as a lateral water hazard and drop within two club lengths from the margin of the hazard.

STONES IN BUNKERS: Remember by local rule we can remove stones from the bunkers as they are deemed to be moveable obstructions NO PENALITY. If you remove a stone and your ball moves just replace the ball in its original position and there is no penalty.

Again please take the time to make a copy of our local rules and put them in your golf bag.

Roger





TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

PETE SACO

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

The August 8th Tournament will be a 4-man scramble, sign up by August 1. The Member/Member or Guest will be on September 26. More on this next month.

TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES: For the 4 man scramble August 8, you'll be able to sign up as a single. Look for the sign up email flyer soon!

Our website has links for all of our Men's Club Events. Website is lhmgc.org.

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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

Hi Guys,

Last year we decided to recognize the most improved golfers to their handicaps. So.....from October 16 of last year through March 30th of this year the winners are: #1 Joe McLeod, \$75.00. #2 Keith Bergevin, \$50.00. #3 Ross Burkett \$25.00 Congratulations to the 3 of you! Your winnings will be placed in your acct at the pro shop. Our next 6 months winners will be recognized at our end of the year dinner. Sorry for the delay in getting this out. This was just one of those things that fell through the cracks during my transition to being the new handicap chair.

Until next time ..stay cool ...stay hydrated..and hit em long and straight, Brian





MEMBERSHIP TOM TRAXEL

As of this morning we have a total of 285 members. Last years high was: 287 members.

LHMGC membership is reduced to \$75.00.

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 have enjoyed the challenges of Sierra View Country Club, Timber Creek Golf Club, and Valley Hi Country 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





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.

They said it....thanks Paul Gardner for sending these in.

- 1. These greens are so fast I have to hold my putter over the ball and hit it with the shadow.
- ~ PGA Hall of Famer Sam Snead
- 2. I was three over today: One over a house, one over a patio and one over a swimming pool..
- ~ Baseball Hall of Famer George Brett
- 3. Actually, the only time I ever took out a one-iron was to kill a tarantula. And I took a 7 to do that.
- ~ Sports Writer Jim Murray

4. The only sure rule in golf is - he who has the fastest cart never has to play the bad lie.

- ~ Baseball Hall of Famer Mickey Mantle
- 5. Sex and golf are the two things you can enjoy even if you're not good at them.
- ~ Actor Kevin Costner
- 6. I don't fear death, but I sure don't like those three-footers for par.
- ~ PGA Golfer Chi Chi Rodriguez
- 7. After all these years, it's still embarrassing for me to play on the American golf tour. Like the time I asked my caddie for a sand wedge and he came back ten minutes later with a ham on rye.
- ~ PGA Golfer Chi Chi Rodriguez
- 8. The ball retriever is not long enough to get my putter out of the tree.
- ~ Tom Weiskopf
- 9. Swing hard in case you hit it.
- ~ Football QB Dan Marino
- 10. My favorite shots are the practice swing and the conceded putt. The rest can never be mastered.
- ~ Lord Robertson
- 11. Give me golf clubs, fresh air and a beautiful partner, and you can keep the clubs and the fresh air.
- ~ Jack Benny
- 12. There is no similarity between golf and putting; they are two different games, one played in the air, and the other on the ground.
- ~ Ben Hogan
- 13. Professional golf is the only sport where, if you win 20% of the time, you're the best. ~ *Jack Nicklaus*
- 14. The uglier a man's legs are, the better he plays golf. It's almost a law. $\sim H$. G. Wells
- 15. I never pray on a golf course. Actually, the Lord answers my prayers everywhere except on the course.
- ~ Billy Graham

16. If you watch a game, it's fun. If you play at it, it's recreation. If you work at it, it's golf. ~ *Bob Hope*

- 17. While playing golf today, I hit two good balls. I stepped on a rake in a sand trap. ~ *Henny Youngman*
- 18. If you think it's hard to meet new people, try picking up the wrong golf ball. ~ *Jack Lemmon*
- 19. You can make a lot of money in this game. Just ask my ex-wives. Both of them are so rich that neither of their husbands work.
- ~ Lee Trevino
- 20. I'm not saying my golf game went bad, but if I grew tomatoes, they'd come up sliced. ~ *Lee Trevino*



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