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**“Success in Golf depends Less upon Strength of Body than upon Strength of Mind and Character”
Arnold Palmer**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Rodger Oswald


I have no reason why I am feeling so philosophical at the moment. However, I did enjoy a lovely day on the links with good company on a nice course (but sub-standard golf), had a nap and now smell the aroma of my wife's fine cooking. Life is good. Notice I said life is good ... not easy. I will attempt to play golf again tomorrow – something my body rebels against. I think it has something to do with the fact I will celebrate 80 next year. That's the bad news. The good news is that I can move to the forward tees, use the survivor tees and ask for more strokes from my opponents. That won't be easy either. Not the asking, but the getting.

This post-round, post-nap with delicious aromas in the air moment mellows me, and I pause to think how good I really have it. We all wish our bodies were more resilient and our drives flew longer; but, the fact is, we are on the right side of the grass. I wish there was less Dallisgrass and the bunkers were groomed and fluffy; but I could be digging a ditch, re-stringing lines 100 feet off the ground in Paradise or sitting on a street corner begging for food. I don't like all these new taxes of Governor Newsom nor the tariff war between the U.S. and China, but I live in a country with amazing liberties and comforting protections. I have had the opportunity to be in a number of politically and religiously restricted countries where life is cheap and power rules. Here, I still have a vote and the right to protest as well as bear arms. I am not trying to be political, but to express joy and contentment for my situation in life...and my life here in Lincoln Hills.

Tonight when you go to bed, or tomorrow when you wake up, do so with a heart of gratitude. Not that things couldn't always be better, but that you are where you are, have what you have and can do most anything you want to do. Yup, live IS good.

Hit 'em long and straight,

Rodger Oswald, President
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LOCAL RULES

This month I thought it would be good to review a few procedures dealing with golf etiquette. It seems that in our different groups we have a tendency to not pay attention to the courtesies the rest of the group deserves. We are more fixed on the bad or good shot that we just completed. Therefore here are a few reminders to practice during your future rounds.

On the tee do not stand directly behind the player who is next to play. Stand to the side. You can still see where the player's ball went from that position. Most importantly, the entire group should remain on the tee until all have completed their drives. With four sets of eyes, there should not be any reason why the group can't find a player's ball.

When it comes to speed of play and cart use it is important that after the shot, proceed to the first ball and drop off the player with necessary yardage and clubs needed and then proceed to your ball. After you have completed your shot pick up the first player and proceed to next shot with clubs in hand and replace your clubs into your golf bag when you have reached the next ball to be played. After the hole is completed move on and update the score card at the next tee. Remember from tee to green you only have 40 seconds to hit your shot when it is your turn to play. Use time well while you are waiting your turn to prepare for your shot.

On the green fix your pitch mark and a couple of others. Never stand along the line of another player's putt, front or back. Get completely out of the way. Standing even with the ball left or right, at a considerate distance, is always correct.

Remember you are not the only one in your group, so don't narrate your good or bad play to the others. There is nothing worse when you are having to listen to another player's problems throughout the round. It dampens a day of fun!

Remember "It is what you think you know is what you don't know".

Roger



TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR

Gene Andrews

The Club Championship will be October 7 on the Orchard and the 8th on the Hills course. There will be a Just For Fun division as well.

Gene

REMINDERS: All players must check in the Pro Shop before all Tuesday sweeps and tournaments. When on the greens, please repair any ball marks, and refrain from stepping on your wedges to bring the handle up. Avoid slow play by keeping up with the players in front of you.



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HANDICAP REPORT

Brian Wanzer

Hello again,
I posted the last 60 days most improved golfer report on the bulletin board for you review.
We will announce the winners next month for the 90 day quarter in next month's newsletter. Good luck, and keep working on getting those handicaps down.

Until next time,
Brian

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MEMBERSHIP

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MGCLH have 53 new members and 225 returning members for a total of 278 members year to date.

EARLY REGISTRATION BEGINS OCTOBER 1.

The Lincoln Hills Men's Golf Club and the NCGA will begin the 2020 “**Early Registration**” period on October 1st.

For Renewing Members, the dues from October 1, 2019 to December 31, 2020 including 2019 will be \$86. Beginning January 1, 2020, the Renewing Members' dues will increase to \$96.

For New Membership to our club, the fee will be \$96, but will entitle the New Member to play in the club events from October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. This is a great time to encourage your friends and neighbors to consider joining our club.

The fee for 2019 includes your hole-in-one insurance. Any member who has a hole-in-one in a club tournament/event will receive up to \$250 to pay their “Hole in One” bar bill.

By registering early, it will help the Board construct a realistic budget for 2020.

Thank you for your Early Registration and for being an emissary for our club.

Men's Club website (www.mgclh.club)

Tom

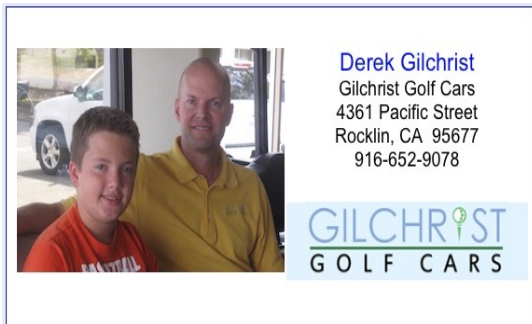
CONGRATULATIONS to Rob Davies and Lee Johnson for their recent Hole's in one! Rob on hole 16, and Lee Johnson on hole 7 both on the Hills course. For Lee it was his first hole in one.

CVS [CENTRAL VALLEY SENIORS]

Steve Beede, Director, Assistant, Jesse Reuter

Our 2019 Central Valley Seniors season is nearing an end. We played our last away event at Cameron Park and we wrap up with our Lincoln Hills event on 9/23. 39 Members played CVS this year and most got to play the Courses and time-slots they desired. All have seemed to enjoy the experience. Playing golf at mostly private country clubs *and* getting a full buffet lunch or breakfast for only \$47 is certainly a good deal. Plus it provides the opportunity to spread our golfing wings (and golf balls) to new venues with unique challenges.

Jesse and I will soon start working on the 2020 CVS Season. Look for the Application in December or January.



SUNSHINE ALERT

Bob Emge
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From time to time, someone in the Men's Golf Club, or their spouse or family will have a serious illness or pass away. As head of the Sunshine Alert 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.



Jerry D. Thompson

Jerry D. Thompson, age 81, died on Thursday, August 29, 2019, in Lincoln CA. He was born February 6, 1938, in Oklahoma City OK. Jerry was a former Men's Club member.

Jerry was an Electrical Contractor working for Hilton as the Building Maintenance Supervisor in Los Angeles and San Francisco. He retired from Sonoma County in charge of building maintenance. Jerry had a wonderful knack for solving problems and working with people. Jerry truly lived life to the fullest through simple pleasures: playing golf with friends and his newfound love of travel with Donna Burke. Jerry had an uncanny ability to reach people in a deep and positive way. He is survived by his daughter, Debra Draper; grandson, Clifford; and three stepchildren.

Family and friends whose lives Jerry touched are invited to Lincoln Hills Golf Club at the Hills course, Hole # 2 near the tee box, on October 16, 2019 at 4pm to participate in a tree planting memorial to celebrate Jerry's life.

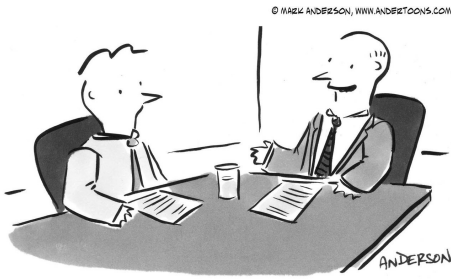
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"And, assuming your golf handicap checks out, the job is yours!"

Doug Hinchey

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