

Men's Golf Club of Lincoln Hills (MGCLH)

is the official go to golf club for Lincoln Hills male residents. Established in 2004, the club currently consists of 330 members who are able to enjoy monthly tournaments to fire their competitive juices. For those who have recently moved to Sun City Lincoln Hills MGCLH is an excellent way to meet new people to enjoy the game of golf. The club plays by the USGA Rules of Golf. You must be a resident of Lincoln Hills to participate.

The Men's club has a board of directors and a set of bylaws that are taken seriously. Currently there are 12 voting members and 1 consulting board member. The elected positions are President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The appointed positions are tournament director, membership director, communication, social, rules, handicapping, sponsors, Central Valley Seniors representatives. The consulting board member is the position of Webmaster.

MEN'S GOLF CLUB OF LINCOLN HILLS

THE LINKSLETTER



A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT ROB DAVIES

With a perfect day for golf, our March tournament is in the books with a good turnout. It was played totally on the Hills course due to the limited signup, but the pace of play was still pretty good. Next month is the NCGA Senior Four-Ball Net Qualifier with a JFF for those who don't want to compete in the more serious event. Both events will be a Two-Man better ball so start looking for your partner in these events. Expecting a little better turnout for this format.

Time to get on my preaching hat for just a short time. There are still several individuals or groups who feel it is not necessary to rake bunkers. For those who claim this is caused by outsiders who play here, I'm sure this is partly true. However, the bunkers during our last tournament (and we were the only players on the course) had several sets of footprints in them and I know because I took several trips in them. Once, I ended up in a very deep footprint hole that I was required to play out of according to our rules. So, I, for one, don't appreciate the lack of courtesy afforded by a fellow member. This lack of respect for our fellow golfers can only be fixed from within. Say something to your group if someone doesn't rake. Rake it for them if they have a medical issue or struggle due to mobility problems. Also, please knock the sand off your shoes coming out of the bunker. The players behind you do not need to know every place you walked on the green after being in the bunker. I know this is only a small percentage of our members, so let's get everyone on board and show some courtesy.

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**TOURNAMENT
REPORT**
BY KEITH BERGEVIN

We enjoyed great weather for our Tournament of Champions (TOC) and Just-for-Fun (JFF) event in March. The weather was perfect and a welcome sight as we roll into spring. The TOC Division was comprised of tournament winners over the past 12 months. Congratulations to low gross flight winners Fred Jaicks, Dennis Plattner, and Hal Kastner. Great rounds guys!

Our upcoming event on April 16th is the Senior Four-Ball Net Qualifier and JFF. The Senior Qualifier is an opportunity for two two-man teams from our men's club to advance to the Area Qualifier. The Area Qualifier will be at Ancil Hoffman, where the local club winners will compete to advance. Those advancing from the Area Qualifier can compete in the final NCGA Championship event, which is 36 holes in September at

Poppy Hills in Pebble Beach, CA. Quite an opportunity! The Just-for-Fun Division will also be a two-man better ball format.

Also in April will be the Inter-Club Tournament on the 29th for the men's and women's clubs at Lincoln Hills. This is a 4-person scramble comprised of players from each club, randomly placed in teams. It is a lot of fun, great camaraderie, and a chance to meet other players. It will be an 8:30 am scramble, with lunch to follow. Look for the recent announcement sent out on March 25th to sign up.

BE KIND PLEASE RAKE



MEMBERSHIP
BY Bob Schoenherr

Total Membership is now set at 314, with one New Member this month. Spring is upon us, and Summer is coming. See you on the Range and on the Course!

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We on the board have been making an effort to update the website to reflect policies, procedures, etc more accurately. If you haven't been there in a while or have a question about something in your club, give it a try. Hopefully there is information available on the site. However, you can always reach out to any of the board members, and they can steer you in the right direction or get back to you if they don't know the answer to your question.

Looking forward to a wonderful spring before the heat of the summer. See you all out on the course.



*LINCOLN HILLS
G.M.
REPORT*

I hope everyone is excited to get good weather and enough of all this rain. We still continue to have a few cart path-restricted days and ask that those with private golf carts respect the cart path only on days that it applies to. We continue to see some repeat offenders, but please know that it is strictly to protect the course from damage and keep the course in the best possible condition.

It is also that time of year for green aeration, which usually happens right when the course and greens get in great shape, but it's a necessary evil twice a year to continue to be able to have great greens at Lincoln Hills. We aerated the Orchard greens this past Monday, March 25th and will have discounted greens fees until April 7th for both public play as well as Resident and Sierra members. You will see your normal member rate discounted by \$10 on the Orchard until April 7th. On April 8th, we will be aerating the Hills greens and again will have discounted greens fees for 2 weeks after aerification.

We have also begun some minor work on the bridges that is more unseen than seen as we have hired a company that came out to do a full in-depth inspection, survey, and load testing on the bridges to give us a detailed assessment of the bridges to come up with a short term and long term bridge improvement plan. With this initial assessment, we found some beaver damage to the bridge going from Orchard Hole 3 to Orchard Hole 4 and needed to do some immediate repairs to the structure to make sure it was safe. We had the company install temporary reinforcements to a few pylons while they fabricate and construct steel reinforcements that will be installed within the next few months. Those are going to be things that aren't necessarily seen by anyone, and the full scope of bridge repairs or replacements will be assessed over the next couple of months to determine a game plan going forward. Since the bunker renovation and the new cart fleet, this is the next big challenge that we are addressing in the continued efforts to make Lincoln Hills a premier facility in Northern California.

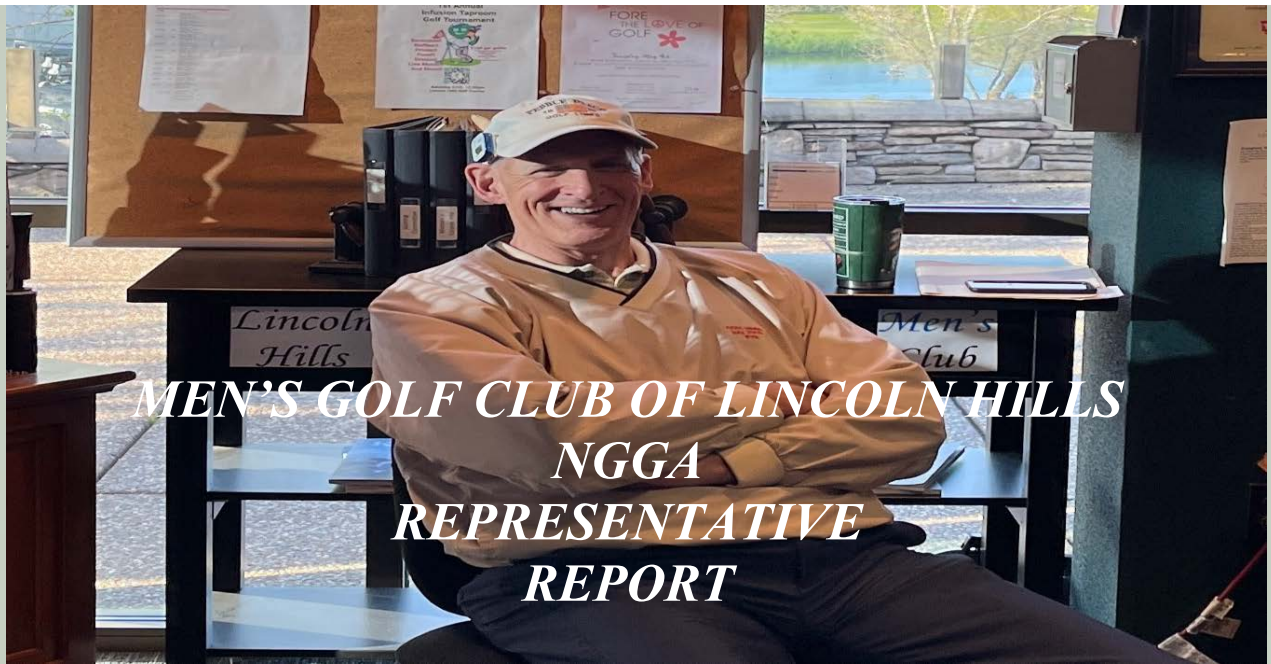
Another reminder to all golfers: please cancel your tee times if you won't be playing or if you are booked for 4 players and only plan on having 3 or even 2. As we start to get busier on both courses, we want to maximize the available tee times for others.

We are excited for 2024 and hope to see all of you coming out more as the weather gets nicer and please feel free to reach out to me with any other questions or concerns. And once the weather gets nicer and I look to play more golf, feel free to invite me to play a round and enjoy the beautiful courses and weather. But not until it gets above 75 or so and sunny. haha

Thanks

Chad Bennett, PGA

General Manager



MEN'S GOLF CLUB OF LINCOLN HILLS NGGA REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

One of the most exciting benefits of being an NCGA/MGCLH Member is organized tournaments at courses that you really want to play on. For us, the NCGA Senior Series gives us that opportunity. Men age 55 and above - the NCGA Senior Series is for you. Played on weekdays, these competitions are flighted by handicap and age. There are prize funds for each flight and an optional skins game. Many of the events allow you to choose your playing partner(s) and your tee times. These events are very popular, so check out the schedule below and sign up for one or more events.

Senior Series events are hosted at some of the finest golf courses across Northern California. There are both individual and team competitions with a wide range of formats, including Individual Net, Four-Ball Net, Stableford and Chicago points, Two-Person Scramble, and optional skins games.

Tournaments are generally flighted by handicap to ensure golfers of all abilities will be able to enjoy the competition and have the opportunity to win prizes and merchandise. We have a Handicap Review process to promote fair play.

A season-long points system allows golfers to earn entry into the overall Championship, a two-day event held in November-December.

There are registration opening 'windows':

Registration for events held February - May opens January 15.

Registration for events held June - August opens April 15.

Registration for events held September - December opens July 15.

Each event will feature two divisions based on age, the first division will be for golfers age 55-64 (50-64 for women), the second division for golfers 65 and over. Players will also be assigned a tee based on their age. The senior division men (55-64) will play from an approximate yardage of 5800-6200; the super senior division men (65 and older) will play an approximate yardage of 5400-5800; all women will play an approximate yardage of 4700-5400.

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REPRESENTATIVE
REPORT
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Players may request to play from a longer or shorter set of tees used in the event when pairings have been released.

Here is the 2024 Senior Series schedule:

Date	Tournaments	Course	Location	
Feb 26	Sr. Series - Sierra View - Feb 26 ⓘ	Sierra View CC	Roseville, CA	Results
Mar 6	Sr. Series - Silverado South - March 6 ⓘ	Silverado Resort & Spa- S	Napa, CA	Results
Mar 22	Sr. Series Merced - March 22 ⓘ	Merced Golf & CC	Merced, CA	Results
Apr 2	Sr. Series Baylands - April 2 ⓘ	Baylands Golf Links	Palo Alto, CA	
Apr 3	Sr. Series Coyote Creek - April 3 ⓘ	Coyote Creek GC - Valley	San Jose, CA	
Apr 15	Sr. Series Santa Rosa - April 15 ⓘ	Santa Rosa G&CC	Santa Rosa, CA	🏆 Register
Apr 22	Sr. Series Reserve at Spanos Park Apr ⓘ	Reserve at Spanos Park GC	Stockton, CA	🏆 Register
May 6	Sr. Series StoneTree - May 6 ⓘ	Bay Club StoneTree	Novato, CA	🏆 Register
May 20	Sr. Series Apple Mountain - May 20 ⓘ	Apple Mountain GR	Camino, CA	🏆 Register
May 21	Sr. Series Teal Bend - May 21 ⓘ	Teal Bend GC	Sacramento, CA	🏆 Register
May 30	Sr. Series Valley of the Moon - May 30 ⓘ	Valley of the Moon Course	Santa Rosa, CA	🏆 Register
Jun 3	Sr. Series Lincoln Hills - June 3 ⓘ	Lincoln Hills- Orchard	Lincoln, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Jun 4	Sr. Series - Bing Maloney - June 4 ⓘ	Bing Maloney GC	Sacramento, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Jun 11	Sr. Series Paradise Valley - June 11 ⓘ	Paradise Valley	Fairfield, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Jun 12	Sr. Series Rancho Solano - June 12 ⓘ	Rancho Solano GC	Fairfield, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Jun 27	Sr. Series Eagle Vines - June 27 ⓘ	Eagle Vines GC	Napa, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Jul 23	Sr. Series Del Monte - July 23 ⓘ	Del Monte GC	Monterey, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Jul 24	Sr. Series Pacific Grove - July 24 ⓘ	Pacific Grove GL	Pacific Grove, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Jul 29	Sr. Series Tilden Park - July 29 ⓘ	Tilden Park GC	Berkeley, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Aug 19	Sr. Series Baylands - August 19 ⓘ	Baylands Golf Links	Palo Alto, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Aug 20	Sr. Series Corica Park - August 20 ⓘ	Corica Park - South	Alameda, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Aug 26	Sr. Series Spring Valley - Aug 26 ⓘ	Spring Valley	Milpitas, CA	Opens 04/15/2024
Sep 16-17	Sr. Ser - Schaffer's/Tahoe Sep 16-17 ⓘ	Schaffer's Mill	Truckee, CA	Opens 07/15/2024
Sep 30	Sr. Series - Blue Rock Springs - Sep 30 ⓘ	Blue Rock Springs (West)	Vallejo, CA	Opens 07/15/2024
Oct 28	Sr. Series Team Championship Oct 28 ⓘ	Green Valley CC	Fairfield, CA	Opens 10/04/2024
Nov 11	Individual Sr. Series Championship ⓘ	Claremont CC	Oakland, CA	Opens 10/09/2024



HANDICAP
BY Bill Hall

The weather is getting warmer and the days longer, so I hope to see more of you out enjoying the courses.

The bunkers are now in play and a little clarification on posting using the bunkers. First, I make yet another plea for “EVERYONE” to rake the bunkers after your shot and rake your tracks out of the bunker, also. And while you are at it, rake out the tracks of the “inconsiderate player” before you who did not rake out his or her tracks. There is no free drop if you land in a footprint. If your ball buries due to the softness of the sand, you are required to play it like it is and figure out how to get that fried egg out of the sand. No relief is allowed. If you don’t follow these rules or take appropriate penalties, you are not legal to post your round. My advice to you is if you don’t like hitting out of the sand, don’t hit it in there (brilliant, right).

Every tournament will have a local rules sheet handed out with the scorecards covering the local rules for the day. Make sure you read it.

Posting your scores hole by hole will prevent 1 or 2 bad holes from drastically affecting your net score. When you post hole-by-hole scores, the system will adjust the high-stroke holes to a net double bogey (par + 2 + handicap strokes).

Have a great time on the course.

Since everyone seems to be so darn healthy, I think it's time to start celebrating birthdays. Here are the MGCLH Birthday Boys for April:



SUNSHINE
REPORT
BY Jim McGeough

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| Michael Donley - April 1 | Ron Nabity - April 15 |
| Daniel Roberts - April 1 | Gregg Davis - April 17 |
| George Porzio - April 2 | Ford Michel - April 22 |
| Tom Farmer - April 5 | Steve Thornton - April 23 |
| Jim Lloyd - April 5 | Larry Fredlund - April 24 |
| Thomas Gibbs - April 6 | Ron Marquart - April 24 |
| Doug King - April 6 | Chuck Buffum - April 25 |
| Torr Zielenski - April 12 | Larry Schutz - April 26 |
| Russ Baldo - April 13 | Jess Reuter - April 27 |
| Ray Englehardt - April 13 | Phil Hermanson - April 28 |

Congratulations and HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!



COMMUNICATIONS
BY Mike McBack

Gentleman,
Due to unfortunate circumstances, I’m resigning from the board. This will go into effect as soon as I can find a replacement who wants to have fun like I have had these 4+ years. I have posted an opportunity description for the position on the last page. Please let any of the board members know if you are interested.



SPONSORS
BY Douglas Krochak

This month we are featuring Coldwell Banker SunRidge Real Estate. Their expertise is paramount in dealing with both selling or buying that most important asset. Coldwell Banker Sun Ridge Realty services Placer, Sacramento, and Folsom counties. Two offices to serve you are located locally. One at 4011 Woodcreek Oaks Blvd # 110, Roseville phone number 916.772.6600. The second office is located at 1500 Del Webb Blvd, #101, Lincoln, phone number 916.543.5222. Both are staffed with professionals to provide a myriad of services to help provide you with your real estate needs.

As a reminder, sponsors represent most of the payouts for our 12

tournaments a year. Please use or recommend our sponsors to family and friends. Also, kindly reach out to me for any business, large or small, that might be interested in sponsorship. I am available at 760.846.4095 via phone call or text.

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Did you know....

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RULES
BY Brian Fox

If you are taking lateral relief from a penalty area adjacent to a putting green you may take relief onto the putting green as long as the ball is no closer to the hole than the reference point (where the ball entered the penalty area). But remember the ball must remain in the course area that the ball touches when dropped.



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Flushing It
@flushingitgolf

When I was young I sucked at golf but now after years of dedication, practice and coaching, I'm no longer young.

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cvS
BY Wayne Sutton

It's not too late to join the Central Valley Seniors

Our first outing of the season at Sierra View Country Club in Roseville is coming up April 15. CVS is a group of 10 golf clubs (8 of them private) that host member clubs on various Mondays from April through September. Our next outing is to Yolo Flyers CC in Woodland.

You can join CVS for \$40. To join, you must also be a member of the Men's Golf Club of Lincoln Hills. This fee helps cover the cost of hosting the other 10 clubs at Lincoln Hills. You can leave a Check payable to MGCLH/CVS in the pro shop men's club drawer.

As a member you will have the opportunity to play in the Monday outings. You can choose to walk the courses for \$40 (most are very walkable), or you can ride for \$60. You can join individually or get your three buddies to join and have your own foursome. This fee also includes either a hot lunch or breakfast, green fees, and range balls.

The 2024 Schedule

April 15 Sierra View
 April 29 Yolo Flyers
 May 13 Valley Hi
 June 10 Lincoln Hills
 June 24 El Macero
 July 15 Rancho Murrietta
 July 29 Northridge
 August 12 Cameron Park
 August 26 Woodbridge
 September 16 Timber Creek



WEB MASTER
BY Fred Jaicks

We are continuing to use our website as a source of information for all our Mens Club members and those who might be thinking about joining in on the fun! If you see something that would improve this resource and make your experience better don't hesitate to reach out to me with your suggestions. The Board of directors are actively making an effort to improve this resource. fred.jaicks@gmail.com

The Premier Graphx Apparel Store in Roseville is open Monday thru Friday from 9am to 5pm. For more information:
<http://mgclh.club/apparel-store/>

This Apparel Store was set up for you to purchase apparel with the Club's logo. The club does not receive any proceeds from the purchases in this store.

Note – you can bring your own items (hat, shirt, jacket, etc) to Premier Graphx and they will add the logo to it for a nominal fee.

FOR SALE

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In addition to the monthly LinksLetter, equipment for sale are listed in our web site's "Blog" under the "For Sale" category. Golf items For Sale is for MGCLH Members only -- businesses are not be allowed to post items. Items listed For Sale (or Wanted) must be golf related, for example: used clubs, range finders, electric golf carts, etc. See the For Sale page on the web site for information on getting items for sale posted

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MEN'S GOLF CLUB OF LINCOLN HILLS
POSITION DESCRIPTION
COMMUNICATIONS CHAIRMAN

The Communications Chairman is a member of the Board of Directors. This position is responsible for gathering articles, publishing the monthly Linksletter, and writing articles for the SCLH Compass and the Sun Senior News. This position is a voting member of the board.

Specific Position Duties:

1. The person in this position writes articles and sends them to the Compass and Sun Senior News newspapers. Neither the Compass nor the Sun Senior News want the same exact article word for word appearing in their monthly issue. For instance, move the tournament information to the top of one article and to the bottom of the other and change some wording. The Compass limits articles to 125 words, but the Sun Senior News has no limit.

Articles and photos can be of recent past winners of a tournament, holes in one, announcing future tournaments, or anything of recent interest about the Men's Club. The articles need to be sent several weeks before to the Compass and Sun Senior News to be published in a future edition. Sun Senior News likes articles by the 15th of the month, and the Compass will send a reminder email with a hyperlink.

The average time for the two articles is about a total of 1 hour for both.

2. The Linksletter is the main communication vehicle for information. Responsibilities include collecting articles from the President, Tournament Director, Membership Director, Sunshine report, NCGA Representative report, Handicap Director, Rules Director, Sponsorship Director, CVS report, Webmaster report, and For Sale items. He sends an email to the Board Members requesting articles 10 days before you need them for that month. Allow yourself enough time to put the newsletter together, then send it to the Board for review and necessary changes to be made. After all changes have been made, attach a file to the MemberPlanet Email and schedule for the 1st of the month. This is your chance to show your creativity.

The average amount of time for this part of the opportunity is 3 hours a month.

3. Other responsibilities include the MGCLH Bulletin Board and Tracking all For Sale Items from the MGCLH.club For Sale web page. This is necessary for adding or deleting from the MGCLH bulletin board and the Linksletter. Posting the Linksletter on the bulletin board each month. Posting the announcement of the upcoming tournament and the results for the monthly tournaments.

4. Recommended Skillset/Experience – MS email, MS Word, MS Excel, Adobe Acrobat, publishing tools, imagination is a big plus, and likes to have fun.

Prepared by Michael McGuire-Back – March 23, 2024