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NEWS LETTER

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# NOTES from the President

We are entering the best time of the year. In the middle of Spring the fairways turn an emerald green, the trees spread their leaves, the flowers show colors that have been hidden for months and you feel like whistling even when your putt stops one inch short of the cup. We are continuing to receive new applications for Executive Membership and welcome Nathan Miller, Jeremy Silva and Lawrence Souza as new members.

We are excited to welcome back our French Night on June 15<sup>th</sup>. As this event is supervised by Pierre and Sonja Perret, with their own classic French flair, it is guaranteed to be an evening to remember. Do not wait to make your reservations as this, once in a Blue Moon event will be filled early.

While our membership continues to rebound from our losses suffered during the Great Recession, our budget is still barely keeping its head above water. In the last decade we have had to use every available dime to maintain our course, pay our property taxes, insurance and employees. Infrastructure has been left wanting. Members may have noticed that the Board recently authorized the repaving of six (6) parking places. This was required because a safety hazard developed, was noted by our insurance company and a repair was mandated. Our entire parking lot is showing signs of age, however the cost to fully repave is prohibitive at this point.

Our Club House carpet was fraying and holes appearing. That is when over 40 members stepped forward, took out their check books and contributed to a fund that was earmarked for carpet replacement. Every member will benefit from these individual's generosity and, in a few weeks, we should have a much nicer place to spend time with friends and family. I cannot adequately express my appreciation to those members.

Lastly, to Barry and Jeanne McAuley. The entire club thanks you for personally arranging for the removal of the trees next to the 13<sup>th</sup> hole bridge and 11<sup>th</sup> green. Those trees were dying a slow death and becoming a danger for anyone around them. Arborists had directed that they be removed, but funding was difficult. Not wanting any recognition, they took this on themselves. That kind of generosity will never be forgotten. As we all pull together we become stronger. Our club is more than fairways and greens.

Rickey D. Wallace



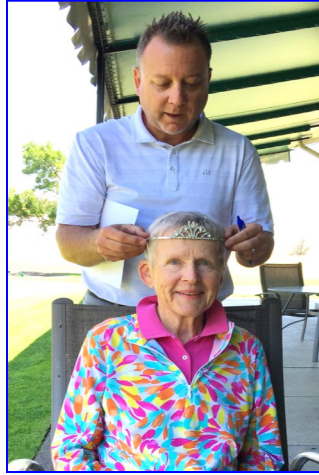


## PRO'S CORNER

**David Whitby**  
PGA Club PRO

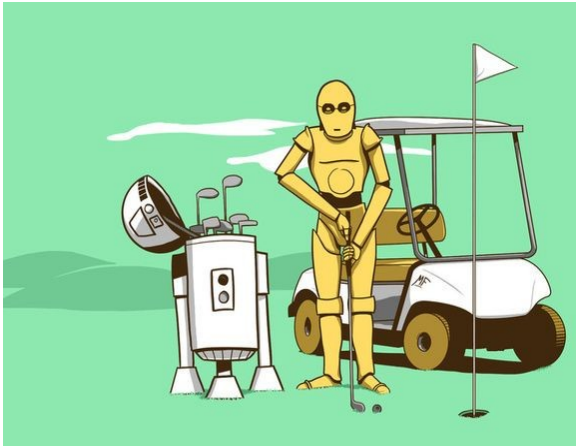
Congratulations goes out to all the ladies that participated in the 2018 Ladies Club Championship.

**Sally Tomlinson** edged out **Linda Lucas** by one shot to win her second Club Championship in a row.  
Great job ladies!!!



Next up, Stag Day, Beat the Pro on June 13th, 12:30 pm shotgun. Don't forget to sign up for the Invitational, June 21st-23rd. Callaway Demo Day will be June 21st from 10:00-2:00 on the driving range.

Remember, the weather is getting warmer so don't forget to drink lots of water, on and off the golf course.



## MEN'S INVITATIONAL

JUNE 21 - Practice Round  
12:00pm Shotgun

JUNE 22 - Round 1  
9:30am Shotgun

JUNE 23 - Round 2  
9:30am Shotgun



**House Committee**  
by: Dick Buchner

Thank You....Thank you to all members, Proprietary, Executive and Social who contributed to the carpet fund. Although we are a few dollars short, we have ordered the carpet and expected to have it installed by the invitational. The carpet will blend with that in the ladies lounge and the junior room. In the future, we plan to replace the carpet in those rooms as well.

Thank you to the committee members who worked on this project. Many thanks to Berna for her enthusiasm and hard work.

**Danny Moak**  
Golf Course Superintendent  
**BrightView**

I want to let everyone know that we have begun our needle thing on the greens so you may notice some little holes when you are playing. We do this to improve water and air movement in the root zone of the greens. We have also started with our vertical mowing of the greens to help keep the greens as smooth as possible during the summer.

**Clover update:** We have sprayed the entire golf course for clover, but have noticed that there is still clover out there. We will be making a second and or third application in the coming weeks.

**SOME**  
Super **Heroes**  
Don't have  
**CAPES...**  
They are  
called **DAD**



June 21st  
10:00am - 2:00pm



# 18-Hole Ladies Division

**Captain's Table**  
**Nancy Slater**  
 CAPTAIN

The 18 Hole Ladies ended April with our annual Grandmothers Tournament on the 26<sup>th</sup>. Caren Brendel and Kara Parle treated us all to a wonderful tournament, lunch and a celebration. Winners for the day were Linda Lucas – Low Gross and Donna Tetangco – Low Net. These two ladies will be our hostesses for next years tournament.

The Accuracy Drive was awarded to Nancy Slater and Closest to the flag on #17 to Laurel Mancebo. A 2BB Team Tournament was won by Anita Goza, Linda Pellissier and Donna Tetangco.

The highlight of the day was



a Hole In One by **Linda Lucas** – what a shot, what a golfer!

May 3<sup>rd</sup> was a Captain's Trophy Tournament won by Kara Parle. Low Putts winner was Sharon Terry. Flight 1 winner was Pat Jones and Kara also captured Flight 2 honors.

Our Charity Day, May 10<sup>th</sup>, was played for the benefit of The First Tee Merced. The generous members of our group contributed \$960 to help to bring golf skills and life skills to children in Merced County.



Many thanks to Jan Lewin, Linda Smith and Lutie Harris for special prizes, lovely centerpieces, a great lunch and an entertaining round of golf.



The winning foursome for the day was Sharon Sanchez, Lydia Southwick, Lutie Harris and Carla Freel.



On Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> we crowned our Club Champion for 2018.

The winner, for the second year, is **Sally Tomlinson!** Congratulations – well played.

2<sup>nd</sup> Low Gross in Championship Flight – Linda Lucas, Low Net – Sharon Sanchez.

First Flight results: Low Gross – Denise Davis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Low Gross – Lydia Southwick, Low Net – Nancy Slater.



Medalist (Low Gross First Day) – Sally, Longest Drive – Sandi Kemps, Closest to the flag #17 – Linda Lucas.

Thank you so much for a fantastic tournament to Eileen Partlow, Linda Pellissier and Carla Freel.

### Coming in JUNE

- 6/7 Beat The Pro,
- 6/14 Captain's Trophy/  
Transnational &  
Spring Luncheon,
- 6/21 Home and Home at Madera
- 6/28 Aloha Day  
General Meeting



# 9t9ers

ARTICLE BY:  
**Susan Benes**

### Spring Couples Tournament Winners:



Most Net Birdies: Sue Thompson, Jerry Lou Davis, Sandy and Paul Souza



### Two Best Ball Net Winners:

Wendel Hammon, Jan and Joe Collins, Susan Hammon. A great time was had by all! Thank you Susan Hammon for organizing such a fun event.

### Monthly Tournament Results:

Low Net: 1st place: Jan Lorenzi, 2nd:

Joanie Tinetti, 3rd: Jerry Lou Davis

Low Putts: Jerry Lou Davis

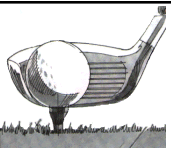


The **Tournament of Champions** winners are Patty Beach, Susan Hammon, Jerry Lou Davis, and Maureen Reid. All are eligible to attend the championship round at Peninsula Country Club in the Bay Area.

Congratulations ladies!

**Team Play** begins June 7th at Del Rio Golf and Country Club, Modesto.]

**Go Team!**



# Senior Division

President Notes by :  
Wes Barkwill

The seniors continued their busy spring with three events in May. Eight guys traveled to San Joaquin CC in Fresno on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Gary Southerland's team finished 1<sup>st</sup> and won a dozen balls each. John Laughlin's team finished 7<sup>th</sup> and each player received one sleeve of balls. Mike Brendel won CTP and received two sleeves of balls. On May 11th ten of us traveled to Oakdale CC. Dan Holmes and Larry Shankland's teams finished tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> and each player received \$12. Wes Barkwill's team finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place and each received \$10. John Laughlin's team finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place and each player received \$6. Finally, on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, six of us traveled to Stockton - Brookside GC to play in a SVGA event. Three players cashed - John Laughlin's team tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> and won \$16; Mike Brendel and Randy Lane's teams tied for 6<sup>th</sup> place and each player won \$6. As I said, a very busy month and we have an even busier June coming as summer is just around the corner (actually it was 93 out at the course on Monday so it seems like summer may already be here. See the list of events for June and July below.

See you on the course

### June Senior events

- June 7<sup>th</sup> - Away - to Kings River CC  
- breakfast and lunch included
- June 8<sup>th</sup> - Away - to Spring Creek CC -  
lite breakfast and lunch incl.
- June 19<sup>th</sup> - Away - to Madera CC -  
breakfast and lunch included
- June 29<sup>th</sup> - we host Pine Mountain Lake Seniors - breakfast/lunch incl.

### July Senior events:

- July 17<sup>th</sup> - Away - to Kings CC -  
breakfast and lunch included
- July 25<sup>th</sup> - Away - to PML CC in Groveland  
breakfast and lunch included

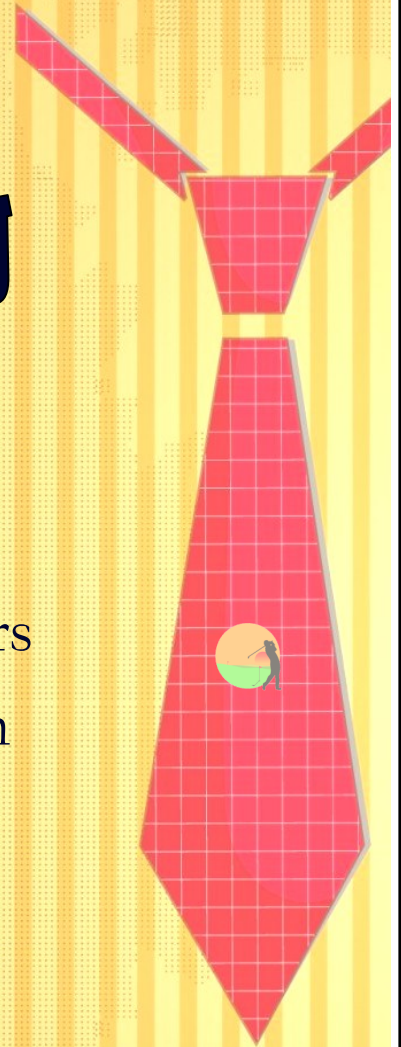
# Come Enjoy Father's Day a la carte

## SPECIALS

Lunch Time Burgers

Barbeque Chicken

Barbeque Ribs



JUNE 2nd

**Seniors**  
**NGGA 4-Ball**  
**Net Qualifier Tournament**  
8:30 T-times








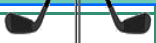
Get ready, get set, let's go! The First Tee Summer session begins on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm and Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm.

We are planning so many fun learning activities for your kids! The session will run for 9 weeks (excluding holidays). All children ages 5 to 17 are welcome and no equipment is needed.

Please call Coach **John Campbell** for more information  
**(209) 261-8839.**



# JUNE 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <b>9T9ers</b> (Front 9) 8:30am Shotgun	2 <b>Senior</b> NGGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier Tournament 8:30 T-times
3	4 <b>Club Closed</b>	5 <b>9T9ers</b> (Back 9) 8:30am Shotgun	6	7 <b>18-hole DIV</b> 8:30am Shotgun	8	9
10	11 <b>Club Closed</b>	12 <b>9T9ers</b> 8:30am Shotgun (Front 9)	13 <b>Men's Stag Day</b> 12:30p	14 <b>18-hole DIV</b> 8:30am Shotgun Spring Luncheon & Awards	15 <b>Friday French Night Dining</b> 6-8pm 	16  <b>Father's Day Tournament</b> 9:00am Shotgun
17  <b>Father's Day Lunch</b>	18 <b>Club Closed</b>	19 <b>9T9ers</b> TEAM Play 9:00am Shotgun (Front 9)	20	21 <b>18-hole DIV</b> Home & Home at Madera 8:30am Shotgun	22 	23
 <b>DEMO DAY</b>						
24	25 <b>Club Closed</b>	26 <b>9T9ers</b> 8:30am Shotgun (Back 9) 6:00pm MGCC Board Meeting	27	28 <b>18-hole DIV</b> 8:30am Shotgun 1:00pm General Meeting	29  <b>Senior</b> host Pine Mountain Lake Seniors	30

## MEN'S INVITATIONAL



Pierre & Sonja Perret

Mike & Sandi Kemp

Tim & Linda Pellissier

Invite you to

# French Night

June 15th 6:00 - 8:00 pm

MENU

Green Salad with  
Champagne  
Vinaigrette Dressing

Lamb Shanks

Garlic Mashed Potatoes  
Braised Vegetables  
French Bread and Butter

Apple Tart  
with Vanilla Bean  
Ice Cream

\$19.95++

Friday Night Dining

# Men's Stag Day

JUNE 13, 2018

*Dinner served after golf.  
All Players  
automatically included  
for dinner.  
Sign-ups in the Pro-Shop*



## MENU

Salad Bar  
Rib Eye Steak  
Baked Potato  
Corn on the Cob  
Rolls & Butter  
Ice Cream  
with Cookie

\$18.95++

# Looking Ahead...



- Jul 3 9-T-Niners (Front 9)  
8:30am Shotgun
- Jul 4 **4th** **JULY** Tournament  
8:30am shotgun
- Jul 5 18-Hole Ladies Division  
8:30am Shotgun
- Jul 7-8 **67th Annual Co Amateur Tourney**  
7:30 am T-times
- Jul 10 9-T-Niners (Back 9)  
8:30am Shotgun
- Jul 11 Men's Stag  
12:30pm Shotgun
- Jul 12 18-Hole Ladies Division **Pro Cup** Rnd 1  
8:30am Shotgun
- Jul 17 9-T-Niners (Front 9)  
8:30am Shotgun
- Jul 19 18-Hole Ladies Division **Pro Cup**  
8:30am Shotgun Final Rnd.
- Jul 20 Friday Night Dining  
6:00-8:00
- Jul 21 **NCGA Net AM Tournament**  
8:30am T-times
- Jul 24 9-T-Niners (Back 9)  
8:30am Shotgun
- Jul 26 18-Hole Ladies Division  
8:30am Shotgun
- Jul 31 9-T-Niners (Back 9)  
Guest Day 8:30am Shotgun  
6:00pm MGCC Board Meeting



## MERCED GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB DRESS CODE

### CLUBHOUSE & DINING ROOM

All members and guests are required to adhere to Merced Country Club's Dress Code when in the club. These general guidelines apply for adults and children above the age of five. The dress code is listed below:

Jackets maybe required for more formal events. Women are requested to dress in a fashion compatible with the dress required of men, which may include dresses, skirts, slacks or pantsuits.

Typical golf attire; and clean, comfortable attire are encouraged at all times. Ladies may wear sleeveless shirts that have a collar; or a non collared shirt with sleeves. Men's Golf attire, blue denim clothing and blue denim jeans in good, clean condition are acceptable attire in the Bar, Dining Room, Patio, Pool, Parking Lot, Pro Shop, Locker Rooms and Club Offices .

NO BLUE DENIM JEANS are allowed on the Golf Course, Putting Green, Driving Range, and Practice Facility.

The following attire is **NOT allowed** in the **Clubhouse** (Including the Dining Room, Bar and Banquet Room), on the **Golf Course or Driving Range**

- Shorts, skorts or skirts higher than 4" above the knee
- T-Shirts or Tank Tops; Gym Shorts or any other Gym attire.
- Overalls; cut-offs; clothes with frayed edges or holes
- Swimsuits or Swimwear of any kind; wet or soiled clothing
- Trousers, or other types of clothing that clearly are extreme in size and that cause the clothing item to hang loosely from the body, or that may expose areas of the body or visible undergarments, are prohibited.
- Tops exposing the mid-sections or other areas of the body are not acceptable.

Exceptions to the dress code will be: Attire worn for Theme Parties and other designated events which the general Manager must approve prior to the events.

Wearing appropriate blue denim will be permitted on the golf course although not encouraged, from November 1 through March 31.

#### **Other Restrictions to: Bar, Dining Room, and Banquet Rooms**

- Hats/caps for gentlemen are not permitted in the dining room except as traditional religious, ethnic, or medical head covering. Hats/caps must be worn facing forward. It is appropriate etiquette for gentlemen to remove hats while indoors.
- Shoes and/or sandals must be worn at all times.
- Soft spikes are not permitted in the Dining Room.

Thank you for your compliance.

#### MEMBERSHIP COUNT

Playing . . . . .	164
Pre-Paid Program . . . . .	5
Associate Firm . . . . .	8
Leave of Absence . . . . .	3
Special Social . . . . .	23
Honorary . . . . .	1
Social . . . . .	1
Social/Proprietary . . . . .	1
Executive Membership. . .	93
Young Executive . . . . .	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>302</b>