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NEWS LETTER

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NOTES from the President

I hope you all enjoyed the special April Fool's Chip Shot Message sent earlier. It is important to keep our sense of humor, especially when it comes to golf.

The real news about our Solar Project is that we have found a Finance Company who is willing to work with us on our project. They are a company that specializes in PACE Financing. This financing works similar to other finance companies in that they will appraise the value of the course, provide us with payment options of 10, 20 or 25 years at an estimated interest rate of approximately 6.3%. That rate is much better than we have been quoted by any other financial institution. The difference with PACE financing is that payments would be made through property taxes rather than monthly payments. The Board has authorized that we proceed with the application and submittal of our financial information. No fooling!

The greens were recently aerated and should be back to pristine condition for the Spring season and upcoming tournaments. Let's all get out there and enjoy the course. Invite your friends to come out and join you as well. We have a goal of increasing our membership by two new members each month, so let's practice the phrase, "come out and play!"

We hope to see you at our social events in April as well. Please bring your Administrative Assistants out to honor them on April 24th and remember to join us for our Easter Brunch, which is always a big hit. Make your reservations early for that event in order to be sure you don't miss out.

Congratulations to Captain Jeff Kaufman and Team Black for their exciting victory in the 2019 Merced Cup. A match that came down to the last stroke! Team Black secured the Cup by one single point!

Swing Easy !

John Curry





PRO'S CORNER

David Whitby
PGA Club PRO

Spring is upon us!

We have a handful of exciting events in April....

- April 6th-NCGA 4-Ball. 8:30am T times.
- April 13th-NCGA Zone. 9:00am T times.
- April 19th- Cobra Demo Day. 4:00pm-6:30pm.
- April 26th- 22nd Annual Ma Kelly-UC Merced
(Golf Course Closed)
- April 27th- The In Memoriam Golf Tournament.
9:00am SG

I like to congratulate Robbie Thompson for qualifying for senior match play at Harding Park in San Francisco. This senior amateur event is the oldest matchplay event west of the Mississippi River.

Also, congratulations goes out to Captain Jeff Kaufman and his team for winning the Merced Cup. The players experienced two great days of golf first day being at Belmont Country Club and the second day been here at Merced. Prior to the kick off of the event on Friday night all the players gathered at Captain Lorenzi's house for the team pairings and fellowship. Congratulations again to Team Black for winning the Cup. Todd Giardina clinched it with a 6 iron on #14 and . . . Captain Kaufman was worried about picking you on his team until that moment!

- Team Black - 39pts
- Team Gray - 38pts
- Closest to the Pin (worth 1 team point)
- Team Black wins 3 out of 5 points!



April 27th
The
**Memoriam
Tournament**
9:00 Shotgun

NCGA 4-ball Tournament

April 6th
8:30am T-Times

April 13th

Cleveland Wedge
Clinic and Demo Day
10:00am-12:00pm



SCORING CLINIC



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DEMO DAY

April 19th
4:00pm - 6:30 pm



Captain's Table Sharon Sanchez

Rain, rain, go away come again another day! Our tournaments have been few and far between. On Feb. 28, Pat Jones, Jill Macha and Denise Davis won a two ball tournament beating out Sharon Sanchez, Carla Freel and Ramona Stanford who came in second. Mary Jo Knudsen and Lutie Harris came in third.

March 14's tournament again featured Pat Jones, Denise Davis, Jill Macha and Laurel Mancebo in first position. Following in second place was Linda Lucas, Kara Parle, Sue Conley and Carol Hamm.

On February 21, our 18 Hole Leaders attended a WGANC Regional Meeting in Stockton. In attendance were Suzanne Carpenter, Linda Pellissier, Ramona Stanford, Sharon Sanchez and Sally Tomlinson. The information obtained helps us run our ladies' division smoothly.



Part of belonging to WGANC means being able to play clubs in Northern California that we might not have easy access to playing.



Sally Tomlinson, friend Maddy Rice, Sharon Sanchez, and Linda Lucas played at Blackhawk and Crow Canyon on March 18 and 19.

They came in third low net in a large field of ladies.



I love golf!
I love golf!!



Joanie Tinetti and Maureen Reid created a fun St. Patrick's Day Tournament for the Nine-Tee-Niners. Patty Grossman won the chip-in closest to the hole, (or should I say closest to the Irish shoes) and Maureen Reid won the putting contest, done with no less than a hurling stick. A hurling stick is used for the Gaelic game of hurling, the national sport of Ireland. Maureen just happens to be very Irish!



The The President's Cup was scheduled for March, but due to the rain it has been re-scheduled for May 7, 10 and 14.

The final tournament results for the month are:

Low Net, 1st place Joanie Tinetti

2nd place Patty Beach

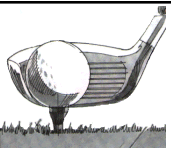
Low Putts, Joanie Tinetti

9-Tee-9ers, get ready for the Club Championship! April 9, April 12 and April 16!



9t9ers Club Championship

April 9, 12th & 16
9:00am Shotgun



Senior Division

Article by:
Gary Southerland

Our Senior Representatives, along with our club Pro, played in the PRO/AM event at Belmont Country Club. Even though they didn't place in the event, all enjoyed a good day.

The Local on April 15th was cancelled due to low signups. I hope that with good weather, our course will dry out and we can enjoy better playing conditions.

Upcoming Events

April 4th, Ladies Host Seniors.

Please let's show positive signups.

April 19th, we host 11 visiting clubs (SJTL).

April 25th, Away Event is being held at the Green Horn Country Club (C.C., Brookside, Turlock, Oakdale, and Tracy).

All of the events start at 9:00 am.

Remember to support our Seniors and signup for the events.

See you on the course.



Administrative Professionals Day



April 24th

11:30am-1:00pm

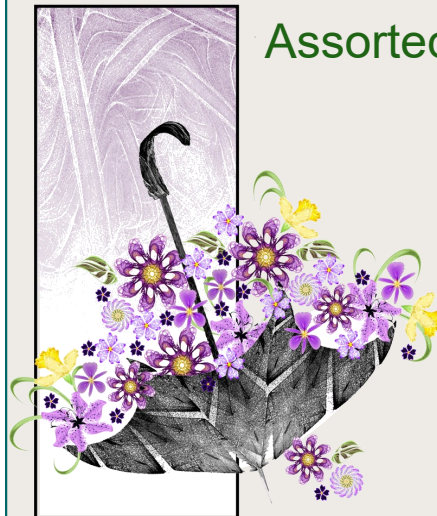
MENU

Sliced Fruit Tray
Tossed Green Salad,
Assorted Dressings
Antipasto Salad
Chinese Chicken Salad
Garden Potato Salad
Summer Salad
Black Bean Rice Salad
Seafood Quinoa Salad

ENTREES

Vegetable Lasagna
Fried Chicken
Chicken Enchilada Verde
Assorted Dessert Displays

12.95++





April

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Club Closed	2 9T9ers 9:00am Shotgun Front 9 PRIVATE PARTY	3	4 18hole DIV 9:00am Shotgun hosting sen	5	6 NCGA 4-ball Tournament 8:30am T-Times
7	8 Club Closed	9 9T9ers 9:00am Shotgun Back 9 RND 1 Club Championship	10 Men's Stag Day 12:30p Shotgun	11 18hole DIV 9:00am Shotgun	12 9T9ers 9:00am Shotgun Back 9 RND 2 Club Championship PRIVATE PARTY	13 Cleveland Wedge Clinic and Demo Day 10:00am-12:00pm PRIVATE PARTY
14	15 Club Closed	16 9T9ers 9:00am Shotgun (Front 9) RND 3 Club Championship	17	18 18hole DIV 9:00am Shotgun	19 SJVT Senior Tourney @ Merced 9:00am Shotgun Cobra Demo Day 4:00-6:30pm	20 NCGA Zone Tournament 9:00am T-Times
21  9:00am-1:00pm	22 Club Closed	23 9T9ers 9:00am Shotgun (Front 9) 6:00pm MGCC Board Meeting	24  Administrative Assistant Brunch	25 18hole DIV 9:00am Shotgun	26 MA KELLY Tournament 10:00am Shotgun PRIVATE PARTY	27 The Memoriam Tournament 9:00 Shotgun
28	29 Club Closed	30 9T9ers 9:00am Shotgun (Back 9) guest				

Notes: May 12 th
Mother's Day Brunch
9:00am -1:00pm

Easter Brunch

April 21st 9:00am - 1:00pm

Fresh Fruit Tray

Assorted Breakfast Breads and Pastries

Cold Seafood Display

Smoked Salmon, Shrimp Cocktail, etc.

Assorted Entrée Salads

Biscuits and Gravy

Scrambled Eggs, Cottage Potatoes

Bacon and Sausage

Eggs Benedict

Pork Roast Roulade

Baked Salmon with Lemon, Capers and Dill

Carved Brown Sugar Glazed Ham

Herb Crusted Prime Rib

Assorted Dessert Display and Juice Bar

Adults \$24.95++ Children \$10.95++



Men's Stag Day

April 10, 2019
12:30p.m. Shotgun

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



You shouldn't buy those bargain priced clubs . . .
See what happens when it rains!



MENU

Salad Bar
Fried Chicken
Mashed Potato and Gravy
Green Beans
Rolls and Butter
Apple pie

\$15.95++

Looking Ahead...

May

May 2 18-Hole Ladies Division
8:30am Shotgun

May 7 9-T-Niners (Back 9)
9:00 Shotgun

May 8 Men's Stag
12:30pm Shotgun

May 9 18-Hole Ladies Division
Charity Day
8:30am Shotgun



May 12 **Mother's Day Brunch**
9:00am -1:00pm

May 14 9-T-Niners (Front 9)
9:00 Shotgun

May 15 **Super Seniors Tournament**
9:00 shotgun



May 16 18-Hole Ladies Division
Grandmother's Tournament
8:30am Shotgun

May 17 Friday Night Dining
6:00-8:00pm

May 19 **Niner's Couples Spring Social**
3:00pm Shotgun

May 21 9-T-Niners Open Day
18-Hole Ladies Division
Club Championship Rnd 1
8:30 Tee Times
6:00pm MGCC Board Meeting

May 23 18-Hole Ladies Division
Club Championship Rnd 2
8:30 Tee Times

May 24 18-Hole Ladies Division
Club Championship Final Rnd
& Celebration
8:30am Tee Times



May 27 **Memorial Day Tournament**
9:00am Shotgun

May 28 Club Closed

May 30 18-Hole Ladies Division
1:00pm Shotgun followed by
Stagette Dinner

May 31 9-T-Niners (Back 9)
9:00 Shotgun



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	160
Pre-Paid Program	1
Associate Firm	5
Leave of Absence	4
Special Social	28
Honorary	1
Social	1
Social/Proprietary	1
Executive Membership.	96
Young Executive	6
Total	303