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NEWS LETTER

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NOTES from the President



We are weeks away from the beginning of our Solar “Legacy” Project. I describe it as such because the annual savings we anticipate on our utilities will leave a financial “legacy” for our club now and especially in the future after we pay off our loan. What we need to prepare for now is the construction project as we build in our parking lot and on our cart barns. Let’s all be patient and flexible over the duration of the project. We will do our best to keep you informed.

On a similar note, clean up will soon begin on the #13 fairway as our neighbor repairs and replaces trees, shrubs and fences. The good news is that they have taken full responsibility for the fire damage and will be funding the entire project.

We also had a rare occurrence last Friday. We had a Hole-in-three recorded by our own Board Secretary, Jeff Kaufman. He hit his tee shot OB on #14 and proceeded to re-tee and hit his next shot in the hole on one hop. How rare is that!

With the triple digit temperatures, why not come on out with the family and enjoy our pool. It’s never crowded, close to the bar and you can even get a little putting practicing in between dips in the cool water. Bring the kids and grandkids out for a day at the pool! Tell Berna that the Prez sent ya!

Swing Easy!

John Curry





PRO'S CORNER

David Whitby
PGA Club PRO

Summer is coming to end and school will be starting up soon. Hasn't this year gone by fast so far?

I would like to congratulate Ron Ewing for winning the 68th Annual Merced County Golf Tournament. He shot a 64 on the second day of the tournament to win by three shots over Paul Smith, from Turlock. Rick Marchini won last year's NCGA County AM and with Ewing winning this year, the trophy stays home . . . where it belongs! Also, the Pro Shop hired, Caitlin Garcia. She will be helping us out, playing with the ladies, and working with the First Tee. She is a great addition. Stop in and say, hello.

Next month is our Men's Club Championship, both gross and net will be played on the same weekend this year. Start practicing and sign up today. Last years champion, Ron Ewing looks to defend his title as overall champion.

I hope all of you are enjoying what is left of your summer. Stay out of the heat! Play golf early and drink lots of water.

David Whitby, PGA



August 17 & 18

Men's Club Championship

8:00am tee-times



18-Hole Ladies Division

Captain's Table
Sharon Sanchez

June 27th arrived with the celebration of Aloha Day. Many 18- hole ladies came dressed festively and were rewarded after lunch with birthday cake!

Anita Goza, Frankie Spiva and Carol Hamm took first place with a team net score of 70.



Denise Davis, Pat Jones and Jill Macha took second with a team net score of 76. Sharon Sanchez, Caitlin Garcia and Caren Brendel took third.

The Pro Cup, a major tournament, took place over two Thursdays. The scores were very close and all places were determined by card-offs.



Caren Brendel took first place with a two-day score of 156. Mary Jo Knudsen placed second with a score of 156 also. Third and fourth places went to lantha Thompson

and Suzanne Carpenter respectfully.

Our Putting League kicked off on July 25. More on that to follow in the next ChipShots.



9t9ers

ARTICLE BY:
Susan Benes



Susan Hammon was our **Most Improved Player** for the month.

Merced Nine-Tee-Niners finally finished what was a challenging, yet fun, year of **Team Play** along with Oakdale and Pine Mountain Lake. A special thanks to all the 9ers who volunteered to play and support Team Play.

EC winners were:

- 1st Flight: 1st place Susan Hammon, 2nd Joanie Tinetti, 3rd Sandy Souza
- 2nd Flight: 1st place Maureen Reid, 2nd Patty Grossman, 3rd Susan Benes

Monthly **Low Net/Low Putt** winners were:

Low Net: 1st Susan Hammon, 2nd Patty Beach, 3rd Anne Willis

Low Putt: Patty Beach

The annual **Tournament of Champions** will be held on September 17th at Castlewood Golf and Country Club in Pleasanton and will be attended by four members of the 9ers. Best of luck, ladies!

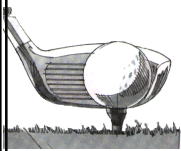


18-hole DIV

President's Cup

August

1st, 6th, & 8th



Senior Division

Article by:
Gary Southerland

Summer has definitely arrived and the Seniors are in full swing.

Merced hosted a home event with Pine Mountain Lake and Oakdale Country Clubs on June 28th. The following won money: Jeff Kaufman, Lincoln Clendenin, Pope Lawrence, Jerry Corman, Doug Ash, Randy Lane, Larry Shankland and Richard Pugluzivich.

Congratulations to all!

Five Seniors played at King Country Club on July 9, and all our members had fun.

Finally, six seniors played at Greenhorn Country Club on July 18th.

Upcoming Senior Events

August 1st Merced at Fort Washington,

August 9th Home event hosting Tracy, Twain Harte, Brookside, PML, and Turlock (SVS)

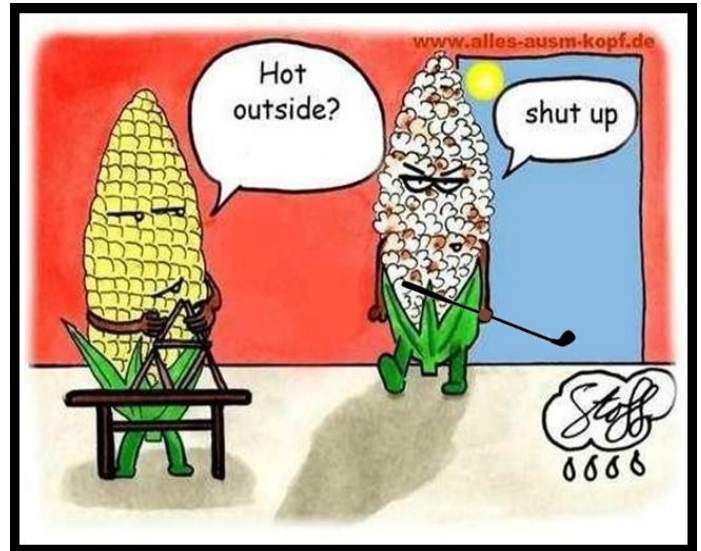
August 15th, Merced at Belmont

August 30th Merced at Turlock

Don't forget to come in and signup for these great events.

See you on the course.

Gary



Fore!!!

18-hole DIV Ladies' Invitational

Pick a partner and come enjoy a
Fun Day playing a
Fun Golf Format with
Fun Ladies

Saturday,
Sept 21, 2019

\$80.00 per player

For more information contact: Frankie Spiva



august 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 <i>18-hole DIV</i> President's Cup RND 1 8:30am T-times	2	3 PRIVATE PARTY
				4	5 Club Closed	6 <i>9T9ers</i> 8:30am Shotgun Front 9 President's Cup <i>18-hole DIV</i> RND 2 8:30am T-times PRIVATE PARTY
11 PRIVATE PARTY	12 Club Closed	13 <i>9T9ers</i> Back 9 8:30am Shotgun	14 Men's Stag Day 12:30p Shotgun	15 <i>18-hole DIV</i> 8:30am Shotgun	16 Friday Night Dining 6:00-8:00pm	17 Men's Club Championship PRIVATE PARTY
18 Men's Club Championship	19 Club Closed Punch fairways	20 <i>9T9ers</i> 8:30am Shotgun Back 9	21	22 <i>18-hole DIV</i> 8:30am Shotgun	23	24
25	26 Club Closed	27 <i>9T9ers</i> Front 9 8:30am Shotgun	28	29 <i>18-hole DIV</i> 8:30am Shotgun A-Team @ Merced	30 PRIVATE PARTY	31

Notes:



Lone Wolf Tournament

Sept. 2, 2019
9:00am Shotgun



Friday Night Dining

August 16th 6:00 ~ 8:00 pm

HAWAIIAN BBQ

Roast Pulled Pork

Huli Huli Chicken on a Stick

Coconut Shrimp

Vegetable Lo Mein

Stir Fried Rice

Spring Rolls

Tropical Fruit Display

Coconut Cream Pie





Men's Stag Day

Always golf with extra socks
in case you get a **hole-in-one!**



AUG. 14, 2019
12:30p.m. Shotgun

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

MENU

Salad Bar
Short Ribs
St. Louis Ribs
Scalloped Potatoes
Green Beans w/ Onions, Bacon
Rolls & Butter

\$15.95++

Looking Ahead...



September

- Sept 2 Labor Day
Lone Wolf Tournament
9:00am Shotgun
- Sept 3 Club Closed
- Sept 5 18-Hole Ladies Division
8:30am Shotgun
- Sept 6 9T-Niners (Front 9)
8:30am Shotgun
- Sept 10 9-T-Niners (Back 9)
8:30am Shotgun
- Sept 11 Men's Stag
12:30pm Shotgun
- Sept 12 18-Hole Ladies Division
8:30am Shotgun
- Sept 14-15 **Men's Member-Member Tournament**
10:00am Shotgun
- Sept 17 9-T-Niners (Back 9)
8:30am Shotgun
- Sept 19 18-Hole Ladies Division
9:00 Shotgun
- Sept 21 18-Hole Ladies Division
LADIES' Invitational
9:00 Shotgun
- Sept 22 Aerate Greens
- Sept 24 9-T-Niners (Front 9)
9:00 Shotgun
6:00pm MGCC Board Meeting
- Sept 26 18-Hole Ladies Division
8:30am 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.

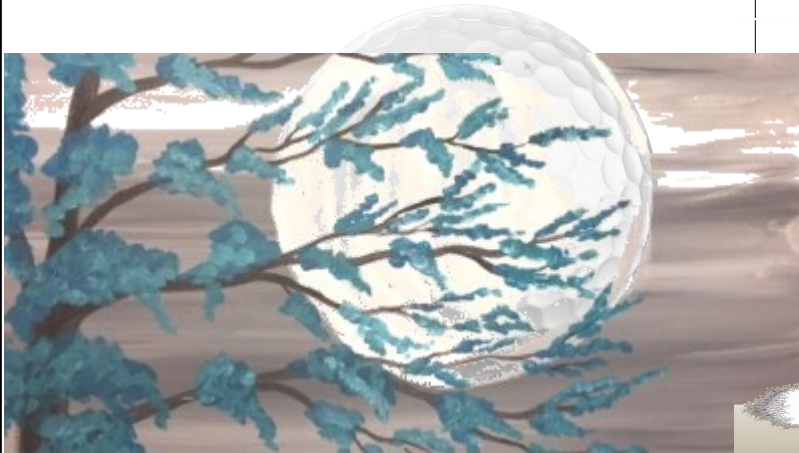
Exceptions to the dress code will be: Attire worn for Theme Parties and other designated events which the general Manager must approve prior to the events.

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	157
Pre-Paid Program	1
Associate Firm	5
Leave of Absence	2
Special Social	30
Honorary	0
Social	1
Social/Proprietary	1
Executive Membership. . .	101
Young Executive	7
Total	305