

Carmichael Golf Club Newsletter

August 23, 2005

Upcoming Events

Ancil Hoffman, Saturday September 10 (9:32 A start) – entry forms for this event were sent out with our last newsletter. We need to finalize our player count with the course by August 27 – if you have not yet sent in your entry and wish to play in this event, please contact Deb or Alan (H 386-8132 or rankingolf@comcast.net , with payment to follow) by Friday the 26th. We cannot assure entries received after August 26 will have available spots for this event.

We have had questions as to why Ancil is so much more expensive than previous weekend events there. In short, it's the courses' decision to raise their weekend Tournament rates in hopes of discouraging novice groups that they feel have been slowing down the course on the weekends. We hope to get a good turnout for this event, but definitely understand if the price of this event (compared to what you can play this course during the week or on regular weekend rates) keeps some players away. Please let us know if the price keeps you from playing in this event – we'd like to be able to provide this information to the course.

Plumas Lake, Saturday October 1 (11:00 A start) – we begin the 'home stretch' to our CGC 2005 season with a perennial favorite, both in cost and quality of the course. If this course has survived the summer heat, it's one of the best golfing values on our schedule. Entry forms are included with this newsletter and are available on the website (www.carmichaelgolfclub.com).

Bing Maloney, Friday October 14 – on some early versions of our 2005 schedule, this was listed as a planned event in conjunction with the USGS Golf Club. Participation from our USGS Golf Club this year has been dismal at the two events previously scheduled, so this event is being cancelled. However, we do want to thank CGC members who participated in one or both of our Monday events – your participation gave us enough players to go ahead with these events. We will probably look at 1 or 2 Monday/Friday events on the 2006 schedule.

Results from Mather, August 22, 2005

The early start (9:00A) allowed our group of 17 players to complete this round by early afternoon, avoiding the worst of the heat of the day – the morning was quite pleasant. Mather was actually in very good condition – except for some areas that were quite wet due to either poor drainage or overwatering. The greens ran very true, and the defined rough made for a much longer course if you spent much time off the fairway. We look forward to Mather returning to our weekend schedule in 2006.

First Flight (handicaps 10-23)

Low Net: Alan Rankin, 66 \$ 20

2nd Low Net: Gary Borge, 68 \$ 15

3rd Low Net: Mike Johnson, 70 \$ 10

Low Putts: Alan Rankin, 26 \$ 10

Closest to the Pin: None

Results from Mather, August 22, 2005 (continued)

First Flight Skins

Gary Borge \$ 18; Jim Greco \$ 12; Vince Avila \$ 6; Mike Johnson \$ 6;
Alan Rankin \$ 6; Patrick Stiehr \$ 6.

Second Flight (handicaps 25-50)

Low Net: Greg Brewster, 63 \$ 20
2nd Low Net: Tom Haltom, 68 \$ 15
3rd Low Net: Ken Worman, 75 * \$ 10
Low Putts: Greg Brewster, 31 \$ 10
Closest to the Pin: Donna Johnson, 50 ' 1 " \$ 10

Second Flight Skins

Greg Brewster \$ 10; Tom Haltom \$ 10; Ken Worman \$ 10; Dottie Almquist \$ 5;
Donna Johnson \$ 5; Clark Londquist \$ 5.

General Prizes

Men's Long Drive: Mike Johnson \$ 10
Women's Long Drive: Donna Johnson \$ 10
Farthest from the Pin: Mike Johnson, 23 ' 9 " \$ 10 (\$ 5 for tee shot, \$ 5 for two-putt)
In the Leather: Gary Borge, 0 ' 7 " \$ 75 (\$ 50 for tee shot, \$ 25 for 1-putt)

NCGA upgrades of computer software

Within the past couple of months, NCGA has upgraded it's computer software on both posting computers at courses and available to Associate Clubs through their Handicap Chairmen. At the golf courses, the most notable change comes when posting your score – once you enter your GHIN number, the computer recognizes you and your latest monthly index. It also allows for more real time posting – under the old software, end of month processing was done between the 20th and the 25th of the month, which meant scores posted after that date did not show on your next month's index. With this new version, scores posted up until the last day of the month should show on your next month's index.

From the CGC's perspective, we no longer receive the monthly index cards for each individual provided by the NCGA – however, we are supposed to have the capability to generate and print these cards at our local computer. The software came in right before our Graeagle trip – and due to Deb and Alan's busy schedules (including work and play), we have not yet been able to upgrade to the new software. We hope to be able to accomplish this in the next couple of weeks, so that we can provide index cards that go on the back of your NCGA card for the September period. We will keep you posted if this time frame gets further delayed. We will also let you know if any other features beneficial to the membership are included in the new software (we haven't yet read all the backup material).

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