

Carmichael Golf Club Newsletter

November 2009

Upcoming Events

Christmas party, Saturday, December 5, 2009 (7:00P start) – we look forward to bringing in the holiday season and toasting the completion of another successful golfing year!!

2010 Tournament of Champions (TOC), Teal Bend, Saturday, March 13, 2010 (9:30 A start) – This will be the start of the CGC's 21st year. 43 players have qualified for this event through our season ending Empire Ranch event, and those leading year long statistical categories in their flight. Players eligible for this event will be notified in late January or early February 2010 to determine their availability.

Golfing trips, 2010 through 2012 – with nearly 40 responses to date, we feel the membership gave us a pretty good taste of what they'd like to see for golfing trips in the coming years. In 2010, our trip will be to the Reno/Carson City area from June 24 through June 26, 2010 (LakeRidge on Thursday June 24, Silver Oak on Friday June 25, Wolf Run on Saturday June 26).

A surprising showing was turned in by the San Francisco area – so tentatively we are planning our 2011 away trip to San Francisco. In 2012, we will return to Monterey (which still definitely has the most overall appeal – dimmed only slightly by having made the trip there in 2009 for most of the group).

Remainder of 2010 schedule – Sat. April 10 – Ancil Hoffman, Sat. May 1 – Rancho Solano, Sat. May 22 – Diamond Oaks, Sat. June 12 – Castle Oaks, Sat. July 17 – Napa Municipal, Mon. July 26 – Ancil Hoffman, Sat. August 7 – Teal Bend, Sat. August 21 – Haggin Oaks (MacKenzie), Sat. September 11 – Timber Creek, Sat. October 9 – Hiddenbrooke, Sat. October 30 – Mather.

Results from Cherry Island, October 3, 2009

A group of 31 CGC golfers was greeted by a beautiful Fall day – and a Cherry Island course that definitely challenges golfers at all skill levels. Cherry Island is Sacramento golf's equivalent to a day at the car races – you know accidents are going to happen, it's just a matter of when! With water coming into play on many holes (both to the sides grabbing wayward shots and on forced carries throughout the course), your heart never really gets out of your throat until you putt out on 18. The carries over water on the last 3 holes can lead to wild swings, with no stroke play lead being safe. Only our 3 Flight winners on the day broke net par. Far and away the golfing highlight of the day was the CGC's third hole in one in our 20 year history – Sylvia Cisneros on the 100 yard par 3 17th hole providing the excitement. Sylvia also had the day's best round of net 66 – we're sure she won't mind our next visit to Cherry Island!!

Sub-par (gross) holes

Eagles: Sylvia Cisneros 1 (Par 3 17th – hole-in-one)

Birdies: David Hazelwood 1 (Par 4 8th), Mike Johnson 1 (Par 5 15th), Joe Mexas 1 (Par 4 11th)

Results from Cherry Island, October 3, 2009 (continued)

First Flight (handicaps 8-15, White Tees)

Low Net: Vince Avila (40-44 = 84 – 13 = 71) \$ 30 (17th career CGC flight victory)
 2nd Low Net: Alan Rankin (41-42 = 83 – 11 = 72) \$ 20
 3rd Low Net: David Hazelwood (41-40 = 81 – 8 = 73) * \$ 15
 4th Low Net: John Fischer (44-44 = 88 – 15 = 73) \$ 10
 Low Putts: John Fischer, 29 \$ 15
 Closest to the Pin (17th): Alan Rankin 13 ‘ 10 “ \$ 10

First Flight Skins

David Hazelwood \$ 9; Larry Marietti \$ 9; John McLaughlin \$ 9; Joe Mexas \$ 9;
 Alan Rankin \$ 9.

Second Flight (handicaps 16-25, White/Red Tees)

Low Net: Ken Worman (43-49 = 92 – 22 = 70) \$ 30 (8th career CGC flight victory)
 2nd Low Net: Jack Dever (45-45 = 90 – 16 = 74) \$ 20
 3rd Low Net: Tom Halbrook (46-50 = 96 – 21 = 75) \$ 15
 4th Low Net: Tom Redmon (48-49 = 97 – 21 = 76) \$ 10
 Low Putts: Jack Dever, 31 \$ 15
 Closest to the Pin (13th): Robi Love 20 ‘ 0 “ \$ 20 (includes \$ 10 carryover from Ancil Hoffman)

Second Flight Skins

Ken Worman \$ 18; Jack Dever \$ 9; Mike Johnson \$ 9; Clark Londquist \$ 9;
 Danny Olaivar \$ 9.

Third Flight (handicaps 26-44, White/Red Tees)

Low Net: Sylvia Cisneros (49-49 = 98 – 32 = 66) \$ 35 (9th career CGC flight victory)
 2nd Low Net: Carole Rooney (54-59 = 113 – 41 = 72) \$ 20
 3rd Low Net: Jim Rohrer (56-51 = 107 – 33 = 74) * \$ 15
 4th Low Net: Tommie Rohrer (51-52 = 103 – 29 = 74) * \$ 10
 Low Putts: Mike Neff, 31 \$ 15
 Closest to the Pin (4th): Mike Agrippino 41 ‘ 2 “ \$ 30 (includes carryover from previous 2 events)

Third Flight Skins

Jim Rohrer \$ 16; Shelley Barr \$ 8; Sylvia Cisneros \$ 8; Mike Neff \$ 8; Debbie Rankin \$ 8;
 Carole Rooney \$ 8.

* - won tie-breaker

General Prizes

Men's Long Drive (12th): David Hazelwood \$ 10
 Women's Long Drive (12th): Debbie Rankin \$ 10
 Closest to the Pin (all players - 7th): Jeff Elmasian 15 ‘ 0 “ \$ 10
 Farthest from the Pin (all players - 7th): Carole Rooney 38 ‘ 0 “ \$ 10
 In the Leather: Sylvia Cisneros, 17th Hole, hole-in-one \$ 1,075 (\$ 1,000 for the hole-in-one, \$ 75 for the in the leather tee shot (and not even having to make the putt)

Results from Wildhawk, October 24, 2009

Another gorgeous Fall day greeted us at Wildhawk. 41 members joined us for the day, and what a golfing difference from our season opening event at Wildhawk in March. In March, only 7 of the 32 players broke net par – pretty much the norm for most of our events in 2009. On this day, 23 of the 41 players broke net par – it's like the floodgates to good golf opened! The group had 18 natural birdies – for most of us, this will probably be a good round to put in the memory banks for the Winter as we look forward to golf in 2010.

Sub-par (gross) holes

Birdies: Vince Avila 3 (Par 3 4th, Par 5 9th, Par 4 16th), Jason Deen 2 (Par 4 10th, Par 3 17th), David Hazelwood 2 (Par 5 3rd, Par 5 14th), Clark Londquist 2 (Par 4 1st, Par 4 5th), Robi Love 2 (Par 4 1st, Par 3 7th), Greg Brewster 1 (Par 4 6th), Duncan Herda 1 (Par 4 10th), Donna Johnson 1 (Par 3 4th), Julie Marr 1 (Par 3 12th), Alan Rankin 1 (Par 5 9th), Debbie Rankin 1 (Par 3 12th), Ken Sano 1 (Par 4 5th)

First Flight (handicaps 8-15, Blue Tees)

Low Net: David Hazelwood (38-37 = 75 – 8 = 67) \$ 30 (4th career CGC flight victory)
*2nd Low Net: Jason Deen (40-37 = 77 – 8 = 69) * \$ 20*
*3rd Low Net: John Fischer (43-41 = 84 – 15 = 69) * \$ 15*
*4th Low Net: Norm Dietz (37-43 = 80 – 11 = 69) * \$ 10*
Low Putts: Shawn Campbell, 29 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (7th): Joe Mexas, 16 ‘ 1 “ \$ 10

First Flight Skins

Vince Avila \$ 24; David Hazelwood \$ 16; Jay Simi \$ 8.

Second Flight (handicaps 16-21, Blue Tees)

Low Net: Jay Jackson (42-42 = 84 – 20 = 64) \$ 30 (1st career CGC flight victory)
2nd Low Net: Greg Brewster (38-48 = 86 – 20 = 66) \$ 20
*3rd Low Net: Duncan Herda (44-41 = 85 – 16 = 69) * \$ 15*
4th Low Net: Jack Dever (41-44 = 85 – 16 = 69) \$ 10
Low Putts: Duncan Herda, 29 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (12th): Mike Johnson, 17 ‘ 0 “ \$ 10

Second Flight Skins

*Greg Brewster \$ 10; Ken Sano \$ 10; Jack Dever \$ 5; Duncan Herda \$ 5;
 Mike Johnson \$ 5; John Keplinger \$ 5.*

Third Flight (handicaps 22-29, Blue/White Tees)

Low Net: Marsha Suter (48-47 = 95 – 29 = 66) \$ 30 (3rd career CGC flight victory)
*2nd Low Net: Robi Love (41-48 = 89 – 22 = 67) * \$ 20*
3rd Low Net: Clark Londquist (41-51 = 92 – 25 = 67) \$ 15
*4th Low Net: Ken Worman (44-46 = 90 – 22 = 68) * \$ 10*
Low Putts: Mike Agrippino, 30 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (17th): Mark Velasquez, 3 ‘ 4 “ \$ 10

** - won tie-breaker*

Results from Wildhawk, October 24, 2009 (continued)

Third Flight Skins

Clark Londquist \$ 18; Mike Agrippino \$ 9; Stella Garin \$ 9; Mark Velasquez \$ 9;
Ken Worman \$ 9.

Fourth Flight (handicaps 25-50, Blue/Green Tees)

Low Net: Donna Johnson (45-48 = 93 – 32 = 61) * \$ 35 (21st career CGC flight victory)
2nd Low Net: Carol Fieldhouse (53-58 = 111 – 50 = 61) \$ 20
3rd Low Net: Debbie Rankin (46-49 = 95 – 28 = 67) \$ 15
4th Low Net: Geri Ford (48-54 = 102 – 31 = 71) \$ 10
Low Putts: Julie Marr, 31 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (4th): Julie Marr, 7 ‘ 5 “ \$ 10

Fourth Flight Skins

Carol Fieldhouse \$ 42; Donna Johnson \$ 14.

General Prizes

Men's Long Drive (15th): John McLaughlin \$ 10
Women's Long Drive (15th): Debbie Rankin \$ 10
In the Leather: None

* - won tie-breaker

Results from Empire Ranch, November 7, 2009

This day started as if the Fall weather was definitely changing, as overcast skies greeted our group of 35 golfers. However, the weather conditions quickly improved as the sun came out mid-way through the front 9 for most of the group, and we ended up with a very comfortable day to end our 2009 season. In general, the good golf continued on a course that is a little more challenging, especially on the greens, as 10 of the 35 golfers broke net par for the day. Empire Ranch doesn't play terribly long tee to green, but can more than make up for it with it's pin positions and green speeds.

Sub-par (gross) holes

Birdies: Vince Avila 2 (Par 3 2nd, Par 3 16th), Tom Halbrook 1 (Par 3 2nd),
David Hazelwood 1 (Par 5 3rd), Mike Johnson 1 (Par 4 10th),
Danny Olaivar 1 (Par 4 10th), Marty Solov 1 (Par 3 12th)

First Flight (handicaps 7-13, White Tees)

Low Net: Shawn Campbell (41-41 = 82 – 13 = 69) \$ 25 (4th career CGC flight victory)
2nd Low Net: Terry Barr (43-40 = 83 – 13 = 70) \$ 15
3rd Low Net: Vince Avila (43-42 = 85 – 13 = 72) * \$ 10
Low Putts: David Hazelwood, 32 * \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (18th): Vince Avila, 9 ‘ 7 “ \$ 10

* - won tie-breaker

Results from Empire Ranch, November 7, 2009 (continued)

First Flight Skins

Vince Avila \$ 12; Shawn Campbell \$ 6; David Hazelwood \$ 6;
Marty Solov \$ 6; Craig Wahlquist \$ 6.

Second Flight (handicaps 14-16, White Tees)

Low Net: Larry Daniels ($47-37 = 84 - 16 = 68$) * \$ 25 (17th career CGC flight victory)
2nd Low Net: Joe Mexas ($43-39 = 82 - 14 = 68$) \$ 15
3rd Low Net: Jay Simi ($44-41 = 85 - 15 = 70$) \$ 10
Low Putts: Jay Simi, 33 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (16th): Larry Daniels, 13 ' 6 " \$ 10

Second Flight Skins

Larry Daniels \$ 14; Mike Johnson \$ 14; Joe Mexas \$ 7.

Third Flight (handicaps 17-24, White/Red Tees)

Low Net: Ken Sano ($43-42 = 85 - 17 = 68$) \$ 25 (10th career CGC flight victory)
2nd Low Net: Tom Halbrook ($43-48 = 91 - 22 = 69$) \$ 15
3rd Low Net: Danny Olaivar ($49-38 = 87 - 17 = 70$) \$ 10
Low Putts: Ken Sano, 32 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (8th): Tommie Rohrer, 17 ' 1 " \$ 10

Third Flight Skins

Tom Halbrook \$ 18; Danny Olaivar \$ 18; John Keplinger \$ 6; Tommie Rohrer \$ 6;
Ken Worman \$ 6.

Fourth Flight (handicaps 25-27, White/Red Tees)

Low Net: Shelley Barr ($46-48 = 94 - 25 = 69$) \$ 25 (10th career CGC flight victory)
2nd Low Net: Richard Cisneros ($49-48 = 97 - 26 = 71$) \$ 15
3rd Low Net: Debbie Rankin ($54-47 = 101 - 27 = 74$) \$ 10
Low Putts: Mike Agrippino, 31 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (2nd): Sylvia Cisneros, 35 ' 11 " \$ 10

Fourth Flight Skins

Shelley Barr \$ 18; Errol Thomas \$ 18; Richard Cisneros \$ 6; Sylvia Cisneros \$ 6;
Debbie Rankin \$ 6.

Fifth Flight (handicaps 31-48, White/Red Tees)

Low Net: Rhane Thomas ($56-51 = 107 - 40 = 67$) \$ 30 (3rd career CGC flight victory)
2nd Low Net: Carol Fieldhouse ($51-68 = 119 - 48 = 71$) \$ 15
3rd Low Net: Mike Neff ($50-53 = 103 - 31 = 72$) \$ 10
Low Putts: Donna Johnson, 34 \$ 15
Closest to the Pin (12th): Rhane Thomas, 14 ' 6 " \$ 10

Fifth Flight Skins

Rhane Thomas \$ 24; Tom Haltom \$ 16; Jim Rohrer \$ 16; Carol Fieldhouse \$ 8;
Fred Fieldhouse \$ 8; Mike Neff \$ 8.

* - won tie-breaker

Results from Empire Ranch, November 7, 2009 (continued)

General Prizes

Men's Long Drive (3rd): Jack Dever \$ 10

Women's Long Drive (3rd): Donna Johnson \$ 10

In the Leather: None

Renewals/New Memberships for 2010

Renewal/new member forms are available on the website for 2010 (www.carmichaelgolfclub.com) – on the front page, a link highlighted in red will take you to this form. As indicated in a separate email, dues for 2010 have been increased by \$10 (\$70 for renewals, \$80 for new members) due to increases passed on to us by NCGA. Renewals should be received by no later than mid-December for us to meet NCGA deadlines (we will send email reminders as we get closer to these dates).

We want to take this opportunity to thank our current members for their support of the CGC in recent years, and particularly in 2009. In 2009 member participation in events exceeded 50% for only the second time since 1998 (52.2% in 2009, with the only other above 50% year being 52.9% in 1999).

This is significant to us because we feel what is really important for a group like ours is not how many members you have in your Club, but how many members you get out to play in and support your events. And while the 1999 percentage was a bit higher – 1999 only included 10 events and no away trip. In 2009 we had 16 events and an away trip, making the member participation percentage that much more impressive.

From 1998 through 2001, the CGC averaged more than 30 players per event in each of these 4 years. We then went through a 4 year cycle (2002 through 2005) where we averaged fewer than 30 players per event in each of those 4 seasons. The past 4 years (2006 through 2009) has seen us return to a period where each year had us exceeding 30 players per event. The one significant difference between the periods 1998-2001 and 2006-2009 is that the 1998-2001 period saw a lot of guests (including an influx of USGS Golf Club members) playing in our events to help us reach these totals. The 2006-2009 period has been reached mainly from participation from CGC members – and for that, we want to say Thank You!!

We hope to see all of our current members re-join us in 2010, though history tells us that, for various reasons, this will not be the case. We also encourage members to bring some new members into the group (2009 had, by far and away, the fewest guests playing in our events throughout the year). Our 'core' group has done a tremendous job of supporting the CGC in recent years – it is not realistic that this 'core' group will be able to maintain it's level of participation in CGC events in the near term, so bringing some new players into the mix that enjoy what we do and share the spirit of the group would be welcomed.

We are excited about our 2010 schedule – and we are also working on a new wrinkle or two to add to the mix of what we do throughout the year. We hope to see you on the links in 2010!!

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