



## *Pacific Grove – July 29, 2023*

*As mentioned in our overview recap of this Monterey trip, this was the Carmichael Golf Club's (CGC) 8<sup>th</sup> visit to Pacific Grove (1996, 1997, 2004, 2009, 2012, 2015, 2018).*

*Pacific Grove Golf Links is called the 'poor man's Pebble Beach'. However, it has a quite pedestrian Front 9, is nowhere near the best manicured golf course, and many days never sees the Fog/Overcast clear. There is a charm about it, however, that makes it irresistible. Whether it's the affordable golf option that helps bring you to Monterey, or the anticipation as you make your way through the last holes of the Front 9, the short Par 3 10<sup>th</sup>, and turn towards the ocean holes, many times still not knowing what kind of weather conditions you may face that day for the remainder of your round. And if the weather breaks your way over those last 8 holes, golf can take a back seat – enjoy!!*

*The Front 9 is by no means a pushover. Holes 5 through 9 are about as tough a stretch of holes as you will find – the Par 5 6<sup>th</sup> hole almost always plays the toughest of any hole the CGC plays.*

*Of the 29 players on this day, only 2 players broke net par 72 (Women), with one other player shooting Even net par 70 (Men), while 13 players shot scores of net 80 or higher. The 3<sup>rd</sup> day of play is always that balancing act of the golfing challenge – between the repetition of play that can help the game, versus the fatigue factor that comes with playing multiple days in a row.*

*Gentle fog/overcast was the early theme of the day, with the later groups seeing some clearing skies (and hopefully wonderful views) on the back nine near the ocean!!*

*The Flight winners on this day were as follows:*

*1<sup>st</sup>: Jerry Fat, net 70 (by 3 strokes over Shawn Campbell, Errol Thomas & Ken Worman)*

*2<sup>nd</sup>: Paul Kornowski, net 73 (by 1 stroke over Mike Neff)*

*3<sup>rd</sup>: Lan Pham, net 71 (won tie-breaker over Debbie Rankin)*