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## CGC Recap - Del Monte, July 27, 2018

Before the offer came up to play Carmel Valley Ranch, our second day of play for the CGC Monterey trip for 2018 was to be our 'treat' course, playing Del Monte. The CGC has only played Del Monte once, in 2006. As the oldest 18 course west of the Mississippi, in its' 121st year, Del Monte has many of the features of an old style golf course - built in a tight, compact manner between holes, with small greens protected by bunkers. Before water issues became more pressing the past 5-6 years, the course was immaculately kept throughout the entire property - in recent years it has had to brown out some areas from tees to fairways and between holes, but in general the tees, fairways and greens are still better than most.

As we mentioned in an email to the group prior to making the trip, Del Monte can be an underrated difficult course. There is a true premium for hitting the fairway (advancing the ball out of the rough can prove challenging), the small greens are hard to hit and hold, and on quite a few greens putting from above the hole can be confusing and frustrating.

Weather-wise, this was probably the best day of what turned out to be 3 really good weather days. Overcast, but comfortable, early - gentle breezes helped the sun break through by mid-round, allowing us to see a blue sky that has been missing in Sacramento the past few weeks.

Again, an overall lack of course knowledge took its' toll on the group, as only 5 of the 42 players shot scores of lower than net par 72 (with another player shooting a net par 72). Thirteen (13) players shot scores of net 80 or higher.

The Flight winners on this day were as follows:

- 1st: Tim Kosik, net 73 (by tie-breaker over Jerry Fat and Bruce Hoffman)
- 2nd: Mike Aceituno, net 74 (by tie-breaker over Rhonda Johnson)
- 3rd: Andrew Dyba, net 66 (by 3 strokes over Jim Holmes)
- 4th: Mike Neff, net 60 (by 8 strokes over Sue Marubashi)