

Carmichael Golf Club Newsletter

December 15, 2011

Upcoming Events

Wildhawk, Saturday, March 17, 2012 – Tournament of Champions (TOC) event – 43 qualifiers. Invitations will be sent out in February 2012. Nothing better than starting the 2012 golfing season on St. Patrick's Day!

Wildhorse, Saturday, March 31, 2012 – this will be our first full field event of 2012. In case of a wet winter, Wildhorse has a good reputation for course drainage. At this time, Wildhorse is not scheduled to aerate their greens next Spring, so there should be no issues related to greens aeration.

Monterey trip, July 26-28, 2012 - we believe we have all of the dates and courses finalized for this trip (Poppy Hills threw us a curve in recent weeks, but we believe that has been resolved). We will likely send out a request in January 2012 to ask for those planning on making this trip – to help us determine the number of starting times needed as we finalize our contracts. Requests for deposits for this trip will likely be sent out in February or March 2012.

End of Year Prizes (Statistical Leaders) for 2011

At our annual Christmas Party on December 3, 2011, the following year end prizes were awarded (multiple wins for each individual in a particular category noted with []):

First Flight (up to 16.0 index at mid-year)

Golfer of the Year: Jay Simi (flame trophy) [2010]

Most Improved Golfer: Jeff Elmasian (octagon trophy)

Net Scoring Average: Terry Barr, 72.78 (\$ 15)

Putts Per Round Average: Mitch Johnson, 31.75 (\$ 15)

Putting Average (per Greens In Regulation only): Mitch Johnson, 2.01 (\$ 15)

Greens In Regulation Average: Mitch Johnson, 6.75 (\$ 15)

Second Flight (16.5 to 21.2 index at mid-year)

Golfer of the Year: Dan White (flame trophy)

Most Improved Golfer: Gary Borge (octagon trophy) [2010]

Net Scoring Average: Dan White, 73.91 (\$ 15)

Putts Per Round Average: Greg Paulo, 32.14 (\$ 20) [2009] (better than flight average 32.40)

Putting Average (per Greens In Regulation only): Rick Givans, 2.03 (\$ 25) (previous flight low average 2.04)

Greens In Regulation Average: Gary Borge, 4.50 (\$ 15)

Third Flight (22.2 to 31.9 index at mid-year)

Golfer of the Year: Jim Holmes (flame trophy)

Most Improved Golfer: Shelley Barr (octagon trophy) [2006]

Net Scoring Average: Shelley Barr, 71.50 (\$ 20) (better than flight average 71.71)

Putts Per Round Average: Mike Agrippino, 33.71 (\$ 15) [2000, 2003-04, 2007, 2009-10]

Putting Average (per Greens In Regulation only): Debbie Rankin, 2.08 (\$ 20) [1998, 2003, 2005] (better than flight average 2.09)

Greens In Regulation Average: Marsha Suter, 2.75 (\$ 15)

Fourth Flight (32.5 index and up at mid-year)

Golfer of the Year: Letitia Ruiter (flame trophy)

Most Improved Golfer: Carole Rooney (octagon trophy)

Net Scoring Average: Letitia Ruiter, 74.69 (\$ 15)

Putts Per Round Average: Jim Rohrer, 36.44 (\$ 15)

Putting Average (per Greens In Regulation only): Jim Rohrer, 2.25 (\$ 15)

Greens In Regulation Average: Joanne Briggs, 1.17 (\$ 15)

Improved Indexes in 2011

In 2008, we made the switch for the Most Improved Golfer awards from a 1 year cycle to a 2 year cycle – we felt this was needed to truly recognize an improvement curve over an extended period. However, for the newsletter, we want to continue to recognize improved handicap indexes during the current year.

While we had a little lower percentage of the group overall improve their index during 2011 (nearly 42% (31 of 74)), we had a much higher number of players improve their index by 10% or more during 2011 (9 players, as follows: Mike Aceituno, Mike Agrippino, Shelley Barr, Terry Barr, Jason Deen, John Fischer, Kevin Gorospe, Rhonda Johnson, Karen Maez). Listed below are members who improved their index in 2011, their percentage improvement and index reduction (improvement by 10% or greater in bold print):

Mike Aceituno – 15%, 3.4

Sherry Aceituno – 3%, 1.0

Mike Agrippino – 10%, 2.6

Vince Avila - 4%, 0.5

Shelley Barr – 16%, 3.9

Terry Barr – 12%, 1.5

Gary Borge - 7%, 1.2

Ed Bortugno - 3%, 0.4

Joanne Briggs – 6%, 1.9

Maggie Brooks – 1%, 0.1

Donald Carter – 3%, 0.5

Rick Givans – 8%, 1.6

Kevin Gorospe – 12%, 0.8

Jim Holmes – 8%, 2.0

Steve Hummelt – 1%, 0.2

John Ireland – 5%, 0.9

Jay Jackson – 2%, 0.3

Rhonda Johnson – 21%, 4.5

Karen Maez – 14%, 5.2

Larry Marietti – 1%, 0.1

Betty Perault – 6%, 2.7

Larry Daniels – 1%, 0.2

Jason Deen – 23%, 2.0

Carol Fieldhouse - 1%, 0.4

Fred Fieldhouse – 8%, 3.0

John Fischer – 10%, 1.6

Tommie Rohrer – 9%, 2.2

Jay Simi – 9%, 1.2

Rhane Thomas – 3%, 1.3

Todd Vennik – 7%, 2.3

Dan White – 3%, 0.7

Gary Borge reduced his handicap index for a 5th straight year (2007-2011), tying the Carmichael Golf Club (CGC) record of 5 consecutive years of improved indexes held by Matt Gilchrist and Tom Haltom (1999-2003), Terry Barr and Mike Johnson (2004-2008). Donna Johnson fell short of reducing her handicap index for a 5th straight year, which would have tied the above players.

Close behind Gary on the continuous improvement curve are Jason Deen and John Ireland, who are now at 4 years (2008-2011) and counting. Another year back is Carol Fieldhouse, who is now at 3 years (2009-2011) and counting.

2012 CGC Tournament of Champions

Either through the winning of a flight (or tying for the low net score prior to the application of a scorecard tie-breaker) at a CGC event in 2011, or by leading a year-long statistical category for a flight – the following 43 players have qualified for our 2012 season opening Tournament of Champions event (to be held at Wildhawk on Saturday, March 17, 2012). The 43 players are as follows:

Mike Aceituno, Sherry Aceituno, Mike Agrippino, Vince Avila, Shelley Barr, Terry Barr, Gary Borge, Greg Brewster, Joanne Briggs, Shawn Campbell, Sylvia Cisneros, Roger Cooper, Jason Deen, Jeff Elmasian, Fred Fieldhouse, John Fischer, Geri Ford, Stella Garin, Rick Givans, Judy Hales, Jim Holmes, Jay Jackson, Mitch Johnson, Rhonda Johnson, Joel Lucich, Karen Maez, John McLaughlin, Joe Mexas, Greg Paulo, Alan Rankin (exemption, 2011 injury), Debbie Rankin, Jim Rohrer, Tommie Rohrer, Carole Rooney, Letitia Ruitter, Ken Sano, Jay Simi, Marsha Suter, Errol Thomas, Rhane Thomas, Anne Topper-Hall, Dan White, Ken Worman.

2012 Memberships

We currently stand at the 53 member mark for 2012 (50 renewals and 3 new members). We still have nearly 20 current members who we have not heard from concerning 2012 – and we also know we had a number of guests who played in 2011 who expressed an interest in joining the CGC, so we hope our membership for 2012 will near or exceed our 2011 membership of 74. Thanks to those of you who have actively recruited new members – we appreciate the opportunity to involve more folks with our group!!

This is the last newsletter for 2011. If you are not re-joining the CGC in 2012, this will be your last newsletter. We wish you the best and hope our paths cross again in the future.

We hope everyone has a healthy and happy holiday season – hope to see you on the links in 2012!

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