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POSTING IN THE GHIN ERA

A number of members have had trouble posting now that we're using the GHIN system. When you post on our course computers, you will immediately notice that the screens are much different than those we are used to. Don't let that throw you!

As with any change, there will be a break-in period. A little experience with the new posting process will make you feel right at home with the new screens.

If you are posting on one of our course computers, you need to click on the "member" button at the left side of the screen, which calls up a roster. Then click on your name and follow the prompts. If you are posting at an away course of play, you must click on the "guest" button before entering your score and other data.

Posting on line is quite easy. You can access the posting page from links on our Club's website or the PLGA site. Your GHIN number will in most cases be your old 6-digit USGA number preceded by a "9" so that if your USGA number is 72-7223 you would enter 9727223 (no hyphen) and your last name. In a few isolated cases, the first numeral is "8." This calls for a little trial and error on your part, but just a little.

You will notice a drop down menu for most of the U.S. states. After selecting the appropriate state, another drop down menu lists all the courses in that state. All you have to do after selecting the course is make sure the date is correct and enter the tees you played and your adjusted gross score. The course rating and slope from the selected tees are already programmed into the system.

But what if the state in which you played doesn't appear on the drop down menu, as in the case of Arizona? The system still allows you to enter the data but you will need to manually insert the name of the course, its course rating and slope. Simply activate the "manual" button.

The page even contains a chart for Equitable Stroke Control (click on the "?") which lists the maximum number of strokes you can take (at your handicap level) on any one hole. Adjusting the score you shot using the ESC limits gives you your adjusted gross score, which is the number you are required to post.

If you encounter any posting problems, please be sure to contact your Handicap Chairman, Stu Olster, at (818) 222-2516 or by email at slolster@yahoo.com.

Dated material -- Periodical

Thursday Tournament at Woodley Lakes

The Thursday tournament coming in January will be played at Woodley Lakes on the 28th. The tee times will fill up fast so sign up now. The price is right at \$40. Sign up on-line at smgc.org and pay by credit card or call **Gene Vano** at **(818) 703-0749** if you want to play.

CAN'T POST?

2010 is a new membership year. If you can not post your scores after Jan. 4th, it may be that you forgot to renew your membership. All is not lost...you can renew on line and be reinstated with your old # (plus the 9) and golf history but you first must be switched back to ACTIVE status. Email or call Dean Abston, Ted Johnson or Rich Nance to be changed back from in-active status. Your Handicap Committee recommends that you preserve your scorecards and post your scores after your membership is reinstated.

In Memoriam

Harry Coddington, long-time member of Sepulveda Men's Golf Club and Sepulveda Seniors Golf Club, passed away New Year's Eve. He was about a week shy of his 89th birthday.

A few years back, Harry beat down a cancer attack and came back to play his favorite game: golf. About three years ago, he fell and broke his neck. He beat that one too, and came back to shoot his age (86 at the time).

The cancer recently returned, and this time with a vengeance. Harry was a joy to play with, as anyone who was fortunate enough to be in a foursome with him will tell you. His down-the-middle shots and great sense of humor always made the game more enjoyable.

TEE/CUP Chips

By Irv Cherno
Eagle-Eyed Editor

Do the Math

Adding up a score card calls for basic math. Addition, to be precise. First grade arithmetic. So why do so many golfers take so long to determine scores? Most of the time, we “trade” cards with a fellow competitor (and keep our own score as well as his/hers). Usually, after nine, we compare scores just to make sure we’re on the same page.

Yet, many are slow to turn in their cards because they’re busy adding all over again.

I guess we shouldn’t feel too dumb. Look what’s happened to other “arithmeticians” lately. The biggest boner of all happened during the Y2K scare. The new millennium thing. The year 2000. The beginning of a new millennium! Except it didn’t begin until 2001.

At the end of December just passed, network tv/radio news, newspapers and the internet were all touting best of the decade people and projects as 2009 neared the end of its run.

One problem: the decade won’t end until December 31, 2010.

Back to golf. How many of you, after taking, say, an eight on a hole take your adjustment and enter a lower score on your card? That’s a no-no. You must always write down your actual score. Your adjusted score is for posting purposes only. Again, only basic arithmetic comes into play.

There’s still time to tack another New Year’s Resolution onto your list. Promise to keep accurate scores for yourself and others, add up scores in a timely manner, remember to sign and have cards attested...then determine any side games after you turn in your cards. Have a great year!

USGA Decision 24-2b/3

Q: In proceeding under Rule 24-2b(i) or Rule 25-1b(i), the Definition of “Nearest Point of Relief” provides that to determine the nearest point of relief accurately, the player should use the club, address position, direction of play and swing (right or left-handed) that he would have used to make his next stroke had the obstruction or condition not been there. What is the procedure if, having determined the stroke he would have used, he is unable physically to make such a stroke from, what would appear to be, the nearest point of relief because either (a) the direction of play is blocked by a tree, or (b) he is unable to take the backswing for the intended stroke due to a bush?

A: *The point identified is the nearest point of relief. The fact that at this point the player cannot make the intended stroke due to something other than the obstruction or condition from which relief is being taken does not alter this result. The player must drop the ball within one club-length of the nearest point of relief, not nearer the hole. Once the ball is in play, the player must then decide what type of stroke he will make. This stroke may be different from the one he would have made from the ball’s original position had the obstruction or condition not been there.*

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DEC-JAN SCORE BOARD

THURSDAY ENCINO TOURNAMENT DEC 18th 4 Man teams three best ball

The Honey Pot...No one hit the magic number of 60 so three teams tied at net 65. Each team will get \$70. They are Vano/Nozari Vano/Morshed Nozari/Keliddari.

"A" flight 132 \$35 each

Paul Nance	Mark Spicer
Neil Zaniboni	George Bryson
Ray Bishop	Ted Johnson
Len Zambito	Dave Carlson

135 \$10 each

Gene Vano	Khody Azari
Wayne Johnston	Tom Bolger

"B" flight 126 \$40 each

Joe Radford	Phil Sky
Perry Melillo	Malik Basurto

127 \$25 each

Hadi Morshed	Arde Nozari
Ahmad Keliddari	Said Jabbari

129 \$10 each

Henry Hirsch	Dean Abston
Richard Greene	Walter Kramer

Gross Skins \$110 each

- 1 Arde Nozari
- 2 Rich Nance
- 4 Mark Spicer

Net Skins \$84 each

- 2 Perry Melillo
- 5 Wayne Johnston
- 9 Phil Sky
- 10 Len Zambito
- 15 Dean Abston

Low Net

68 Hadi Morshed	\$75
70 Arde Nozari	\$50
71 Alan Miller	\$30
72 Malik Basurto	\$15
72 Rich Nance	\$15
72 Mark Spicer	\$15

Closest to the Pin \$50 each

Hole Winner	Prize
3 George L Beams	3'4"
6 Hadi Morshed	17'2"
15 Mark Spicer	8'4"
17 Ahmad Keliddari	5'8"

SUNDAY HANSEN DAM TOURNAMENT JAN 10th Individual - Gross, Net and Honey Pot

One team won the Honey Pot....
Jeff Field/Mike Teague \$340 for the team with a score of 59.

A "Flight" Low Gross

73 Daniel Melillo	\$50
75 Rich Nance	\$40
80 Neil Zaniboni	\$15
80 Michael Levy	\$15
80 Arde Nozari	\$15

A "Flight" Low Net

68 Erik Nordquist	\$50
69 Randy Hammock	\$40
71 Leonard Zambito	\$30
74 Roy Hay	\$20

"B" Flight Low Gross

83 George Correa	\$50
87 Yoichi Fujiki	\$40
88 Michael McKenna	\$25
88 Wayne Johnston	\$25

"B" Flight Low Net

71 Mike Teague	\$40
71 Perry Melillo	\$40
71 Dean Abston	\$40
73 Leonid Levin	\$10
73 John Harbaugh	\$10

Gross Skins \$55 each

1 Paul Nance	
7 Erik Nordquist	
8 Gene Vano	
10 Leonard Zambito	
11 Daniel Melillo	
13 Daniel Melillo	
15 Wayne Johnston	

Net Skins \$93 Each

4 David Jochen	
8 Gene Vano	
11 Malik Basurto	
13 Daniel Melillo	
15 Wayne Johnston	
16 Jeff Field	

Closest to the Pin \$65 each

Hole Winner	Prize
4 Rich Nance	1'11"
7 Roy Hay	8'1"
15 Wayne Johnston	6'6"
17 Leo Levin	7'4"

Prize Money

All tournament place winnings are paid in gift certificates redeemable in the Encino/Balboa Pro Shop.



Congratulations go out to Leo Levin who made his first hole in one on the 17th hole of Encino. Leo hit his Rescue 2 that never left the pin. He was playing with club member Mike Teague and his son Jeff.

And on Balboa Sean MacDonald aced the 13th hole for his hole in one. Sean is coming back from back problems and hit a nice easy 6 iron. Way to go guys.

USGA Rule of the Day

Q: A player dropped a towel on the ground. The wind blew the towel onto the player's ball and moved it. What is the ruling?

A: As the player's equipment caused the ball to move, the player incurred a penalty stroke and must replace the ball.

-- Rule 18-2a.

A little known fact....

The first testicular guard "Cup" was used in Hockey in 1874 and the first helmet was used in 1974.

That means it took 100 years for men to realize that their brain is also important.

The Saturday Game

If you are looking for a Saturday afternoon gross score skins game with guaranteed tee times on Encino or Balboa call Rich Nance at (818) 422-3748.

HANDICAP CHATTER: *just another number?*

By STU OLSTER, *Handicap Chairman*

There is something magically attractive about a numerical representation of a series of events that bespeaks truth and certitude. Take a golfer's handicap index for example---please! Each month, a computer reduces our efforts on the course to a number that is supposed to describe our competence as golfers and give us the means of competing with one another on a more-or-less equal basis. But how well does the handicap system actually predict how the golfer will perform?

Steve and Larry both have indexes of 10, but Steve plays a steady and conservative game, with lots of pars and few double bogeys. His scores vary within a relatively narrow range and his differentials (the spread between his adjusted score and the course rating) usually stay within a range of 8 to 12. Steve may never shoot a par round, but he will rarely shoot in the high 80s or above either. Steve's index is a reasonably good predictor of how he will perform on a given day.

Larry's game is different. He is a long hitter and an aggressive player, and is capable of shooting well below his handicap, but he is inconsistent and his scores vary widely. Larry has several par rounds to his credit (shot when the stars aligned just so), but he also shoots many scores in the nineties, well above what one might expect from a player with his handicap index. Larry's index would be much lower if he had Steve's consistency and could eliminate the errors on the 3 or 4 holes per round that cause his scores to balloon.

In a stroke play tournament, Larry, or somebody who has a similar game, will usually win, simply because they have the ability to shoot scores considerably below their handicaps. The larger the field, the greater the possibility that one of these players will shoot a net score of 65 or better, something Steve, and players like him, aren't likely to do. A net score in the high 60s or above will almost never win one of our stroke play tournaments.

Will Steve do better than Larry in a match play competition? Maybe. Suppose Steve plays to his handicap by shooting 81 with 9 pars and 9 bogies. It is entirely possible that Larry can win decisively, even while shooting a higher score, by carding 7 pars and 3 birdies, even if he also shoots 3 or 4 "dreaded others". But there is no assurance that these different players with identical handicap indexes will compete closely with one another very often irrespective of the format of the competition.

Consider also the margin for error of the 30 handicapper that allows him to occasionally shoot a score 8 or 10 shots below his handicap (with nary a raised eyebrow but quite a few 'ataboys'). For a 3-handicapper to do that would require a spectacular round in the low 60s—not too likely. The better you are, the harder it is to lower your handicap index, except on a percentage basis. But in golf the winner is determined by strokes, not percentages.

The Handicap System, the backbone of amateur golf and the primary reason why golf clubs like ours exist, needs to be kept in perspective. It is an imperfect tool to perform its stated function, yet it is far better than nothing. Anybody who has competed seriously at golf knows, though, that the best golf competition is between reasonably evenly-matched opponents playing "straight up."

President's Points

By Rich Nance

The holidays are over and it's back important things like golf. Many of you played at Hansen Dam on Sunday and were faced with possibly the worst greens in the city. The waffle effect had guys crazy including myself. If you didn't putt with laser accuracy it wouldn't sniff the cup. I had a few that went right to the cup and made left or right turns. I hope their greenskeeper can address this problem before we go back there in February. The pace of play was a big problem as well. It is up to all of us to make the day as enjoyable as possible. I don't know what happened but if we can't maintain a 5 hour pace no one will invite us back.



Woodley is coming up in a few weeks and hopefully the course will be in better shape. The Ghin computers are up and running and seem to be easier than the old system. If you play away from Encino or Balboa you have to select the "guest" option and follow the prompts. It is a lot easier from your home computer as well. Remember to put a 9 in front of your old number if it hasn't already been done.

If you haven't played at Encino or Balboa yet I'd like to inform everyone we have 130 brand new golf carts. The only way they will stay new is not abuse them and take them offroading (driving off curbs) while you play.

2010 is going to be an exciting year for us and I look forward to seeing everyone on the links. If you have any problems feel free to call or email me.

Golf, Corned Beef & Cabbage St. Pat's Party, March 25

Come and get it, a whole day of golf and an evening of corned beef and cabbage, beer or soft drinks and prizes. Our entertainment chairman Allen Weiss promises to provide outstanding Irish entertainment. It's the first big social event on SMGC's 2010 Master Calendar and it's going to be laughs and gags non-stop....a humdinger you won't want to miss.

The tab for golf, sweeps and the best corned beef and cabbage this side of Dublin.....the works, is \$50, honest! When you sign in at the February Hansen Dam tournament, sign up for the St. Pat's Golf Shindig & Party, March 25. Sign up online and pay by credit card at smgc.org or call **Gene Vano** at **(818) 703-0749** if you want to play.



Simi Hills Thursday - April 22

Sign ups will be coming soon for SMGC's annual Thursday. The tournament will be limited to 120 players and here's what chairman Gene Vano has lined up: a partner best ball 11 o'clock straight start with carts and range balls, closest to the pins.

If you like two-man partner's better ball, this is the place to be. Team up or Gene will set you up with a partner. Check the coming Eagle for sign up information.

HOLES - IN-ONE

If you have knowledge of a hole-in-one by a member of the SMGC please contact **Marty Barkan** by email at mbarkan@firstproperty.com or by phone at **(310) 487-6565**.

POST AT THE RANGE

There's a new posting computer at the Driving Range shop! It's convenient following a round at the Encino or Balboa and it's available until closing time at 10 pm!

BOOK A TEE TIME

If you have a Los Angeles city reservation card you can now book a tee time online 24/7 for any of the 13 City of Los Angeles courses. You can also make a tee time three days in advance online or by phone for a \$5 charge without a reservation card. Go to www.golf.lacity.org and try it out. Remember, you must have a golf reservation card to use this service.

Do's and Don'ts of Divot Repair! Repairing divots on the green

by: Evans, Club Member "PGA Partners Club"

Divots on the green are the most crucial to repair. You'll generally see these on approach shots somewhere in the vicinity of your ball. Most likely, you'll also find more than just your divot on the green. This is a result of lazy golfers or golfers who just didn't find their divot. Hopefully, they couldn't find their own and repaired another.

The rule of thumb is to find your divot and repair it—and then repair one more. This will ensure that the putting surface stays in as good of shape as possible, and that it rolls as true as possible. It is our duty as golfers to help keep the course in as good of shape when we leave it as when we found it.

How to repair

Divots on the green are sensitive divots. They require a careful repair. Use a divot tool, which is designed to repair these depressions without damaging the turf. The No. 1 rule to remember is: **DO NOT TWIST**. Twisting the tool tears the grass roots and damages the turf, which further slows the healing process or causes turf to die. Depending on the shape of the divot, there are two repairing methods. The first is for divots that are small depressions with no turf removed. For these, insert the divot tool just outside the edge of the divot and lift gently, raising the ground to slightly above the putting surface. Then take your putter and tamp it back down so that it is level with the putting surface. This helps speed up the healing process and ensures that the green will still roll true.

The second type of divot is either oblong or fairly deep with the turf removed. Don't replace this turf as its roots have been separated from the ground. Do insert your divot tool just outside the edges of the divot, and press the surrounding ground toward the center of the divot, stretching the turf to fill it in. Go around the divot completely several times if you need to, repeating this process until you have the turf stretched to where the divot is filled in. From there, tap the turf down so that the putting surface is again level, ensuring a true roll.

Just a second

Are you done? No. Remember, now that you've repaired your divot, find one more and repair it. If we don't do our part to help maintain our courses, then they will degrade and become undesirable or unplayable. So do your part, and keep your courses in good shape.

PLAYING BY THE RULES

When a ball hangs on the lip of the cup, players may not jump up and down or stomp on the ground in an effort to jar the ball into the hole. Players who do this will receive a one-stroke penalty and be required to place the ball back in its original position.

(According to USGA rule #1)

CITY CORNER

By Craig Kessler

Hard times make some and break others. That is the way of the world.

Some are in the process of being “made” right now; others in the process of being “broken.”

As Executive Director of the Public Links Golf Association, I am proud to report that Southern California’s golf associations are among those being made, because we are among those in the process of facing harsh realities and our own shortcomings, and making the radical changes necessary to confront them.

The associations have abandoned the familiar comforts of their old handicap provider and retained the GHIN system. They have abandoned their old comfortable divisions of responsibility and come together in unprecedented ways to tackle tax issues, water issues, land-use issues, environmental issues, and other public policy problems incapable of being successfully addressed by the old ways and the old arrangements. They have begun to create new institutions of cooperative engagement and in the process slaughter some of the sacred cows of compartmentalization. In short, they have put aside their egos and their institutional vanities, and recognized that they can no longer afford to luxuriate in a Balkanized structure that elevates pride and turf over their shared destiny.

And as someone in the center of all of the above, let me say that you ain’t seen nothing yet! 2010 will see the acceleration of this process of constructive engagement, and with it the acceleration of benefits to golfers of all stripes – public and private; municipal and daily fee; recreational and championship.

I am happy to report that many of the local municipal golf systems are in the process of being more strongly forged in the cauldron of these tough times as well. I have written many times in these pages of Los Angeles County’s willingness to constructively tackle shortcomings, systemic problems, and exigent circumstances, and effect structural changes in response thereto – sometimes in the most bold and creative of fashions. Los Angeles County may be the leader in this regard, but it is hardly alone among the local major municipal systems in recognizing that while the status quo is comfortable, it won’t hold. To a lesser degree, Ventura, Alhambra, Long Beach and Anaheim have also been willing to err on the side of bold experimentation in an effort to fashion the new equilibrium necessary to maintain sustainability.

It gives me zero pleasure to report that the City of Los Angeles does not appear to be among them. Our City seems to think that it can continue to reinvest next to nothing in its declining physical plant without consequence. Our City seems to think that it can continue to compete with its municipal cousins using a command-and-control bureaucratic structure that was

outmoded 30 years ago. Our City seems to think that it can continue to maintain a purchasing system that defies all business logic and a project management system whose inefficiencies are exceeded only by their costs. Our City seems to think it can continue to deny support and resources to the Superintendents who maintain our courses without at some point compromising quality and playability. Our City seems to think that it can continue with a contracting system that leaves virtually all of its golf concessions on month-to-month arrangements in perpetuity. Most astonishingly of all, our City seems to think that it is the victim of circumstances, rather than the victim of its own lack of leadership, vision, and simple resolve.

Does that mean that all is lost? That all we can do is watch as our great golf system breaks apart? No. It just means that waiting for this crowd to extricate us from our slide would be less productive than waiting for Godot. We will have to do the heavy lifting ourselves. If not us, who? It is OUR system, the public’s golf system that is being broken, not theirs.

Little Johnny

It is near the Christmas break of the school year. The students have turned in all their work and there is really nothing more to do. All the children are restless and the teacher decides to have an early dismissal.

Teacher: “Whoever answers the questions I ask, first and correctly can leave early today.” Little Johnny says to himself “Good, I want to get outta here. I’m smart and will answer the question.”

Teacher: Who said “Four Score and Seven Years Ago”? Before Johnny can open his mouth, Susie says, Abraham Lincoln. *Teacher: That’s right Susie, you can go home.* Johnny is mad that Susie answered the question first.

Teacher: Who said “I Have a Dream?” Before Johnny can open his mouth, Mary says, Martin Luther King. *Teacher: That’s right Mary, you can go.* Johnny is even madder than before.

Teacher: Who said “Ask not, what your country can do for you?” Before Johnny can open his mouth, Nancy says, John F. Kennedy. *Teacher: That’s right Nancy, you may also leave.*

Johnny is boiling mad that he has not been able to answer to any of the questions. When the teacher turns her back Johnny says, “I wish these b*#@hes would keep their mouths shut!”

The teacher turns around: “NOW WHO SAID THAT?” Johnny: TIGER WOODS. CAN I GO NOW?

BACKSPIN SHOTS

by The Gapwedge

The Gapwedge was checking out in the supermarket line when he noticed that Tiger and Elin were featured on the covers of a number of tabloids. Had The Gapwedge been interested in how many women were Tigerized or what Elin's going to do now, he may have opened the pages of one or two. But he wasn't.

Neither is he interested in the horde of Tiger's bedmates coming forward to cash in on the talk show circuit. Pathetic!

The Gapwedge has written in awe about Tiger in a few of these BS columns. If one went back and read them, one would see the comments were limited to his phenomenal golf aptitude which has made him the leading golfer, if not athlete, in the world. None intruded on his personal or marital life (not that there was too much of interest there).

Nowhere in the golf world was it better illustrated that practice makes perfect than in Tiger's work regimen and competitive success. Perhaps he was applying the same principle to his performance in the bedroom. We could all practice amateur psychology and speculate on the whys and wherefores, but why?

The big news here is that Tiger is taking time out from competitive golf. His golf hiatus dramatically affects TV viewership of PGA events and negatively affects the earnings of the other Tour golfers who, despite their moralistic bent, want Tiger back on the course in the worst way and ASAP.

Tiger's off course antics raise these two interesting questions for which The Gapwedge has no answers: how did Tiger elude the press and paparazzi who kept him under near-constant surveillance, and how did he maintain his game at such a high level despite the distractions? In addition to his golf prowess, Tiger may be the world's most accomplished multitasker.

Well, The Gapwedge refuses to be sucked in and make moral judgments. This unfortunate set of circumstances is, as Tiger himself has said, is a personal family matter. Instead The Gapwedge joins Tiger's fellow Tour players in hoping he returns to competitive golf action sooner than later. No other golfer comes close to generating the level of excitement he brings to every performance and golf is the poorer for his absence.

One final observation. Back in the 60s, when Arnold Palmer was becoming a legend and raising golf to a major league sport, stories of his extramarital exploits abounded. If anything, his extracurricular activities were taken as proof of his manhood and were anything but condemned.

Over the ensuing 50 years, our culture became moralistic and voyeuristic. Hopefully Tiger's amazing golf prowess and accomplishments won't get lost in the shuffle.

READY GOLF TIP

THE TRAP

By Jeff Prey

Golfing in the winter months is challenging to say the least. Just a bit of wind, some cold air and the golf ball falls from the sky like a stone. If we add rain to the mix, I'm out. Playing in cold weather, I find most difficult. A combination of cold hands, too many layers of clothes plus any injury that we're reminded of, are all reasons to watch any handicap soar.

Let's start with the proper gear for the conditions: waterproof and wind-resistant attire to help you stay warm and dry between shots.

Next, watch out for wind! I call it The Trap...because you can easily get trapped into swinging harder and harder because the flight of the ball is iffy, to say the least. Quick swings usually gets quicker and soon we are spraying the ball to all fields with no clue as to what happened.

To get your game back on track in the elements, focus on your smooth tempo and always club up. When I say club up, it's one, two or even three clubs more than in the summer months. Our tempo should always remain the same no matter the time of year or the golf course we play. You're going to find that you'll hit more greens and end up pin high more often. Just by hitting more club.

This great game of golf is still scored the same way. There is no box on the scorecard for club selection equals par. It still only asks how many, not what did you hit? Watch for THE TRAP and work on your tempo. Remember, hit more club. "Happy New Year" and see you at the practice range.

Jeff Prey is a Teaching Professional at Ready Golf's Sepulveda Driving Range. You can also find Jeff in the Ready Golf shop several days a week. Jeff offers lessons with the A-Star digital swing analyzer upon request. His rate of instruction is \$35 per half hour private lesson.

FROM THE READY GOLF SHOP

(Country Club Service-Warehouse Prices)

By Mark Karge

Greetings! Ready Golf Centers wishes you and yours a very Happy New Year! Now that the holiday season is behind us, we can get down to the business at hand—GOLF, and at Ready Golf Centers you can do it for less.

We have a few of the Winter Blowout items left, so don't miss out. We will also be extending our club pricing policy into this New Year. When you're serious about upgrading to a new driver or a set of new irons, come and see us first. We will get you any driver for our cost plus \$50 and shipping. On sets of irons, the price is our cost plus \$100 and shipping. The big box stores can't or won't do that, and we accept men's club scrip.

Remember, we are your one-stop golf shopping store. The weather will be a little cold for the next few months and we can help with that also. Fleece, wind shirts, beanies and hand warmers are a few of the winter items you'll need and we have them--FOR LESS. Thank you for your patronage.

Sepulveda Phone Numbers

Many players program the starter's window and cart shack numbers into their cell phones to cover possible emergencies. Here are the Encino/Balboa numbers:

Starter's window - (818) 995-1170

Cart shed - (818) 788-9793

Snack Cart / Coffee Shop / Bar - (818) 789-1919

Remember to keep them silent during your round!!

COMING EVENTS

Jan 28	Thursday Tournament - Woodley Lakes	\$40
<i>Jan 30</i>	<i>PLGA Champions of Champions Final</i>	
Feb	Sunday Tournament	TBA
Feb 25	Thursday Tournament - Hansen Dam	\$40
<i>Mar 1-2</i>	<i>PLGA Laughlin Open</i>	
Mar	Sunday Tournament	TBA
<i>Mar 13-14</i>	<i>PLGA Amateur Championship – Qualifying</i>	
<i>Mar 20</i>	<i>PLGA Amateur Championship – Champ. Flight Qualifying</i>	
<i>Mar 21</i>	<i>PLGA Amateur Championship – Champ. Flight Qualifying</i>	
Mar 25	Thursday Tournament - Encino	\$40
<i>March 27-28</i>	<i>PLGA Amateur Championship Finals</i>	
Apr	Sunday Tournament	TBA
<i>April 17-18</i>	<i>PLGA “George Collup” Coronado Classic</i>	
Apr 22	Thursday Tournament - Simi Hills	
May	Sunday Tournament	TBA
<i>May 3-4</i>	<i>PLGA Nevada Open Primm Valley Resort</i>	
May 15	Senior Club Championship Round 1 - Balboa	
May 16	Senior Club Championship Round 2 - Encino	
May 27	Thursday Tournament Member/Guest- Encino	
<i>June 10 -13</i>	<i>LA City Men 's Championship - Rancho Park</i>	
<i>June 12-13</i>	<i>LA City Men 's Handicap Wilson & Harding</i>	
June 19	Club Championship Round 1 - Encino	
June 26	Club Championship Round 2 - Balboa	
June 27	Club Championship Finals - Encino	
<i>June 26-27</i>	<i>PLGA “J.C. Cunningham” Senior Championship</i>	
July 11	Sunday Tournament - Los Robles	
<i>July 17-18</i>	<i>LA City Women's Championship - Rancho Park</i>	
July 22	Thursday Tournament - Rancho Park	\$40
<i>July 24-25</i>	<i>PLGA Central Coast Open</i>	
Aug	Sunday Tournament	TBA
<i>Aug 7-8</i>	<i>City of LA/PLGA Match Play Qualifying</i>	
<i>Aug 14-15</i>	<i>City of LA/PLGA Match Play</i>	
<i>Aug 16</i>	<i>PLGA Pro-President Amateur</i>	
<i>Aug 21-22</i>	<i>City of LA/PLGA Match Play Finals</i>	
Aug 26	Thursday Tournament - Harding	\$40
Sept	Sunday Tournament	TBA
<i>Sep 12, 19, 26</i>	<i>PLGA Team Play Qualifying</i>	
Sept 23	Thursday Tournament Pro Member Scramble - Encino	
Oct 3	The Goeckner Qualifying - Balboa	
<i>Oct 6 -7</i>	<i>LA City Senior Men's - Wilson & Harding</i>	
<i>Oct 10</i>	<i>PLGA Team Play Finals</i>	
<i>Oct 23, 24, 31</i>	<i>PLGA LA County/PLGA Partners Cup Regionals</i>	
Oct 28	Thursday Tournament - Wilson	\$40
Oct 31	Sunday Tournament - Hansen Dam	
<i>Nov 6-7</i>	<i>PLGA Partner's Better Ball</i>	
<i>Nov 21</i>	<i>PLGA LA County/PLGA Partners Cup Finals</i>	
Nov 26	Day After Thanksgiving - Balboa	
Dec	Sunday Tournament	TBA
<i>Dec 4 & 5</i>	<i>PLGA “Ken Smith” Desert Classic</i>	
Dec 16	Thursday Tournament - Encino	\$40



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