



TWO RIVERS GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER



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Tournament results! After a week of unrelenting rain, followed by days of more rain, we got a one-day window with no rain. Empire Ranch was soaking wet and suffered from a lack of mowing due to the rain, but 47 members got in their tournament. Even though the conditions weren't the best, it was great to see old TRGC members again and to meet new members.

EMPIRE RANCH RESULTS

1st Flight

1 Brad Erway	66 net (card off)
2 Jim Svobodny	66
3 Ron Mantsch	69

Jim Svobodny won the fewest putts with 29.

2nd Flight

1 John Buck	66
2 John Valdes	67
3 Jay Watson	72

Dan Nelson carded the fewest putts with 31.

3rd Flight

1 Joe Gough	69
2 Mark Ferguson	72 (card off)
3 Dave Harrison	72

Leo Winternitz won the fewest putts with 33.

4th Flight

1 Peggy Mucci	74
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2 Bryan Goodman	76 (card off)
3 Cheryl Nelson	76

Peggy Mucci won the fewest putts with an outstanding 30 putts.

Closest to the Pin Winners:

Hole #2, Sherry Hilger, 2' 9", hole #8, Jay Watson, 3' 0", hole #12, Brad Erway, 4' 9", hole #16, Jim Svobodny, 8' 1", hole #18, Ernest Jiles, 11' 6".

YOCHA DEHE

24 golfers enjoyed great weather and good course conditions at Yocha Dehe—it would be hard to find a better course anywhere. Prizes consisted of closest to the pin on the four par 3's. Jon Hadley won two and two guests won one each. Thanks, Nick, for putting together this midweek event.

COMING EVENTS

Our next weekend event is **Mather on March 11th**. As you know from Renee's recent email, this tournament is up in the air due to playing conditions at the course. Renee will send final details early next week. Later in March we have **Turkey Creek on March 25**. Turkey Creek drains very well, so there should be no playability issues there. Closing out the month is our **Monterey trip on March 30th and 31st**. Nick has sent out the details; we will be playing Quail Lodge and Carmel Valley Ranch, two high end courses that should provide a great experience for all of us.

CHANGES IN TRGC RULES; MEMBER RESPONSE TO OUR QUESTIONNAIRES

I'm reprinting this article from the February newsletter because it has a lot of important information for all TRGC members. Many of our members responded to the end-of-year questionnaire about their tournament preferences, likes and dislikes and other suggestions for improvements. The TRGC Board of directors read and discussed each of the responses and made several changes to the club's operations in response to the comments.

Change #1: Apparently, the club points championship was not overwhelmingly popular. After much discussion, the board voted to return to a system that was used a number of years ago; some of the long-time members may recall it. Instead of a yearly points championship, each participant will earn one ticket for each tournament played during the year. The tickets will be placed in a jar for a five-winner drawing at the Bartley Cavanaugh awards event. The five lucky TRGC members will win \$20 each from the accumulated pot.

Change #2: TRGC has always operated as a handicap-based club; our championship is based on the handicap scores. However, it is also important to recognize true golfing expertise based on gross score. Therefore, the board voted to award a plaque and \$50 cash prize to the member who has the lowest gross score for the two-day championship tournament in September.

Other Information: Several members commented that they would like to know the vote totals for each candidate for office in last year's election. Here are the votes by position:

President: Nick Schiaretti	33 votes, no other candidates
Vice-President: David (Mike) Morrow	33 votes, no other candidates
Secretary: Judy Davenport	33 votes, no other candidates
Treasurer: John Valdes	33 votes, no other candidates
Director, 3 to be elected	
Sandy Davis (incumbent)	33 votes (elected)
Tom Page (incumbent)	22 votes (elected)
Jim Svobodny	22 votes (elected)
Alan Staton	11 votes
Will Wong	11 votes

Several members made comments about our tournament courses, some of which suggested that they are more interested in the quality of the course than the cost of the event or the distance. The board will keep these suggestions in mind when setting the schedule for next year.

Our survey respondents were very open to using different scoring formats, so Renee and Nick will see about adding some variety to the formats this year.

TRGC WEBSITE

Our TRGC website at www.tworiversgolfclub.com is in a state of flux currently. Much of the info is correct, but the tournament entry forms are from last year and not correct. Better to use the entries that Renee sends out with her announcements. James Snyder has taken over the job of webmaster; he is in the process of sorting out the website and getting it up to date. Thanks, James, for helping with this important function.

RECRUITMENT AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Welcome back, all of you who renewed your membership. If you have not yet renewed your TRGC membership, the form is on our website. Don't miss out on our fun tournaments at some great courses. Our club secretary, Judy Davenport, tells me that several longtime TRGC members have not yet renewed. So get on it, procrastinators! Between the loss of members who did not renew and the addition of new members, we have about 85 members at present.

As always, TRGC is looking to increase its membership base. **Recruitment is the lifeblood of any organization**, so be sure to invite your friends, co-workers, and golf buddies from other groups to meet our club. Don't forget, you can take \$5 off your renewal fee for next year for each new member you bring to the club (limit of five new members per person per year).

SUNSHINE

Beverly Nelson's celebration of life was held on February 19, attended by many friends, family and TRGC members. Zach Peart's services were held the following weekend, again attended by many friends, family and TRGC members.



Both these longtime TRGC members will be missed by all of us.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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