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# THE NUGGET APRIL 2008

The quarterly newsletter of the Greenhorn Creek Men's Golf Club

## President's Corner (Bob Henning):

We are well on our way into the new year 2008. We have 184 regular members and 2 junior members as of the end of February. Unfortunately, our January and February weekend tournaments were rained out, although 39 members enjoyed breakfast while watching the rain on Saturday, Feb. 5. Our March 8 tournament (NCGA Zone Qualifier) brought out 50 members. I congratulate the winners: Scott Behiel, Jim Pisula, Bob Trincherro and Mickey Zavack. They will well represent our club on June 23 & 24 playing in the South Sierra Zone qualifier at Spyglass and Poppy Hills. Their names will also be engraved on our perpetual trophy for this event.

We have had some good weather on Wednesdays and we are offering some new formats for Wednesday play. We are also communicating by email each week to alert members to the format for the week. I hope you will find the events interesting, competitive and fun. Come out and join us.

Steve Armknecht, our Handicap and Rules Chairman, assisted by many men and women golfers knowledgeable on the rules, is putting together an on-course "Rules of Golf" seminar to be held Wednesday morning, May 7, starting at 7:45 am. This event is open to both men and women. The golf course will be closed for maintenance that day, so, plan to come out. I know you will find the presentation informative.

A note on our Hole-In-One Insurance Policy. The intent of this policy is to cover a Greenhorn Creek Men's Club member who makes a hole-in-one and by tradition buys drinks for some of the other golfers who are at the golf course when the hole-in-one is made. The maximum limit of coverage is \$250 paid by the Men's Club. This \$250 limit is to cover the possibility of large groups that the member may wish to include. It is not the intent that this amount be spent by a small group having multiple drinks. I recommend that you instruct the bartender to limit the treat to one drink per person. If abuse becomes prevalent we will have to consider reducing the amount of coverage.

Thought for the day: A "gimme" can best be defined as an agreement between two golfers, neither of whom can putt very well.

## Vice-President (Dave Gigliotti):

At recent men's club board meetings we have been discussing the need to get more "new" members involved at the men's club board level. So, If you are interested in being involved- the nominating committee is looking for YOU! Obviously, as in the past, all board positions are open to ALL members. The current board positions are:

President  
Vice-President  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Rules Chairman  
Tournament Director  
Member at Large

The current board for 2008 is working hard to make this year a great men's club experience. The 2008 term of this board runs through October 2008.

If you are interested in participating on the 2009 board-contact Dave Gigliotti, nominating committee chairman. call: 736-9315.

Respect our great golf course-be sure to repair all divots and ball marks. Tee boxes thru greens-Thanks and Hit um Straight.

## Tournament Director (Tom DeGregori):

There are three tournaments scheduled for second quarter of 2008. They are as follows:

1. April 12: NCGA Four Ball Qualifier (Best Net Ball of the Twosome)
2. May 10: NCGA Net Amateur Qualifier (Individual Low Net)
3. June 14: NCGA Senior Four Ball Qualifier (Two Man Better Ball Net)

All members can participate in the above events. The qualifying players must use the blue tees and the non qualifying player will use the white tees. You can sign up at the Pro Shop to enter each event. We encourage as many members as possible to participate in these tournaments. Further information concerning these tournaments will be separately communicated to the members.

Harry Phillips and Jim Pisula have agreed to lead our 12 man team. We thank them for assuming the role of captain and co-captain once again. They did a great job last year and I know they will work just as hard this year. The qualifying dates are May 1, 5, 15 and 22; the rounds will be divided into three flights determined by handicap. Further communication on qualification will be sent out by Captain Harry Phillips and Co-captain Jim Pisula sometime in early April. We are looking for a high turnout for the qualifying rounds.

We need to "speed up" play a little better than what we are presently doing. Here are some helpful hints we should all consider:

1. Play "ready golf" (if possible).
2. Plan your shot while getting to your ball and others are playing.
3. If riding, take several clubs with you to your ball in order not to have to go back to the cart.
4. Take only one practice swing.
5. Don't step off yardage for every single golf shot; develop an "eye" for distance.
6. Play a provisional ball if you think you shot went out of bounds.
7. Putt out on the green (most time is lost on the green).
8. Drive your cart to the back of the green before putting; don't leave it below the green.
9. Record your score at the start of the next hole so other players can hit to the green.

Feel free to contact me directly if you have any comments or suggestions to the above.

## Secretary's Notes (Ron Rivera):

We have updated the Greenhorn Creek Website to add the phone numbers and e-mail addresses of the current board members. In addition when we produce the quarterly Nugget we also place it on the GHC website for any future reference. The board believes that communication with the Men's Club members is one of the most important parts of our job. The board also wants you to know that we are always looking for input from our members on any problems or concerns you may have. With the addition of the phone numbers and e-mail addresses of the board members available on the website we are hoping that you will contact any board member when you have a question. Always remember that the Men's Club Board meets on the second Wednesday of the month and all members are encouraged to attend. The meetings are held after the Wednesday play on the second Wednesday in either the Library at Camps or the Fireside Room. During the Winter months when we have our 10 A.M. shotgun starts the board meets at 8:00A.M. in the Library. It is a great way to inform the board about your problems or concerns.

Here are the motions that the Board members have approved since the last Nugget was published.

### **Board meeting January 9, 2008**

A motion was made to set a policy of no mandatory participation requirement for NCGA qualifiers. The motion was passed 4 to 0 stating that there will be no participation requirements.