

The Encinitas Ranch Newsletter

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Sponsors Wanted:

If you would like to sponsor a weekend tournament in 2006 please contact the Sponsorship Chairman Jim Brakas at jlbrakas@cox.net.

ERMGC Board Updates

The Board is still in need of two additional Directors. The positions currently available are for an associate Tournament Director and a Handicap Chairman. The Handicap Chairman position requires certification by the SCGA. Currently, there are two classes scheduled for our area in April. After April, the next classes are not until September. The classes are only a one day commitment with a same day test. The certification is valid for three years upon completion. The Board needs a committed member to fill this position. The Men's Club can not operate without a certified Handicap Chairman. Additionally, we are also looking for three Members at Large to support the Board as we move forward. If you can commit the time and energy into making 2006 the best year ever for our club, now is the time to step up and volunteer your services. If you can make a commitment to serve our club, contact: **Dick Beckman, ERMGC President at rbeckman@san.rr.com**

Membership Information

If you've received this newsletter your membership is in good standing. Let's continue to make our club strong by taking it upon ourselves to make sure that everyone we know who likes to play at Encinitas Ranch gets signed up for the Men's Club. Applications are available online at www.ermgc.org or at the Encinitas Ranch Golf Course. If you've recently signed up, please be aware that, according to Matt at SCGA, there can be a six week time delay from registration to being able to post your scores at any course, so hang on to those scorecards. Here's looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday mornings and at our monthly weekend tournaments!

Local Ruling Regarding Drop Areas

To all members for Wednesday Sweeps play only (not the monthly tournaments), as of 3/15/06 and from hereon, we will be playing the regular drop areas on holes #8, #16 and #17 even if they are not marked off. This local rule should help speed up play and insure that all players are playing by the same rules during competition.

“Putting is like wisdom...partly a natural gift and partly the accumulation of experience”

Arnold Palmer

Simplifying the Rules

Definitions

Addressing the Ball: A player has “addressed the ball” when he has taken his stance and has also grounded the club, except that in a hazard a player has addressed the ball when he has taken his stance.

Advice: “Advice” is any counsel or suggestion that could influence a player in determining his play, the choice of a club or the method of making a stroke. Information on the Rules or on matters of public information, such as the position of hazards or the flagstick on the putting green, is not advice.

Best 3 Balls of Foursome Tournament

April 23, 2006

Format: 4-man teams, stroke play. Each member plays his own ball. The total of the three best net scores (gross for championship flight) on each hole is the team score for that hole.

Handicaps: The team handicap will be the average of the four team members. The team handicap will be used to determine which flight the team plays in. The maximum spread allowed between team members is 8. If there is a spread of more than 8, the higher handicaps will be reduced to within 8 of the lowest handicap.

Entry Deadline: Thursday, April 13, 2006

Entry Fee: \$80.00 (\$20 per individual) **Individuals may enter and they will be paired with another member of a similar handicap.**

Tournament Chairman – Ken Wolff kmwemail@yahoo.com (760) 803-4740

Member Name	Phone	Email	SCGA#	April Index
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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SELECT FLIGHT

Championship _____	Blue Tees (Gross)	B Net _____	Green Tees (Team Hdcp 11-17)
A Net _____	Blue Tees (Team Hdcp 10 or less)	C Net _____	White Tees (Team Hdcp 18+)

Mail \$80.00 per team (\$20.00 per individual) and completed application to:
3 Ball Tournament, ERMGC, P.O. Box 231880, Encinitas, CA. 92023-1880

ERMGC Tournament Results

The Famulare Jewelers 2-Man Better Ball tournament was held on Sunday, March 26th. This was an extremely popular event with over 60 teams competing in four flights for a limo trip, provided by La Costa Limousine Service, to Trump National Golf Club in Palos Verdes, CA. As usual, the event was hotly contested and the winning scores were low. And the winners are...

Championship flight:	Jim Hartley and Ken Mersheim	Winning Score: 65
A Net flight:	Bob Burke and Justin Frisco	Winning Score: 61
B Net flight:	Jim Bachrach and Mike Cameron	Winning Score: 57
C Net flight:	Bob Bergstrom and Rick Bunnell	Winning Score: 62

ERMGC would like to thank Famulare Jewelers (and the Bling Bling girls) for sponsoring this tournament. Also, thanks go to La Costa Limousine Service and SIGNworld of California for our great new hole signs.

Paul Ecke Jr. 4th Annual Memorial

Poinsettia Cup Tournament

May 7th and May 21st, 2006

Format: 36 holes of individual stroke play. 18 hole rounds on Sunday, May 7th and Sunday, May 21st.

Requirement: You must have participated in at least one prior weekend tournament or 10 Wednesday sweeps events in 2006.

Handicaps: May current index.

Entry Deadline: April 27, 2006

Entry Fee: \$30 per person

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Member Name	Phone	Email	SCGA#	May Index
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

SELECT FLIGHT

Champ _____ Blue Tees (gross)
A Net _____ Blue Tees (10.2 index or less)
B Net _____ Green Tees (8.7 to 17.7 index)
C Net _____ White Tees (15.9 index or +)

CHECK TOURNAMENTS PLAYED

_____ 1/30 Stroke Play
_____ 3/6 Skins
_____ 3/20 Famulare Jewelers
_____ 4/23 Best of 3 Balls

Mail \$30.00 and completed Application to:
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Please send address changes to:

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or 760-438-4505

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The Poinsettia Cup - May 7, 21, 2006

As the first “major” tournament of the year approaches we wanted to remind everyone that there is a qualification criteria for entry into the Poinsettia Cup. In order to qualify, a player must have played in at least one (1) weekend tournament or played in ten (10) Wednesday sweeps events prior to the tournament. If you are not able to regularly play on Wednesdays, then the **April 23rd Best 3 Balls of Foursome** tournament is your last chance to qualify for the Poinsettia Cup in 2006 if you have yet to play in a weekend tournament.

The Club Championship - September 9, 10, 16, 17, 2006

As the second “major” tournament of the year the Club Championship also has a specific qualification criteria for entry. In order to qualify, a player must have played in at least two (2) weekend tournaments or played in ten (10) Wednesday sweeps events prior to the tournament. If you are not able to regularly play on Wednesdays, make sure to get qualified for the Club Championship well in advance. Each year the Board faces the unpleasant task of having to turn players away because they did not meet the qualification criteria. Do not let this happen to you!