



**Inside this Issue:**

- **Men's Tournament Report**
- **9 Hole Ladies Report**
- **Articles by Head Golf Professional / GM**
- **August Calendar**
- **September Calendar**

# THE IMPROVED LIE

Petaluma Golf & Country Club, August 2016

## MEN'S TOURNAMENT REPORT

*By Nick Smith*

Hello Golfers!

Firstly I would like to thank Bill Maeder, Harry Pearson, and Chris Gay for the fantastic condition the course is in right now. It is the best I have seen it although most of you go back far longer than I.

The numbers of players in the competitions is increasing which is really exciting; we had 26 in the scramble this past weekend which is close to a record for a new event. Talking of records how about the winning score by Gary Sumner and Terry Tucker – Net 52.5! This is a members club and that score is pretty fantastic but everyone got in the 50's so a good day was had by all.

Next month's fun event is a 3 clubs and a putter challenge on August 27<sup>th</sup>. It is a great test of shot making and imagination. I think the winner last year is still trying to figure out why he carries all those other clubs after a gross 77! Do you take driver or 3 wood, 5, 6 or 7 iron, pitching or lob wedge, decisions decisions.

**PG&CC  
Board of  
Directors**

**President**  
Mike Candau

**Vice President**  
Donna Beels

**Treasurer**  
Flip Lamson

**Secretary**  
Peter Barufkin

**Director**  
Mike Morgan

**Director**  
Patty Haynes

**Director**  
Steve Lambert

**Director**  
Timo Rivetti

**Director**  
Harry Pearson

The club championship is coming up and the format is a little different this year to encourage more players. Instead of being played 4 consecutive weekend days we are giving players a week to schedule their matches so the event will be spread throughout September with the final to be played on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up early the sheet is on the bar now.

Thank you to everyone who is supporting and participating in the competitions, if you have any suggestions for an event you would like to see on the calendar please do not hesitate to reach out. I am thinking of trying a 9 hole 1 man scramble on a Thursday evening. That's right you get 2 goes at each shot! Could be slow, could be fun, would you play at 5? Let me know.

Cheers

Nick

---

## **9-HOLE LADIES REPORT**

*By Sandra Messer*

Last Third of Season to Go for Petaluma Chicks.

With July concluded, the 9 Hole Ladies Division has three months of their 2016 Season left. It's going to be a busy three months, including celebrating National Golf Month, so it's only fitting that July was filled with golf formats that were low on pressure and high on playful. Here is our list of worthy July winners:



Flag Tournament, Judy Dardis

No T's or F's, Judy Dardis

Bingo Bango Bongo, Lois Skarsten and Judy Dardis tied for the win.

(We're all going to have to step up our game if we're going to best Judy in any contests!)

In our sole season-long tournament, Golfer of the Month, we add Angie Fredericks for July. Way to go Angie!

---

## **ETIQUETTE**

*By Christopher Gay*

Golf is a wonderful game where we can play in twosomes, threesomes, foursomes and even fivesomes. As a courtesy to the other members Five Players in a group must play in less than 4 hours or at a pace of about 12.5 minutes per hole. A couple of tips regarding faster play: ride in a golf cart, spend only 1 minute looking for lost golf balls, and take no more than double par on any hole. Thank you for your understanding!

# JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM

*By Christopher Gay*



Congratulations to our first 2 juniors who have moved to Level 2 of the USKids Training Program. Pictured left Aiden Imperatrice with Grandfather Steve Sager. Picture to the right – Riley Reeves daughter of Barry Reeves. White hats signify Level 1, blue hats signify level 2, red hats signify level 3 and black hats are for graduates of the program!

Interested in our Junior Development Program? It is a weekly program from April through September and monthly from October to March. We meet every Saturday at 2:00pm for 60 minutes - Includes entry into USKIDS Learning Program and Level 1 materials (\$25 charge for each new level). We learn skills, play games and provide assessment to earn USKIDS Learning Pins. There is no cost for members!

---

## MEN'S TWILIGHT DINNERS

*By Christopher Gay*



Our dinner season is underway and each week the chefs are trying to outdo each other! Dinners cost \$17.00 and starts at 6:00pm. The Golf Game is \$3.00 and format varies from week to week.

This is a great way to meet members and Tuesday Night is a tradition at our club. Please mark it on your calendar and attend as many as you can!

WE NEED YOU to volunteer! We are accepting sign-ups for dinner – get a group of friends together and cook a meal for your fellow members. Please call 707.762.7041 to sign-up now! Our in-house Chef will cook dinner August 9, 16, 23, and 30.

# POOL BATHROOMS

By Christopher Gay

The pool bathrooms are now open! Kudos to our House & Grounds team for putting all of this together! A couple of notes: the showers will not be operational this season, a new solar heated shower has been ordered to use, and the women’s changing room will have new curtains shortly.

## AUGUST FRIDAY MIXER

### ENDLESS SUMMER HAPPY HOUR August 26<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm – 7:30pm!

By Christopher Gay

Mark your calendars for our “Endless Summer” Happy Hour on August 26 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Look for more details coming soon...

AUGUST						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Men’s Club NCGA Net Amateur Qualifier	2 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men’s Twilight Dinner</i>	3 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am	4	5 Sunset Bar & Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	6 Men’s Medal Tournament 8:30am
7	8	9 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men’s Twilight Dinner</i>	10 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am	11	12 Sunset Bar & Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	13
14 Last Day for Men’s Club NCGA Net Amateur Qualifier	15 Outside Tournament 7:00am – 9:00am Outside Tournament 10:00am – 3:00pm	16 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men’s Twilight Dinner</i>	17 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am <i>Board Meeting 6pm</i>	18	19 Sunset Bar & Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	20
21 Parent Child Tournament	22 SIRS 7:00am-1:30pm Family Fun Night 6:00pm	23 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men’s Twilight Dinner</i>	24 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am	25	26 Endless Summer Happy Hour 5:30pm – 7:30pm Sunset Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	27 3 Clubs and 1 Putter Tournament 8:30am Start Terese Thomas Pool Party 4:00-7:00
28	29	30 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men’s Twilight Dinner</i>	31 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am			

# SEPTEMBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Men's Club Championship Begins (Pick your own date for matches)	2 Sunset Bar & Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	3
4	5	6 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men's Twilight Dinner</i>	7 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am	8	9 Sunset Bar & Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	10
11 1 <sup>st</sup> Round of Club Championship must be completed	12 Rotary Golf Tournament 12:00pm to 5:00pm	13 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men's Twilight Dinner</i>	14 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am	15	16 Sunset Bar & Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	17 Party in Hall 4pm – 10pm
18 2 <sup>nd</sup> Round of Club Championship must be completed	19 St. John's Golf Tournament 12:00pm to 5:00pm	20 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men's Twilight Dinner</i>	21 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am <i>Board Meeting 6pm</i>	22	23 Friday Night Mixer – Live Music 5:30pm – 7:30pm  Sunset Junior Lessons 5:30-7:00	24 3 <sup>rd</sup> Round of Club Championship must be completed  Men's Club Medal Play 8:30am
25 Final Round of Club Championship	26 SIRS 7:00am-1:30pm	27 9-Hole Ladies 9:00am <i>Men's Twilight Dinner – Famous Nizibian Family Fish Fry</i>	28 18-Hole Ladies 8:15am	29 Goat Hill Practice Round and Pre- Tournament Party	30 Goat Hill Tournament Begins Round 1 of 2  No Sunset Bar	