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Quarterly Newsletter – 2021 Summer Edition: July / August / September



President's Message

By Jon Banister

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and getting out on the course or stopping by to enjoy a beverage and some good conversation.

We are starting our popular social mixers back up. This has always been a fun and relaxing way to see old friends, make new friends and meet our incredible staff, while listening to some music. We would

love to see you there! Look for more details in this newsletter.

As we all know Sonoma County is currently in a drought and we are doing our part to help get us through this situation. As I am sure most of you have seen the course is looking a little dry, but is still in great shape all things considered. Bill and his crew have had to make some tough calls but we feel when the rains return the course will be back and looking as good as ever.

I look forward to seeing you at the club soon!

Thank you,
Jon Banister

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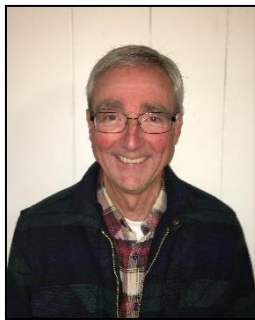
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PG&CC History – Part 21

By Keith Brians

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Twenty-five players traveled to the Sleepy Hollow golf course in San Anselmo on January 15, 1939, for the first home and home match between the two clubs. The Petalumans found the greens exceptionally fast and traps on either side of fairways made the course “tricky.” The result was a 37 ½ to 26 ½ loss.

Qualifying rounds for the club championship were held Saturday, January 28, and Sunday, January 29. Sunday’s play began with the men’s club annual breakfast with over 30 participants. The current champion Walter Rossi and Eric Nisson both shot 77 to lead the qualifiers. The first flight of eight was filled out by George Moore and Carl Behrens with 78, Robert Armbruster and Frank Studdert with 79, Jim Crase with 80 and Bill Painter with an 84. In the quarter final matches Walter Rossi struggled to beat Robert Armbruster; Jim Crase knocked out Carl Behrens 2 and 1; Frank Studdert won handily over Eric Nisson, 6 and 5; and George Moore also beat Painter 6 and 5. In the semi-finals, Walter Rossi shot a 34 on the back 9 to beat Jim Crase 2 and 1 while George Moore played strongly to beat Frank Studdert 4 and 3. The finals were held on Sunday, February 19. In front of a large gallery, Walter Rossi won his second club championship defeating George Moore 2 and 1 in a tight, back and forth match.

Sunday, February 26, brought members of the Sleepy Hollow golf club to Petaluma for completion of their home and home competition. Petaluma won 42 ½ to 11 ½, settling the score for their loss at Sleepy Hollow in January. Golf was followed by a turkey lunch. The highlight of the day was club president Carl Behrens’ hole-in-one in a shotgun start on the seventh hole, (now 6). That led Behrens to a 75, the best score of the day. Behrens hole-in-one was the second in the week, Carl Ruff having made one on the 162 yard 5th hole (no longer in play) on Tuesday. Ruff’s was the first hole-in-one since Frank Studdert’s on October 11, 1936. The club’s annual meeting was held on Monday, February 27. Secretary Harry Benton reported the club’s financial condition was healthy and that it had little debt. Greens committee chairman, I. L. Saunders, reported that new equipment and supplies were on hand and more water would be available owing to the club’s good financial condition. He pledged a continuation of the last year’s notable improvements in the quality of play. Mrs. M. Goldman, chair of the entertainment committee, also reported a very successful social year with well received and attended formal and informal events.

The popular Argus Courier handicap tournament began on Saturday, March 3. Played over 72 holes, players with a net score over 150 after 36 holes were eliminated. Thirty-five players, nearly all of the playing members, took part. By March 21, only 12 players led by Bob Winfield with a net 133 were left in contention. This was a marked improvement over the previous year when Jim Crase won at the 36 hole mark when he was the only player to stay under 150 in stormy playing conditions during the preceding weeks. Winfield held on to the lead after 54 holes shooting a net 73 for a total of 203. On Sunday, April 3, Winfield completed his four round sweep with a 90, net 66 to win with 269 net strokes total. Club pro Harry Borg rewarded Winfield for his efforts with a downward handicap adjustment of 4 strokes for future play.

On Sunday, the unthinkable happened when the men of the Santa Rosa country club narrowly beat Petaluma’s men’s team on Petaluma’s home course for the first time in their annual meetings. The only bright spot was

Walt Rossi's low score for the day of 76. After golf, a turkey lunch provided by Fitz's restaurant was served and the return of the Country Cup to Santa Rosa completed. An exhibition match in the afternoon sponsored by the Kroydon Golf Co. of San Francisco featured Jack Finger, former San Francisco amateur champion, who shot a 69 that included 4 birdies. This was despite Fingers having had to give an emergency blood transfusion earlier in the morning at Alameda County hospital.

The women's club championship began on Wednesday, April 26. Defending champion Mrs. Susan Hart defeated Mrs. Ruby Moore 4 and 3 in the quarter finals. Mrs. Cecelia Miller upset former champion Miss Frances Bassett who had been added to the field after being unable to play in the qualifying round. Miss Eunice Peterson defeated Mrs. Nita Behrens and later in the week beat Miss Gladys Roberts who had a bye to move into the finals. Mrs. Sue Hart beat Mrs. Cecelia Miller 8 and 6 to secure her place in the finals. The finals were played on Sunday, May 14. Finding herself down by six holes after the first nine, Miss Peterson rallied on the second nine and brought the match flat on the 17th hole only to miss a putt on 18, losing to Mrs. Hart.

The annual barbeque and Calcutta auction for the Maclay tournament, one of the year's premier events, was held on Sunday, April 30. Originally scheduled for May 7, the date was changed to avoid conflicting with Petaluma Day at the Golden Gate International Exposition that had opened on February 18, at Treasure Island in San Francisco. More than 100 members and their guests participated in a sumptuous luncheon under the trees behind the first tee (now upper third tee) under long tents provided by Bill Sorensen and John Mount. Set-up for the meal was handled by greenskeeper Ed Martin, his son LaMar with some help from the caddies set up the tables and rolled up napkins and utensils. Entertainment committee chairman Harry J. Oldburg organized his team led by Master chef Gene Predanti to serve up a feast including 120 pounds of barbecued lamb shoulders and spare ribs, potato and crab salads, French bread, ice cream and coffee. After the meal, everyone preceded to the hall for the auction of players in the upcoming Maclay Cup.

The Maclay cup finals, ending the spring tournament season, were held on Sunday, June 5. The 36-hole match pitted Frank Greene against Frank Studdert. Greene had a five stroke advantage and capitalized on it. In the morning round Greene had Studdert four down. Studdert pulled to within 2, but lost on the 16th hole of the afternoon round.



Fairways and Greens Report

By Harry Pearson

Hi there. First off, now that we are back in normal conditions, please fix and fill your divots, repair your ball marks and rake the traps. This is really important for the course conditions and enjoyable play for your fellow members and guests. Thank you.

In that vein, I would like to direct everyone's attention to Monday July 26th. We will be having our second volunteer workday which will run from 10-noon. The Green Committee will again host a lunch for the Fairway's Crew and volunteers. Our first workday was a success with 20 members showing up and doing a great job of helping our understaffed crew cleanup the course. So please bring your shovels, gloves, gardening tools and enthusiasm to help make our Club better.

Speaking of an understaffed crew, we just lost one of the full time crew members during our high maintenance season. This leaves us with our Head Supt., 3 full time crew members and our mechanic who helps out when not attending to the equipment. The 'entry level' job has been posted but as we've seen with other positions, there's not a lot of interest to work for \$15 an hour. The Green Committee has requested to the board, that if needed, o.t. be made available. The board approved this request, up to budget for the unfilled position. Many have asked about our water situation.

The City of Petaluma recently mandated a 25% water reduction. We will meet this reduction through our below plan and by using more hand watering and manual sprinklers than the automated irrigation. The winter was very unkind with a lack of rain, so the sprinklers had to be turned on about two months earlier than usual. The ferocious winds we have experienced on a daily basis from mid May to mid June and the hot weather during the middle of June has taken a toll by drying the course. The crew is doing a really good job in keeping up the course conditions.

Here's our 'irrigation plan' for water restrictions:

Reduction	Greens	Fairways	Tees	Rough	Out of Play	Range
20%	No change	No change	No change	15%	100%	100%
25%	No change	15%	No change	25%	100%	100%
50%	No change	50%	No change	100%	100%	100%
>50%	No change	100%	No change	100%	100%	100%

At 10%-15% - reduce watering in primarily out of play areas

“ 20% - raise mowing heights of fairways & rough to decrease watering

“ 25%-30% - increase application of wetting agents to fairways

“ 35%-40% - increase hand watering on tees & greens

“ 50% - on fairways the focus would be to keep landing areas green & let go other parts.

In July of 2020, the Junior Golf Committee received IRS approval for 501c3 non-profit status. The thinking for applying for this status was to be able to get tax-deductible donations to help improve the course and facilities for Juniors, which would also have benefits for all members. At our May Green’s mtg., Greens & Juniors created a subcommittee comprised of Brad Scott & Larry Riis, (Greens); Diane Tucker (Juniors); and Golf Pro Patrick Steiner. The purpose of this subcommittee is to identify golf course projects that benefit Juniors and also benefit all members, and can be done with a combination of tax-deductible donations to Junior Golf Development and Green’s CIDM funds. The estimated percentage portion of the project that would be used by juniors would represent the percentage of the project JGD would fund.

The subcommittee has identified two projects as candidates to fund: We will be doing the #9/18 cart path in Oct. and will also have a 24’ x 6’ concrete pad poured at the range. This will be done from the back of the widest part of the hitting area at the range and will be done with Green’s CIDM money. The identified project by the subcommittee is to outfit this pad with hitting mats or turf and provide barriers between the hitting stations. Also, as part of this project, there would be a hitting net large enough for two hitting stations. These stations would be at the end of the pad, closest to the large tree that is by the hitting stations. The net would be behind these two stations so that golfers would be hitting into the net towards the hazard. The stations can also be used to hit toward the targets. The other project that has been identified is the creation of combination Intermediate Junior/ Senior Tees that we would have NCGA rated, making them eligible for Handicap posting. These potential sites have been inspected by the subcommittee, a representative for the Seniors and our Head Supt. Bill Maeder.

This is just the beginning of what is foreseen and hoped to be a viable way to make improvements on the course that all members can use and enjoy, as well as a tax-deductible investment in the development of our junior golfers The Green &

Junior Golf Committees thank you.

18-Hole Women’s Section

By Eileen Ostroff and Claudia Little



Pictured above: Eileen Ostroff, Sue Berger, Claudia Little, Lois Skarsten, Kelly Downey, Joan Johnson, Ruth Giacomini, Sandy King

Captain: Claudia Little
Co-Captain: Gayle Sarlatte
Treasurer: Joan Johnson
Tournaments: Lois Skarsten & Dea Steigner
Handicap & Rules: Diane Tucker
Past Captain / WGAN Ambassador: Brenda Roberts
Open Days / Communications: Eileen Ostroff
Egg Basket: Gayle Sarlatte
Sadie Hawkins: Claudia Little & Virginia Silacci (again!)

Although the last 15 or so months have been very challenging, one truly bright spot has been seeing so many more women out on the course. The great thing about golf is that regardless of your skill level the game is self-challenging, yet very social. Anyone of any skill level can play together and have a good time.

At one time or another I'm sure you have been approached by either myself or another of the league ladies about joining one of our groups. I'm happy to say that we have had more new ladies join our group this year than we've had in the last 5 years combined! Although that is great news there is room for many more and I'm often dismayed when I get replies of "I can't golf during the week" or worse, "Oh, I'm not good enough to join". To be clear, we WANT to find a way for you to golf, you are WELCOME in our groups and you ARE good enough to play.

It has been our mission over the last year to make our group more accessible and enjoyable, so this year we have added a league day on **Saturday mornings** to allow women who are busy during the week to come out and play, we've built a new women's golf website (<https://pgccwomensgolf.weebly.com/>) with all the information you need to join us, AND we will be starting weekly **CLINICS & COCKTAILS** (<https://pgccwomensgolf.weebly.com/clinics.html>) on July 21st (more on that below!).

As a side note in a normal year (what's that?), the 18-Hole Women's Section does a lot more than just golf. The women in our group often spearhead social events We look forward to hosting our annual **PGCC Women's Holiday Party** again this year, and will be hosting a **Junior Girls Golf Clinic** (more below) in August.

I'd like to encourage all women of our club (regardless of skill level) to come out and play with us and if you would like more information about where a good place is for you to start or even just want someone to go out and play with, please give me a call. I'm always ready to golf!

Claudia Little, Captain 18-Hole Women's Section
707-776-7189

CLINICS & COCKTAILS (Starts July 21st)

So, you don't think you are good enough to join a league (nonsense, you are!)? Have a problem area in your game? Can't remember how to take relief from a sprinkler head? Or simply just want an excuse to drink cocktails with the rest of the women? Well, you are in luck! The 18-Hole Women's Section and our Golf Pro, Patrick have organized a fun 6-Week program designed to improve your golf skills and to meet some of the other women of our club!

Each week we will work on a new skill to help you improve (or even start) your golf game, play 2-3 holes and finish up with a cocktail. **

You can either sign up for individual dates (\$25 each) or as a series of 6 (\$100). Advanced RSVPs are required!

Class size will be limited to 12 people, except for the Rules Clinic which will have unlimited seating.

WEEK 1 - JULY 21 - CHIPPING

WEEK 2 - JUL 28 - DRIVING RANGE

WEEK 3 - AUG 4 - FREE RULES CLINIC* (open to everyone)**

WEEK 4 - AUG 11 - PUTTING

WEEK 5 - AUG 18 - SAND

WEEK 6 - AUG 25 - RECAP AND MINI GAMES

* Sign-up for Individual Weeks OR as a Series of 6.

** Each week will include the clinic and 1 basic bar drink of your choice.

*** Rules Clinic has unlimited capacity and does NOT include a cocktail.

To learn more about the clinic and to RSVP for either an individual clinic or the whole series, please go to

<https://pgccwomensgolf.weebly.com/clinics.html>

Sign up today before we sell out!

GROWING GIRLS GOLF - Junior Girls Golf Clinic & 4-Hole Scramble

August 9th 9:00am - 1:00pm

Girls Ages 8 - 12

The PGCC 18-Hole Women's Section and The WGAN (Women's Golf Association of Northern California) will be co-hosting a wonderful clinic on August 9th to help young girls grow their confidence in both their golf game and themselves.

The clinic is open to ALL girls ages 8-12 in Northern California with or without golf experience, and ***does not need to be a member of our club*** to sign-up! So, if any of you have young daughters, granddaughters, nieces or even neighbors who would be interested in learning to golf please encourage them to sign-up.

The clinic will cost \$25 and will include:

- * **Four Clinic Stations:** Driving Range, Bunker Station, Chipping Station & Putting Station
- 4-Hole Scramble
- Tee Prizes
- Boxed Lunch
- & Putting Contest!

As mentioned, this clinic is open to all of NorCal and is limited to 44 participants, so please sign-up ASAP to guarantee your young lady's spot. <https://www.golfgenius.com/pages/3074892>

VOLUNTEERS & EQUIPMENT NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help out on August 9th, for the Junior Girls Golf Clinic. If you are available, we could really use some help with things like check-in, supervising at a clinic station, shuttling the girls in golf carts from one station to the next, handing out prizes and lunches and beforehand with preparing tee-prize handouts and boxing up lunches.

Some girls may not have clubs of their own. If anyone has extra Jr. clubs laying around and would either lend or donate them to the young ladies that would be fantastic! Even if it's just a putter it would come in very handy.

Lastly if you have something that you would like to donate that would be appropriate for the girls it would be welcome. We would need 44 of everything so just little things would be great. Examples would/could be... Chapstick, mini-hand sanitizers, colored golf balls, colored tees, candy etc.... We could also use 44 take-out boxes (for their lunches), 44 small organza bags (for their tee-prizes). By no means are we asking anyone to go out and buy these things but if by some chance you have things left over from a past event that are just gathering dust in your closet then we could definitely use them!

Onto our weekly games

Thank you, Laurie, for sponsoring **Laurie's Best Two Balls of the Foursome**, (we miss you).

The winners, with a 133, are:

Cindy McCarter
Bonnie Williams
Cecy Mullins
Eileen Ostroff

Results of the Musser Point Par and Ostroff Ecc will be announced in the next Lie. A big thanks to Anne Schroeder & Eileen Ostroff for sponsoring these tournaments.

Looking forward

Upcoming games for Wednesday

, July 7-White, & Blue (guest day)

July 14-**Hansen's Best Ball of the Twosome** (week 1/2)

July 21- **Hansen's Best Ball of the Twosome** (week 2/2)

July 28- 2 Person Team Total

August 4- Lagging

August 11- Tees & Fairways (aeration August 9)

August 18- Cha Cha, Cha

Aug 25-**Egg Basket Practice Day** (guest day)

September 1- **Egg Basket Invitational**

September 8- 9 Hole ECC

September 15- **Championship** (best 2 of 3)

September 22- **Championship** (best 2 of 3)

September 29- **Championship** (best 2 of 3)

October 6- 9 Hole ECC (guest day)

October 13- **Sadie Hawkins** Member/Male Member

October 20- 2 Person Best Ball

October 27- **Captain's Day Awards Luncheon**

Remember to sign up on TeamSnap, not on TeamSnap, contact Claudia Little littleirvinec@gmail.com

For Wednesday golf sign up by noon on Monday.

For Saturday golf sign up by noon Thursday.

Upcoming games for Saturday

July 3- Cha, Cha, Cha

July 10-Red, White, & Blue

July 17-Best Ball of the Twosome (week 1/2)

July 24- Best Ball of the Twosome (week 2/2)

July 31- 2 Person Team Total

August 7- Lagging (no handicap required)

August 14 Tees & Fairways (aeration August 9)

August 21- Cha, Cha, Cha
August 28 Putts (no handicap required)

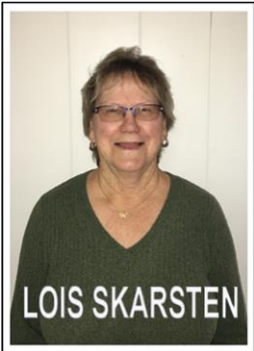
September 4 – 2 Person Best Ball
September 11- 9 Hole ECC
September 18- **Championship** (best 2/3)
September 25- **Championship** (best 2/3)

October 2- No Game
October 9- 9 Hole ECC
October 16- Viva Las Vegas, Awards & Cocktails

Look for **Open Days** on Team Snap

And don't forget the **club wide tournaments**

July 24 Stroke Play Championship
August 21 3 Clubs & A Putter
October 30 Spooky Halloween
November 25 Turkey Shootout
December 4 Ugly Holiday Sweater



9-Hole Petaluma Chicks

By Lois Skarsten

July starts with our Flag Tournament. You plant your flag at the spot of your last allotted stroke according to your handicap. The next tournament is using the red, white and blue tees. Each month we also have low net for two weeks.

August we have our Corda EC, guest day. September we have our Captain's Cup/Best Ball Twosome. We have several new members this season who are improving each week. So far, this has been a successful season for all.

Men's Tournaments

By Nick Smith

May Medal Results (May 1st):

NET Top 3

1st – Ross Leask – 33 points
2nd – Bob Deering – 31 points
3rd – Dan Logisz – 30 points

Top Gross - Ross Leask – 31 points

June Medal Results (June 5th):

NET Top 3

1st – Dan Logisz – 66

2nd – Greg Plattner – 67

T3 – Andy Isetta – 71 (Won NET back 9 score Tie-Breaker)

T3 – Mike Johnson – 71

Top Gross - Greg Plattner – 73

Vartnaw Member/Member Results

Congratulations to Chris and Jim Schroeder on winning the Vartnaw Member/Member Golf Tournament.

NEXT TOURNAMENT:

- July 24th – Summer Stroke Play Championship
- August 7th – Men’s August Medal
- August 21st – 3 Clubs and A Putter
- August 30th – Start of the Club Match Play Championship
- September 4th – Men’s September Medal
- September 23-25th – Goat Hill
- October 9th – Men’s October Medal
- October 16th – Ryder Cup
- November 6th – Men’s November Medal
- November 25th – Turkey Shootout
- December 11th – Men’s December Medal



Junior Golf

By Diane R. Tucker

Junior Golf Season in Full Swing

Many of you have seen PG&CC junior golfers playing on our course, practicing on our practice areas, competing against other Junior League teams, and/or taking part in junior golf camps and clinics presented by our new Golf Pro, Patrick Steiner. There are a total of **82 juniors registered** in a combination of Junior League programs, Junior Practice programs, and Junior Golf Camps. All this junior golf activity is a result of the PG&CC Junior Golf Program, which is dedicated to developing the skills, knowledge, abilities, and character of our junior golfers, as well as growing their number. Golf Pro Patrick manages and oversees this entire Program. As described in last quarter’s Junior Golf article, there are many facets to our PG&CC Junior Golf Program, with “something” for all ages and levels of junior golfers. Following is a summary of where PG&CC Junior Program is mid-season.

- **Junior Golf Leagues Season** -- As you read this, the regular competitive season for both PG&CC Junior Golf leagues is already half over, with less than a month to go before post-season play begins in August. Here are the current results and remaining schedules for the two Junior Golf Leagues in which PG&CC participates this year:
- **PGA 13u Junior League** (9-13 yrs.): The PG&CC PGAJL Team has a roster of **15** PGA junior golfers, who practice on Mondays and Thursdays, then all play in every match for which they are available. So far, they are doing exceptionally well in competition, and are growing and improving with practice and in each match that they play. They are at the top of their Sonoma PGA Junior League as measured by the **29.5 Flags** they have won playing their respective opponents. They have already played 3 “Away” matches at Mayacama GC, Fountaingrove GC Teams 1 & 2, and a Home match vs. Windsor GC. The remaining schedule includes Home PG&CC matches on July 8 vs. Santa

Rosa GC; July 12 vs. Fountaingrove Team 2; and July 25 vs. Mayacama GC. Their one remaining Away match is July 17 vs. Santa Rosa GC. All Home games begin at either 3:00 or 3:30pm. After the July 25 final League game, Team Standings will determine All-Star Qualifiers per Team. Then All-Star Sectional Qualifying Matches begin on Aug. 15 at The Ridge GC in Auburn.

- **North Bay Junior Golf League** (13-17 yrs.): Having lost 4 seniors due to “ageing out”, this is a year of “team building” for the PG&CC NBJGL Team. Only 2 members of last year’s scoring team remain, and new players are emerging. There are **18** junior golfers on this team’s roster, who also practice Mondays and Thursdays. However, unlike last year, this year competing for the junior golfers’ time are outside sports, family vacations, and summer jobs and classes. Three of the players are 13 yrs. old and play on both PG&CC Junior Golf League teams as well. All these factors reduce the Number of junior golfers available to play each week. After 3 NBJGL Events, the PG&CC Team is currently in 4th place. However, all players at each respective tournament also post individual scores. The best 2 scores for each player serve as qualifiers for the Post-Season Championship Match Play Tournament. There have been 3 hosted NBJGL Events to date at: Santa Rosa GC, Windsor GC, and Bennett Valley GC. Remaining hosted events are: July 12 @ Fountaingrove GC; **July 19 at Petaluma G&CC**; and July 27 @ Rooster Run GC. Post-Season Tournaments begin Aug. 4 with Team Championship, then Individual Championship Matches begin weekends starting Aug. 14, with elimination continuing through Sept. 12 Champion crowned.
- **Junior Golf Practice Team** (All ages): This Team also practices Mondays and Thursdays. Mondays are at Petaluma Golf Center. On Thursdays Golf Pro Patrick presents clinics and holds contests with participants at PG&CC. There are **15** players on this team’s Roster, many of whom are beginners learning and building skills for future participation in Junior Golf Leagues. When they feel ready, some play practice rounds with PG&CC or NBJGL players.
- **Junior Golf Camps**: This year Golf Pro Patrick developed and scheduled three 3-day Junior Golf Camps targeting younger beginning junior golfers. Patrick has the assistance of one of PG&CC’s graduating Junior Golfers, Jason Smith. The first Camp was held in June with 10 participants. The first Camp was a huge success—reviews were glowing and exceptional. There are 2 more Camps scheduled that are already fully subscribed: **July 13-15** and **Aug. 3-5**, each a sell-out with 12 participants each. These 3 Camps will have been attended by a total of **34** young junior golfers by the middle of August.
- **Junior Club Championship**: The 2021 Junior Club Championship Tournament will be held on **Sunday, October 10th, 2021**. All Juniors who are eligible to be in the PG&CC Junior Program are eligible to play in this Championship. As in the past, this tournament will be flighted by ages, but only the Championship Flight is eligible to win the perpetual Championship trophy. Juniors/parents mark your calendars, and stay tuned for further information as we get closer to Oct. 10th.
- **PG&CC Junior Golf Development**: Dedicated to the goals of the PG&CC Junior Golf Program stated above, this charitable 501c3 organization works to raise tax deductible funds and provide resources to support and benefit these goals. Some of the projects we support will also benefit the membership at large as well as junior golfers. In this issue, please read Harry Pearson’s article that cites the partnership we’ve formed with the Greens Committee to help fund the creation of joint use Junior/Senior tee boxes and refurbishment of all existing Junior tee boxes. We also support the use of the mats he describes to be used on the new concrete driving range pad that will benefit the many junior golfers taking lessons and practicing there. Harry’s article provides more detail. All donations made to PG&CC Jr. Golf Development are tax deductible.

In closing, we thank all the parents, grandparents, relatives, and volunteers who help support our junior golfers. These junior events and programs could not be accomplished without their help and assistance. And of course, thanks to Patrick, who has so seamlessly taken over as PG&CC Golf Pro, assuring that our junior golfers have a productive and rewarding 2021 Junior Golf Program.

Diane R. Tucker
Chair, PG&CC Junior Golf Development Committee
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Scan QR Code

for more info and to Sign up!

What is THE most
Important shot in GOLF?
You're next SHOT of
TEQUILA!

Ladies
Clinics & Cocktails
Starts July 21 *Wednesdays @ 5:30*



Welcome Back Member Social Pool Party

FRIDAY JULY 30TH 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

BBQ Chicken Dinner and Live Music

Dinner is \$20 per person

THE BOUNTY IS BACK!

**"The Bounty" is PG&CC
infamous Member Social
Night and Monthly
Drawing for at least \$500!**

*Rules: - Must be Present to Win - The
drawing can occur anytime during the
Member Social Night - Certificate
Members are only eligible to win!*

**Dinner RSVP: Sign up in the
Tournament Binder in the Pro Shop
or email Travis at
tberding@petalumagolfandcountryclub.com**

**RSVP by Tuesday, July 27th
at 5:30 PM**



MOVIE NIGHT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6TH 2021 | 6:00 PM

SNACKS PROVIDED

RSVP IN TOURNAMENT BINDER IN PRO SHOP OR

EMAIL TRAVIS AT TBERDING@PETALUMAGOLFANDCOUNTRYCLUB.COM

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New Member Corner

By McKenzie Smith

Let's all welcome these new play wait list members to our great club.

Bob and Jackie Bailey



Jackie and Bob moved to Petaluma from So Cal over 20 years ago when Fireman's Fund Insurance asked them to relocate to Novato CA. Bob is wrapping up a career in the Commercial Insurance Industry and since they live just around the corner from the club and after a 20 year golf hiatus, they plan to get their golf game back into shape! They have been active in Petaluma for many years (mostly around their children's sporting activities) and have enjoyed raising their family here in Petaluma. Jackie especially is a baseball fan (won't tell you which team she roots for – it's not the Giants) and also in normal times volunteers her time at the animal shelter. Bob has an old English sports car that he fights with to keep on the road (it has got him beat at the moment). Bob has spent much of the past 20 years on airplanes and is looking forward to staying closer to home. Bob and Jackie have 2 grown children and a granddaughter in the area.

Rush and Laura Blakely

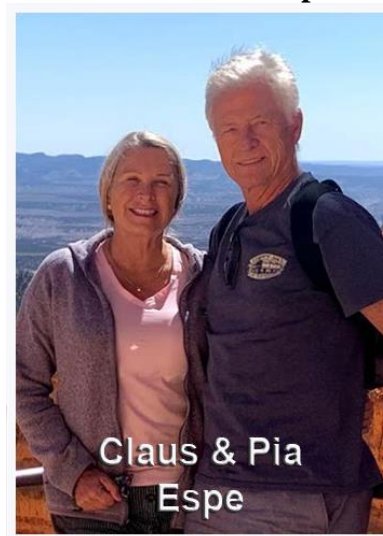


Hello Petaluma Golf and Country Club members. My name is Rush Blakely and my wife's name is Laura Blakely. We have lived in Cotati since 2016. Before moving to Sonoma County, my wife and I were out of the country for four years (lived in Playa del Carmen, Mexico for two years and on Grand Cayman for two years). Before that she lived mostly in Los Angeles and Mexico and I lived in Los Angeles, Houston, Texas, Austin, Texas and Charlotte North Carolina. I am the President and CEO of RealtyCom Partners, a small telecom and technology consulting practice in San Rafael where I am proud to work with a stellar team of 35 people. I am just now getting back to playing golf after a 3 year hiatus, but was a regular player for most of the 90's and 2000's in Texas and California.

When I started playing golf again, I wanted to join a club where not only I could meet new people on the course but also in social events (hopefully we can do that again soon). I did not know any members at the club when I joined, and frankly didn't know PG&CC was up on the hill until earlier this year.

I hope to play golf once or twice per week as schedule allows and have already met quite a few very nice people in the past few weeks. Hope to meet many more soon!

Claus and Pia Espe



Hi Petaluma Golf and Country Club members. My name is Claus Espe and my wife's name are Pia Espe. We have lived in Petaluma since 1989, prior to that we lived in Marin County, CA. We are both born in Denmark but met in

San Francisco in 1980. We have a daughter in Petaluma age 36 with three grandsons named Nikolaj, Axel and Mathias, and a son age 33 in San Jose with one grandson named Zayn.

We have lived in Florida the last 10 years, as I moved my company there in 2011. We are now back and have enjoyed playing golf in Florida and would like to continue that here.

We hope to play golf on a regular basis and join in the social events at this great club.

Leland Fishman and Anne Mirante



I'm Leland Fishman, and my partner Anne Mirante and I are pleased to be members of The Petaluma Golf and Country Club. While my family has been here in Petaluma for over 100 years, Anne is a relative newcomer, having moved here seven years ago. We built a house together two years ago on Fifth Street, within walking distance to downtown.

I am the President of Fishman Supply Company, a third generation distributor of cleaning and maintenance supplies here in Petaluma and Anne is a retired corporate executive, having spent the majority of her career in finance & real estate with Cost Plus World Market. We both enjoy cycling and diving, and I am trying to hone my golf game. I have two sons, Andrew and Michael, and their wives Pri and Kalli. Both of my sons are active in managing Fishman Supply, allowing me to contemplate a full retirement as I approach forty years in the industry. Anne also has two sons, Louis and Joe. Louis is a land use planner and lobbyist in Sacramento, and Joe has just applied to take classes at SRJC.

We plan on being active in the club and helping to plan and work on events. I know many members already and we look forward to meeting many more.

Aideen and Jason Gaidmore



Hello Petaluma Golf and Country Club members. We are the Gaidmore's, Jason and Aideen. We have 3 children, Zoe, Quinn and Donnacha who all love playing golf, so I am sure you will see them out on the course. We have lived in Petaluma since 2005. Aideen was born and raised in Dublin Ireland and Jason is a native Californian. We met in Ireland and after traveling we decided to settle down and make Petaluma our home. What a special place Petaluma is!

Our close friends the Dole's and the Broadhead's encouraged us to join the club, and we are thrilled to be members! We hope to see you all at the club!

Rich and Cindy Miram



Greetings Petaluma Golf and Country Club members. My name is Rich Miram and my wife's name is Cindy Codington-Miram. We have lived in Petaluma since 1981. Since then we have seen Petaluma grow in population from 25,000 to 60,000! We have a daughter Natalie in Petaluma (granddaughters Olivia and Madelyn) and a daughter Nicole (grandson Myles) in San Diego. Cindy and I are both retired and enjoying life in Petaluma.

As friendships evolved over the years, I have played at PGCC numerous times as a guest. One of the great PGCC events I have been a guest at is the Goat Hill Invitational! Cindy and I have also attended a number of the wonderful social functions, namely crab feed and St Patrick's Day dinners. These are great events and I know we all look forward to having these again in the near future.

I have a number of friends who are members at PGCC that have encouraged, persuaded and jokingly harassed me to join PGCC; Greg Plattner, Eric Burger, Marty Steiger, Ned Foley, Scott Farrar, Jim Glynn, Mike Sturla to name a few. There are others that I have enjoyed meeting and look forward to playing golf with on a regular basis at PGCC. PGCC is truly a gem in the rough!

Greg and Debbie Overton



Hi Petaluma Golf and Country Club Members, My name is Greg Overton and I'm a 5th generation Petaluman. I have been married to my wife, Debbie, for 35 years and we have two wonderful daughters. Sarah (31) lives in San Francisco and Jess (28) lives in Petaluma and they both work in education. I have enjoyed playing golf up here for many years with several friends who are members. As a retirement gift, my wife gave me a golf membership. She has tried giving me this gift multiple times before.... but now that I am retired, I will have plenty of time to enjoy the game of golf and the camaraderie that is special about Petaluma Golf and Country Club (..which might include a libation or two)! I'm looking forward to getting out to play some golf and meet all the members. We feel very fortunate to have such deep roots in this community — Petaluma is a very special place to live.

Keith and Lynn Romstad



Hello Petaluma Golf and Country Club members:

My name is Keith Romstad and my wife's name is Lyn Romstad. We have lived in Petaluma since 1993. I am originally from Davis, Ca and Lyn grew up locally in Sonoma County. We have three children, a daughter Haley (27) in El Dorado Hills CA, son Troy (25) in San Francisco, and son Kyle (22), in Portland, OR. The older two have entered the Tech world, and the youngest is working his way through school. Troy has recently taken up golf as he begins his professional journey.

Having recently retired and having our kids out of the house, we are looking forward to spending time on the golf course as well as the deck having a drink at the club. I previously spent my time in airports running a national and international environmental consulting firm, while Lyn has been working in the local non-profit world, most recently starting, CREW, a local student mentoring program.

Our friends Bob and Jackie Bailey recently joined as well. With Bob recently retiring we are hoping to get our golf games back (myself after rehab for the knee replacement), while the women practice to join us on the course in this next chapter. You may also be able to find Lyn and Jackie out at the pool on warm days.

We are looking forward to meeting folks at the club as we slow down and enjoy life.