



January 2018

FIRST PAST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello RGC Members. Well, 2017 is over and 2018 is upon us. Also, my year as President of the Roseville Golf Club has come to an end. I have thoroughly enjoyed my experience as President of the best Golf Club in the Area. I want to thank each Member for their part in making our Club the best.

At the start of the year, I set some goals for the Club and myself. One of them was to stop the negative trend of losing Members. For the past several years, we have been declining in Membership, a trend that has also hit many other Golf Clubs throughout the Nation. Golf is not the easiest Sport to play. It is a challenge and it takes time and patience with this game. It can be frustrating but can also be rewarding. It is our job as Members to share these experiences with other recreational Golfers, so we can bring in new members. Although we did not gain a huge number of members, we did gain! And, the positive is, we did not decline again this year.

A second goal was pace of play. We had the best pace of play ever! I talked to many new Members and their comments where they joined because we did have a pace of play rule. Playing a 5 to 5 1/2-hour round on a weekend is not fun. Many of our Members have jobs and families. There is only so much time to play competitive golf. And, it just makes it more fun. Thanks to everyone who adhered to these rules this year. I would put our Club against any other one in the area in the time it takes to play a round of Tournament Golf.

My final comment is big thanks to my fellow Board Members and Past Board Members for their help and leadership in 2017. I leaned on the veterans of the Club for advice throughout the year. I appreciate the commitment from each Board Member. I was very humbled to be president of such a fine organization. I promise to fulfill my year as First Past President the best I can.

Thanks Again,

John Parola

First Past President for 2018

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello again Roseville Golf Club. I have returned to serve as your president this year. This is my second time working for the members. I look forward to working hard as a board to continue the work of the previous board members as well as making our own mark on the club.

I wish to thank all of the Board members from last year who worked to keep this well-oiled machine working. It was great fun to work with all of you and will be a pleasure to continue to do so. We have many things to work on this year so we have our work cut out for us.

The schedule for the upcoming year is complete and what a great season it is. Jesse Sierra has put together a fun schedule and even made a few small changes to formats to add a little fun to

the schedule. I look forward to seeing you all out at the course at any of our several events we have planned for 2018.

As a club, we had some great growth this year. First time in several years that we had growth as a club. Some of the thanks goes to you, the members, for getting the word out and recruiting. More members equal more playing members and that all adds up to more fun at our events.

The Board really looks forward to seeing you and more importantly hearing you at our open meetings. We would love to see you come to them to hear what changes are being proposed and to help hear the voice of the members. Believe it or not, we have had times where the Board thought a change was a good idea but after being presented to the membership, the Board changed their minds. Member feedback is critical and important to the process. The first meeting is January 18th. Hope to see many of you there.

I hope you and your family have a very Merry Christmas. Thanks and I am looking forward to this year. See you out at the course.

Bryan Lange
President
Roseville Golf Club

VICE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello, all. Due to a number of hanging chads on the election ballots, I was fortunate enough to get this opportunity to serve as RGC Vice President for 2018. I'd like to hear from any and all members regarding the direction of our club, and what we can do to create a more fun, fair and overall enjoyable experience on the course (and over post-round refreshments).

Most importantly, what can we collectively do to grow the RGC tent and welcome more players into our club? It's our responsibility to continue the 55-year plus RGC legacy, which dates back to 1962, and ensure the club will continue far into the future.

See you on the course and don't forget to **buy those raffle tickets at every tournament**. All donations for Christmas prizes and referrals to donations are welcomed throughout the year. We are working on a great Christmas party for 2018, so I hope to see everyone there!

Dennis Foxx
Vice President

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE



Welcome to Roseville Golf Club's 2018 members. My name is Chuck Heath and I am the Club Secretary. If you have any problems getting your club mail or NCGA news, please let me know. I maintain the address and phone lists as well as the membership portion of the computer at Diamond Oaks Golf Course. I can be reached by email at chuck.heath@comcast.net , or by phone at (916) 547-6253. If you have an email address change, please use the link on the website at www.rosevillegolfclub.com so that the tournament director and the vice president will get the change as well.

For those of you that purchased the Diamond membership package, it is now available in the pro shop. If you have not picked up your package as yet, see a member of the Diamond Oaks Pro Shop staff, and they can give you your gift card and coupon book. If you have any problems picking up your package, please let me know and I will advocate for you. Also, you can still add the Diamond Upgrade at any time for \$100 by purchasing in the pro shop. You can purchase it at any time as long as the package components are in stock, but if you wait, you may not be able to take advantage of all of the member benefits available. You will need to fill out a Diamond Level membership form available in the pro shop.

Tournament Director's Message



We made it through a very full 2017 schedule with no rain outs. We did have one reschedule, however, due to the closing of one of the away courses. We also made it through my first year as your RGC Tournament Director. I appreciated all the positive feedback for the results being out so quickly. I appreciate those of you who helped catch my mistakes in the beginning, which helped me also them throughout the year.

I have now gathered enough information as to who most of you like to play with, but please make sure you fill out your entry form with that information and/or contact Charlie and myself with any special requests. Based on the list of player provided by the Tournament Bookkeeper, I create the tee sheets for all events. So if you would like an earlier tee time get your entries in early. If you ever need an early or late time specifically, please notify me when you submit your entry and I will try to accommodate you. Some of the major tournaments require that your tee time is based on score and probably not be able to accommodate you for those tournaments.

At all Roseville Golf Club tournaments held at Diamond Oaks, men play from the Blue or White tees and women play from the Red or White tees. The default for the men is Blue tees and for women is Red tees. If you would like to play from the White tees, please let me know via email but be aware once you change your selection to White tees, you have to play them for the rest of the year, if you are in the year long eclectic event. If you would like to work on the day of a Tournament, please drop me an email. If you have any questions, please contact me at either RGC.2010.prez@comcast.net or (916) 517-9500.

Handicappers Report



EQUITABLE STROKE CONTROL

COURSE HANDICAP	MAXIMUM NUMBER ON ANY HOLE
9 or less	Double Bogey
10 through 19	7
20 through 29	8
30 through 39	9
40 or more	10

I always include the Equitable Stroke Control (ESC) table in my reports, in the hope that you are all using it and adjusting your scores before posting them.

I would like to thank each member of the board for their support and hard work in 2017. I think we have one of the best and strongest golf clubs in the Sacramento area. It couldn't be possible without the help of these volunteers. My thanks also go out to John Parola for his tremendous leadership during the 2017 golf year. John had a solid year as President of the club and his leadership was essential to us continuing to evolve as a club in a tough golf market.

For the new members and some of the old, there are always questions to the handicapper as to why we use two different handicaps for tournament play at Diamond Oaks golf course. Frankly, originally our use of the Tournament handicap was to protect our members from some players who were manipulating their handicap to win tournaments. Our Tournament handicap worked in that it chased out the sandbaggers who left for other clubs that don't utilize a tournament handicap system. Our Tournament handicap system utilizes 5 of your last ten scores *shot during tournament play* at Diamond Oaks golf course. When playing in an event at Diamond Oaks, a player will receive the lower of his or her GHIN or the Tournament handicap. For those players who say that they shoot lower scores at Diamond Oaks than other tougher courses, you are making my argument for me when you say that. The job of a handicap is to even the playing

field so that every competitor has an even chance to compete in a given tournament based on their ability. Using actual scores shot during our tournaments is an accurate representation of your abilities at that course.

Not all Tournament handicaps are lower than the GHIN handicap; in fact the vast majority is even to or higher than GHIN. The Tournament handicap system, which was instituted at Roseville Golf Club over ten years ago, has been tremendously successful in creating a fair and even playing field for all participants. The Tournament Handicaps are published on our web page at www.rosevillegolfclub.com.

I'm always available to discuss any handicapping questions before or after our events. My contact information is also available on the RGC website. I'll see you on the course. Good luck on a successful 2018 golf season.

Ken Lyon, RGC Handicapper

Rules Chairperson



Hello, I'm Steve Taylor and I hope everyone had a great New Year. I will be the new chairperson for the rules committee for the 2018 season. This is the first year that I've held any position with the RGC, so bear with me while I get my feet on the ground. This is going to be an interesting year for the rules with all the changes that will be taking place in 2019. There are around 100 rules changes proposed for 2019 and about 36 significant changes. From what I can see they are all for the better. The board is going to review the rules changes for a trial implementation for 2018. Once the board completes the review and, if approved, will inform the members of the changes.

I am here to assist the members and if you have any questions feel free to contact me at firehog_89@yahoo.com

Steve Taylor

RGC Rules Chairperson



**ROSEVILLE GOLF CLUB
OPEN MEETING**

Thursday

Jan 18th, 2018

6:30 PM

**DIAMOND OAKS
LEGENDS AND HEROES SNACK BAR**

Refreshments will be served

**50-50 drawing will be held for the 2018 Christmas/Awards
Banquet Fund**

