

# DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH

(THROUGH THE GREEN)

NEWSLETTER OF THE ROSEVILLE GOLF CLUB



April 2025



## President's Message

Dear Roseville Golf Club Members,

I'm a bit tired of the wind and rain and glad the sun is finally here consistently, and the light is available through the evening! No better time than now to get out and play!

Lots of tournament opportunities in April and May, so get signed up early to ensure you have a spot. Two other big events are happening this spring. First, we have our **Open Board Meeting on April 17th at 6:30 at Diamond Oaks**. Come and let us know your opinions regarding all the club activities. Currently, the Board has been in conversations about the Club Championship format, speed of play rules, and course improvement. We always have appetizers at our open meetings, and at our April meeting, we have added a free drawing. Come out and support your club, eat, and win. Second, we host the **David Oxley Memorial Junior Golf Tournament on June 9th**. This is an all-day event, and we ask you sign up to help be a spotter, scorer, etc. Watch some quality junior

golf and make the kids feel special. One participant told me last year, while I was helping him find his golf ball, “You all are awesome; this feels like a big-time event!” How fun!

Thank you all for your friendship and support! The RGC Board is working hard on your behalf so show them appreciation when you can.

See you on the golf course!

Sincerely,  
David Bills  
RGC President



## **Vice President's Message**

*Welcome to Spring and Masters Week – “A tradition unlike any other!”*

If you've been out on the course recently, you've likely seen that the greens are healing up nicely following aeration—great news as we head into peak season. The grounds crew has also begun mowing the rough, well ahead of last year's schedule. A big thank you to them for their continued hard work and dedication to improving course conditions.

Planning is in full swing for our biggest membership drive of the year—The Invitational Tournament. We've received menu options and tentative pricing from Legends, and everything is coming together smoothly. Raffle ticket sales have been strong and will offset a significant portion of the event's expenses. Congratulations to our recent raffle winners! Be sure to mark your calendars: The Invitational is set for Saturday, September 27th, with a shotgun start. It's going to be a fantastic day on the course.

With the first quarter behind us, tournament participation has been excellent—nearly 70 players turned out for *Day on the Oaks #1...* on a Tuesday! Up next is our very own Masters Event this Saturday, followed by the NCGA Senior 4-Ball Net Qualifier on Sunday, April 27th. (Entry deadline is April 19th—don't miss it!)

Let's keep the momentum going. Be on the lookout for prospective members and be sure to get your entries in for our upcoming tournaments.

As always, I welcome your feedback and ideas. Our club is one of the best around because of members like you. Let's make this spring a great one—on and off the course.

See you out there,

John Wharff, RGC Vice President  
(916) 316-2531



## Secretary's Message

Golfers join a club for a variety of reasons. Some only want to establish a handicap while others are looking for fun tournaments and meeting new people. Although our membership stands at 203 players, a slight decrease from last year's 211 at this time, our tournaments remain highly attended. Most of our 29 new members have been active in at least one of our tournaments. That is a really good sign of a healthy club. However, there is always room to grow. Consider inviting your friends to join and signing up to play together in an upcoming tournament. One of our members has gotten at least seven buddies to

join! The more the merrier!

I monitor the age of our membership to see who makes up our club. Let's face it, golf is easier to consistently commit to when the kids are grown or when retirement hits, and our numbers support this. The table is very similar to last year's results:

<b>MEMBER AGE GROUPS</b>		
<b>AGE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>%</b>
20s	3	1%
30s	16	8%
40s	22	11%
50s	41	20%
60s	71	35%
70s-80s	50	25%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>100%</b>

In the end, the goal of the Board is to improve and grow the club to meet the interests of the members. If you have a buddy who might be interested in joining, please let me know and I can help with the process.

Thanks,  
Paul Wilson, RGC Secretary  
(916) 541-1412



## Handicapper's Message

Hello fellow golfers,

I am Mike Rossiter your new Handicap Chairman due to the unfortunate loss of our great friend and family member Rick Carter. I have been working to learn the system. We have updated the Eclectic Leaderboards as of the NCGA Qualifier on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Also, your Eclectic scores are effective as of the date you sign up, i.e. we had some signups on 3/30/2025, your scores after that date will count. As most of you know your Tournament score are taken from your last 4 tournaments and I average the 2 lowest scores, and whichever is the

lowest of that and your present GHIN index is the score you play to. Also, I ask that you do not post any of your Tournament scores as I will do that within a day of the playing. If you have any questions, you can contact me at the number below or email me at rgchandicaper@gmail.com

Happy Golfing!

Michael Rossiter, RGC Handicapper  
(530) 329-2662



## **Tournament Director's Message**

We have made it through 3 months and rain made the course a bit muddy in events, but we had to only reschedule one event.

We have been doing a great job as a club using mobile scoring and I hope everyone is enjoying seeing the live leader board and can watch all the updates. We are working to get more use out of the premium version of Golf Genius to make it easier for you as a member.

We have finished one NCGA qualifier Congratulations to the qualifiers.

### **NCGA Zone Qualifier**

Jim Bustos / Francis Valerio  
Matt Anderson/Steve Ries

### **NCGA 4 Ball**

Sean Harris/Tyler Cone  
Brian Sweatt/Mark Lachman

Please contact our new handicap Chair Mike Rossiter by email to let him know if you want to change tees, you have an option for Blue, Palmer, or White Tees. As soon as you let him know it will be updated before your next tournament.

The events are getting bigger and bigger, so get your entry in as early as possible to allow us to get more tee time from the course if needed. We may have to consider changing the sign-up cutoff date to 2 weeks prior to get more tee times, before the course limits us.

Hope to see you all out there soon.

Thank you,

Jesse Sierra  
Tournament Director



## **Tournament Bookkeeper's Message**

Happy Spring everyone,

First, I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to our membership for making the transition of doing everything online (Tournament signups and Skins) It has been a great help to me in keeping a record of all transactions that go through the Tournament Fund account. Also, in using the new Golf software scoring app.

If you are having a hard time getting the app it is in the app store for your type of phone iPhone or Android, the app is Golfsoftware. Once your download the app you need to sign in to the software with our account using Rosevillegolfclub.golfclub.net once that is done you need to contact me to get your username and password the software assigns the username as the email you used to sign up for the club and a password.

Here are the items that we do online:

1. All entries and Skins will be handled online through Member Planet, Zelle and Venmo. (In the note or memo box please note what tournament you are signing up for and who you would like to play with)
2. The money won in Tournaments (Prize fund and closest to the Pin) will be applied to the members account at Diamond Oaks Pro shop.
3. Skins will be paid out in cash (at the next tournament that you play in)

The last two forms of payment Zelle and Venmo have no fees attached to send or receive money (Venmo, please send as a friend). If you choose to use one of these forms of payment, send your entry for:

Zelle: [rgcbkeeper@gmail.com](mailto:rgcbkeeper@gmail.com)

Venmo: [harry-wharff-1](#)

If you need any assistance, please feel free to contact me.

Harry Wharff, RGC Tournament Bookkeeper

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## **Rules Chairperson Report**

We are well into the golf season as we approach the most active seasons of Spring and Summer. The course has held up well and Lake Diamond next to the 15<sup>th</sup> green has dried up and the course is shaping up with the Bermuda fairways beginning to green up and fill in. Any of you who played in the recent Day on the Oaks #1 event noticed the punched greens and endured the bumpy, sandy conditions. These will subside in due time and the greens will round into shape as the season

wears on. Overall, the condition of the course is quite good and the course is doing sprinkler upgrades that you can see near many of the greens.

At the upcoming Open meeting we will discuss the USGA optional rule for speed of play that will allow the option of dropping a lost or OB ball at the nearest edge of the fairway to where the ball was last in play. I want to highlight that this rule is only to be used when a ball is lost or ends up out of bounds when the group felt that the ball was still in play. Utilizing this rule in 2026 will speed up play and save all of us from the “walk of shame” that we have all had to do when we couldn’t locate a ball that we thought was in play and headed back to the tee box. If the foursome all agrees that the ball is out of bounds or virtually certain that it is out of bounds, a provisional ball must be played.

A reminder to all players that the revised local rules for 2025 were approved at the September Open meeting and are posted in the men’s restroom. They are also posted on the website. Please note that a major change in the local rules is that if your ball is virtually certain to have landed in an area with a downed tree, heavy grass or heavy grass clippings or leaves, you will get a free drop in that area. All members of your foursome must agree for that rule to be in effect. Please make sure to familiarize yourself with the new Local Rules.

Continue to sign up for and play in the upcoming tournaments to make the best use of your membership. I look forward to seeing some new and old faces at the upcoming Open meeting on April 17 at 6:30 at the Diamond Oaks restaurant.

Ken Lyon  
RGC Rules



**NEXT ROSEVILLE GOLF CLUB OPEN MEETINGS**  
**Diamond Oaks Snack Bar – appetizers will be served**  
PS – don't forget the free drawing!!!

