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President's Message

Jeff Wells



Hello fellow Members,

Valentine's Day is just around the corner, this is your cue to take care of that special person in your life that allows you to play Golf on the weekends.

I want to give a shout-out to Captain Maroun Aboutanos for the fantastic tournament he put on January 22nd Maroun's tournament directors were Thomas Hunt, Jim Duntley and Rolando Ventura. The pace of play was so phenomenal that our final group was able to finish in 4hr 20mns with daylight to spare.

You have heard us bring up Golf Genius quite often, this is our new platform for the club. We will all use it moving forward, as we become more familiar with its ease of use, this which will help the club keep organized making our final product better for everyone. Mike Benedetto is leading us on this journey, look for his articles that will help you navigate with ease.

I want to encourage as many members as possible to show up to our monthly meetings, this will give you an opportunity to meet other members and form groups. You will also get a chance to win tee times that many members are taking full advantage of. Make sure you introduce yourself to the board members, we don't know everyone, but would enjoy the opportunity to.

Our Program Chairman, Randy Sgro has arranged for many interesting speakers to come to each dinner, I won't steal his thunder, but I can't wait to listen to our next speaker.

Hit them straight and not too often!

Jeff Wells Sr.

PS: Check out the new **Golf Genius Tips** page along with **Believe it or not**.

Meetings, Dinner and Putting Contest Schedule

Dinner Speaker:

Robby Swoish,
Northrop Grumman Aerospace
and Jim Louder, LVGMC

Subject:

The James Webb Space Telescope
with Pictures

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Monthly Dinner**

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All monthly meetings are held on a Wednesday night.

January through October they are held on the **2nd Wednesday** night of the month.

November and December the meetings are held on the **1st Wednesday** night of the month.

The dinner starts at 6:00. The meeting starts at 7:00pm.

The putting contest starts 5:00 unless it starts at 4:30. **You what that means?** get there early!!!!

Entertainment Director

Randy Sgro

Meeting Night is Wednesday February 8th, 2023

The New Year is off and running!



What a great meeting we had last month, I hope everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks, Evan Pritchard for giving us the update on what is happening with the course. Alec did a nice job of updating us on the new rules of golf and the local rules. Rounding out the evening was Mike Benedetto with the golf genius. I can truly say the chef did a nice job with the lasagna dinner, so I am looking forward to this month's dinner, but before I get the menu, we have a special guest speaker this month.

Representative Robby Swoish from Northrop Grumman Aerospace will be speaking along with our own member Bill Louder who will be there to talk about and show images from the James Webb Space Telescope.

The James Webb Space Telescope is the largest most powerful telescope ever launched into space. It follows in the footsteps of the Hubble Space Telescope as the next great space science observatory designed to answer outstanding questions about the universe and to make breakthrough discoveries in all fields of astrometry.

We encourage our members to invite their children and spouses to attend. Dinner tickets will be on sale on the golf genius app. Please sign up on golf genius to order your dinner in advance. Since we expect a large turnout for this meeting, please use Golf Genius because seating may be limited for this popular event.

Now for the menu, we are going to have spaghetti and meatballs. (Chef is again preparing old family recipes.), salad, garlic bread and of course desert with a coffee and tea station. This complete dinner is only \$30.00. I am not sure where you can get a dinner like this in the South Bay for this price.

You are for sure not going to want to miss the presentation. This James Webb Space Telescope is amazing. So make it a family night out and come up to the club for dinner on February 8.

See everyone on February 8th.

Randy Sgro - LVMC Entertainment Chair.



BUS TRIPS



First Bus Trip of 2023 is at

Industry Hills

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Tees time

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bers. You never know how the match will
end up.!!!

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to play.

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Classic White.....Paul Hendrickson
Eclectic.....Mike Mc Coy
Presidents CupMike Mc Coy
Seniors Match.....Tom Gibson

Tournament Chairman

Paul Hendrickson



January's tournament Picture perfect day!

The course was as green as I have ever seen it and the course
was in great condition.

Welcome to the club for our new 85 first year members. We
had our first tournament day hole in 1 in seven year's. New
member Kyle Meredith put in a hole in one on #3 before the 8am hour. He was
dressed in a brightly colored floral shirt and his whole group was yelling and
screaming.

Every member is covered by \$500 hole in one insurance and it starts the minute
the member comes into the clubhouse after his round. Let's remember that this
insurance provides free drinks that are either a beer or well drink. Fella's it's the
time to enjoy the finest Cognac and break out a cigar. **So, congratulations Kyle
Meredith and welcome to the club.**

We are all part of the largest Men's Club in CA and our membership is 650+
members. We had a full field of 156 players on Sunday which is the maximum
sunlight will allow in January. Additionally Mike Mc Coy runs a weekday tour-
nament and we had 50+ players play during the week. Congratulations to Doug
Lautner (-4), Rich Sittel (-2) and Richard Ritchie (-1) for winning their respec-
tive flights.

Furthermore, we have **Team Play** during January. Our Weekday team Cap-
tained by **John Keigharn/ Dan Burns** pulled off an amazing upset over Indus-
try Hills earlier this month, they are one of the powerhouse teams in SoCal. We
did get socked in the mouth at their place but we are 1-1.

The Weekend team attempted to play Saturday in the rain but the rain was so
hard and constant that the first match got rained out. We had a tremendous effort
by new team members **Robert Chang** and **Eric Daniels** to get a tie at Alondra
in the second match. This team is Captained by **Mike Eastman** with assistance
from **Alec Todryk** and **Al "K9" Von Kanel**. Nevertheless, the team celebrated
like we won as we stand 0-0-1 in this competition.

The introduction of **Golf Genius** and the easy use of Credit Card's for payment
led the first tournament to sellout in 3 days. The registration will open up on the
1st of the month and you will receive an invitation. Additionally, a hyperlink
will be on the website. Mike Benedetto is administering sign-up's. Tee times at
Los Verdes are very hard to get. Take advantage of your membership and sign
up. All single's are welcome and we will pair you. Priority for tee times goes to
Rabbits, Volunteers and then meeting attendees. We are setting aside 20 spots
for meeting attendees so if you get shutout trying to get in you will also have the
opportunity to sign up in person.

Individual Net with flights, skins, CTP and Mongol King Hole. **Tony Vinter**
will be the Captain and he will assemble a crew to make this a very enjoyable
day.

See you at the meeting and tournament.

February Monthly Tournament

Indivial Low Net

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Paul Hendrickson – Tournament Chairman



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2023 Monthly Weekend Tournament Schedule

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February - Individual Low Net

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Month	Format		2023	Captain
January	Individual Low Net	Sunday	22-Jan	Maroun Aboutanos
February	Individual Low Net	Sunday	19-Feb	Tony Vinter
March	Foursomes, 2 Best Balls	Sunday	19-Mar	John Keigharn
April	Partner Best Ball/ SCGA Qualifier	Saturday	22-Apr	Paul Hendrickson
May	Individual Net	Saturday	20-May	Chris Vassallo
June	Individual Net + Partner Blind Draw Net (total)	Saturday	24-Jun	Ralph Ferdinand
July	Orange Ball	Sunday	22-Jul	Al "K9" Von Kanel
August	Club Championship Weekend	Week-end	19-Aug	Jef Wells
August	Club Championship 1 day	Sunday	20-Aug	Jef Wells
September	Member - Guest Partner Best Ball	Sunday	24-Sep	Jef Wells
October	1-2-3 Waltz	Sunday	21-Oct	Mike Benedetto
November	USC-UCLA Showdown	Friday	17-Nov	Steege & Ventura
November	Foursomes, 2 Best Balls	Saturday	11-Nov	Rob Hoeberling
December	Hail to the Chief Individual Net	Friday	8-Dec	David Hachnel
December	Limited Club (4 clubs)	Saturday	16-Dec	Stan Kohler



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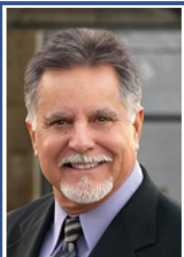


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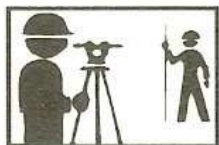
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All things Rules of Golf

Alec Todryk

Membership,

Welcome new and returning members of Los Verdes. For 2023 we will continue to operate business as usual with in the USGA and local rules outlined by the Los Verdes Rules Committee. Outlined below are two local rules that all members should be aware of while playing in events and 5 key changes to the USGA rules of golf for 2023.

Local Rules

Smut grass Rule: A player whose ball lies close to smut grass, in a position where the swing movement of the clubface to hit the ball is obstructed by the smut grass, is allowed to place the ball within one club-length of where the ball came to rest no nearer the hole without penalty. There is no relief for stance on smut grass, only the clubface obstruction.

Exposed Tree Root Rule: If a player's ball is in play and there is interference with the lie of the ball or the area of intended swing from exposed tree roots that are in a part of the general area of the course that covers all of the course except for the other four defined areas: (1) the teeing area the player must play from in starting the hole, (2) all penalty areas, (3) all bunkers, and (4) the putting green of the hole the player is playing, the tree roots are treated as ground under repair. The player may take free relief under Rule 16.1b. Find the nearest point of relief that is not closer to the hole and the ball must be dropped within 1 club length and come to rest in the relief area. Interference does not exist if the tree roots only interfere with the player's stance.

Key 2023 USGA Rules change

Modifications for Players with Disabilities: The modifications to the Rules for players with disabilities have been made part of the Rules and are in effect for all players who are classified in the categories covered in Rule 25.

Handicap Usage in Stroke Play: With the continued growth of score-posting technology following the adoption of the World Handicap System™, players are no longer penalized for failing to put their handicap on their scorecard in stroke play. The committee will be responsible for ensuring the accuracy of each player's handicap.

Club Damaged During Round: The Rule has been amended to allow a player to replace a club that is damaged during a round, provided the player did not damage it through abuse.

Ball Moved by Natural Forces: A new exception provides that a ball at rest must be replaced if it moves to another area of the course or comes to rest out of bounds after being dropped, placed or replaced.

Back-on-the-Line Relief Procedure: The back-on-the-line relief procedure, often used for penalty area and unplayable ball relief, has been simplified so that the player now drops their ball on the line, and the ball must come to rest within one club-length of where it is dropped.

Link to rules changes - <https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/articles/2022/11/key-rules-of-golf-changes-2023.html>

For all rules related questions email Alec at LVMGCRules@gmail.com



Believe It Or Not

**“K9” drove the hump on Hole #2.
Happy 59th Birthday to
Al Von Kanel!**



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If you would like to have quick and easy access to all the events available for our members, we suggest that you add the link <https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/qtttph> to your favorites.




By simply clicking on the link, you will be able to view all the past and present events, and from there you can access each event portal. You can then use the portal to sign up for a tournament, check tee sheets, or view the results of past tournaments.

Additionally, **if you are NOT receiving** our tournament invite emails from Golf Genius, we recommend that you also check this site periodically for all upcoming events, including tournaments, meetings, and other events. This way, you can easily keep track of all the events available for our members and stay up to date with what is happening.



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LVMGC - Weekday Tournament Summary

Hello Weekday Golfers,

As I said in the previous e-mail, the weather last week resulted in some low scores and a lot of high scores. I was asked if the day played made a difference and I would say probably not. Of the 14 players who won \$crip this month, 5 played Tuesday, 1 on Wednesday, 6 on Thursday and 2 on Friday. Remember that Wed. and Fri. had a much smaller number of players than the Tues. and Thurs. groups. And we had players win their fights that have not won in quite a while!

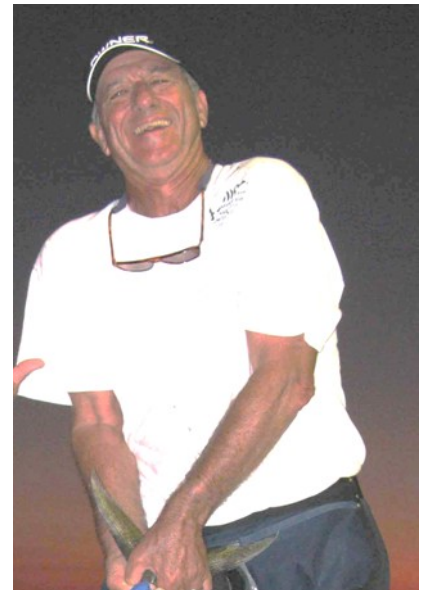
Congratulations to

Doug Lautner who won the Frosty Flight with 67, the low net round of the tournament.

Ryan Dibble finished second with a 69.

Rich Sittel won the Jack Frost Flight with a 69, one stroke better than **Charles Park**.

Garry Ritchie ran away with the Let It Snow Flight with a net 70.

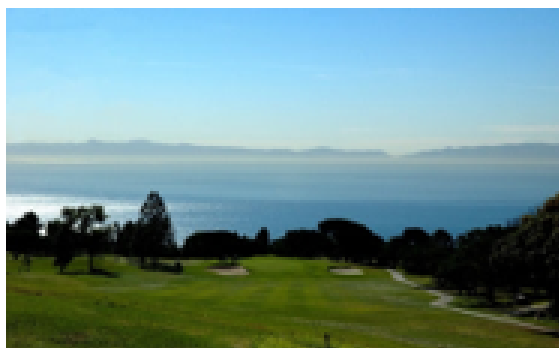


The February Weekday Tournament will be Feb. 13-17.

The format is Partners Odd and Even. So get yourself a partner and decide which of you will take the odd number holes and which will take the even number holes!

Play well and have fun!

Mike McCoy,
Weekday Tournament and Eclectic Tournament Captain



2023 WEEKDAY TOURNAMENTS

DATES	FORMAT	POSTING AS
JAN. 16-20	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
FEB. 13-17	Partner Odds & Even	Home Score
MAR. 13-17	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
APR. 17-21	Partner Better Ball	Home Score
MAY 15-19	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
JUNE 12-16	Individual Tin Whistle	Home Score
JULY 17-21	Partner Pars or Better	Home Score
AUG. 14-18	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
SEPT. 18-22	Partner Blind Draw (by flight)	Home Score
OCT. 16-20	Partner Better Ball With Scary 3s and 6s	Home Score
NOV. 13-17	Individual Turkey Shoot 9	Home Score
DEC. 11-15	Individual Low Net	Competition Score

All formats are compatible with Pot Game and Seniors play.

For questions or further information, contact Mike McCoy, Weekday Tournament Capt.

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