



ORANGE COUNTY SENIORS GOLF ASSOCIATION

2101 East Chapman Avenue, Fullerton, CA 92831
(714) 870-9343 * ocsga@la.twcbc.com * www.ocsga.club

Swing of Things

VOLUME 17, ISSUE 1



WILLIAM CLOUD
President

President's Message—

To anyone wavering on adding Hawaii in October to their travel plans, there is still a very limited time window to join us. Our ocean side destination, the Fairmont Orchid, is available at discounted rates negotiated two years ago for October 8th through 13th. The trip includes three days of golf on the two Mauna Lani courses. Our Monday, October 9th evening meal plans for a sunset view from an outdoor setting. Our Thursday awards banquet may offer a Luau buffet. Contact us now for information.

Many attendees have extended their stay and will need to make an individual one night deposit soon. You should have just received the details.

Looking forward through the next year, please save these dates for us.

Next year (2024), November 10-15 are the dates we are negotiating with the Reynolds Lake Oconee Ritz Carlton resort. This world class golf destination, 90 miles from Atlanta, should be on everyone's bucket list.

For our President's Tournament, we are returning to Ojai after previous events in 2019 and 2011. Next year, the resort was booked for the weeks that we typically would have chosen. Our dates are June 30th to July 3rd with two days of golf.

We had planned to play at Bear Creek Country Club and the Journey at Pechanga this March, but were rained out. Both venues were eager to try again. We have discounted rates available for April 28th and 29th to stay at Pechanga, with an evening banquet at Pechanga on Monday, April 29th. We are playing Bear Creek on Monday, then the Journey at Pechanga on Tuesday.

(continued on page 2)

President's Message (continued)

We had a great time this year in January, playing at Heritage Palms. We have reserved two PGA West courses for next March. On Sunday, March 3rd, we have a 1 pm start on the Nicklaus Resort course. We play the Mountain course on Monday, March 4th, starting at 8 am. Lodging will be by individual arrangement. We are experimenting with a way to gauge the level of interest well before the event. Please visit our website and add your name through the no obligation "register" link if you are likely to attend.

Via Verde Country Club, in San Dimas, is a new destination for us. We are planning for an 11am golf start on Monday, January 22nd, followed by a dinner.

Our Holiday Tournament this year will be held at the Hacienda Country Club. Hacienda has been a frequent favorite of our group. We have traditionally played a scramble with couples paired. We have heard some discontent with a scramble, and could use input from our members to settle on a format.

Our 2023 Board held its second meeting in July and has been busy. Carl Ferraro, as VP, has a big challenge in developing our event schedule into 2025. Verne Lusby has been driving our membership with incentives to bring in new members, incentives to participate and direct communications from the Board to our members. Vito Canuso, Dennis Corbett and I are collaborating on a major project to update our bylaws to match our current needs. Chuck Stanton has dealt with some major financial issues with our bank, resolved to our benefit. Lee Gibbons has taken on his first tournament as director with a great attention to detail. Tom Saumur, Ron Plummer, John Lind and Peter Guariglia are providing valuable input and round out our Board. Our club would be in utter chaos, were it not for Joanna Mergelmeyer, who in this difficult year has remained a glue for our group.

Lastly, a big thanks to everyone who participated and help to organize our last event at Fairbanks Ranch. The course was interesting, challenging and well kept, worthy of another visit. Our turnout was good, with about 80 players. Our concern about finding a place to play in August and avoid the heat was met with perfect playing weather.

This is your club. If you have ideas you think would appeal to our members, please share. We are adding content to our website. Take a look: <https://ocsga.club>

Thanks, Bill Cloud

President

Fairbanks Ranch Country Club Results

Overall Low Gross—Men

ROB WARREN @ 77

Overall Low Net—Men

RICHARD SCHWARTZ @ 71

Overall Low Gross—Women

VICKIE MILLER @ 89

Overall Low Net—Women

TRACY BARROW @ 73

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS BY FLIGHT

LOW NET, FLIGHT A

1. Guy Marsala @ 75
2. Paul Barrow @ 75
3. Edward Pedersen @ 78

LOW NET, FLIGHT B

1. Verne Lusby @ 72
2. Ron Plummer @ 72
3. Dennis Bader @ 73

LOW NET, FLIGHT C

1. Dave Nowlin @ 75
2. Kevin Dunn @ 77
3. David Fancher @ 77

LOW NET, FLIGHT D

1. John Demman @ 73
2. Jay Risher @ 75
3. Curtis Chen @ 75

Women's LOW NET, FLIGHT AB

1. Gail Teaford @ 74
2. Bonnie Adrian @ 74
3. Cindy Gibbons @ 75

Women's LOW NET, FLIGHT CD

1. Mitzi Demman @ 74
2. Suzanne Ferraro @ 74
3. Erica Kim @ 75

TEAM RESULTS

Men's 1st @ 130

Verne Lusby
Paul Barrow
Gary Chancy
John Demman

Men's 2nd @ 131

Gary Lee
J. Michael Roney
Kurt Odegard

Men's 3rd @ 133

Dan Morefield
Brian Smith
John Adrian
Curtis Chen

Men's 4th @ 135

Rob Warren
Ron Plummer
Jae Kim
James Foster

Women's 1st @ 128

Karin Marsala
Erica Kim
Mitzi Demman

Women's 2nd @ 133

Anne Roeser
Betty Ann Lusby
Cindy Gibbons
Suzanne Ferraro





VERNE LUSBY
Membership Chair

Monthly Membership Report

The board plans to continue to offer credit toward future tournaments to members who recruit new members. Guests are currently welcome at all of our events.

Four membership candidates received preliminary membership approval following their evaluation rounds at Fairbanks Ranch. Welcome Paul Barrow, Jack Feldsher, Andy Roeser and Brian Smith to the OCSGA! We currently have 145 members.

A new round of the Champions Cup competition has begun with our last tournament. Gathering top points at Fairbanks Ranch were Richard Schwartz, Verne Lusby, Ron Plummer, Dennis Bader and John Demman. Tournament participation points were also awarded to all players. The top point holder prior to our Ojai President's Tournament in June-July will be recognized as the Cecil Crew Golfer of the Year. The top three overall points holders each receive discounted tournament entry for the next year.

A new feature is the return of our Lawrence Sork Age Group championships. The Champions Cup points earned prior to the President's Tournament will be used to determine the winner of each group. We plan to include an update to the points total for these competitions to our website shortly.

Bill Cloud for Verne Lusby (who is testing the waters of Hawaii at the moment)

Tournaments 2023 —2024

August 14, 2023

Fairbanks Ranch Country Club

Rancho Santa Fe, California

October 8th *through* October 13th, 2023

Fairmont Orchid Hawaii

Kamuela, Hawaii

December 11, 2023 (*Holiday Tournament & Party*)

Hacienda Golf Club

La Habra Heights, California

January 22, 2024

Via Verde County Club

San Dimas, California

March 3 & 4, 2024

PGA West

Monday—Nicklaus Resort Course 1:00 PM Shotgun

Tuesday—Mountain Course 8:00 AM Shotgun

La Quinta, California

Golf only, no lodging

April 29 , 2024

Bear Creek Golf Club*

Murrieta, California

April 30, 2024

Journey at Pechanga*

Temecula, California

**Combined Event*

June 30th *through* July 3rd, 2024 (*President's Tournament*)

Ojai Valley Inn

Ojai, California