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2010 PROMISES TO BE AN EXCELLENT YEAR FOR GOLF

With the onslaught of unending rains before and after The Farmer's San Diego Open, the North and South have flourished to give a new definition to the "green" of St Patty's Day. With the guiding hand from Jon Maddern and his painstaking, manicuring, caring staff, the courses are in phenomenal playing condition, which should have the general membership clamoring to gain entry into our tournaments. Speaking of tournaments, we should immediately give thanks to several board members who, beginning last year, when you were planting winter lily bulbs, they were putting together the 2010 schedule for Thursday and Sunday and the one-day-a-month-Thursday-away tournaments. Who else but that sexy Frenchman, "the Cyrano de Bergerac" of Thursday play, **Claude Gigoux**; our Vice-President, now acting President, **John Hoffman** who has calendared a year of outstanding Sunday tournaments, and, **Bob Burr** who has put together an excellent array of away Thursday tournaments. We owe then a debt of gratitude for the effort put into our 2010 schedule. And a special kudo to **Jim Kerr** for scheduling the Thursday formats, to **Art Stromberg** for doing the Thursday cards and **Tracy Atherton** for handing the web site and to **Joe Burwell** for the score cards and selection fairness. To all the volunteers who handle scoring for both Thursday and Sunday play. So much goes into these tournaments by board members including the chairmen of each of the Sunday tournaments. It's just a handful of guys who make your rounds and the tournaments a success ... so when you see them on the course, take a moment to thank them for their efforts ... on your behalf.

General Membership Meeting, in the lounge on February, 17, was quite a memorable meeting to say the least. The membership turnout was the

largest in many years; standing room only with at least twenty-five members showing support. Next year we'll have to rent the Convention Center. You'll notice on the Board Members web site page the new names of **Peter Born** as Membership Chairman and **Brian Cincotta** as Prize Fund Chairman. Peter and Brian, welcome to the Board. **Jack Petrick** 'retired' as the prize fund chairman after 18 years of service to the membership – for which we salute you Jack. The Board presented a bench to the course in honor of **Ron Bruck** after he 'retired' as the membership chairman so, for you Jack maybe we should consider a bar stool! Jack, your dedication to the prize fund was awesome and we applaud the years of selfless, dedicated service given to the membership. Remember members, when you cash in your winnings certificate to the several golf stores on our list, you can thank Jack Petrick for the ease in which you redeem your certificates.

At the general meeting **Bob Burr** resigned as President of the club and from the Board. John Hoffman, Vice-President assumed the role of President and according to our by-laws will finish out Burr's tenure as President. I will respect the personal reasons which Bob felt it best to terminate his presidency and when I spoke with Bob he wanted me to simply tell the membership that he wishes each member enjoy the best golf for 2010 and he looks forward to playing the Thursday events. A special kudo to you Bob for your past dedication to the membership – especially the away events you worked out for Thursday play. Great job – well done. In many ways your guidance and now, absence, is a loss to the Board and membership.

Two Big Tournaments Coming Up and the entry forms are in this Newsletter: Thursday's Spring Fiesta and Sunday's President' Cup. Enter Now!

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“SPRING FIESTA”
APRIL 15, 2010 NORTH COURSE
(ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 6, 2009)

The format will be **“Two Best Balls of Foursome”** with a shotgun start at 7:00 am. There will be a luncheon at **Donovan’s Prime Steahouse** following the tournament. **The entry fee is \$35 per player** which will cover the luncheon, prizes, and a raffle. Signup can be as an individual or as a group but no more than 4 players per entry. The normal player selection process will be used. Please complete the information below.

Name _____ GHIN Number _____ Index _____

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The check(s) covering the fee for each player listed on the entry blank is to be made **payable to the TPMGC**. Mail the check(s) and entries to: Jim Kerr 3065 Driscoll Drive San Diego, CA 92117
If you have any questions please call Claude Gigoux at 619-223-3673.

2010 PRESIDENT’S CUP 2010
APRIL 17-18

April 17th on the North Course, Groups will be sent off by tee times beginning at 6:30 am until 11:30 am. On April 18th play is on the South Course - with a SHOTGUN start at 7:00 am.
There will be 4 Flights determined by April’s LOW INDEX. The field will be limited to 128 players.
Entry fee is \$30.00 per player; check made payable to “TPMGC” and should be mailed to:
JOHN HOFFMAN, 4005 San Ardo Cove, San Diego, CA 92130.

Deadline to enter is April 3, 2010

John: Please count me in for the President’s Cup

Name _____

HCP (Ginn #) _____ E-mail _____

Address _____

Phone (home): _____ Cell: _____

These two tournaments will fill up rather quickly so be sure send in your entry fee form with your check. As you notice there is no luncheon for the President’s Cup. This year the Thursday luncheon will have you at Donovan’s Steakhouse at 4340 La Jolla Village Drive (in the Golden Triangle) at the intersection of Genesse Ave. (phone: 858-450-

6666). The entrance is actually on the east side of Genesse just north of La Jolla Village Dr. It’s a bit ‘tricky’ but you’ll find it.

Lawrence Cade and the volunteers raking the bunkers at this year's Farmers Open did one helluva outstanding job ... appreciated by the PGA, the grounds crew at Torrey and the City of San Diego. Larry, as usual you handled a difficult job with ease and the membership salutes you, your bunker captains and the volunteers who arose early at 'dark o'clock' in the morning to service the PGA tournament were a vital and integral part of the tournament. Many thanks!

NO SHOW LIST – CAN CAUSE YOU A FINE if you fail to show up for your tee time. The problem is this ... your buddy signs you up for an event but for some reason you are unaware of the sign up; or you sign up your usual foursome but forget to notify one of your members; or, you sign yourself up (or your group) for an "incorrect event" and you are unaware of your mistake. All these reasons WILL cause the absent member a fine which will be paid before you can enter into another tournament. So, be extra careful using the web site sign up system, being sure you sign up for the event you INTEND to play in. If your buddy signs you up but you are unaware of it ... too bad ... the fine is yours for not showing!

In Memoriam: Last June, the club lost one of our most ardent golfers and good friend in the passing of Aubrey William "Cal" Calvert at age 96. Somehow it wasn't reported in the Newsletter. It should have been. Cal played in our events well into his 90's ... as a matter of fact I remember his drives and irons may not have been long but accurate. What a sport he was, A 'giant' of a man who could commiserate with even the youngest of ball strikers; and he even shot his age at 89 years. Now that's a feat. Cal is missed because even though he slowed up, the happiness he felt playing golf crept into your own enjoyment of the game. Tee away Cal, the honor is yours. We should pray we live such a rich, on-going life into our 90's.

A Reminder About Handicap Flags: The flags are kept in the Administration Section next to the Starters Pay Booth. You might be asked why there is the need for a handicap flag so don't get bent out of shape. There may be times under the ADA that you could be asked to show proof of your disability. A copy of your 'disability' DMV paperwork that substantiates your car placard could suffice. If all flags have been given away please be sure you give the Starter your cart number which he will pass on to the on-course marshal. If you are questioned on the course (presuming you don't have a blue flag) please don't smart off to the on-course

marshal if he should question your driving under handicap conditions. On the course, please drive toward the hole by staying on the fairway. Under no circumstances proceed to the hole by driving through the rough. This is a no-no. If looking for your ball in the rough, park the cart by the rough and walk through the rough looking for your ball. Do not just drive around in the rough (back and forth) looking for your ball. If caught you could be asked to leave the course. And, it would be your fault – buster!

GHINN: By now you should be becoming familiar with the scoring system at our or an away course. Remember, you can also post your score at home on your computer. Just be certain that you POST. Any questions on posting can be directed to the pros in the golf shop.

GOLF SHOP: Anything green, in honor of St. Patrick's Day that is sold in the golf shop will be discounted 25% on all tournament days for the month of March. Remember, it has to be green like green shirts, hats, sweat shirts ... whatever ... all discounted to the membership

BOARD OPENING: I believe there is one (1) opening for a Board Chairmanship. Anyone interested in applying please contact Art Stromberg at his email address: astromberg@san.rr.com It is an important consideration and a volunteer assignment that serves the best interest of the membership. Without Board participation in golf related issues that arise in every monthly meeting whether it be rules, finances, conditions of play ... what have you ... nothing would ever get done. So, lend your support to serve on the Board for the benefit of the general membership.

WINNERS: SUNDAY PLAY January Better Ball/Partners: Gross: **Scott Stewart/Steve Miles**; 1st FIt: **Thomas Alberta/Blair McQueen**. February Stoke Play: Gross: **Ross Edwards**; 1st FIt: **Kenneth Stender**; 2nd FIt: **Blair McQueen**. THURSDAY PLAY: February 11th, Better Ball/Partners: 1st FIt: **B.T. Elliott/ B.H. Morris, Jr.**; 2nd. FIt: **D. Goad/ D. Dworken**. **Congrats to all winners!** The complete list of winners and the amounts won in both Sunday and Thursday play can be seen on the web site.

GET READY FOR ANOTHER MEXICAN OUTING: Bob Burr planned another bus trip to "Siestaville" south of the border. Real Del Mar just south of T.J. is a great tract, scenic ocean views with great margaritas.

APRIL 29, 2010 REAL DEL MAR GOLF RESORT THURSDAY TOURNAMENT

Entry Form

Sign up on or before April 19, 2010 to be among the 56 players who will play the REAL DEL MAR GOLF RESORT IN ROSARITO BEACH, MEXICO on April 29, 2010. A United States certified bus and driver will pick up the group at the Torrey Pines parking lot at 7:30 a.m. and will return to the Torrey Pines parking lot following the tournament. Golf, cart, lunch and bus fare are included in the \$85.00 package. Mark your calendar for April 29, 2010. NOTE; IT IS REQUIRED THAT YOU BRING PROPER IDENTIFICATION. IF YOU HAVE A VALID PASSPORT BRING IT WITH YOU TO REENTER THE UNITED STATES. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A PASSPORT YOU MUST BRING A VALID DRIVERS LICENSE AND A VALID, CERTIFIED BIRTH CERTIFICATE. IF YOU HAVE A VALID PASSPORT YOU DO NOT NEED TO BRING A VALID BIRTH CERTIFICATE.

SIGN UP AS A SINGLE, TWOSOME, THREESOME, OR FOURSOME

Name _____ SCGA# _____ Phone _____ Index _____

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Make check payable for \$85.00 to: TPMGC and mail to:

Questions: call Bob Burr at 858-546-7605

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San Diego, CA 92117

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