

April 2017 President's Newsletter

The newsletter is early this month so I can apprise you of some timely issues that affect our club on a micro and macro level.

First: as of today, March 27,th we are returning to cash payouts for Monday Play instead of the scrip handled by and redeemable at the Golf Course. This change will be better for us (who doesn't like cash?) and for the Course. Any monies won today and in the future will be paid in cash by Monday Play Coordinator Steve Prosenjak . Steve will disperse the cash from previous Monday play on the current Monday morning. On Monday April 3rd, the Golf Course will wind up their paperwork and provide the Board with the scrip amounts members have on the books and release the funds to us. Steve will be available to disperse this money to members starting Wednesday April 5th. Our goal is to have all of the cash in your hands by May 5th. The service that Steve provides to the club through his work on the Monday Game is incalculable. As a courtesy to Steve we request that you make every effort to collect your future cash within 30 days of winning. Steve can be contacted at steveprosenjak@gmail.com.

Second: The Board is now working on next year's event Calendar. With an eye towards increasing attendance in our Monday Games and tournaments we are asking for your input. Take a little time and think about the following:

- Are you satisfied with our Monday play lineup?
- Do you prefer individual events i.e. Gross/Net or team events i.e. Best Ball?
- Do you prefer non postable events like scrambles, step asides and Pinehursts or straight medal play postable events?
- Do you prefer pick your partner or blind draw events?
- Are there any games we don't offer that you would like to play?
- Are you satisfied with our current Tournament line up?
- If you are not satisfied with our Tournaments what are the issues? Too long? Too expensive? Do we have too many, too few?

This is obviously not a scientific survey however let me know your thoughts on the above questions or any other ideas you have regarding the games we play. Please respond by April 17th at Jpm762@dc.rr.com .

Lastly: As you know the residents of our community recently voted overwhelmingly in favor of the Perimeter Landscape Proposal. This vote authorizes the HOA to assist the Golf Course with the re-landscaping of areas outside the playing surface of the golf course. Just as important is the upcoming HOA Board election. Ballots were mailed on March 27th, for the three seats that will be opening up. The ballot on the Perimeter Landscape and this Board election directly impact our ability to play golf in our own community. Whomever is elected to serve on the HOA board for the next two years will be responsible for implementing and overseeing of the re-landscaping of the course mandated by the afore mentioned vote. Be sure to attend the Candidate Forum at the Santa Rosa Club Ballroom on Thursday March 30th at 2:00 pm. Ballots are due by 4:00 pm on April 26th and will be counted on the 27th. Vote, or your opinion doesn't count.

In closing we once again need to thank Tournament Chair Ed Warman for putting together the Member Guest Tournament being played on the 2nd and 3rd. We know it's going to be a good one. Results will be on the website. Many thanks as well to Rules Committee Chairman Alan Barroll and committee member Greg Henry for conducting another great rules seminar on March 23rd. The rules of golf can be complicated but the hands on way Alan and Greg conduct the seminar always makes them easier to understand. Given the state of my memory a seminar now and again is extremely helpful.

I know that our Canadian and Snowbird friends will be starting their travels soon. It's a pleasure to have you in the club and we wish you well until you return next year. For those of you who remain and the Desert Rats who never go away our next General Meeting is Monday April 17th at 4:00 pm in the Santa Rosa Club Ballroom. Come on and wet your whistle with a free drink on us.

Thanks...Pat