



THE SCORECARD

**1st Quarter 2012
(Jan, Feb, March)
NEWSLETTER**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE Jim De La Vergne - CIGC President

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2012 is here, and the board of directors for the Cherry Island Golf Club and I are planning on making it the best year ever at Cherry Island. Each year we try to improve our club and we love to get all the input from the membership as we can.

Last year was successful, as we were able to play all of our scheduled tournaments, plus two away tournaments. Our CIGC tournament handicap system is starting to level out the playing field for all. As we play more postable tournaments, it will only get better and better.

With the economy downturn in our area, membership at all of the Sacramento golf courses is down, including ours.

But we are doing our best to recruit new members and keep the ones we have now. So, tell all your friends to join our club.

The golf course is in terrific shape, and this spring, when the new number 10 hole is ready for playing, it will be even better.

In closing, have a great holiday season and a Happy New Year. Keep it on the fairway.

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2012 Midweek Schedule

Jan 4	Individual Stroke Play	Dec 7	Dec 26
Feb 1	4 Person Scramble	Jan 4	Jan 22
Mar 7	2 Person Best Ball	Feb 1	Feb 26
April 4	Individual Stroke Play	Mar 3	Mar 25
May 2	2 Person Scramble	Apr 4	Apr 22
Jun 6	NCGA Qualifier & 2 Player Senior Best Ball	May 2	May 27
July 11	Individual Stroke Play	Jun 6	July 1
Aug 1	2 Person Scramble	July 11	July 22
Sept 5	2 Person Best Ball	Aug 1	Aug 26
Oct 3	Senior Club Championship Individual Stroke Play	Sept 5	Sept 23
Nov 7	Super Senior Championship & Turkey Shoot	Oct 3	Oct 28
Dec 5	4 Person Scramble	Nov 7	Nov 25

2013 Midweek Tournament

Jan 2	2 Person Best Ball	Dec 5	Dec 23
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2012 Weekend Schedule

Jan 14	Individual Stroke Play	Dec 1	Jan 6
Feb 18	NCGA Four Ball Net Qualifier 2 Person Best Ball	Jan 1	Feb 11
Mar 17	2 Person Best Ball & NCGA Zone Qualifier	Feb 1	Mar 10
Apr 21	Individual Stroke Play-4 Clubs Only	Mar 1	Apr 14
May 12	Bring Your Buddies 2 Person Scramble	Apr 1	May 6
Jun 9	NCQA Net Amateur Qualifier & Individual Stroke Play	May 1	Jun 2
July 21	2 Person Best Ball/Stroke Play	Jun 1	July 14
Aug 18	Red, White & Blue – Stroke	July 1	Aug 8
Sept 15	2 Person Scramble	Aug 1	Sept 8
Oct 13/14	Club Championship (2 Day Stroke Play Event)	Sept 1	Oct 6
Nov 10	Individual Stroke Play Turkey Shoot	Oct 1	Nov 3
Dec 15	2 Person Best Ball	Nov 1	Dec 18

2013 Weekend Schedule

Jan 19	2 Person Razzle-Dazzle	Dec 1	Jan 12
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2012 CIGC MEMBERS CHALLENGE UPDATE

We had a very successful “Members Challenge” in 2011. The Grand Winner was Russ Enyart with 480 points with a very close 2nd from Pandy Beck with 450 points. Russ Enyart has his name and points on the picture located in the Cherry Island restaurant, please stop by and take a look.

Cherry Island Golf Club Members are automatically enrolled in the “Members Challenge” program that runs from Jan 1, 2012 thru November 30, 2012. The “Members Challenge” Grand Prize Winner will be presented the Grand Prize at the CIGC Christmas Party in Dec 2012. The Grand Prize to be determined in 2012.

How the “Members Challenge” works: All tournament players are awarded points for participating in CIGC tournaments and additional points as described below:

- 10 Points for Playing in a Midweek or Weekend Tournament
- 40 Points for 1st Place in your flight in any tournament
- 20 Points for 2nd Place in your flight in any tournament
- 10 Points for 3rd Place in your flight in any tournament
- 5 Points for 4th Place in your flight in any tournament
- 75 Points for a Hole-in-One” during any CIGC tournament
- 10 Points for “Closest to the Pin” during any CIGC tournament
- 10 Points for Attending a CIGC Quarterly Membership meeting
- 50 Points for Tournament Championships
 - Low Gross & Low Net
 - Senior Low Net & Super Senior Low Net
 - Can’t Receive: Tournament Championship Points & Flight Points

Points will be calculated after each tournament and posted on the CIGC Bulletin Board inside the Cherry Island Club House.

**MIDWEEK TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR
BY RUSS ENYART**

Greetings to all! My name is Russ Enyart and I’ve taken over the job as Midweek Tournament Director from Jim Biles. I’ve made some people happy in my life but no one has ever seemed quite as happy as Jim did when I said I’d give this tournament director job a try.

In a way, I feel like Little Mikey on those long ago TV commercials for Life Cereal. You remember, “Give it to Mikey, he hates everything.” And then, “He likes it.” Well time will tell if “I like it.”

<p>I do want to thank Jim for his assistance during the transition. His knowledge of the computer program that's used for tournament play is remarkable. Trying to teach it to me was less than remarkable, a result of my limited computer skills, not his teaching ability.</p> <p>Working with Jim I've learned that the job of tournament director is more than collecting scorecards at the end of tournament play. Like most of you, I'd show up on tournament Wednesday, get my score card and play golf. The fact that I had a tee time, my name and tournament handicap were on my score card,</p>	<p>rules were printed, closest to pin was indicated, flights were posted, and then the final results were on the Website a couple of days later just seemed to happen. But, as I've learned, it happens because the tournament director has done his/her job well.</p> <p>With that in mind, the first couple of midweek tournaments this year may not run like clockwork but, with Jim's help, I'll keep learning the system. Bear with me. Also, your input is welcome. If you have some constructive ideas let me know. I look forward to seeing you at our first 2012 Midweek Tournament.</p>
<p>TIPS FROM THE PRO BY DAN CONDIE</p>	
<p>As you know, winter is now here. So it's time to adjust your golf game to cold weather conditions. If you want to improve your winter golf, you must first stretch and warm your muscles up before you play golf. You can do</p>	<p>this by taking lots of practice swings or just by stretching. You have to understand that the golf ball doesn't go as far in the cold so aim for the back of the green. This will help you hit more greens and lower your score.</p>
<p>WEEKEND TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR BY BILL MILLAR</p>	
<p>We want to thank all the Members/Players for their support and participation in the Weekend Tournaments in 2011. I went through some growing and learning of the systems of running a tournament. The player count for Weekend Tournaments is up and we want to grow the Player Count even more in 2012. I want to thank Jim Biles for helping me with learning systems of Setting and Running Tournaments, and Andy Clark for Handicapping the tournaments. In 2012 we will try and get three types of Stroke Play Events a quarter with one type of Fun Event a quarter and also the Buddy Tournament in May.</p>	<p>For 2012 we have done some changing of Tournament Formats. See the 2012 Tournament Schedule on page 2. We are working on having it as a Shotgun start so all players begin at the same time and end at the same time, with additional fun challenges on the course, and getting the CIGC to approve more \$\$\$\$ for food and drinks. We are looking forward to a great 2012 with more players so we can pay out larger \$\$\$\$ to the winner. If you have any suggestions please contact me by phone (916-770-0045) or email wmillar45@gmail.com.</p>
<p>2011 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY BY JULIE JENSEN</p>	
<p>The Cherry Island Golf Club (CIGC) annual Christmas Party was held on December 3rd. The buffet dinner was prepared by our own CIGC restaurant staff.</p>	<p>One of the main events of the evening is to recognize the various tournament champions. For 2011 the champions included:</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gross club champ – Jonesy • Net club champ – Mike Shull • Senior club champ – George Senn • Super senior champ – Tommie Rohrer • <p>And the winner of the first annual CIGC Members Challenge was Russ Enyart. A perpetual trophy for each tournament is displayed inside the restaurant. Check it out!</p>	<p>Other events included the introduction and investiture of the 2012 Board Members and a challenging putting contest which was won by Andy Rosenberger.</p> <p>The CIGC Raffle consisted of over 40 items - including custom clubs made by Bill Millar, lessons donated by Club Pros Tim Berg and Dan Condie. The Grand Prize, for CIGC members only, was a \$250 Visa Card which was won by Jerry Long!</p>
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**SUPERINTENDENT'S WORDS
BY KURTIS WOLFORD**

Here we are in the winter season. Where is the rain? I have never had to irrigate this many times in December before because of the lack of rain. Hopefully everyone is staying warm. This time of year when we have our daily frost delays it is a challenge to keep warm for us maintenance guys. We do lots of little detail jobs when we can't get on the turf. This time of year is when we also get a chance to catch our breath a little and slow down. Our growing season, which is April 1st – October 31st, can be a little hectic for us. We have a very small maintenance crew and a large property--130 acres of turf. When you see us working and moving all the time that is because we have some lofty goals for this course. Achieving those goals is part of the reason the course has changed so much. I would like Cherry Island to be known as the best conditioned municipal golf course in the Sacramento valley. We always want to move forward and improve the facility; we never want to revert to how the course used to be. All this will only happen by hard work.

Some of the projects we are currently working on right now are the following; Audubon International Recertification, edging cart paths, leveling sprinkler heads, trimming trees, creating new native areas, installing new nesting boxes, and, of course, mowing turf. Our Audubon Recertification Project has been very successful on this golf course. Recertification is a 2 year cycle for making improvements to the course environment based on established goals. This project is very helpful because it helps us enhance the environment around the golf course. By following its guidelines it helps us control our expenses. Hopefully you have seen some of the many different species of birds that we have flying around the course. If you ever have questions about what we are doing or what species a bird is please stop me and ask. Thank you to board members and club members who volunteered their time to help clean out and install new nesting boxes around the course. All of the other projects that we have going are very important to the maintenance and improvement of the golf course. The more things we do like trimming trees and leveling sprinkler heads actually make managing and maintaining the course easier for us in the long run.

All of you are wondering what is going on with the new #10 green. Well it's been growing very slowly. About 85% of it is ready, it's just the right side and front right of the green that is not ready. One reason for the delay is the amount of sunlight it is receiving. Every plant needs a certain amount of light to grow. I chose to trim the two existing Blue Oak trees too late in the season, not giving the green adequate light to keep growing. In addition, all the frost we are having has lowered soil temperatures so low that the grass grows very, very slowly. Another issue that we are addressing is call Root Knot Nematode. This is a microscopic worm that will feed on organic matter and roots in a soil profile. Since the greens soil is brand new it has not yet developed organic matter for the nematodes to feed on so the only food source is the turf roots. We have been treating this issue and it will be resolved soon!

You might also notice the white blanket that we put on the green. It is called a germination blanket. It actually helps warm the soil temperature by up to 4 – 10 degrees while letting light and water go through that blanket. Hopefully the green will be ready this spring when things start growing again. I would like to

wish everyone a safe and merry holiday season and look forward to seeing you on the course in 2012.

**WORDS FROM THE HANDICAPPER
ANDY CLARK**

I would like to welcome all the new members to the club.

In January we'll be starting our 2nd year of the Cherry Island Golf Club handicap program. For those of you who are new, the Cherry Island Golf Club handicap is derived from the lowest 5 of the most recent CIGC tournament scores. We then use the CIGC handicap or the NCGA handicap, whichever is the lowest, for our tournaments. You must play in a minimum of 4 Cherry Island Golf Club tournaments to establish a CIGC handicap.

Again, for new members who are unfamiliar with posting scores (to the computer located in the Pro Shop) to establish a handicap, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 987-1709 or any board member with questions regarding posting of scores.

If anyone has questions or concerns regarding their handicap, please don't hesitate to ask.

Looking forward to a great year in 2012.

MIDWEEK TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORMS

4 Person Scramble

February 1, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 10 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 01/22/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

2 Person Best Ball

March 7, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 10 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 02/26/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

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Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

Individual Stroke Play

April 4, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 10 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 03/25/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

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Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

2 Person Scramble

May 2, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 10 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 04/22/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

WEEKEND TOURNAMENT ENTRY FORMS

NCGA Four Ball Net Qualifier – 2 Person Best Ball

February 18, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 12 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 02/11/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

2 Person Best Ball & NCGA Zone Qualifier

March 17, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 12 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 03/10/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

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NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

Individual Stroke Play – 4 Clubs Only

April 21, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 12 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 04/14/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

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NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

Bring Your Buddies – 2 Person Scramble

May 12, 2012

Entry Fee: \$ 12 per player/Make checks payable to CIGC

Entry closes: 05/06/12

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

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NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

NAME: _____ GHIN _____ Phone # _____

Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____

Mail to: CIGC/Midweek Tournament; 2360 Elverta Rd; Elverta, CA 95626 or drop in lock box at Pro Shop.

BAR & GRILL SPECIALS

Golfer Special this quarter is 15% off all menu items and fountain drinks Monday through Friday. And as always, "Happy Hour" is Monday through Friday from 3 PM to 5 PM with reduced prices for draft beer, wine, and all well drinks. See ya there!!!!

QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: January 17, 2012

Day: Tuesday

Time: 6:00 PM Meeting

Agenda: QUARTERLY BUSINESS, SNACKS, RAFFLE

Location: Cherry Island Golf Course Restaurant

**Cherry Island Golf Club
2360 Elverta Road
Elverta, CA 95626**