



THE VALLEY NEWS

Altadena Valley Golf & Country Club

JANUARY
2006



From the MANAGER

It has come to my attention that some of our members may not be aware of our dining room hours. The dining room is open Tuesday through Friday for lunch and there are lunch buffets on Wednesday and Friday. There is also dinner served on Friday nights. There is a brunch on Sunday from 10:30 'til 1:30. Please try our dining if you haven't, I think you will be quite satisfied with what you find.

2006 is going to be an exciting and challenging year for AVCC. Please commit to finding a new member during the course of the year. We will treat them to a round of golf, a dinner, or other event if you think it will help them learn about our Club and decide to join. Call me with any questions you may have and I will be more than happy to help.

New board members elected for 3 year terms are Jim Collier and Al Blanchard. Richard Poff was elected vice president. Please congratulate them and help them serve you in any way they can.

Thanks go out to Larry Rinehart and Benny Eaves for showing great interest in the Club and running for the board.

We will have our Valentine's Dinner on Friday, February 10th. It will be reservations only. The menu will be posted at the Club and in the next month's newsletter.

JUST FOR FUN:

There is a new golfing book just out. I understand it will increase your enjoyment of the game and lower your scores at the same time. It is very expensive, \$129.95, so I am going to give you the contents over the next few months to help you determine if you want to spend that much money.

- **CHAPTER 1:** How to Properly Line Up Your Fourth Putt

- **CHAPTER 2:** How to Hit a Nike From the Rough When You Hit a Titleist From the Tee
- **CHAPTER 3:** How to Avoid the Water When You Lie 8 in a Bunker
- **CHAPTER 4:** How to Get More Distance Off the Shank
- **CHAPTER 5:** When to Give the Ranger the Finger
- **CHAPTER 6:** Using Your Shadow on the Greens to Maximize Earnings

Come see me,

John

Valentine's Dinner

FEBRUARY 10, 2006

APPETIZER

Lump Crab Cakes
Lime Cucumber Dill Sauce

SALAD

Savory Herb Salad
Fresh Fruit, Gorgonzola, Spiced Walnuts, Strawberry Vinaigrette

ENTREE

Pecan Crusted Snapper
Molasses Butter
Roasted New Potato
Julienne Spring Vegetables

Angus Beef Tenderloin
Shiitake Mushrooms w/Cracked pepper Sauce
Garlic Mashed Yukon Golds
Julienne Spring Vegetables

PATISSERIE

Chocolate Cobbler
Rich Fudge Cake With Chocolate Sauce
Vanilla Ice Cream Topped With Whipped Cream & Toasted Pecans

FREE

FRIDAY NIGHT BUFFET!!

Look for your Club member number in this issue of the newsletter and you win a Free Friday Night Buffet. Just call the office for your coupon.





Happy New Year! Here's hoping for a great 2006 for our Club. First thing you need to be aware of is a new discount policy for the Golf Shop is in effect for 2006. The discount you get on balls, golf club, glove, and shoe items in the Golf Shop this year is now 5%. I will continue to price these items at the same price point as the local golf discount stores do and you'll receive 5% off of it. You will still be allowed the 10% discount off the price of all non-sale clothing and hats in the Golf Shop. **However, these discounts apply only to merchandise on hand in the Golf Shop or traded for locally and will not be applied to any ordered items.** I apologize to all of you for this change, especially to those of you who have taken advantage of these savings offered before.

Also in 2006, as a way of generating some much-needed revenue for the Club, we are going to aggressively pursue hosting more private outings, especially on Mondays. We feel this is an area that we haven't taken advantage of in the past. We will also consider other days of the week depending on how large the outing is. For you members who work for any companies that might be interested in putting on a golf outing, please consider us first when looking for a course to host your event. We will do our best to not interfere with our members' desires to play golf on any particular day.

I've been telling many of you that new range balls were coming and they have now arrived. You'll notice right away that the range balls are

now yellow. This will help golfers on holes 13 and 18 find their balls more quickly among the many range balls that typically find their way onto these fairways. Thanks to Russ Terwilliger and Pepsi for helping to provide these.

Thank you for your continued support of the Golf Shop. Please let us know how to better service your needs.

NEW MEMBERS:

I want to welcome our newest members to A.V.C.C. and invite you to call or come by the Golf Shop if you ever have any questions about your golf privileges. I want to also encourage you to get set up in our golf handicap computer if you haven't already got a GHIN handicap. If you are coming from another club where you had a GHIN handicap already established then we could transfer your scores into our system. All of our Club Events utilize the GHIN handicap system so for you to participate you will need a handicap using our system. It takes 10 scores to calculate your handicap and you may add 2 consecutive 9-hole scores of the front and back together if you don't have time to play all 18 on the same day. You can stay updated to golf course events that may close the course to regular play for a period of time by reading this column in the monthly newsletter or the calendar of events on the back of it.

There is also a Hole-In-One Club here that currently has over 100 members in it. The way it works is \$8 is charged to the accounts of the members for each hole-in-one made at A.V.C.C. and the balance is awarded in Golf Shop credit to the person who made the hole-in-one. There were only 4 aces paid out in 2005 with about 4 other aces not being members. So don't miss out on a big reward for making your career shot. Call today and tell us to put you in the Hole-In-One Club!

Your Golf Shop provides many services such as custom club fitting, club repair, golf spikes and cleaning of shoes, club storage, and most name brand golf equipment (clubs, balls, gloves, tees, golf bags, socks, shoes, apparel and hats). As an added bonus of being a member of A.V.C.C. you'll receive a 5% discount on golf merchandise and 10% off clothing in the Golf Shop. If you don't see something you want in the Shop, then please bring it to our attention and we'll try to get it for you.

My assistant, Mitchell Vinson, and I are available for private lessons and we offer ladies' and junior clinics throughout the year.

My staff and I look forward to servicing your needs for many years to come.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Jan. 11th—Senior Men's Monthly - 8:30 a.m. shotgun:** 4-man counting 2 low balls with full handicap.
- **Jan. 14th—Men's Monthly - 9:00 a.m. shotgun on Saturday:** 2-man, you choose your partner. Format is dogfight points taking the average of the total points needed between the 2 players. The best point total for each hole between the two players is then counted with the most over their average being the winning pair. Minimum average points needed to achieve by any one team will be six.

OTHER GOLF NEWS:

- **Hole-In-Ones in December—** Marvin Crocker on December 13th on Hole #14 using a 7-wood from 148 yards. Yes, he is a member of the Hole-In-One Club.

Hope to see you soon!

Jeff Copeland

PGA Golf Professional

Notes from the GOLF COMMITTEE

Ladies NEWSLETTER



Is there an article from David Vaughn this month? I can make "adjustments" if there is not.

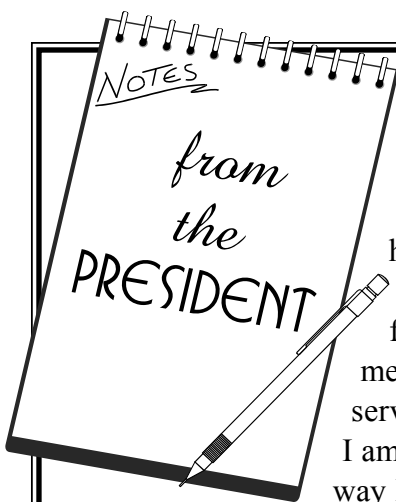
Also, BUFFET NUMBERS??

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS
AND
HAPPY
NEW
YEAR!!**

Hope to see you on the course in
February!

Baker

David Vaughn
Golf Committee Chairman



The time spent with friends is never measured, memories shared with friends are forever treasured. The most thoughtful thing that I can say, is I treasure your friendship every single day. Happy New Year to all members and welcome to another year with me as President AGAIN. We are very hopeful we can cut expenses and increase revenues this year so we can finish the year on an even keel. I would appreciate any constructive suggestions from members to achieve this goal. We had a very good attendance at the annual meeting on December 8th and a good discussion was held. Anyone who would serve on the various committees in the Club, please let me or John Warren know. I am considering bringing back Friday night Bingo maybe two nights a month the way I used to play with cash prizes based on what is collected on card sales with a jackpot game that would increase each time. Let me know if you are interested in this. I want to say thanks to the departing board members Marvin Crocker and Ralph Welch, and welcome Richard Poff, Vice President, Al Blanchard and Jim Collier, Board members. I had to do this in a hurry maybe next month I will do a better job.

Terry Dison



SENIOR GOLF NEWS

The Senior monthly tournament for December was rescheduled for December 21st. The format was 4 clubs, individual play, dog fight points, and the winners were:

First Place

Doug Hickman +5

Second Place

Bill Smith +4

Third Place

Joe Rives +3

Fourth Place

Richard George +1

I have been advised that the morning golf group, which has a number of seniors, will commence play later in the morning during the winter. The cards for making up the teams will be pulled at 8:30 a.m. and tee off will be at 9:00. Of course, there may be times that the tee time may be delayed past 9:00 due to heavy frost of a hard freeze; however, the 9:00 tee time should reduce most delays.

Claude Glenn is recovering nicely from his recent fall. He has visited the Club a couple of times and it was good to see him. Hopefully, it won't be too long until he's back playing golf.

Tom Moore



Over the NET

PRO SHOP

We received a new assortment of products from Head. Our demo collection is now up to date, along with our bag, string and grip selection. Our Demo Policy is \$3.00 per day per racquet with a three-day limit, after which the price increases to \$5.00 per day. You will receive a maximum credit of \$30.00 off the purchase of a new racquet and the demo fee is waived if you are a member of the Buyer's Club.

A new Ball Machine is in and we hope that you will take advantage of this state of the art game improvement tool. Call Jack at 835-8657 to reserve a time to work on your game. The ball machine can be rented by the day or by the month. The daily 1-hour fee is \$12 or the monthly 1-hour per day is \$40 for an individual or \$60 per family.

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT

At the end of 2005, our program finished with two number 1's in the state. Also, we had several other players that finished in the top 5 and top 10 in their divisions in the state. While these players finished high in the state, they also improved their Sectional and National rankings. Our staff is very proud of their accomplishments and look forward to obtaining even higher goals in 2006.

ADULT CORNER

Our December Mixer went very well and thanks to all of you that participated. We look forward to having more events of this nature in 2006 and we hope that you will continued to come out and enjoy our programming.

We are in the process of organizing Adult Teams (*Ladies, Mens, and Mixed*) for the Spring Season. Please call Pam at 914-0078 or 967-5326 with any information and or questions.

We hope you had a wonderful Holiday Season!

Jack Standifer

ON THE COURSE

We have recently painted the Greens. This will help to visually see the Green from the fairway. It will also help absorb heat from the sun to keep the soil temperature a little warmer. We have been working on weed control this month. For the do-it-yourselfers, now is the time to apply a pre-emerge to your lawn. Look for products with Simazine (s-atrazine) for the active ingredient. This product will also post out many weeds that have already germinated. Just follow the directions on the label.

Mickey Hughes



Madena Valley Golf & Country Club

JANUARY 2006 ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <i>HAPPY</i> NEW YEAR! Club CLOSED	2 Club CLOSED	3	4 Honors Club 11:00-12:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	5 <i>Private</i> Breakfast <i>Ladies</i> Day	6 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM SEAFOOD Night 6:00-8:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	7
8 Brunch 10:30-1:30	9 Club CLOSED	10 Aspe Dinner 5:00-8:00 PM	11 Senior Breakfast Honors Club 11:00-12:00 LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	12 <i>Ladies</i> Day <i>Private Lunch</i>	13 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM FAMILY Night 6:00-8:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	14 Men's Monthly
15 Brunch 10:30-1:30	16 Club CLOSED	17	18 Honors Club 11:00-12:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	19 <i>Ladies</i> Day	20 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM STEAK Night 6:00-8:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	21
22 Brunch 10:30-1:30	23 Club CLOSED	24	25 Honors Club 11:00-12:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	26 <i>Ladies</i> Day	27 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM CATFISH Night 6:00-8:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	28
29 Brunch 10:30-1:30	30 Club CLOSED	31				