

# The Willow Park

## Men's Club Newsletter

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### 2004 Tournament Schedule

- February 1<sup>st</sup> Superbowl Sunday
- February 29<sup>th</sup> Get Acquainted
- March 21<sup>st</sup> TC's Surprise
- April 25<sup>th</sup> President's Tournament
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> Two Man Best Ball Qual.
- June 6<sup>th</sup> Away Tournament
- June 27<sup>th</sup> Director's Tournament
- July 25<sup>th</sup> TC's Surprise
- August 28<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Club Championship
- September 19<sup>th</sup> Memorial Tournament
- October 24<sup>th</sup> Tourn. of Champions
- November 14<sup>th</sup> Turkey Shoot
- December 12<sup>th</sup> Turkey Shoot

**Tournament Green fees are**  
**\$45.00 to be paid 10 days in ad-**  
**vance**

### President's Column

Hello and Happy New Year to ALL.....

2004 is a reality as so is our enthusiasm and excitement for this coming year's scheduled events. Our membership total going into the new year is encouraging, though we have some 40 plus members from last year who must have forgotten to renew. I trust that it is a mere oversight and that you'll get your renewal in so as to enjoy the benefits and surprises that we have in store for all this coming year. I also will be encouraging a push for NEW memberships throughout the Bay Area. We will be advertising in the local community papers to encourage membership. Yet, the most powerful tool we have is our own members, and I encourage all of you to spread the word!!! We are our clubs BEST reasons for others to join.

Because of a quirk in the calendar, (and the NFL's NEED for more revenue?!?!?!?), we will have two tournaments in February. Our January tournament is now a February

tournament because of our tradition of holding it on Super Bowl Sunday (Feb. 1 this year), and our February tournament falls on the 29th. (It's Leap Year). That's OK. We'll persevere.

On a solemn note, Mike, our long standing bartender and part of "Our Family" at Willow Park, unexpectedly lost his wife last month. On behalf of all the members, I authorized Bob Fabel to send a gesture of our condolences to Mike. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family. He is scheduled to be back at work by the 15th of January.

New ownership has officially and actively taken over the restaurant and coffee shop. The immediate signs are exciting and encouraging. Mike Weisner, the new owner, has demonstrated an enthusiasm for our club's participation in his establishment and, if anyone has not already visited, I strongly and enthusiastically encourage all to try out his restaurant, Cafe Paradiso. It's on Bancroft Ave., in San Leandro. It's terrific!!!! And our new bartender, Cassandra, has brought a fresh attitude and lively personality to the bar.

We are all looking for a great kick-off to the new year and an exciting beginning to what looks like a great relationship with the new partners at Willow Park. Don't be left out....See you for Super Sunday!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**Your Prez**

### Humor from the VP

#### "Hooked on Golf"

1. In primitive society, when native tribes beat the ground with clubs and yell, it is called witchcraft. In civilized society it is called golf!

2. When your shot has to carry over a water hazard, you can either hit one more club or two more balls
3. Since bad shots come in groups of three, a fourth shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three.
4. I never did see the sense in keeping my head down. The only reason I play golf is to see where the ball goes.
5. Every day I try to tell myself this is going to be a fun day today. I try to put myself in a great frame of mind before going out and then I screw it up on the first shot.

**By Hugh Williams, V.P.**

Comments from the Membership Chairman

We had 193 members for 2004 As of December 22nd, . If you haven't rejoined you will be unable to post a score on the computer. That's because you have been inactivated. Of course you all knew that because we've been reminding you all along. Luckily the phone didn't go down like it did last year. That was a real hassle. Now anyone wanting to become a full member will have to pay \$110 or associate dues of \$85.

We had a chance to talk to Mike Wiesner, the new owner of the restaurant. It looks like some exciting things are going to happen. I don't know whether our president will cover some of it in his column, but look for the restaurant to reopen in March.

Speaking of the restaurant, it is my sad duty to inform you that Mike Molana's wife, Lana, passed away this last week. Everybody knows Mike as he has been a bartender from back when Bob Antraccoli owned the place. Sorry for your loss, Mike.

**Larry Cobleigh Membership**

Editor's comments

Well, as you can tell, you will have me as the editor of this rag for yet another year. No other club member appears willing to step up and take on the job. For those of you that receive the newsletter by e-mail, please note that the web page has a different appearance. Thanks to my problems with SBC, I (we) have changed to a different web page provider and, so far, it has worked a lot better for me.

Don't forget the January tournament which will be held on Super Bowl day (Feb 1<sup>st</sup>) and I am told that there will be snacks etc.. Of course, the game will be shown on wide screen television in the restaurant.

As an observation (unsolicited of course) I want to get it down on record that I think that the officers and directors have been doing a great job in running the business of the club especially in their efforts to provide the members with the best tournaments and prizes possible. A special recognition for President George, Tournament Chairman Mark and especially treasurer Bob Fabel who has managed to keep track of the club funds in spite of the many ways that funds need to be spent. Thanks a lot guys!!

Finally, those of you that played in the December tournament, paid the \$45.00 green fee which included a \$12.00 charge

for the cart that you were unable to use. This \$12.00 remains as a credit to you and, if you plan to play in the January tournament, the green fee charge will be \$33.00. If you do not play in this tournament, check with Mark Hemenez or Bob Fabel regarding the method of reimbursement.

**Gail Stanton Editor**

TC's Column

Well now, that wasn't fun – the last tournament of the year in the rain with no carts and in the mud and cold!! A Norcal event and I tied for second. As a result, I am the loser – what a way to finish the year.

We did have 49 players and prizes were paid to almost half of the field! This together with the rest of the tournaments during the year, made a pretty successful year for the club.

Norcal qualifiers will be playing Poppy hills and Spyglass on March 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Good luck you guys.

So, happy New Year to all the club members. I sure hope this year will be as successful as the last. Club membership is looking good but we can always use some more participating members. If you know of any golfers who might be interested, have them get in touch with Larry Cobleigh or give them a membership application.

The next tournament is February 1<sup>st</sup> ,( Super bowl Sunday). Sign up early. The green fee is still \$45.00 unless you played last month. Then, it is only \$33.00 because you were unable to use a cart at that time.

See ya on the links!!

**Mark Hemenez TC**

**Willow Park Men's Club  
Turkey Shoot Tournament  
December 7, 2003**

**Low Gross (Norcal Qual)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Gross Score</u>
Klein, Dennis	74
Paniagua' Tony	78

**Low Net (Norcal Qual)**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Gross Score</u>	<u>Hdcp</u>	<u>Net Score</u>
Portue, Keith	81	13	68
Vance, George	79	10	69

**1<sup>st</sup> Flight**

Walker, Ron	78	8	70
Chonzena Ralph	80	10	70
Becker, Larry	82	11	71
Roberts, Dave	81	10	71
Henderson, Matt	80	6	74
Classen, Kipp	83	9	74

**2<sup>nd</sup> Flight**

Joseph, Joe	82	16	66
Joseph Tom	84	15	69
Pedigo, Matt	84	15	69
Johnson, Joe	88	17	71
Dotson, Dwight	96	24	72
Hamilton, Al	90	18	72
Holmstrom Tom	93	20	73
Stevens Dan	94	21	73
Ehlers, Walt	86	13	73
Folger, Kirk	98	24	74

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LD Kipp Klassen

# 3 Tom Joseph ~ #5 Neil Nohr ~ #7 Dennis Klien ~ #13 Tony Paniagua ~ #16 Dave Schriber

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