

# The Willow Park

## MEN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

P.O. Box 2600, CASTRO VALLEY, CA. 94546

Issue: August 2007

### **Next Club Meeting:**

July 26, 2007  
6:30pm, WP Bar Annex

### **Tournament Deadlines:**

Wednesday, July 11

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### **2007 Tournament Schedule**

Aug 19 TC Surprise I (5 Club)  
Sept 8, 9 Club Championship \*Major\*  
Oct 14 Regular – WC Skins Completion  
Nov 18 TC Surprise II  
Dec 16 Turkey Shoot – 08 Norcal Qualifier

### **Presidential Focus**

Fellow Members,  
Let the **HOT AUGUST NIGHTS** begin!!!  
And our Annual Elections are coming soon! A blue ribbon committee of Larry Cobleigh, Mark Hemenez, and myself will be discussing and considering potential nominees for our upcoming elections. Positions up for election will be the Offices of, Vice President, Treasurer, as well as three (3) Directorships, whose terms are expiring. Any and all who have an interest in, or want to be an integral part of their club, let us know.

We are looking for interested members who will bring "new blood", solid participation, enjoyable growth, and strong commitment with a dedication of bettering our club for ourselves and our community. The election date this year will be **Wednesday, October 24, 2007**, to be held, as in past years, in conjunction with our Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting and Elections will again be held at the Masonic Lodge in Castro Valley. Steak Dinner will again be provided and prepared with the assistance of fellow Officers, Directors, and Volunteers. Prior to these festivities, our Traditional 9-Hole Golf Tournament will be held at Willow Park.

This is our prime time where great weather begets great golf. Our most important Tournaments, The Club Championship and the Tournament of Champions (Skins Games), are soon upon us. I look forward to our best turnout for these upcoming events. And

don't forget to check out our Website for continued informative and interesting information. Good Golfing!

**George Vance, President**

### **Tales from the "Deep" Rough**

Congratulations to the winners in our second "Major" of the year. Your awards will be sent out shortly

Congratulations to Steve Davis and Jim Derdevanis in the 2 man qualifier. While they did not place high enough to move on, they did put on a good show and represented the club well.

For those that missed the away tournament you missed a good day. Deer Ridge was the venue and turned out to be a good test. There were some really low scores from some folks and it appeared everyone enjoyed the day.

Just a reminder that the August tournament is **5 clubs only**. The tournament date is August 19 with the deadline of Wednesday August 8, 2007. All play will be from the white markers. This brings out the creativity, or lack of such, in everyone. This one is meant to be fun and provide you with an opportunity to show off your creative shot making. Surprisingly in the past the scores have been around the same as tournaments with 14 clubs.

The 2008 schedule is now final. I will pass out the schedule starting in the September tournament and make it available on the web site sometime in September as well. The 2008 away tournament is at Seascape in Aptos. I played it for the first time recently and thought it was a nice layout. It's a par 71 with 5 par threes and while the course is not long the course fights back with small undulating greens and narrow fairways with trees everywhere. I played the Black tees at around 6,100 yards and shot 76. I have

booked 40 starting times and I think everyone who plays will enjoy the course layout. More details will be listed in the 2008 schedule.

The "Road to the Skins Competition" is winding down with the competition for points heating up. The "Net" competition seems to be a dog fight with about 10-12 folks in close competition for the top 4 spots. There are two tournaments left to get more points.

As we get closer to the finish of the Willow Cup Points for entry into the October skins competition I'm sure many of you are asking "What happens if there is a tie for the 4<sup>th</sup> and final spot?" glad you asked. There will of course be tie breakers to determine the last spot and they are

1. Number of tournaments played
2. Number of points accumulated for top ten finishes
3. Number of top ten finishes
4. The Player with the lowest scoring average year to date. Player must have completed 9 of the 11 rounds (80%) to be eligible for this tie breaker.

It may not be the best way but as this is the first year I have to start somewhere.

That about does it for this month. Hit them long and straight. See ya on the course....

#### Next Tournament Details

Next Tournament: Sunday August 19, 2007  
Entry Deadline: Wednesday August 8, 2007  
Format: TC Surprise I (5 Club Only Tournament)  
All play will be from the white markers.  
Individual Stroke Play with multiple flights  
Special Event:

Don't forget September 8 & 9 is our Club Champion! Entry Deadline is August 29.

**Tony Paniagua – Tournament Chair**

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## The 2007 Willow Cup

Find out the current standings and where you stand on our website  
[www.WillowParkMensClub.com](http://www.WillowParkMensClub.com)

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## Rules of Golf Quiz

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1. How many clubs are you allowed to have in your golf bag?
2. Can you take a practice swing in a sand trap (referred to as a bunker)?
3. The flagstick is lying on the ground behind the cup, and as your partner putts, you realize that her ball is going to hit the flagstick. What should you do?
4. When teeing off, can you stand outside the teeing ground tee box (the rectangular area two club-lengths in depth, the front and the sides of which are defined by the outside limits of two tee-markers) if your ball is within the confines of the teeing ground?
5. Can you spit on the face of your golf club?

#### Answers:

1. 14 (Rule 4-4)
2. Yes, as long as you do not touch the sand with your club (Rule 13-4)
3. Under Rule 1-2/3, You should let the ball hit the flagstick. If you pick the flagstick up, you will be assessed a two-stroke penalty (or if in match play, lose the hole).
4. Yes (Rule 11-1)
5. Yes, as long as the purpose was to clean the face and not to influence the movement of the ball (Rule 4-2/4)

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