



# TWO RIVERS GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER

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**November 2017**

TRGC had two outings in October, both of which were notable for amazingly good weather and good participation. For our annual Reno trip, we had chilly mornings (even a frost delay on Friday), followed by clear skies and mild temperatures. At Bartley Cavanaugh, we caught the end of a warm spell that gave us perfect weather conditions. The two Reno days were scored separately, with the second day being the Lou Mucci Memorial tournament. Nearly 50 members and guests played in the Reno events.

Some twenty TRGC members and guests played Grizzly Ranch on Thursday prior to the Reno events. If you haven't had the chance to play Grizzly Ranch, it is a beautiful course with a fair layout. Even though the greens had been recently punched, all the participants enjoyed the outing there. The format was skins and Closet to the Pin on par 3's. There were winners, too, but no one wrote down who won what! Congratulations to the various winners—you know who you are. For the rest of us, it will remain a mystery.

## **RED HAWK (LAKES COURSE) RESULTS**

### 1<sup>st</sup> Flight

1 John Buck	68 net
2 Brett Svobodny	70
3 Tom Page	73
4 John Valdes	75 (card off)

Jon Hadley won the fewest putts with 31.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Flight

1 Connie Deblaquiere (guest)	65 net
2 Kim Staley	66
3 Steve Fierro	71
4 Sandy Davis	72

Connie Deblaquiere carded the fewest putts with 31.

3<sup>rd</sup> Flight

1 Renee Wildenberg	67 net
2 Peggy Mucci	69
3 Nancee Staley	72
4 Gail Quintel (guest)	74

Peggy Mucci won the fewest putts with 33.

Closest to the Pin Winners:

Hole #4, Tom Page, 14' 3", and Connie Deblaquiere, 29' 4", hole #8, Jeff Robertson, 6' 3", and Renee Wildenberg, 15' 9", hole #12, Brett Svobodny, 3' 7", and Dot McKee, 17' 3", hole #17, Jon Hadley, 27' 8", and Johnice Swallender, 26' 10".

**RED HAWK (HILLS) RESULTS**

1<sup>st</sup> Flight

1 Mark Freathy	66 net
2 Jon Hadley	67
3 Mike Morrow	71
4 Gene Coughlin	73 (card off)

Jon Hadley won the putting with 26 putts.

2<sup>nd</sup> Flight

1 Connie Deblaquiere (guest)	69 net (card off)
2 Rich Stratton	69
3 Joe Gough	71 (card off)
4 James Snyder	71

Connie Deblaquiere won the fewest putts with 29.

3<sup>rd</sup> Flight

1 Cheryl Nelson	65 net
2 Lynne Peaslee (guest)	69
3 Dot McKee (guest)	71 (card off)

Peggy Mucci had 31 putts to win the putting contest.

Nice shooting ladies—you swept the awards in this flight both days!

Closest to the Pin Winners:

Hole #5, Glen Fluke, 5' 6", and Cheryl Nelson, 16' 9", hole #7, Jeff Robertson, 11' 6", and Johnice Swallender, 9' 1", hole #11, Kim Staley, 15', and Nancy Luke, 45', hole #13, Brett Svobodny, 11' 4", and Johnice Swallender, 32'.

In a very close finish, Cheryl Nelson won the Lou Mucci Memorial trophy by one stroke with a net 65 over Mark Freathy. Cheryl wrote the following article about the trophy and her experience winning it.

#### LOU MUCCI MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

Lou Mucci was one of the original members when the club was organized by employees of the California Lottery. The club eventually became Two Rivers Golf Club after most of the Lottery members moved on. Lou and Peg played a lot of golf together through all of those years until Lou passed away in June 2010. In October 2010 the first Lou Mucci Memorial Tournament was held in Reno to recognize all of the work that Lou had done for the club.

This tournament provides an opportunity to honor club members as well as family and friends surviving or taken by cancer. On this day we all wear pink and pose for a group photo to recognize the October Breast Cancer Awareness Program. Dan and I reminisced about last year's round with Bev Nelson and Al Murdaugh. We felt that cancer might be taking her from us and wondered how many more rounds we'd be allowed. Even though she gave me a 2-stroke penalty (on a 96 yard par 3 with water on the left) for hitting my ball outside the teeing ground, I miss her! Dan can still hear her saying "Don't lay up" when the putts are short. I'm pretty sure that Peg can still hear Lou from the rough or on the green. Many of us have fond memories of friends/family we've enjoyed through the game of golf.

It's an honor to win the Lou Mucci Memorial Tournament trophy. I'm not a great golfer but every once in a while, a great round can happen. That's golf! The handicap system levels the playing field. My net 65 edged out our very good

friend with a very low handicap (sorry Mark!) by just one stroke. It was a wonderful day under a bright blue Nevada sky at Red Hawk. Dan and I had fun playing with two guys we hadn't met before, Dick Lohmeyer and Glenn Fluke. We have enjoyed all of the rounds played with many club members over the past 5 years, and some have resulted in treasured friendships. We are grateful for the years of golf with all of you.

Cheryl also furnished this photo of the Reno participants, all decked out in pink to promote breast cancer awareness and research:



#### **BARTLEY CAVANAUGH SCRAMBLE**

We had our traditional for-fun scramble event and lunch at Bartley Cavanaugh the last Saturday in October. Eleven teams squared off for cash prizes and bragging rights. Close battle! The top 3 teams tied with net 53's; winning on a tie-breaker were:

- 1 Bruce Prokopow, Scott Stremple, Judy Davenport and Alan Staton
- 2 Jim Svobodny, Brett Svobodny, Dave Harrison and Nancy Luke
- 3 Steve Ryan, Sara Ryan, Clark Swanson and Sharon Swanson
- 4 Mike Morrow, Dwain Yearwood, Jay Watson net 55

I want to mention that Renee used the USGA-recommended scramble handicap formula for the teams at Bartley Cavanaugh. The formula adds 20% of the lowest handicap player, 15% of the second lowest, 10% of the third lowest and 5% of the fourth lowest player to get the team handicap. Per the USGA, this formula equalizes the teams regardless of the handicap mix of each team. My own team finished well back in the pack, but we got nice contributions from each player and had a great time trying to maximize our play.

Also at the luncheon, Brad Erway was again recognized as the TRGC club champion for 2017. The Most-Improved female golfer for the year was Peggy Mucci, who lowered her index by 5.2 strokes. The Most-Improved male golfer was yours truly, who lowered his index by 5.1 strokes. Now if I can just do that again next year!

### **DONATIONS, DONATIONS**

We had tons of golf gear to hand out via random drawings at the Bartley Cavanaugh scramble and lunch. Something for everyone! Not all the prizes were claimed, so Dave Ward volunteered to take the remainders to the Land Park golf shop for a First Tee donation from the club. Dave suggested that I should let everyone know about this worthy charity to help aspiring young golfers participate in our favorite sport by helping them with equipment and supplies. If you have unused clubs, golf balls, golf apparel, golf shoes, golf bags or other golf equipment laying around taking up valuable garage space (yes, we all have this problem!), both Land Park or Haggin Oaks will accept this gear as donations for the First Tee. You can combine reclaiming garage space with an important service. Thanks, Dave, for a great suggestion.

### **NCGA QUALIFIER NEWS**

On August 31, Mike Morrow and Jeff Robertson played at Ancil Hoffman in the NCGA Associate Club qualifier. Mike shot a net -4 and Jeff shot a net -3. Both of them moved on to the next round October 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at Poppy Hills, right after our Reno trip. They played well at Poppy and finished in the top half of their flight. Good shooting, guys.

## COMING EVENTS

That's it for 2017! The Board of Directors is working on putting the schedule together for 2018, including some special events to celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> year.

## TRGC WEBSITE

If you have visited our TRGC website at [www.tworiversgolfclub.com](http://www.tworiversgolfclub.com), you can see all the progress that James Snyder has made. The calendar of events is now current with links to the tournament entry forms. He will continue to make progress as the season goes on. Thanks, James, for all your hard work.

## RECRUITMENT AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

As always, TRGC is looking to increase its membership base. **Recruitment is the lifeblood of any organization**, so be sure to invite your friends, co-workers, and golf buddies from other groups to meet our club.

**Get your renewal forms and checks into Judy Davenport—avoid those nasty late fees!**

## SUNSHINE

We've had some serious medical events recently. Jim Svobodny continues to recover from his kidney removal surgery. It was good to see him play in both club championship rounds and at Bartley Cavanaugh.

Longtime TRGC member Leo Winternitz recently had rotator cuff surgery and will be out of golf for the rest of the year. I talked with Leo at John Valdes' retirement soiree. Leo is doing well and regaining full function of his shoulder. We'll look forward to seeing you in 2018, Leo. Basil Lobaugh continues to recover from back surgery; this type of surgery takes a long convalescent period. Basil stopped in after the first club championship round to cheer on his wife, Lee Ann, and to say hi to the rest of the club. Good to see you, Basil. Please remember our ailing TRGC friends in your thoughts and prayers.

## NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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