

Fairway Drive



President's Message

Hello to all C.G.C.C members.

The holidays are here, and I feel like we have a lot to be grateful for at our club. Doug and I recently played in the Pro-President Pro-am at Lake Merced Golf and Country Club. After speaking with multiple other club pros, board members and golfers, I am very pleased that we have a course that is very inexpensive compared to others and has a great support system from our members and staff.

I would like to give a few shout outs to our Board committees for all the work they do.

- Our **Greens committee** (Billy Wolf, Mike Lutz and Thomas Steinhoff) meets frequently and works hard to ensure our course stays in great shape.
- Our **Social committee** (led by Megan Zwald) has brought many new ideas to the board and has planned great future events to continue engaging members in other ways than just playing golf.
- Our **House committee** (Perry Taylor and Eddie Long) continues to work hard on bringing you the best possible clubhouse experience.
- Our **Tournament committee** (Dan Thompson, Perry Taylor and Brad Cardosa) continues to work hard on offering tournaments that fit all golfers. We recently hosted a very successful Turkey Shoot and have lots planned for the upcoming year.
- Our **Women's Club** (led by Mattie Steinhoff and her board) continues to run successful events that keep our women members involved and continues to help improve our clubhouse.
- Our **Finance committee** (JayAnne Saso and Dan Thompson) are working hard to keep our membership dues as low as possible while addressing ongoing cost increases to operating our club. With that being said, our **membership dues are set to increase starting January 1st by \$5 per membership** - bringing a single membership to \$125 per month, a family to \$140 per month and a social to \$55. This cost increase was approved by the Board 3 years ago to address inflation at that time.

I would also like to give a shout out to Doug for all his hard work, long hours and dedication to our club. I'm also proud to welcome Janelle Huntzinger to our staff as our new office manager. The board feels she will be a great asset to keeping our business office running smoothly.

Thank you to all our great members, because without you, we would not have such a great club. As we enjoy this holiday season, don't forget we are lucky to live in a place where golf can be played all year. Please come out to support and enjoy your club.

Sincerely,
Brad Cardosa, Board President

Notes from the Golf Shop

The holiday season is here, and we are happy to assist with your gifting needs. If you would like to order gifts for your golfer, please let us know as early as possible so we can place orders in a timely manner. We work with a wide range of companies and can also create custom items upon request.

We are also collecting toys in the Pro Shop for the California Highway Patrol's CHiPs for Kids Toy Drive. If you'd like to support our efforts, please drop off a new, unwrapped toy by Dec. 17.

Upcoming Events	
Dec. 19	Christmas Jeopardy
Dec. 21	Cookie Decorating Party
Dec. 24	Holiday hours - Golf shop closes at 3pm
Dec. 25	Club Closed, Merry Christmas
Jan. 1	Club Closed, Happy New Year
Jan. 10	Greens Keeper Revenge Tournament
Jan. 17	Chili Cookoff

Twenty twenty-five was a great golf season, let's make 2026 even better together.

News from the Colusa Women's Club

Hello Ladies,

We're excited to share a few updates as we look forward to a great year of golf!

The Women's Club can't wait to tee up more fun with Doug's golf lesson series. These complimentary clinics are exclusively for Women's Club members. **Join us on March 11** for a course-strategy session, then circle back on **April 8** as we dive into all things putting.

Be on the lookout for updates and meeting information regarding our annual Women's Invitational.

We'll begin planning early in the year, and we can't wait to make it another fantastic event!

As we near year-end, please submit your dues at your earliest convenience. Dues are \$11 for a Women's Club membership, or \$60 if you're including your handicap. More details will be headed your way soon.

We hope to see you at the course enjoying the festive events and celebrating with the Club community!

Warm holiday wishes,
Mattie Steinhoff, Women's Club Captain

Men's Club Updates

Congratulations to Perry Taylor for being our golfer of the year! For all our competitive men golfers, our Men's Club season started in November. We have a 6-series tournament schedule on the calendar, with all tournaments being 2-man teams in different formats. We have worked hard over the last few years to create more competition opportunities and hope all of you guys looking for some competitive golf with your friends will join in on the fun.

Funds wise, the Men's Club helps pay for Golf Genius and supports several pro-ams each year. We are also starting to save money and have been in talks with the Women's club to start helping with some upgrades in our clubhouse and around the course.

I hope to see you guys at our events and if you're interested in participating, please stop by the Pro Shop and get some more information from Doug or myself.

Sincerely,
Brad Cardosa, Men's Club chairman

Greens Report

The new sand trap on Hole 3 is officially in—and it's looking great! A huge **thank-you to Bruce Hardwick and his crew** for jumping in and helping us bring this project across the finish line. We'll continue improving and rebuilding bunkers over the next few months as weather and staffing allow. As we move into the winter season, here's a quick look at what Gilbert and the grounds team will be focusing on:

Weekly Course Maintenance Schedule

- **Greens:** Mowed Tuesday–Sunday
- **Tees:** Mowed Wednesday
- **Fairways:** Mowed Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
- **Rough:** Mowed Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
- **Bunkers:** Raked Tuesday–Sunday
- **Cups Changed:** Thursday

Winter Projects

- Tree trimming
- Cart-path edging
- Continued bunker renovation and improvements



Please also keep in mind that we operate with a **two-man crew during the winter months**, so your patience and course etiquette mean a lot. As always, help us protect the turf by **avoiding wet areas**. If we've had rain within a day or two, please check with the Golf Shop before teeing off for the day's **90-degree rule** or **cart-path-only** status.

Thanks for your support, and we're excited for more improvements to come!
Colusa Golf & Country Club Green Committee

House Committee

Hi everyone!

Thanks for another great year for our bar. We've enjoyed hosting you all during Thirsty Thursdays, race days, Sunday and Monday Night football watching, and all the other gatherings in between. Now that the new TV is in its permanent position, we'd like to thank our members for their donations toward enhancing our bar.

Moving forward, we will have a **new system for tracking receipts so we can better track sales and inventory needs**. After running a tab at the bar, please **staple the white tally sheet to your debit/credit receipt**. If you pay via **cash or use chips, write that down on the tally sheet** and drop the receipt in the slot.

We will also post our events calendar inside the bar area for those of you that don't always go into the pro shop. We look forward to seeing members at the family Christmas party with Santa on December 7 from 4-9 p.m. (sold out!).

Cheers and thank you,
Perry Taylor & the House Committee

Social Events

It's holiday season at the golf course — and we've got a festive lineup you won't want to miss! Join us throughout December for cheerful gatherings, delicious treats, and good times with our golf community. From holiday mixers to cookie decorating and cozy evening socials, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Swing by, celebrate the season, and make some merry memories with us! 🎉❤️🍷

Upcoming Events

- **Dec. 19 Christmas Jeopardy.** This Adults-only event invites our trivia-loving members to shoot for a daily double and take home a CGCC Jeopardy win! Join us Dec. 19 from 6 – 8 PM. Teams of 4 – 8 people, \$10 per person. Bring a holiday treat to share. Must sign-up in advance.
- **Dec. 21 Christmas Cooking Decorating.** This family-friendly event will be a great opportunity to bring the littles to the course and enjoy an afternoon of fun. Please RSVP. Decorating starts at 2 PM and the cost is \$10 per person.
- **Jan. 17 Chili Cook-off.** Watch for more details soon.

Ensure you're signed up to receive Doug's weekly texts and following us on Facebook for more 2026 event announcements!

Want to Get Involved? We need your ideas!

Love planning parties, community events, or just getting people together? **Join our Social Planning Committee** and help us bring fun and connection to our community! Whether you're full of ideas or just want to lend a helping hand, we'd love to have you on board. Message Megan Zwald (530-844-0487) or attend our next meeting to learn more!

Thank you!
Megan Zwald
