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President's Message

We had a fantastic turnout for our Member/Member tournament! Despite the heavy rains on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, we were fortunate to enjoy a beautiful Saturday. A huge thank you to everyone for showing up—especially to our standby, William Souther, who helped us achieve 100% attendance. Congratulations to all the flight winners!

Good luck to those still vying for the top spot in the Presidents Cup!

Unfortunately, our first Derby of the year was rained out, but we're looking ahead to next month's tournament—the ever-popular ILN 5-4-3 Out on April 12th. We can't wait to see you all there!

"A heartfelt thank you to all the El Prado Pro Shop staff. The El Prado Men's Club truly appreciates your professionalism and kindness toward our members. Your dedication does not go unnoticed!"

See you soon,
Danny Ortiz, President



Last Chance for Getaway Signups!

Attention procrastinators!

We are extending the deadline for the 2025 Getaway in Mesquite to **April 12**. If you haven't signed up, pay and turn in your form ASAP, or bring it to the tournament check-in table. After April 12 we will finalize the bookings with the golf courses and hotels. The club will not reserve tee times for players who have not paid and turned in an entry form.

[The entry form with all the details](#) is on the website.

Remember – if you pay with Zelle, you are NOT signed up until the form is completed and turned in.

Scott Harlin, Treasurer



UPCOMING DATES

April 8
Online Tournament
Signups Close

April 12
Individual Low Net
5-4-3 Out

April 15
Derby

March 4
Online Tournament
Signups Close

May 17
2 Man Better Ball
4 Club Red Tees

May 20
Derby

SIGNUPS

Saturday Skins
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[Tuesday Skins](#)

Tournament News

The March 2025 El Prado Men's Club Member/Member

tournament is in the books – 49 teams (98 members) participated in our usual 4 flights. Thanks to those who played. The Member/Member tournament paid out \$4558 to 28 teams (56 players). The 50/50 drawing winners were: Dave Lindsey, Troy Slavin, John Grinder - each received \$105 pot money. Ron Lovell was the free round of golf winner. Congratulations to all the winners!



We have one hiccup to report on the Chino Creek side during our Member/Member tournament. The first group out forgot to drop the tape measure off when leaving hole #4. The oversight was caught quickly, and the tape measure was brought back to the hole before most of the field played through. Here's the hiccup, and resolution: We had one member in one flight hit the green and paced off his ball and sent a video forward. His estimated distance, and that of the measured by tape distance was too close to call a winner. After board discussion it was decided to split the pot for that hole and for that flight. Since the oversight by the first group was caught early, we felt the latter was a fairer way to resolve the issue rather than disqualify the entire hole. An important reminder to all should this happen again - please leave a marker on the green! A tee, or even better a tee with a piece of paper and your name on it. Thanks everyone, and especially thank you to those members involved for understanding.

In President Cup match play – we are now in the round of 16 matches. For competitors reaching Round 16 congratulations! Members can find match results in Golf Genius under 2025 Presidents Cup Matches. If you have any issues or competition questions, please contact Doug.

April 12th is our next tournament - the ILN 5-4-3 Out. This is an individual event with plenty of forgiveness. At the end of the round, your highest net 3, 4, and 5 par scores are thrown out! So, if you triple the first 5 par, no worries! Just don't do it again. On the other hand, if you birdie the first three 5 pars, go for the eagle on the last one, as there's nothing to lose!

Look for ILN 5-4-3 Out on-line signups to open soon! Tournament signups will close Tuesday April 8th. Sign up early to guarantee a spot. Online signups will close earlier if the player limit is reached before April 8th. We will confirm the roster of signed up players in email on Wednesday April 9th before the

tournament, and release tee times and pairings by Friday April 11th.

The ILN 5-4-3 Out is an individual event, and YOU must sign up in Golf Genius yourself.

When signups open, please follow these simple steps to register:

Step 1. You will need to navigate through the signup confirmation buttons by checking Playing or Not Playing. Look, or scroll to the bottom of the invitation email and click.

Step 2. If you choose - you can also SEND message to the manager with any special request. Example – Tee time and pairing preference. (We'll try our best to accommodate)

Step 3. Hit the SEND button.

The tee sheet link in Golf Genius will populate names for the confirmed list of players. Pairings will not appear until tee times are made in Golf Genius April 19th. Registered players will get a Golf Genius automated signup confirmation email.

Helpful hint – April 12th 5-4-3 Out Tournament - AB flights will be on Chino Creek and CD flights will be on Butterfield.

Respectfully,
Gary Abbott, Golf Competitions

Tournament and Skins News

Over the past couple of weeks, we have had some questions arise over procedures and pace of play. First, we had a situation that came up during the tournament.



The first group out accidentally failed to leave a measuring tape on the first par 3. Subsequent groups were not able to measure and were not sure what to do. Here is what you do, if this ever happens to you.

Find a piece of paper or break a small piece off the scorecard and write your name and flight on it, then stick a tee through it and leave it on the green where your ball lies. This will allow someone to measure your distance for you, when the measuring tapes are brought back to the hole.

Let's move on to pace of play.

The biggest question that is asked is simply what the proper pace of play is. Great question!

First let me say that pace of play is every member's responsibility. Failing to keep pace does not just affect you and your group; but all the groups behind you. Many players believe that if the group behind them isn't waiting, then they are good. Incorrect.

Your responsibility to keep pace with the group ahead of you has nothing to do with the group behind you.

What does it mean to keep pace?

- Keeping pace with those in front of you. This means that you will be waiting on nearly every shot, albeit for a short time.
- Keeping a pace that allows you to finish your round in less than 4 ½ hours

How to keep pace?

- Be more efficient with your time
- Play ready golf
- Watch tee shots of other golfers in your group
- Write down the score on the next tee, NOT on the green
- Complete your pre-shot routine while others are hitting/putting
- Be ready on the tee/fairway/green when it's your turn

If we all do this, the game will be much more enjoyable!

Lastly, in case you haven't seen the new Saturday flights, please look on the website and ensure you are aware of the proper flight you are in.

7.5 and below	A Flight
7.6 – 14.6	B Flight
14.7 and above	C Flight

If you ever have questions on flights, rules, formats for skins games or basic local rules, go to the El Prado Men's Club web site and look under rules. There is so much information there that you can browse through!!

Good Luck and hit them straight!!
Doug Benc, Golf Competitions

It's Derby Time!

Unfortunately our March derby was cancelled due to the soggy conditions. Looking forward to much better weather, The April derby will be 15. We will check in at 4:00, draw partners, and tee off at 4:30. We would love to see you there!



In case you forgot, this is a 5-hole horse race on Tuesday afternoon after the monthly tournament. It is alternate shot with a blind draw partner, focused on fun. It's a great opportunity to play with somebody new, from places you may have never played from.



We play the holes together as a group, so if you've never seen 20 carts on the fairway at the same time, you won't want to miss it. And when we reach the green, we putt out closest to farthest. The highest scores on each hole earn the team an early exit, with ties broken by a chip-off. It's only a \$5 buy in, and the club sweetens the pot with an extra \$100.

Lance Ford, Social Chairman

TOP 25 - 2024-2025

Rank	Name	Total
1	Patel, Amaan	578
2	Montelongo, Cruz	535
3	Collins, Nick	522
4	Cabezas, Cali	455
5	Ortiz, Danny	448
6	Dufour, Jerry	433
6	Willman, Jason	433
8	Bruder, Thomas	432
9	Moir, James	430
10	Bates, Patrick	423
11	Earhart, Tom	418
12	Tamashiro, Wes	410
13	Nichols, Wayne	380
14	Moir, Justin	367
15	Barcenas, Cristhian	357
16	Deshay, Stan	344
17	Cabezas, Alberto	337
18	Walsh, James	333
19	Hallam, Thomas	326
20	Rief, Mark	320
21	Potts, Dean	308
22	Baker, Clarence	306
23	Verne, Eric	292
24	Willman, Steven	289
25	Kramer, John	285

Pro's Corner

Congratulations to Ben Browne from our Senior's group, he was the first to answer our rules question with showing the appropriate rule used on that situation. Ben wins a free round of golf, please come get your certificate from Randy in the pro shop. To explain the ruling will be a lengthy write up so please see me in the golf shop if you are curious on the explanation.



For those that had signed up for our Callaway golf fitting, the new date is March 28, 2025 (Friday) from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please sign up through our website if you are interested, members that purchase on that day can receive up to 20% off retail pricing offered by the famous giant retail golf stores.

For our members that purchased raffle tickets for our St. Patrick Day's raffle that is giving away a set of Callaway Elyte golf clubs, bag, driver and putter. We really appreciate you; we have reached the minimum amount, and our El Prado junior golf program is the sole beneficiary of this program. We have many juniors that would like to participate, and we use the funds to buy clubs and for juniors to participate in the programs. The drawing will be done live on March 21 through Instagram with a copy that will be shown in the golf shop monitors till the end of the month. If you would like to participate, please email me or purchase the tickets in the golf shop.

Please be aware that our greens will be punched or aerified this month of March. We had to postpone the Chino Creek greens by a week due to the rains scheduled so please be patient with the quality of the greens the next few weeks. We plan on starting Chino Creek on March 17 and Butterfield Stage on March 24. The weather has been a major factor for our operations, but we are doing everything we can to minimize the inconvenience that aerification brings.

On a positive note, we continue to buy maintenance equipment. Our latest purchase is a greens cutter and roller. This purchase enables us to roll the greens on a more frequent basis and I'm sure that this improvement will be noticed immediately.



Lastly, for our rules question of the month. Please make sure to quote the exact rule that this scenario falls into. Player A declares the brand and number of his golf ball to his playing partners off the first tee and hits. He is then told by his playing partners to hit a provisional ball, Player A then hits a similar shot as his first ball. Player A then finds both his golf balls in the same area and inbounds but notices its both the same ball with no markings. How does he proceed?

Art Guevara, PGA
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Tournament Results – Member/Member – March 8, 2025

All payouts are in El Prado Golf Courses scrip. Team payouts will be split.
Complete results are always available at <https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/epmc>

9 Holes Better Ball (T1) + 9 Holes Aggregate (T2)

A Flight	Team	Total To Par	T1	T2	Total	Purse
1	Lovell, Jim + Tamashiro, Wes	-2	35	71	106	\$220
2	Collins, Nick + Dufour, Jerry	E	30	78	108	\$180
3	Benc, Doug + Dancses, Brian	1	32	77	109	\$140
4	Earhart, Tom + Law, Brian	2	34	76	110	\$100
B Flight	Team	Total To Par	T1	T2	Total	Purse
1	Becerra, Rafael + Deshay, Stan	-1	33	74	107	\$220
2	Willman, Jason + Willman, Steven	E	33	75	108	\$180
T3	Saulet, Darrel + Tharp, Richard	1	35	74	109	\$120
T3	Patterson, Ronald + Rocovitz, Mark	1	32	77	109	\$120
C Flight	Team	Total To Par	T1	T2	Total	Purse
1	Rivera, Albert + Torres, Ramiro	E	35	73	108	\$220
2	Harlin, Scott + Williams, Anthony	1	31	78	109	\$180
T3	Bates, Patrick + Comparone, Mark	2	35	75	110	\$120
T3	Baker, Clarence + Baker, Robert	2	33	77	110	\$120
D Flight	Team	Total To Par	T1	T2	Total	Purse
1	Massey, Brian + Vasiliadis, Alex	-5	32	71	103	\$220
2	Ferguson, Lyle + Pacheco, John	1	34	75	109	\$180
T3	Moir, James + Moir, Justin	2	37	73	110	\$120
T3	Siniscalchi, Nathan + Verne, Troy	2	35	75	110	\$120

Total Purse Allocated: \$2,560.00

Gross Skins

A Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Patel, Amaan + Trujillo, Kobe	3	\$192	Birdie on 4, Birdie on 17, Birdie on 18
Collins, Nick + Dufour, Jerry	1	\$64	Birdie on 5
B Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Bretado, David jordan + Bretado, Henry	1	\$64	Birdie on 17
Patterson, Ronald + Rocovitz, Mark	1	\$64	Birdie on 1
Barcenas, Cristhian + Sleeper, Tim	1	\$64	Birdie on 6
Cabezas, Cali + Nichols, Wayne	1	\$64	Birdie on 2
C Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Bates, Patrick + Comparone, Mark	2	\$68	Birdie on 16, Birdie on 17
Briggle, Thomas + Hughes, Daniel	2	\$68	Birdie on 6, Par on 8
Harlin, Scott + Williams, Anthony	2	\$68	Birdie on 10, Birdie on 18
Barrow, Boone + Lovell, Ron	1	\$34	Birdie on 12

D Flight	Skins	Purse	Details
Moir, James + Moir, Justin	1	\$48	Par on 10
Rumble, Tim + Turpin, Jeffrey	1	\$48	Par on 6
Armijo, Albert J + Renteria, Lawrence	1	\$48	Birdie on 16
Massey, Brian + Vasiliadis, Alex	1	\$48	Par on 18
Cabezas, Alberto + Jensen, Paul	1	\$48	Par on 15

Total Purse Allocated: \$990.00

Closest to the pin

A Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Earhart, Tom + Law, Brian	\$132	#7 25 ft 4 in, #14 5 ft 7 in
	Johnson, Kelly + Vicario, Gil	\$66	#17 9 ft 9 in
	Patel, Amaan + Trujillo, Kobe	\$66	#2 8 ft 8 in
Total Purse Allocated: \$264.00			

B Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Willman, Jason + Willman, Steven	\$132	#2 20 ft, #14 35 ft 2 in
	Bretado, David jordan + Bretado, Henry	\$66	#17 9 ft 8 in
	Rodriguez, Eduardo + Ruiz, Manuel	\$66	#7 3 ft 10 in
Total Purse Allocated: \$264.00			

C Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Bates, Patrick + Comparone, Mark	\$120	#4 15 ft 8 in, #16 6 ft 3 in
	Baker, Clarence + Baker, Robert	\$60	#14 21 ft 2 in
	Briggle, Thomas + Hughes, Daniel	\$60	#7 3 ft 1 in
Total Purse Allocated: \$240.00			

D Flight	Team	Purse	Details
	Armijo, Albert J + Renteria, Lawrence	\$90	#7 8 ft 3 in, #4 split
	Cabezas, Alberto + Jensen, Paul	\$60	#14 21 ft 7 in
	Massey, Brian + Vasiliadis, Alex	\$60	#16 9 ft 7 in
	Cox, David + Walsh, James	\$30	#4 split
Total Purse Allocated: \$240.00			