



From the 19th Hole

Larry Prosi's

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

March 2023



To all TPMGC Members... I hope this Newsletter finds you in good health and "hitting 'em straight"!

Many updates for our members as 2023 rolls along...

- We have had two of our long time Board Members leave us during this first quarter. **Judge Michael Berg** is stepping aside after 17 years on the Board. Michael's contributions include serving as past President and as our long time Code of Conduct Chair, handling many of our member issues. **Steve Arkin** is also leaving the Board, as he will be relocating outside of SD County. Steve's contributions have been significant during his term on the Board as well. He served as lead Tech Chair and turned our Golf Genius program and TPMGC website into the state-of-the-art systems they are! I'm pleased to say that both Michael and Steve have agreed to stay as volunteer consultants as needed.
- We welcome **Frank Rashid** onto the Board. Frank will be on the Tech Committee supporting Johnnie Donnelly and Ed Carter and continuing the amazing progress the Tech team has made.
- Please mark your calendars for the **Annual Spring all member event at Torrey Pines on the afternoon of May 16th**. Lotsa prizes, pizza and a putting contest. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks on this great event!
- By the way, under the direction of Matt Van Meeteren, the club is looking at the opportunity to have more "social" events during the year so that members have an opportunity to meet and greet! More to follow...



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- Al Allison and Jim Hartigan of our volunteer program committee, , are finalizing the programs you can participate in. *Remember this Club's participation is mandatory in our newly signed SUP with the City.* More to follow...
- I know there has been some confusion on our Rain Policy. It is posted on the website and we ask you to please review it. Simply put – *all tournament play is "on" unless you're notified the morning of the event by 6 am.* We have commitments to each of the courses we play (home and away) and we are subject to paying the green fees if we cancel. So we need their concurrence to cancel a tournament; it is not our decision alone. Hopefully we won't have to deal with the rain much longer!
- We have also *updated our Penalty Policy.* It is much fairer and easier to understand for our members. Please review the e-Blast you should have received or take a look at the updated version on the website.
- The complete 2023 schedule is on the website. With the shift of weekday tournaments to two days during this first quarter, the Tournament Committee will now be reviewing the shift and determining if any adjustments are warranted. We must notify Torrey Pines 90 days in advance if we want to make any changes; they post advanced reservations that far in advance.
- There is some confusion about who gets Priority when signing up for the Weekday two-day events. The following is a simple explanation. Everyone on the entire waitlist has a priority number starting with 1. Then the list is divided into 3 separate lists: Wednesday, Thursday and No Preference. When



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there is a Wednesday vacancy, the member on the Wednesday or No Preference waitlist with lowest priority number is added to the field. When there is a Thursday vacancy, the member on the Thursday or No Preference waitlist with the lowest priority number is added to the field. **We're finding that Wednesday is nearly always available. Thursday is always oversubscribed. So your best chance to play is to sign up for Wednesday or no preference!**

- However, the best way to **Guaranty a Club tee time at Torrey Pines** is to Marshall! Check the website for opportunities to do so or contact Jim Hartigan for more information.
- Finally, the Club Policy for Prize Awards is as follows: all winnings played at our away events are credited to your TPMGC Club Prize Fund for your use. Contact Steve Shushan for access to those funds. For all monies won at our Torrey Pines GC events, the prize awards are credited to the Pro Shop under your name. You must contact the Pro Shop for access to those funds. Questions - let Steve know.

That's it for this first quarter. Questions or comments are welcome. Let me know. Thanks!

Larry