



From the 19th Hole

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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Welcome to All Torrey Pines Men's Club members!

Here are some Club updates...

- Please mark your calendar for the **Annual Club Spring All Member Meeting to be held Tuesday, June 18th** on the Torrey Pines Driving range from 4:30 to 7 PM. Pizza, beverages, putting contest and many raffle prizes. More information to follow.
- Great news... we now have an added feature on your "account section" on the website. You will see your **Torrey Pines Pro Shop balance**. This is updated twice a month. Note: TPMGC does not maintain details of your balance. Please contact the Torrey Pines Pro Shop if you think your balance is incorrect. Also, your balance as displayed on our website doesn't include any certificates you may have on file in the pro shop. **A big thank you to our Webmaster, Ed Carter, for setting this up!**
- Also, as previously mentioned, you can spend your funds at the pro shop as follows 1) pro shop soft goods **20% discount**; 2) golf carts (on day of a TPMGC tournament or on an off day but you must have the funds in your account) **30%** and 3) range tokens (there are no range cards any longer) **50% discount**.
- Your board has approved effective July 1, 2024, an increase in your tournament entry fee to \$20 per player (from \$15). We will continue to debit your member account. The additional funds will be used to increase both tournament payouts and CTP's.
- Please remember to *check in at TPGC at least 30 minutes prior to your tee time*. The course allows no flexibility in this 30 minimum check in requirement.



- As a reminder, thanks to Bob Hood, the club now has its own logo hats, shirts and golf bags! Just go into the TP Pro Shop and ask to see the TPMGC logo items for purchase. You can use your prize funds to pay for your purchase too! There is also a link on the website.
- We would like to add member pictures on the website- submit any pics to Ed Carter. Can be TPMGC golf played at home or away events, or when you might be playing at a major golf course!

Thanks to all of you that submitted your volunteer efforts. The following is a volunteer program update from Al Allison, our volunteer coordinator.

Status of TPMGC 2024 Volunteer Program

Per the Special Use Permit (SUP) that TPMGC has signed with the City, TPMGC is required to make a substantial volunteer commitment to Golf programs sponsored by the City's Park and Recreation Department/Golf Division.

The primary ongoing program is the Divot Patrol. Although Divot Patrol shifts are available on most weekdays, in 2024 Torrey Pines Operations (TP Ops) has designated the third Monday and Friday of each month as Divot Parties in which volunteer/ stewards from both the Men's and Women's Clubs are encouraged to have at least a dozen divoteers to complete as many holes as possible. Divot Patrol calendars are available on our website.

Golf Division Volunteer Programs:

Divot Patrol thru 5/31/24	73 Shifts Worked	205 hours
Adaptive Golf Championship	18 Volunteers	70 hours
Boys CIF Final	29 Volunteers	120 hours
City Amateur Championship	July 2024	
Girls CIF Championship	November 2024	

The Primary non-Park and Recreation Programs held at Torrey are the Farmers insurance Open and the Junior World Golf Championship. We are in the process through June 1st of collecting applications for Junior World tournament positions.

Non-Park and Recreation Programs

Farmers Insurance Open	57 Volunteers	1,207 hours
Junior World Golf Championship	July 2024	18 of 31 shifts filled



We are headed to logging more than 2,000 volunteer hours in 2024. This volunteer effort will assist in ensuring continued access to the Torrey Pines courses for TPMGC.

Remember – for many of these volunteer events, you get priority tee time in one of our TPMGC events at Torrey! If you have any questions, you can contact *TPMGC Volunteer Coordinator AI Allison* at alallisongolf@gmail.com

Some Rules and Policy Reminders

- Play the ball down unless you are specifically told otherwise by email from the Tournament Chair or on the scorecard. Never assume you can move the ball.
- *There are only two relief options with a penalty of 1 stroke if your ball enters a yellow penalty area: 1) Replay from the spot at which your last stroke was played or 2) Take back-on-the-line relief by dropping a ball outside the penalty area, keeping the point at which the ball entered the area between the hole and where the ball is dropped. Even if your ball clears the hazard and then rolls back in, you may not take relief on the side of the hazard nearest to the green.*
- Protect the field! If you see a fellow member violate any rules of golf, report it to the TC. Members who don't follow the rules have an advantage over those who do. To maintain fair competition, we rely on playing partners to notify us when the rules aren't followed. If you can prevent a rule violation from occurring, tell the member what they should do to avoid the rules violation.
- *Our POP policy has been in place for over 4 years now.* Please review the policy on the website. While a POP group infraction is somewhat rare, they still do occur. Often the players who are being penalized give any number of reasons that the slow play occurred. The POP committee is fair in its penalization.



- Often issuing only a one-point penalty, which is essentially a warning to the group. Our primary POP rule is “**the gap**” ...the overall round finish time is secondary to your group keeping pace with the group you are following. Finally, our *POP applies whether we are home at TPGC or at all our away events.*
- Remember, Golf Genius is the final scorecard and must be completed before you leave the course (generally within 15 minutes of the end of the round). Changes after that time may result in a DQ for the group.

**Upcoming Major TPMGC events
Senior Championship in June and the Club
Championship in August.**

Thank you to all our members for your support of our very busy volunteer Board...any questions, please let me know. Stay healthy and “see you” on Jun 18th at the Spring all member meeting!