

Los Verdes Hacker



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Special Announces:

Hugh Thank You to John Keigharn for his work as the Communications Chairman since 2020.

President's Message

Jeff Wells

Happy new year
Los Verdes Men's Club Members!



I hope you were able to spend quality time with the ones you love during the holidays.

As for new years resolutions, I hope your thoughts were to play more Golf at Los Verdes GC, making new friends and enjoying this special place that we all so enjoy.

We are starting off with a bang this year, hoping to have many different speakers, some to that will prove to improve your golfing skills, we are hoping for a variety of speakers for you to enjoy.

If we haven't met, please reach out to me, introduce yourself and shake my hand, I can always use a few more friends.

Hit them straight and not too often!

Jeff Wells Sr.- President

Meetings, Dinner and Putting Contest Schedule

CLICK THE LINK BELOW to register for the January 11th-Monthly Dinner

<https://www.golfgenius.com/ggid/hwbjpr>

All monthly meetings are held on a Wednesday night.

January through October they are held on

Dinner Speaker:

Michael Benedetto,
Asst. Tournament Chairman

Subject:

Golf Genius

the **2nd Wednesday** night of the month.

November and December the meetings are held on the **1st Wednesday** night of the month.

The dinner starts at 6:00. The meeting starts at 7:00pm.

The putting contest starts 5:00 unless it starts at 4:30. **You what that means?** get there early!!!!

Entertainment Director

Randy Sgro



Meeting Night is Wednesday January 11, 2023.

Happy New Year everyone! Hard to believe it is 2023.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas, or holiday season. Welcome to all the new members, I am looking forward to meeting you all on the course or at one of our monthly dinners.

I want to thank everyone for making the December meeting success. Especially want to thank Steve Howard and Bristol Farms for donating the wine for the evening, that was more than generous.

As we move into 2023, the club has a lot of good things in store for everyone. We have some great tournaments this year as always. As for meetings this year, we will have more nights that the wives can join and even a few families' friendly nights as well.

Speaking of easing into 2023 this month's meeting will be on January 11, 2023, and we will have Rick Crowder the new general manager come and speak at the meeting to give an update as to what is going on at the course.

We will a rules of golf update for 2023 and most importantly Mike Benedetto will be speaking about golf genius. You are not going to want to miss this meeting, especially the new members as Mike will explain how golf genius is used to sign up for monthly tournaments, monthly meetings and score keeping on meeting night.

As for dinner this month, chef will be preparing homemade lasagna and Italian sausage, (I have been told that it is a 100 old family recipe), garlic bread, salad and desert. The price for dinner is \$30.00 per person.

You can pay for dinner via golf genius as Mike Benedetto will be sending the invite separately. As always you can pay for dinner at the door, but it is best to pay ahead to ensure there is enough food.

Let's not forget the raffle and for those who attend the meeting and purchase dinner you will be able to pick your tee time for this month's tournament.

If you are a new member the meetings are a great way to meet other members of the club, so you are for sure going to want to attend the meeting.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday January 11, 2023.

Randy Sgro - Entertainment Director



BUS TRIPS

Bus Trips for 2023 are being planned, get ready for that bumpy ride.

Sign up here by emailing "Tino.Gomez@infineon.com" or call him with questions 310-650-3124

Scheduled trips will be posted shortly.



Satellite Tournaments

Satellite Tournaments are competitive, exciting matches against LVMGC members. You never know how the match will end up.!!!

Highly recommended for new members to play.

Satellite Tournament Captains:

Classic Blue.....	Tom Gibson
Classic White.....	Paul Hendrickson
Eclectic.....	Mike Mc Coy
Presidents Cup	Mike Mc Coy
Seniors Match.....	Tom Gibson
Putting Champ.....	Tony Vinter & Jim Louder

Tournament Chairman

Paul Hendrickson

Happy New Year!!!



Let's have another great year and make your resolution to play in as many events as possible. In order to do that I need for every member to take it upon themselves to look at our website for tournament information:

[Los Verdes Men's Golf and Country Club | lvmgcc.org](http://LosVerdesMen'sGolfandCountryClub|lvmgcc.org)

Mike Benedetto is forging forward with Golf Genius and the many upgrades it affords us. We have found out that many members have SPAM filters that prevent emails from getting to them and there are a handful of AOL user's that will never receive an email from us due to SPAM filters. So, the website will have a link that allows you to sign up for tournaments and the calendar is updated so that you can see upcoming General Meetings and the entire Tournament schedule.

Personally, I just input 23 golf events into my shared calendar with my wife so that she is fully aware that there is a tournament. I will overlay that with bus trips, satellite events, board meetings and mandatory weekend outings. I hope you all enjoy good health this year and are in a position to take advantage of all the golf that is available to play.

The first tournament in January will be an Individual Net Tournament on Sunday Jan 22nd and will be captained by Maroun Aboutanos. The general meeting is Wednesday Jan 11th and tee times will be given priority to those attending. Tee times are allotted by Rabbits, Volunteers, and then meeting attendees followed by available tee times. The latest time given to an attendee of a meeting last year was 9:50am so if you can get at least 1 of your foursome up to the meeting, your tee time will be good.

We will be rolling out Satellite sign-up's much earlier this year :

Classic – Tom Gibson
 White Classic – Paul Hendrickson
 Senior Match Play – Tom Gibson
 Eclectic – Mike Mc Coy
 President's Cup – Mike Mc Coy

The Bus Trip schedule is coming soon.

Tino Gomez heads our Bus Trips and he is really doing an amazing job. Tino was able to get us (2) Mark V Bus' last year gratis from LA County. His schedule last year was the best we have had in a decade and if you see all of the hat's being worn around the course, they are likely winner's from Tino's trips. New Members should all seek out Tino as your first bus trip is free and has to be used this year.

The New Member tournament is scheduled for Sunday Feb 12th early so you will all be able to still see the Super Bowl in a timely manner.

Looking forward to another great year,

Paul Hendrickson – Tournament Chairman



2023 Monthly Weekend Tournament Schedule

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Month	Format		2023	Captain
January	Individual Low Net	Sunday	22-Jan	Maroun Aboutanos
February	Individual Low Net	Sunday	19-Feb	Tony Vinter
March	Foursomes, 2 Best Balls	Sunday	19-Mar	John Keigharn
April	Partner Best Ball/ SCGA Qualifier	Saturday	22-Apr	Paul Hendrickson
May	Individual Net	Saturday	20-May	Chris Vassallo
June	Individual Net + Partner Blind Draw Net (total)	Saturday	24-Jun	Ralph Ferdinand
July	Orange Ball	Sunday	22-Jul	Al "K9" Von Kanel
August	Club Championship Weekend	Week-end	19-Aug	Jef Wells
August	Club Championship 1 day	Sunday	20-Aug	Jef Wells
September	Member - Guest Partner Best Ball	Sunday	24-Sep	Jef Wells
October	1-2-3 Waltz	Sunday	21-Oct	Mike Benedetto
November	USC-UCLA Showdown	Friday	17-Nov	Steege & Ventura
November	Foursomes, 2 Best Balls	Saturday	11-Nov	Rob Hoerberling
December	Hail to the Chief Individual Net	Friday	18-Dec	David Haehnel
December	Limited Club (4 clubs)	Saturday	16-Dec	Stan Kohler



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All things Rules of Golf

Alec Todryk

Membership,

Welcome new and returning members of Los Verdes. For 2023 we will continue to operate business as usual with in the USGA and local rules outlined by the Los Verdes Rules Committee. Outlined below are two local rules that all members should be aware of while playing in events and 5 key changes to the USGA rules of golf for 2023.

Local Rules

Smut grass Rule: A player whose ball lies close to smut grass, in a position where the swing movement of the clubface to hit the ball is obstructed by the smut grass, is allowed to place the ball within one club-length of where the ball came to rest no nearer the hole without penalty. There is no relief for stance on smut grass, only the clubface obstruction.

Exposed Tree Root Rule: If a player's ball is in play and there is interference with the lie of the ball or the area of intended swing from exposed tree roots that are in a part of the general area of the course that covers all of the course except for the other four defined areas: (1) the teeing area the player must play from in starting the hole, (2) all penalty areas, (3) all bunkers, and (4) the putting green of the hole the player is playing, the tree roots are treated as ground under repair. The player may take free relief under Rule 16.1b. Find the nearest point of relief that is not closer to the hole and the ball must be dropped within 1 club length and come to rest in the relief area. Interference does not exist if the tree roots only interfere with the player's stance.

Key 2023 USGA Rules change

Modifications for Players with Disabilities: The modifications to the Rules for players with disabilities have been made part of the Rules and are in effect for all players who are classified in the categories covered in Rule 25.

Handicap Usage in Stroke Play: With the continued growth of score-posting technology following the adoption of the World Handicap System™, players are no longer penalized for failing to put their handicap on their scorecard in stroke play. The committee will be responsible for ensuring the accuracy of each player's handicap.

Club Damaged During Round: The Rule has been amended to allow a player to replace a club that is damaged during a round, provided the player did not damage it through abuse.

Ball Moved by Natural Forces: A new exception provides that a ball at rest must be replaced if it moves to another area of the course or comes to rest out of bounds after being dropped, placed or replaced.

Back-on-the-Line Relief Procedure: The back-on-the-line relief procedure, often used for penalty area and unplayable ball relief, has been simplified so that the player now drops their ball on the line, and the ball must come to rest within one club-length of where it is dropped.

Link to rules changes - <https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/articles/2022/11/key-rules-of-golf-changes-2023.html>

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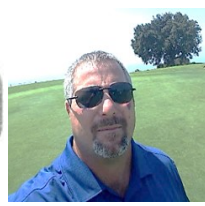
LOS VERDES MEN'S CLUB JANUARY 1, 2023 TOURNAMENT SNAPSHOTS

By Mike Mc Coy

JIM KIRNER IS THE 2022 WEEKDAY TOURNAMENT PRIZE LEADER!



Congratulations to Jim Kirner who was the Weekday Tournament Scrip leader! He finished "in the money" in 7 of the 12 tournaments, earning \$175 in pro shop scrip. Jim plays in the Tuesday Pot Game and is a tournament director for the Thursday Seniors group.



Congratulations also to Tuesday Pot Game coordinator Dan Burns for finishing 2nd in Scrip earnings this year. Finishing "in the money" in 6 tournaments, he won \$158 in Scrip.



Michael Kim also won Scrip in 6 tournaments, finishing 3rd with \$145.

Honorable mention for three other golfers who broke the \$100 barrier this year: Joe Ryan, Jeff Kirner, and Adolph

Weiss.

DECEMBER WEEKDAY TOURNAMENT – FORMAT: INDIVIDUAL LOW NET

The weather and course conditions made this a difficult week to score well in the Weekday Tournament. And the bunkers really turned in to sand *TRAPS!* So many 8s, 9s, and 10s creating an average score of net 78.

Congratulations to Paul DeAlleaume who won the Rudolph Flight with a 66, the low round of the tournament.

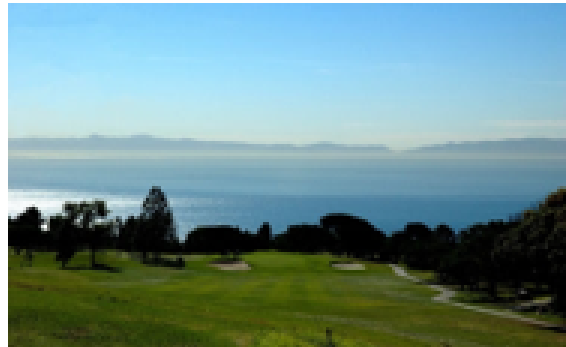
George Ortega finished 2nd in that flight with a net 70, the only other score under par.

Tom Broten, the only golfer to shoot net par 71, won the Frosty Flight, beating Jim Duntley by one stroke.

The Santa Flight was won by Robert Martin with a net 72, one stroke better than Jag Chopra.

Happy New Year to all as we begin 2023. The January Weekday Tournament will start the year as we ended it with an Individual Low New Format.

Mike McCoy
Weekday Tournament and Eclectic Tournament Captain



2023 WEEKDAY TOURNAMENTS

<u>DATES</u>	<u>FORMAT</u>	<u>POSTING AS</u>
JAN. 16-20	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
FEB. 13-17	Partner Odds & Even	Home Score
MAR. 13-17	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
APR. 17-21	Partner Better Ball	Home Score
MAY 15-19	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
JUNE 12-16	Individual Tin Whistle	Home Score
JULY 17-21	Partner Pars or Better	Home Score
AUG. 14-18	Individual Low Net	Competition Score
SEPT. 18-22	Partner Blind Draw (by flight)	Home Score
OCT. 16-20	Partner Better Ball With Scary 8s and 6s	Home Score
NOV. 13-17	Individual Turkey Shoot 9	Home Score
DEC. 11-15	Individual Low Net	Competition Score

*All formats are compatible with Pot Game and Seniors play.
For questions or further information, contact Mike McCoy, Weekday Tournament Capt.*

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