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President's Message Rob Viebrock~ AHGC President

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I will be serving as your new president of AHGC for 2018. I come off the heels of Rob Dixon who served a brief but great presidency. Prior to him serving as president, Rob served as our handicapper for many years while at the same time serving as temporary tournament director helping Mike Ong until I was able to come on board as a more permanent tourney director back in 2013. Rob was a long time board member along with being a great mentor. He will be sorely missed.

There have been many great people who've served as president who also remain loyal Ancil Hoffman golfers. Rick Wiley, Ivory Rubin, Rick Price, Greg Hovious, Khalil Cox to name a few. I only hope to keep up the great relationship they built with Empire Golf, in addition to all the players such as yourselves.

Taking a line from Rob Dixon, "Running AHGC is a group effort." Luckily, I have great support from our experienced and highly competent board members. Our tournaments are running at almost full capacity even during these colder months. A big thanks to Doug Olson running the midweek tourneys and Matt Gilchrist running the weekend tourneys. As well, I couldn't say all of this if I did not acknowledge how well the course is managed. The other day I was on the practice putting green and noticing how well and fast the green was rolling. More than that though, it felt like it was maintained like a country club green. Thank you Greg Blik for all your hard work and diligence in making this course a place we can all be proud of. I know I am.

Regarding the course, you may have noticed the new course ratings and a new set of tees being "combo tees." I believe these ratings portray a more accurate level of difficulty than what was previously represented. More on the combo tees from Pat Harrold.

2018 will bring about some changes, most of which are good, some not so much. Regarding the "not so much," unfortunately, NCGA raised rates on memberships by \$3.00 which is why we increased membership rates from \$79 to \$82. Regarding one of "the good," a change I've long since tried to put in place and thanks once again to the efforts of Pat Harrold along with Liz Ridinger, we will be utilizing an online form of payment system (Venmo) so you will be able to renew your membership without writing any checks. We will also be putting this into place for midweek and weekend tournaments a little bit down the road.

Lastly, I'd like to give a big thanks to Dane Bohrer, Kevin Cassidy along with all the professional crew at Empire for helping facilitate our tournaments and for helping me seamlessly run all my past jobs. I look forward to another successful year working with all of you.

See you out on the course!

Rob Viebrock
AHGC President

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2018 AHGC TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

2018 MIDWEEK SCHEDULE (Formats Subject to Change)

January 11	Individual Stroke Play
February 8	Individual Stroke Play
March 8	2 Person Best Ball
April 5	Individual Stroke Play
May 3	Two-Person Best-Ball / Senior NCGA 4-Ball Qualifier
May 31	Individual Stroke Play / Wayne Parsell Senior Net
June 21	Individual Stroke Play / NCGA Net Qualifier
July 19	2 Person Best Ball
August 16	Individual Stroke Play
September 6	Cha Cha Cha
October 11	Individual Stroke Play / Ancil Cup Points Playoff
November 1	Member/ Guest—2 Person Scramble
November 15	Two-Person Best-Ball / Chapman / Scramble
December 13	Stableford

2018 WEEKEND SCHEDULE

January 27	Individual Stroke Play
February 17	NCGA Four-Ball Qualifier
March 10 & 11	NCGA Zone Qualifier
April 14	Individual Stroke Play
May 29	Individual Stroke Play / Club Championship Scratch Qualifier
June 9-10	President's Cup
July 7	Individual Stroke Play
August 12 (Sunday)	Individual Stroke Play
September 8	Individual Stroke
October 20	Individual Stroke Play / Ancil Cup Playoff
November 10	Individual Stroke Play / Ancil Cup Playoff
December 8	Cha Cha Cha / Ancil Cup Championship

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Midweek Tournament News**Doug Olson****Midweek Tournament Chairman**

The six Midweek Tournaments in July through December 2017 had great turnouts, with 138 players in the July 20 Two Person Best Ball, 126 players in the August 17 Individual Stroke, 108 players in the September 7 Cha Cha Cha, 115 players in the October 5 Individual Stroke, 88 players in the November 16 Chapman/Best Ball/Scramble (played in continuous rainstorm), and 116 players in the December 14 Stableford. There were also 116 players in the October 25 Member/Guest Tournament. The July 20 tournament flight winners were the teams of Eric Jarvis/Lance Bishop and Joe Fasciola/Larry Palka. The August 17 tournament flight winners were Gary Guinn, Harry Massingill, Bill Espinosa, and Dave Jepma. The September 7 tournament flight winners were the teams of Steve Bryant/Steve Cushing/Greg Stein/Jeff Bradford and Scott Davis/Robert Slockbower/Ken Henry/Steve Broderick. The October 5 tournament flight winners were Donn Pintar, Paul Friedrich, Mike Payne and Steve Broderick. The November 16 tournament flight winners were the teams of Donn Pintar/Roger Siler and Gary Younglove/Jerry Jurach. The December 14 tournament flight winners were Chuck Honeycutt, Pat Harrold, Don Pedersen, and Steve Broderick.

Congratulations to Gary Guinn, who won the inaugural Summer Series Championship, carding a net score of 203 (67+68+68), based on the lowest three scores of the four tournaments from May 25, June 22, July 20 and August 17. Gary won by three strokes over Mel Buford and Bruce Blackman, who tied for second with net scores of 206. In 2018, there will again be a Winter Series Championship, including the midweek tournaments on January 11, February 8, March 8 and April 5, as well as a Summer Series Championship, including the midweek tournaments on May 31, June 21, July 19 and August 16. For both the Winter and Summer Series, the player with the lowest aggregate net score for three of the four midweek tournaments will be awarded \$250, second place \$150, and third place \$100 (no tiebreakers, prizes may be shared). Note that the May 3 Midweek Tournament will include the NCGA Senior Four-Ball Qualifier, but will not be included in either the Winter or Summer Series Championship. In aftermath of hole in one payouts to Greg Hovios and Don Howell earlier in 2017, the midweek hole in one fund has steadily replenished to the current amount of \$1060, going into the January 11 tournament.

The course has recently be re-rated, including the creation of a combo tee (9 holes blue tees and 9 holes white tees). The difference in yardage for the combo tees over the white tees totals 207 yards; however, since we have been continuously using the blue tee box on the second hole due to pace of play issues, the actual increase in total yardage will be 138 yards. A proposal to change to the new combo tees has received overwhelming support from members; therefore, beginning in January 2018, the midweek tournaments will be played from the new combo tees. On the financial side, the midweek tournaments in 2017 generated a net income from tournament fees totaling \$25,593, while the corresponding pro shop payouts totaled \$25,535. The lineup for the Midweek Tournaments in 2018 includes 8 individual stroke events, 4 two-person events, 1 four-person event (Cha Cha Cha), and a member/guest tournament that will feature a two person scramble.

I want to thank all participants for making the Midweek Tournaments run smoothly. Please remember to enter on-line early, as typically the tournaments become full and registration ends 7-10 days beforehand. In addition, please note that there is a 48 hour cancellation policy that is in effect for all Midweek Tournaments.

Doug Olson—Midweek Tournament Director

Weekend Tournament News**Matt Gilchrist****Weekend Tournament Chair**

Ancil Members,

Welcome to the 2018 AHGC Weekend Tournament Season!

We've got three events in the first quarter and looking for participation stay hot as it did much of 2017, please keep up the enthusiasm and be sure to let me know if there is anything else I can do to help keep the tournaments a success. First off is an Individual Stroke event in January (might try out the new combo tees this weekend), followed by NCGA qualifiers in February and March. These are both 2- person, Best Ball formats, but do I have a slight difference. The 4-Ball event requires that both partners be within 8 strokes of their handicaps, while the Zone Championship does not. The March event will be 2 days for those that want to participate in the NCGA portion. I will be taking approximately the top 5 or 6 groups per flight (A & B), to determine who will advance to Monterey.

Many thanks go out to Matt Jones, Pat Harold, and Rob Viebrock for their volunteer hours in working the tournaments. Hit 'em straight, keep up the pace, and have fun.

Matt Gilchrist

Sr. Weekend Tournament Director

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NCGA Four-Ball Qualifier

Saturday, February 17, 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per player/\$30 per player on teams attempting to qualify

Make checks payable to AHGC Entries Close 6 Days Prior To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to partner with _____ at a(n) early _____ mid _____ late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Weekend TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

Individual Stroke Play

Saturday, January 27, 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per Player / Make checks payable to AHGC Entries Close 6 Days Previous To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to play with _____ at an early _____ mid _____ late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Midweek TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

Individual Stroke Play

Saturday, April 14, 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per Player / Make checks payable to AHGC Entries Close 10 Days Previous To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to play with _____ at a(n) early _____ mid _____ late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Midweek TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

NCGA Zone Qualifier

Saturday March 10, and Sunday March 11 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per player/\$30 per player on teams attempting to qualify

Make checks payable to AHGC Entries Close 6 Days Prior To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to partner with _____ at a(n) early _____ mid _____ late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Weekend TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

Individual Stroke Play

Thursday, January 11, 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per Player — Make checks payable to AHGC — Entries Close 10 Days Previous To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to play with _____ at an Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Midweek TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

Individual Stroke Play

Thursday, February 8 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per Player — Make checks payable to AHGC — Entries Close 10 Days Previous To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to play with _____ at an Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Weekend TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

2 Person Best Ball

Thursday, March 8, 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per Player — Make checks payable to AHGC — Entries Close 10 Days Previous To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to play with _____ at an Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Midweek TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

Individual Stroke

Thursday, April 5, 2018

Entry Fee: \$20 per Player — Make checks payable to AHGC — Entries Close 10Days Previous To Event

Name _____ GHIN _____ Phone #: _____

I request to partner with _____ at an Early _____ Mid _____ Late _____ tee time.

I will participate in: _____ net skins (\$5) _____ gross skins (\$5) _____ Ancil Cup Points (\$5) _____ hole-in-one insurance (\$1)

Mail to: Midweek TC, 6700 Tarshes Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 or drop in the locked box in the Pro Shop

From The Club**2018 Ancil Hoffman Golf Club Membership**

October 1, 2017 is the first day you can renew your Ancil Hoffman Golf Club Membership for the 2018 Calendar year. Cost will be \$82 for current Members and \$92 for new Members. New members also receive membership for the last three (3) months of 2017. After January 10th, 2018 Membership rates will be \$92. So get your money in now and save \$10. Applications can be found in the Ancil Hoffman Pro Shop or you may go online to www.ancilhoffman.com and click on the Link towards the top of the page that says "» [New Members and Renewals - Click Here to Get Started](#)". Then just follow the instructions for "Renewing Members" or "New Members".

You may drop the Registration fee at the Ancil Hoffman Clubhouse in the "Membership Box" or you mail it to; Ancil Hoffman Golf Club, Secretary, P.O. Box 2064, Carmichael, CA 95609. Please include your GHIN # on the "Memo" of the check.

Twenty Four Tournaments a year, NCGA Membership, Ancil Points, Away Tournaments, Ancil Derby, Annual Putting Championship, Four Quarterly meetings with food and beverage, and the best golf track in the Valley, make this a great deal.

Facebook Group Page

If you go on Facebook make sure you join the Ancil Hoffman Golf Club "Group Page". I think this is a great way to share stories, pictures, and humor. I also think it could be a way to fill out foursomes, find golf buddies, trade or sell golf clubs, and communicate Ancil Hoffman Golf Club events and activities through the Facebook Website.

If you are not on Facebook yet, it's easy to sign-up. Just go to www.Facebook.com and join.

**From the Programs
Brett Dodge**

Hi all,

I just wanted to say thanks for the last several years. My time has come to move along from my current duties, and beginning in 2018, Chuck Ashen will be taking over the Quarterly Meetings and Putting Championship for the Club. I've enjoyed my time at the front desk and have met a ton of people who's company I enjoy. Please continue to show Chuck the same hospitality you've shown me. You (and I) can look forward to breaking him in at the first Quarterly meeting of 2018, on January 24th. See you around the course!

Thanks, and we look forward to seeing you at the Main Event!

Brett Dodge

From the Handicapper

Jay McQuoid

THE NEW COURSE RATINGS AND WHAT THEY MEAN TO OUR MEMBERSHIP

As you may already know Ancil Hoffman Golf Course has been re-rated by the NCGA. The Course Rating Committee has determined that our wonderful course is slightly more difficult than in the past. There could be many reasons for this determination. The last time a rating took place was in 2011 and over the last six years trees have grown, the rough may have changed, and many other course features may have transformed. The big change however was the new addition to hole #14.

Since the course is now considered slightly more difficult your handicap indexes will be slightly lower. This makes sense because it is the same course we have been playing with the same adjusted scores, but with a more difficult rating. Therefore you are considered a better player.

Don't forget to post!! And if you have any question dealing with your handicap, please contact me.

Jay McQuoid

Handicap Chairman

Handicap Chair – Patrick Harrold (outgoing)

This will be my last article as the handicap chairman as I am moving over to the Vice President position and would like to take this space to introduce one of our newest members to the Board of Directors Jay McQuoid. Jay has handicap duties experience from his previous club in southern California and is quickly getting up to speed with our club. Please welcome and congratulate Jay on his new position. As my last article I would like to inform the membership of the change in our course rating and slope for all of tees. In July of this year NCGA visited our course for the purpose of re-rating, which they try to do every five years or so. Our last re-rate occurred in 2011. Here are the new numbers:

Men's Tees:

Gold Tees – Course rating 73.2 / Slope 134

Blue Tees – Course rating 71.5 / Slope 128

Combo Tees – Course rating 70.2 / Slope 124

White Tees – Course rating 69.4 / Slope 121

Black Tees – Course rating 66.6 / Slope 109

Green Tees – Course rating 64.5 / Slope 104

Women's Tees:

White Tees – Course rating 74.9 / Slope 132

Black Tees – Course rating 71.2 / Slope 123

Green Tees – Course rating 68.6 / Slope 117

The posting computer in the hallway and online both have the new course ratings, so nothing will change with respect to posting your score. With most of the slopes increasing most of you will see your index come down a few tenths of a stroke over time.

2017 Ancil Points Finals – Patrick Harrold

It has been another great year for the Ancil Point competition and it is my honor to report the 2017 Ancil Points Champion is Mike Payne. He held on in the last playoff to keep the rest of the field from passing him. This year's competition saw another improvement in the total number of players and the total prize fund.

The Ancil Points competition is an all net (one flight) competition that lasts all year long. Players accumulate points from each tournament and keep a running total of all their points throughout the year, just like the Fed Ex Cup in the PGA. There are 16 regular season tournaments, 8 midweeks and 8 weekends. Then in October the playoff starts, this is where the real fun starts, each playoff point total is four times that of a regular season tournament. Before the playoff starts we only take your 8 best scores from the regular season and add them up then add your points from the playoffs to determine the winners. I say winners are we pay the top 20 players from the season. The only way to win is to play!

For more information and the rules for the 2018 Ancil Points competition
please read the information: [2018 Ancil Points](#)
Let's make 2018 Ancil Points even more successful, go out and play.

2017 Saturday Match Play League

The Ancil Hoffman Saturday Match play team made it to the Final Four this year. Our League record was 4 – 2 in a tough League that included: Whitney Oaks, Empire Ranch, and Apple Mountain. We were the only team in the League with a road victory (over Empire Ranch the opening Match).

In the play-offs we defeated Gold Hills, Oakhurst, and Cameron Park. All impressive wins. We ran into a good Cold Springs team in the Final Four Match that ended our season. The team competed really hard all year long and there were many GREAT performances. We have a full year to figure out how to get better and next year win the Championship!

Rich Fleisher
Saturday Match Play Captain