



Catta Talk

CATTA VERDERA COUNTRY CLUB

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Kevin Earl
General Manager

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Greetings Catta Members,
Recently we sent out the new Advisory committee information for the first time via our membership email database(s). This group of volunteers is a very

talented set of folks, with varied backgrounds, that will help guide Catta Verdera going forward into hopefully a year full of golf stories, and not the other kind of stories!

Course update: If you have played recently you will see the work being done on the #17 green complex. We have raised the rock wall(s) to help complement what course designer Brad Bell has in store for the green complex. Early thoughts are a reworking of the bunkers and irrigation... to make hole 17 fit more of the course.

Other changes that are being well-received are the expansion of the collars so more bump

and run or putts can be used if we short side ourselves to close pin location.

On the fairway bunker project front... a major stumbling block has been securing the type of sand we want to use. We would ideally use the same type of sand matching the greenside bunkers, but the shortage of west coast bunker sand has delayed this next phase. Timing will now play a big role since spring is right around the corner, where projects take a back seat, to growing and mowing! Stay tuned, finishing the fairway bunkers is still top of the list.

Food & Beverage Update: Chef Marco has completed phase one of adding his flare to the menu in Quixotes. A significant change is the addition of both Vegetarian & Gluten-Free option(s). I have seen quite a few gluten-free pizzas being served, so give them a try. As we get more into the golf season look for more positive changes to come!

Thanks all for now... see you in the fairway....

MONTHLY GUEST DAYS
3rd 1:00 PM
Wednesday
Men
FEBRUARY 16

CVCC 10th Annual Crab Feed Friday, February 25th ~ 7:00pm

We invite you to join us for the 10th annual Catta Verdera Crab Feed. Enjoy all the crab you can eat plus all the good stuff that goes along with it! The dinner is from 7:00pm to 9:30pm, and reservations are required. The cost is \$50 per adult ~ reservations can be made at jbraden@cattaverdera.com.



Presidents' Day Monday, February 21st

Enjoy the Presidents' Day holiday with time at the Club and a round of golf! We will be open on Monday the 21st, closed on Tuesday. We hope to see you at the club enjoying the beautiful weather! (Sun in the forecast as of now!)





Catta Chatter



2022 Catta Verdera Advisory Committee



Introducing the 2022 Catta Verdera Advisory Committee, commonly referred to as the "A/C" Committee, who will be supporting Catta Verdera throughout the year. Our goal is to continue to be one of the premier clubs in the Sacramento region for our members and guests. These dedicated committee members have volunteered their time to provide honest, constructive feedback to CVCC management and staff by listening to you, our members, we wish to bring suggestions forward to enhance your overall club experience.

A/C Members

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Get your Valentine the gift of Golf. Pick up a gift card for the Golf Shop so your sweetheart can buy to their hearts content!

Save the Date...

Madelena's Fine Dining Thursday, February 24th

Enjoy the evening out with a spouse, family and/or friends with a evening of fine dining at the Club. Join us in Madelena's from 5:00pm - 8:00pm on Thursday, February 24th. Reservations are required and can only be made at jbraden@cattaverdera.com. Experience the atmosphere and menu of the elegant Madelena's Fine Dining!

Pruett Wine Dinner Friday, March 25th

From Race Car driver to one of the best wineries around, Scott Pruet has earned several top scores from Wine Spectator. Now you have a chance to enjoy his wines along with a five course dinner, with each course paired with a different varietal. The cost of the dinner is \$75 per person and reservations are required. They can be made at jbraden@cattaverdera.com.





Paul Shorts
Head Golf Professional

It's another exciting new year for golf equipment. It seems like every year we see a bunch of newer and faster and greater whatever's, but sometimes it really is true. I'll try to help you sort through some of the minutia and separate the wheat from the chaff.

Golf Clubs – Several years ago Callaway Golf invested in a supercomputer. It seemed like a crazy idea at the time, but the speed their computer can run real life simulations for different club head designs has allowed Callaway to do 50 years of development in the last couple of years. Their driver and fairway woods were amazing last year, and their 2022 Rogue line is beating last year's clubs almost 100% of the time. Set up a fitting time with Sean and give the new stuff a try!

Taylor Made – The Stealth driver is just hitting the market and we'll have a couple demos to try out as well as having a TaylorMade demo day in late March (more details to come on that soon). The reason you should know about the Stealth driver is that it's the first driver in many many years to use carbon fiber in the club face. Past attempts at this have failed, but the early buzz on the Stealth makes it sound like the past failures of carbon in the face have been overcome. I've only hit a couple of balls with it, and it was very impressive!

Putters – Odyssey remains the #1 putter on the PGA Tour, and one of the top sellers globally. Their new Stroke Lab shaft gives more head feel without increasing overall putter weight. That means a more consistent and repeatable stroke. The new Odyssey Tri-Hot 5K putters are another exciting new breakthrough. The 5K in the name represents the MOI or Moment of Inertia for the putter head. In the past you would always need to go to a large (and often odd looking) mallet to get a 5000 MOI. The high MOI helps the ball go straight and consistent distance, even on off center hits. The new Tri-Hot 5K putters are blades (traditional look), but have the high MOI of the larger and stranger looking large mallet putters. Another to look at is Cleveland. I love Cleveland's Huntington Beach putters! \$129 - \$169 and they'll hold their own quite well with putters twice that price. The last putter I'll mention is the Mizuno M-Craft. I know a lot of you bought these last year because we kept selling out of them. They left the putter alone this year and for good reason; these are milled from a forged metal and come with 3 sets of weights to change the

putter feel. Scotty Cameron's off the rack putters are milled from cast metal, don't come with weights, and cost over \$100 more than the Mizuno putters. I don't say that to disparage Scotty Cameron in any way (I'm using one right now and haven't had a putter work this well for me in years), but if I was shopping right now, Mizuno M-Craft would be high on my list of putters to try.

Golf Balls – Every company tweaks their ball each year. That doesn't always mean longer. Sometimes it means more spin or less spin on certain shots, or slightly higher or lower trajectory on certain shots. To drive home the point about them not always being better, there are still PGA tour players using the 2009 Pro V1. They know what it does and don't want to change because it would mean learning something new about a ball. Tiger woods played what was known as the Nike Tour D (an old version of the Bridgestone B330) for a huge portion of his career. The only huge claim in golf balls for 2022 is that the new Callaway ball has a completely consistent core. That would mean on perfectly struck shots the ball will fly perfectly straight whereas a ball with an unbalanced core could drift one way or the other if struck perfectly and the core mass was oriented to one side or the other.

That said, every golf ball available in 2022, from all the major manufacturers is amazing. If there is a ball you play that you believe is best for your game, then that's most likely the ball you'll hit the best. A confident worry-free swing that strikes the ball first and solidly will make every ball on the market go where you want.

The technical(ish) take away for golf balls is they are always trying to make a ball that will still spin well on soft around the green shots, spin very little on long shots, and spin the perfect amount on mid and wedge shots. The perfect ball for every player and every shot is a myth, but after you do a little testing and find one you like, decide it's perfect for you and then swing freely and hit it like the perfect ball it is!

One last item of note. Some of you may have noticed some brown cart tire tracks out on the course. These are a great reminder to please follow the daily, weekly and monthly cart rules put in place by our golf course Superintendent Jogi. Those tire tracks are grass that was killed when a cart was driven on it during frost. When he says to stay on the path until 10AM because of frost, these tire tracks are why. He knows what he's doing and won't ever put out restrictions just for the sake of inconveniencing our members.



Catta Verdera Women Golfers

Message from Tina Paschke, Captain

Welcome to our new members Julie Roberts, Julie Stearn, and Jody Hudson!

There will be a membership meeting held on February 16, 2022 @ 6:00PM for all members of the Catta Verdera Women Golfers. Hope to see you all there!

Reminder...Partner Eclectic Tournament began on February 1st. Hope everyone found a partner and signed up. If you haven't signed up yet or found a partner to play with, please reach out to Andrea Berry @ acberry67@gmail.com and she will get you all set up

Save the date - March 19th - Mojo Tournament.

Catta Verdera Women Golfers Newsletter

(click to open)

Valentine's Couples Event Saturday, February 12th

Time: 9:00AM Shotgun

Prizes: NET winners will be awarded
+ 1st place Gross

Format: Couples Shamble (two players)

Flights: Flights will be determined by the number of teams. Flights based on teams combined team handicap. (ex. If 40 teams sign up there would be 4 flights of 10 teams)

Cost: \$40/person
Includes prize fund
and food after the round

Tees: Men - Purple, Ladies - Yellow

Sign-up On line by
clicking **HERE!**

Entries open January 11th and close February 5th or
the first 100 people

CATTA VERDERA COUPLES LEAGUE!

CVCC announces the new Catta Verdera Couples League! This idea grew from the popularity of our Tee It Up Wednesday “Couples Edition” Socials, where we learned many couples love playing together and with other couples! Our goal is to encourage fellowship and love of golf for ALL Catta Verdera members.

The League will meet the 2nd Sunday each month (in the afternoon) for 9 holes of golf, with food and drinks at Q’s afterward. Dates that conflict with club tournaments will be changed to another Sunday. Social and golf members are all invited to join, and couples can be any male or female combination: a spouse, significant other, or golf buddy. Every month you’ll play with a different couple and the formats will be designed for all abilities to enjoy. If you love playing golf, having fun, and meeting new people, then you need to join us.

Our first event is the Shamrock Shenanigans on March 13th. Details and signup information will be announced shortly. Please reach out to the Committee Members for questions, comments, and suggestions to make this league fun!



Committee Members;

Beth and Dave Hoblit

Ann Harvie and Mark Wallace

Holly and Sean Harrigan

Christi and Chris Gohl

If you think it's hard to meet new people,
try picking up the wrong golf ball!

February 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
				Ladies Day	Frank Family Wine Dinner	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
				Ladies Day		Couples Valentine's Tournament Valentine's Day Dinner
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
			Men's Guest Day	Ladies Day		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	President's Day - Club Open	Club Closed		Madefena's Fine Dining Ladies Day	10th Annual Crab Feed	Ladies Saturday Play
27	28					

Coming in March...

Thursday, March 3rd

Ladies Day

Saturday, March 5th

Men's Saturday Play

Thursday, March 10th

Ladies Day

Sunday, March 13th

Couples Golf League

Wednesday, March 16th

Men's Wednesday Play

Saturday, March 19th

Mojo-Quixote's Tournament

Thursday, March 24th

Ladies Day

Friday, March 25th

TaylorMade Demo Day

Friday, March 25th

Pruett Wine Dinner

Thursday, March 31st

Ladies Day