

19th Hole Golf Club Report
Carmichael Elks Golf Clubhouse



The Carmichael Elks Golf Club members and guests met at the Lodge on Saturday, December 7, 2024 for our Annual Awards Dinner to celebrate another year of fine golf. We have had our share of rain in a very wet November, and lots of folks were signing that nursery rhyme "Rain, rain go away, come again another day." Well, it worked! We have had the most beautiful change in weather to bright, but brisk December days and that included the Awards Dinner night. While still somewhat chilly, inside we were toasty and warm welcoming fellow golfers and families in the main Elks Lodge room. Resigning **Vice President John Simmons was the Emcee** for the evening and started the night with a hearty welcome to all and best wishes for the holiday season. A special recognition was made to honor the anniversary of the December 7th Pearl Harbor attack and then **Emcee John** asked all to share in a moment of silence for those former members who have passed in 2024. Fellow golfer and friend **Lynn Mahoney** came forward to join us together and offer a prayer for the upcoming new year and to give thanks for our blessings. First on the short meeting agenda for the Club, was reports of the last 2024 golf tournaments held; one in October and two in November.

The full results for October were printed in the last newsletter, and **Jim Warrick** now handed out the prize awards to each winner as follows:
A Flight : 1st **John Glover**; 2nd **Ray Ernst**; 3rd **Jerry Ontiveros**. B Flight: 1st **Jim Warrick**; 2nd **Stan Morrison**; 3rd **Lyn Athey**.

Closest to Pin: Hole # 9 Ray Ernst 36' 6"
Hole # 16 Brian Pierce 20' 4"

Don Anido was next and reported on the November 4, 2024, Bartley Cavanaugh results:

| A Flight | Net | B Flight | Net | C Flight | Net |
|--------------|-----|------------------|-----|-------------------|-----|
| Ray Ermst | 77 | Roland Valtierra | 77 | Stan Morrison | 70 |
| Jim Kuchar | 77 | John Glover | 79 | Larry Sikorski | 70 |
| Steve Seaton | 80 | Ed Arnsdorf | 80 | Georgia Lipphardt | 73 |



| Closest to the Pin | Men | Distance | Women | Distance |
|--------------------|------------|----------|----------------|----------|
| Hole # 8 | Jim Kuchar | 15' 2" | Stella Lookin' | In Space |
| Hole # 17 | Ray Ernst | 27' 8" | Marge Inally | On Edge |

Empire Ranch Results were given by Director Rich Zibull. Given the number of players the winners were awarded in two flights with four winners in each flight:

| A Flight | Net | B Flight | Net |
|-----------------|-----|-------------------|-----|
| Lee Marshall | 74 | Georgia Lipphardt | 75 |
| Steve Seaton | 76 | Stan Morrison | 78 |
| Jerry Ontiveros | 76 | Lyn Athey | 84 |
| John Glover | 76 | Sandy Shongood | 86 |



| Closest to the Pin | Men | Distance | Women | Distance |
|--------------------|---------------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Hole # 8 | Nacho Barraza | 30' 6" | Helen Bach | Off/On/Off |
| Hole # 12 | Stan Morrison | 28" 6" | Georgia Lipphardt | 21' 6" |

Emcee John then gave recognition to the returning and new **Carmichael Elks Golf Club board members for the 2025**; **President Bill Bethell, Vice President Kristi Ernst, Treasurer Jerry Trautman, Handicapped Chair John Simmons, Tournament Chair Georgia Lipphardt and Secretary Jim Warrick**. The Three member Handicap Committee is headed by **John Simmons** and includes **Brian Pierce and Tam LeFebure**.

What followed was a round of fun and comic relief from our very own "Robin Williams" comedian, **John Simmons**. With a gift for clever homespun comedy, he kept us laughing and entertained the crowd while handing out some great raffle prizes. These prizes included gift certificates and rounds of golf from various golf courses and clubs in the Sacramento area as well as bags of golf goodies and a variety of adult beverages carefully gathered and hand picked by our new **Vice President Kristi Ernst**. **VP Kristi** worked with retiring Vice President, **John Simmons** to handle all planning for the Awards Dinner. Every touch and decision by Kristi and John made the night a delight, from the great dinner of Tri Tip and Baked Chicken, to the soft music and gorgeous Poinsettias that graced each table.

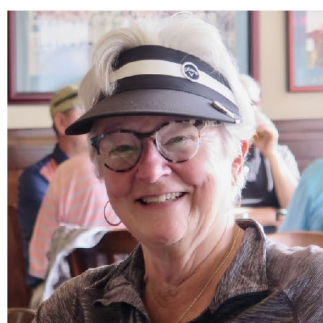
Emcee Simmons then turned to the highlight of the evening and asked retiring **Handicap Chair, Tam LeFebure**, to announce the **2024 Golf Club Award Winners**. First on the agenda were the Low Net overall winners in each flight then on to the big awards of the night . . .

| LOW NET | A Flight | B Flight | C Flight |
|---------|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| First | John Glover | Ed Arnsdorf | Stan Morrison |
| Second | Bruce Barstis | Jim Warrick | Theresa Goldsmith |
| Third | Ray Ernst | Bill Bethel | Larry Sikorski |





**MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS OF THE YEAR
JOHN VOLEK WITH A 3.2 STROKE IMPROVEMENT !**



**And
KRISTI ERNST WITH A 5.4 STROKE IMPROVEMENT!**

**THE CARMICHAEL ELK
GOLF CLUB
CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE
YEAR AWARD**

went to Kristi Ernst !!

Her name will be added to the Club's perpetual **Elks Golf Club Winner Plaque** that will be on display at the Lodge. Shown here with Tam LeFebure presenting Kristi's winning trophy. It was a surprised to Kristi, but no surprise to us who have watched her game get better all year!



Congratulations Kristi Ernst and all the 2024 Winners!

It was a great year and we look forward to the coming 2025 season with some new players to join us and some great courses to tackle. We have a busy year ahead with 26 tournaments scheduled for the coming year. **The 2025 Golf Tournament Schedule will be sent out via email to all members. The schedule will also be posted on the Lodge's web page: www.elks.org/2103.** The Golf Club meets monthly on the first Thursday of each month, except December. In lieu of the December meeting, we hold our Annual Award Dinner. Anyone interested can come to one of the monthly meetings for more information. Please join us, visitors are welcomed! Our next meeting will be at the Lodge and is set for January 2, 2025 at 7:00 pm.