

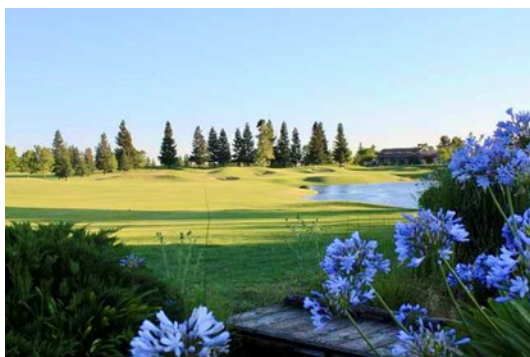
19th Hole Golf Club Report

Carmichael Elks Golf Clubhouse



The Carmichael Elks Golf Club members met at the Lodge on Thursday, April 3rd to discuss club business and upcoming events. **President Bill Bethell** started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed all in attendance. **Handicap Chair John Simmons** led members in a **Moment of Silence for Jim Toner**, who passed away on March 9th. Jim Toner was a fellow member and player who loved the sport and contributed to our Club in so many ways. Jim our old friend, will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Our last two tournaments, Ancil Hoffman and Mather Golf Course being canceled due to rain, our agenda was short and the meeting quickly moved on. **Treasurer Jerry Trautman** gave the monthly report on the treasury status and noted that all is in order and no outstanding cost are pending. **Tournament Chair Georgia Lipphardt** announced that upcoming **April Tournaments are scheduled for Wildhawk on 4/14/25, Bartley Cavanaugh on 4/21/25 and MacKenzie on 4/28/25**. Signups were taken for all three tournaments. The results of those tournaments will be announced in the next month's Newsletter. Wildhawk has asked that players join in their goal to complete an 18 hole round in 4.5 hours. Wildhawk has set four clocks spaced out on the course. When reaching a clock, if they find the clock time is after the groups' start time, they are behind and must catch up. Playing a forward tee or combo option may also help keep the pace. The **rescheduling of the two rained out tournaments are Ancil Hoffman, set for Tuesday, October 7th, and Mather Golf rescheduled for August 11, 2025**. We have set the August time for an early 6:30 am, which caused a few moans from those in attendance. The early time should make our morning commute easier and also gets us up and out from the course, before the serious heat of the day. A new tournament schedule will be sent out in the coming weeks. **VC Lipphardt** also noted that Empire has given us only 24 slots for our proposed Scramble to be played at Empire on November 3th. They may allow an increase in the number of players, but a request must be made 10 days in advance of the November 3th tournament day. **Handicap Chair John Simmons** reminded players that Wildhawk and MacKenzie are both Championship Tournaments of the eight total Championship tournaments played. All eight of the tournaments included in the contest are noted on the Tournament Schedule with a "#" mark by their name. The player with the best scores on four of the eight tournaments will be named the winner! Sadly, rain washed up our March play, so no results this month. Everyone is anxious to get back out on the courses and looking forward to some sunny days ahead!



Wildhawk



Bartley Cavanaugh



Mackenzie

Anyone interested or know of a Lodge member that is interested in playing golf? We have a full schedule of 26 golf tournaments for 2025. The schedule is available on the Carmichael Elks Lodge web site at carmichaelElks2103.org. All of our tournaments are held on Mondays with occasional exceptions. Members can play as it fits their time and interest. Our members, both men and women, have a variety of skill levels with all members having a love of the game. Anyone interested in joining the Golf Club can contact our President Bill Bethell (619) 889-4142, or attend one of our monthly meetings, which are normally held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Lodge. Visitors are welcomed, come check us out! **Our next meeting is set for May 1, 2024.**

In Remembrance

The Carmichael Elks Golf Club members were sad to learn of the passing of James Michael Toner, a fellow golfer and good friend on March 9, 2025. Jim was 87 years young, just short of his 88th birthday of June 5, 1937. Jim is survived by his wife Inga, and the Toner Family. Jim was a member of the Carmichael Elks' Lodge as well as the Carmichael Elks Golf Club for many years, and served on the Golf Club Board for over 10 years donating his time as Club Vice President, President and then as Tournament Chair. After stepping down as Chair, he still spent time directing a variety of the individual tournaments each year. He loved the game of golf and it was one of the things he missed the most when his health slowed him down. He had a great left hand delivery on the golf ball and often managed to keep the ball down the middle. One of his best skills was keeping a good attitude throughout the game, which often offers intimidating bunkers, missed putts and the all too common lost ball. Mostly, if the ball did not cooperate, he would simply enjoy the time and look forward to sharing stories at the Nineteenth Hole. Jim was not just a great volunteer and caring individual, he was a good friend to all he met. He was one of these comfortable people, who even if you had just met, you walked away thinking you were good friends. Inga too had the ability to put people at ease and together they made a warm and friendly couple. Our sincere sympathies to the Toner Family. We will miss Jim, he was a good man and a good friend.



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