

Cheviot Hills Strives to Keep Lease

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Although the tangled financial affairs of Cheviot Hills Country Club leave the ultimate future of the organization a doubtful matter, it will definitely continue operations until the first of the year, according to Ed R. Hurst, the just-retired president of the club.

"We have a lease until Jan. 1, and all bills are paid until that date," Hurst says.

A group is attempting to bring in sufficient new members to keep the club, known for many years as California Country Club, going on a sound basis. Hurst's resignation, as well as that of the entire board of directors, becomes effective Oct. 1.

The club has not rescheduled its men's invitation tournament, originally slated for next month, but the women's tournament will be played as planned, starting Oct. 6. Mrs. Jack Holmes is the defending champion.

Short Shots From Tee to Green

W. E. Murphy Jr. astounded his playing companions, J. H. McFarland, J. C. Angotta and J. H. McGrath, by holing out a 9-iron pitch shot at the short ninth for an ace on the Montebello course . . . First-round matches for the Southern California public links championship are being played today, the Class A gang assembling at Sunset Fields. Two rounds are slated today . . . San Gabriel has programmed an invitation mixed foursomes for Oct. 12 . . . F. T. Babson won Oakmont's last match play vs. par club event . . . Bel-Air, which reported two aces (on the same hole) in a three-day period a week ago, had another one three days later. This was by V. M. Hall in his first game in four years, and he picked on the same 115-yard fifth for his feat . . . The Terrible Twenty's 183rd consecutive monthly tournament was played at Catalina Island with Preston Wright's 69-10—59 winning the medal play award . . . Qualifying for Riviera's club championship closes today, with Walter Duda posting a 73 to lead the field till now. Stan Moss, defending champ, shot a 74. Ninety players had qualified by midweek.

Brentwood and Altadena have additional aces to report . . . From Joe Robinson at Brentwood comes the story of Duke Palmer's one-shot at the 137-yard eighth . . . And Don Erickson at Altadena mentions the hole-in-one by Kuke Bonnell at the fifth, playing with Dr. A. L. Slocum and Tad Jones.