The big news for September is that we have a new General Manager coming on board on September 17, Chris Mitchell. In late July we posted the opening with the PGA and on a Job Website named “Indeed”. To our surprise, we received 59 applications for the opening. After an exercise to whittle this number down we ended up doing phone interviews with 4 candidates and brought 3 to Cold Springs to interview with our staff as well as a panel of members. Those involved in this process are delighted that we were able to persuade Chris to accept our offer. If you read the email “Blast” announcing this will be a bit repetitive. Chris brings extensive experience and solid credentials to this position. He is currently a Staff Instructor at Reid West Golf Academies in Phoenix, Arizona. Prior to that, he has held positions as Director of Golf at the renowned Sherwood Country Club in Thousand Oaks, Ca., Head Golf Professional at Portland Golf Club in Portland, Oregon, General Manager at the Coeur d Alene Golf Club in Coeur d Alene, Idaho and played college golf at the University of Houston.

On Thursday, September 26 we will be holding our Annual Meeting at 6:30 pm. We have two important topics to cover and the Board is hoping for a large turnout to review the information that will be presented. First, we have recently undergone our annual review of our accounting records and financial statements which was performed by our external CPA. He will be at the meeting to present the results of this review. Secondly, the minimum wage increases scheduled to be implemented over the next 3 years are going to have a significant impact on our expenses. Current projections indicate that we need to increase revenue by approximately $41,000 each year for the next three years just to meet our payroll needs. The Board is going to present this information and discuss options to address the shortfalls.
Cold Springs Senior Men’s Club

Are you a regular member of Cold Springs and at least 55 years of age? Want to play a relaxing game in a tournament atmosphere with the ability to win credits in the pro shop? You’re just the person we are looking for - yes you!

At 7:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of each month, weather permitting, we senior members gather for a tasty breakfast, a shot at winning a sleeve of balls, and form into teams for an 8:30 shotgun tee time (or after the frost delay).

Now for the best part … we pay the first, second and third teams, closest to the pin on a designated par 3, and if you shoot the low gross score or the low net score for the month and qualify, you will be entered into the end of the year tournament to be held in September.

Sound like fun? Well the signup sheet for the next tournament is on the board in the men’s locker room. Sign up and come for breakfast.

Now for the details: you must have an established handicap, there is a $10 annual membership fee and the price to play in each tournament, which includes breakfast, is $20.

We hope to see you there! For more information please contact:

Gary Baldock at 530 919-1683, or Jim LaBerge at 530 644-1390

From the Bar & Kitchen - Jen Bement

Come Friday, Sept. 6, 5:30 p.m., for Music on the Green with “Cash Prophets.” You will enjoy this great Johnny Cash tribute band.

The kitchen will be serving pulled pork sandwiches for $5. Please no outside food or drinks and no dogs.

There will be two Friday night skins games in September: the 13th and 27th. The format is 9 holes, gross stroke play, awarding gross skins and closest to the pin competition.

The start time both nights is 5 p.m. Sign up in the bar. The bar will be open until 8 p.m.

The bar and kitchen will be closed during aeration, Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 23-24.

The Annual Membership Meeting is Thursday, Sept. 26. The bar will be open till the meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. There will be no dinner served that night.
Our Niner of the Month Tournament was played Aug. 6 and the winner was Connie Oetinger with a net of 33. Congratulations Connie! Our next NOM tournament will be played Sept. 3.

The Tournament of Champions was also played this month, August 13-15 and 20. The winners will play Sept. 17 at Castlewood Country Club in Danville. After playing three rounds, the winner of the championship flight was Jeanne Perry with a net of 109; Laurie Waters took the first flight with a net of 113; Debbie Massaro won the second flight with a net of 112; and Shawn Sullivan won the third flight with a net of 109. Congratulations to all and good luck in Danville!

The monthly putting contest was played Aug. 20 with Linda Leake’s 13 putts earning first place. Sharon Lamoureux was second with 15 putts, and Ann Morris and Esther Purdie tied for third place with 17 each. Congratulations to all!

The Niners supported Gabby, the granddaughter of Lynda and Jeff Vernon, in the Corena Green tournament July 30, at Lake of the Pines Country Club in Auburn. The Corena Green program supports young girls’ golf and the Cold Springs Niners sponsor a golfer every year to the tournament.

Our Guest Day is Sept. 27.

Reminder: September check-in time is 8:30 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at 9.

Joyce Frost, charter member # 120, passed away on August 9th at the age of 97. She and her husband Lester joined Cold Springs on August 10th, 1962, and held an active Social membership at her time of death. Our condolences go out to the Frost family.
Friday Night Skins Results:

Results from July 19th

Skins Winners
#1 Cheyenne Jaurequi
#4 Bo Lizarraga

Closest to the Pin
Shane O'Donnell

Results from July 26th

Skins Winners
#1-5-6 Bo Lizarraga

Closest to the Pin
Niles Fleege

Results from August 9th

Skins Winners
#10 Chris Bailey
#17 Howard Penn
#18 Russ Hasemeier

Closest to the Pin
Ed Kronk

Results from August 22nd

Skins Winners
#3 Nathan Jetton
#5 Howard Penn
#8 Bo Lizarraga

Low Gross
Howard Penn

Closest to the Pin
Russ Hasemeier

2019 MENS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
August 3-4, 10-11, 2019

Championship Flight

Champion          James Bailey          $70
Runner-up         Jeff Shivers         $50

First Flight

Champion          Howard Penn          $50
Runner-up         Russ Hasemeier       $35

Second Flight

Champion          Steve Riley          $25
Runner-up         Darin Darr           $17

News:

Sign up in the Pro Shop for the Member-Member Tournament in September.
Senior Men’s Tournament Results

August 8, 2019

First Place
Score: 185          Paid $22
Doug Bush, Rory Salazar,
Marnell Smith, Jeff O’Donnell

Second Place
Score: 191          Paid $15
Rudy Caputo, Don Schedler,
Jon Overmoe, Phil Boydstun

Third Place
Score: 193          Paid $10
Alan Baumann, Jim Hansen
Russ Anders, Clyde Braughton

Senior of the Month (Low Net)          Paid $20
Gross Score: 100     Handicap: 31     Net: 69
Clyde Braughton

Senior of the Month (Low Gross)       Paid $20
Score: 78
Rory Salazar

Closest to the Pin       Paid $10
Distance: 12-1        Hole No. 7
Rory Salazar

Number of Participants: 25
Learn to Hit a Draw

Most teaching pros agree that hitting a draw generates anywhere from 15- to 20-yards more length off the tee than hitting a fade. Hitting a draw with an iron can add as much as an additional club length to your shot. The extra yardage you gain with a draw is due primarily to the run you get when the ball lands … something you don't receive when you hit a fade.

The reasoning behind the extra run is simple. If you fade/slice the ball, the club face is open at impact. When you open the club face at impact, as I've explained in my golf tips, it adds loft to the ball. It also slides the ball across the club face, which means you never fully compress the ball at impact, costing you power.

In contrast, when you pull the ball or hit a draw the club face is closed, so you end up taking loft off the ball, which helps the ball run when it lands. You also compress the ball more at impact, which adds power and distance to the shot. The trick is learning to hit a draw if you don't know how.

Here are seven things to help you do that:

- Position the ball back in your stance
- Place your hands in a "strong" grip position
- Start the club back on the inside
- "Walk-through" the shot for your follow through

Key points about the tips

When taking advantage of these tips, keep the following points in mind:

- Positioning the ball back in your stance slightly will allow you to hit a draw, but you have to be careful not to place it too far back.

- Cupping your left wrist at the top of the back swing allows you to release fully on the downswing without fear of hooking.

- Sliding your right foot forward toward the target at impact results in what some players call a "walk-through" swing aka “the Gary Player Drill”. With this type of swing, the player uses his/her whole body to hit the ball, shifting his/her weight through the ball which adds more power and distance to the ball at impact.

- With a walk-through swing, the upper body is slightly more "over" the ball at impact than with a swing in which the body is held back, eliminating the reverse "C" position that often contributes to back pain.
Summer stress on the greens definitely kicked in at the end of July. The 100-degree days coupled with higher humidity made the greens susceptible to turf decline and damage from disease activity.

Again, when the temperatures start reaching the upper 90s the annual blue grass will start shutting growth down. That’s why we run syringe cycles on the greens to keep surface temperatures down and, hopefully, they will recover a little through the night. These conditions cause the poa anna to be more susceptible to disease activity such as Anthracnose. We are in a daily battle to keep the moisture level healthy to prevent drought stress but not too wet to increase the environment for disease activity.

It doesn’t help when an irrigation field controller malfunctions (on No. 1) during our peak heat period. There have been a couple areas affected by disease activity and we are working to get it knocked down and back to recovery. Having some cooler days in between the hot ones has helped. You can see the difference in the poa and bent grass.

In some of those areas that were affected you can see the stressed and affected blue grass, but the bent grass, which is not affected by disease activity, is filling in. We have also started spiking new seed into those damaged areas. Thatch control has been another issue we have to deal with. Unfortunately we don’t have all the tools to combat that right now except for light sanding. We are working on getting an old mower back up and running to put on verti-scut reels.

We started some spot aeration through the fairways and some roughs in drier areas. Bermuda and rye grass seed have been spread in those areas and dragged in when knocking down the aeration plugs. Our best fairways right now are predominantly filled with Bermuda grass.

September brings our core aeration of greens and tees (Sept 23, 24) and then we begin fall over-seeding on the tees. With fall not far away, a lot of our time will start to be consumed by cleaning up leaf debris.

Welcome our new friends ( & best wishes to our departing ones)

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Address and Phone Numbers are available in the Membership Roster
As we look forward to fall and cooler temperatures, work has begun on our second charity tournament benefitting El Dorado Veteran Resources. Last year, with the help of all our Cold Springs members and community participation, the 18-Hole Ladies Group donated $8,042 to the veterans.

The donation helped purchased insurance for a newly acquired van to help volunteers drive veterans to medical appointments and treatments. All of the money we earned went directly to El Dorado County’s veterans. This county has the highest number of veterans per capita in California and they definitely need our help.

Tournament entries and sponsor letters have been distributed throughout the club house. The entry fee is the same, $60, which includes a cart and lunch. The game is individual par points and all are invited with foursomes of all configurations welcome: four ladies, four men, and mixed, threesomes and twosomes. Individuals will be paired if you have no one to play with. Guests are welcome.

Tee sponsors for $100 receive a round of golf for four plus cart at Cold Springs

The tournament date is Tuesday, Oct. 29. Please talk to your friends and neighbors and support this worthy cause. The 18-Hole committee is lucky to have the support and help of Tim Page, who is a volunteer for El Dorado Veteran Resources.

And thank you to Cold Springs and the board of directors. All green fees and cart fees have been waived and donated back to our various charitable efforts over the years along with free rounds of golf for our sponsors. Sponsorships are also available for your favorite veteran to be included on our “Wall of Fame.”

As for news of the group: we held elections at our last meeting. Heidi Caldwell will be the 2020 captain; Patty Mitchell, co-captain, Carol Yates, secretary; Linda Babcock, treasurer and Heidi Matlack, tournament director. Thank you, ladies, for volunteering for an office.

Also announced at the meeting was our most improved golfer for July … Jody Clark. In all, 20 of our group improved their index in July.

We are honoring our past captains on Sept. 17 with an optional tournament and luncheon. We have always enjoyed a nice turnout as we renewed old friendships. We said goodbye to our tournament director, Leslie Davis, with a luncheon. She and her kitty Garth relocated to North Carolina.


Results:
July 30: Stroke play
1st flight low gross: Patty Mitchell, 81; low net: Krin Presson, 69; Debbie Koski, 70
Aug. 6: Mystery golfer

1st: Debbie Koski, Rosemary Authier, Susie Hendrix, Krin Presson, 142
2nd: Leslie Davis, Ellen Page, Karen Mc Maughern, Patty Mitchell, 143
Aug. 13: Pro points & puts.
Ace of the Month: Elaine Boggess, net 66
1st flight low gross: Patty Mitchell, 87; low net: Elaine Boggess, 66; Heidi Caldwell, 71
2nd flight low gross: Karen McCaughern, 97; low net: Lillie Fuentes, 68; Bolet Salvador, 73
Aug. 20: Unorganized guest day … no sweeps paid
Aug. 27: Beauty and the beast (best nine scores of 18)
1st flight low gross: Patty Mitchell, 31; low net: Carol Yates, 25.5; Debbie Koski, 26.5
2nd flight low gross: Heidi Matlack, 39; low net: Lillie Fuentes, 25; Bolet Salvador, 28.5

Schedule 8:30 shotgun
Sept. 3: Draw, 1st round Lois Brown eclectic
Sept. 10: Draw, 2nd round Lois Brown eclectic, pro points & putts; 1 p.m. meeting
Sept. 17: Guest day; Past Captains Day
Sept. 24: Aeration … no golf

Green’s Committee – Patrick Flynn

I hope everyone had an opportunity to read Doug Jeffrey’s article in the August Mulligan. We often take for granted the amount of thought and planning that goes into maintaining a golf course with changing weather conditions and unforeseen equipment/irrigation problems that may occur daily. We are very fortunate to have Doug and I would like to offer my sincere thank you for what he brings to Cold Springs!

This past month the primer pump for our irrigation system was replaced since it was showing signs of potential failure. This consumed much of the budget for this month but a very important piece of our course irrigation is now whole.

The committee will be meeting with our new general manager, Chris Mitchell, this month so I will hopefully have some exciting new plans for Cold Springs to report in my next article.

In the last issue I noted that there was some concern that pitch marks on the greens were not being properly repaired and personally, I think we are making some significant headway. Let’s keep it up! An additional thought on pitch marks … occasionally we will see someone tap down a pitch mark before it is repaired and although it may make the surface flat it does not “repair” the mark. Please repair first and then tap to flatten. Thanks for your efforts and may all of your putts stay on line.
Ladies Saturday Tournaments

To all ladies of Cold Springs — we invite you to come on out and join us for the next Ladies Saturday tournament! We encourage everyone with an 18-hole handicap, no matter your ability to play. The object of the Ladies Saturday events is to have fun and meet fellow golfers. Look on the bulletin board by the side door of the Pro Shop for the sign-up sheet.

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Next Events: Hope to see YOU on the course!

Grab a partner it is time for the Member/Member

Saturday and Sunday, Sep 14-15: Ladies Member/Member major tournament /one point per day
Tournament entry: $40 per person. Horse Race optional: $10 per team - minimum of eight teams required. Saturday – Scramble 30 percent of combined handicap
Sunday – Two person net best ball 90 percent of each Individual’s handicap
Pairings: Saturday - Make your own foursome; Sunday team pairings determined by Saturday scores
Format: Two-person team competition; shotgun start
Tees: Ladies combo

Players Tournament: Oct. 12
(You must qualify for this event. Check the point sheet in the hallway)