



THE LIPOUT AUGUST

President's Message

Greetings to all our Apple Mountain Friends!

As I ponder this month's President's message my mind is filled with hope and great expectations. It is also filled with a tinge of sadness. First the sadness...after 9 plus years as our General Manager, Apple Mountain said "farewell" to **Ryan Bill**. Ryan was offered a position at a prestigious Private Course in Lodi. His last day at Apple was preceded by a well-attended "Farewell Potluck" held at the Apple Mountain Grille. It was a sad moment but we all wished Ryan well in his new golfing adventure. With Ryan leaving it left many of us scratching our heads as to who would fill his shoes.



It didn't take us long to be introduced to our new GM **Michael Parlett**. Michael comes to us from Granite Bay Country Club where he worked as their Assistant Manager. I had the pleasure of meeting Michael personally and take him on a tour of our Course and can tell you that we are blessed to have Michael at the Apple Mountain helm! He is a tremendous guy with a big heart for golf and for people. I know you all will enjoy working with Michael as he navigates our Club into new golfing experiences. Stop by the Pro Shop and say "Hello"...I know he'd appreciate meeting you.

Since our last LipOut publication a lot has been happening. We have been blessed with much better weather (Can anyone remember when snow blanketed our entire Course??....me either!). There are individual articles from all the different Tournament Coordinators that you will enjoy reading in this issue of the LipOut....take the time to read them and get "up to speed" with everything that has been going on.

One event that "blew the roof off" was our 1st Annual Ladies Open Tournament! Under the direction of our astute Tournament Director, **Bruce Nyhammer**, we witnessed 34 players have the time of their life. It was an exceptional event that everyone was raving about. Many ladies were asking to be notified when this event would happen again...and could they bring a guest!! The event went above and beyond our wildest imagination! Thank you to Bruce and his great crew of helpers and to Tonya and the Grille for a "to die for" authentic Mexican meal!

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The KOM event is winding to a close with the preliminary matches completed and the invitations going out to all the Qualifiers. A huge thanks to **Ron Baker** for coordinating this event. The finals are set for September 21....be watching for the results in the next LipOut.

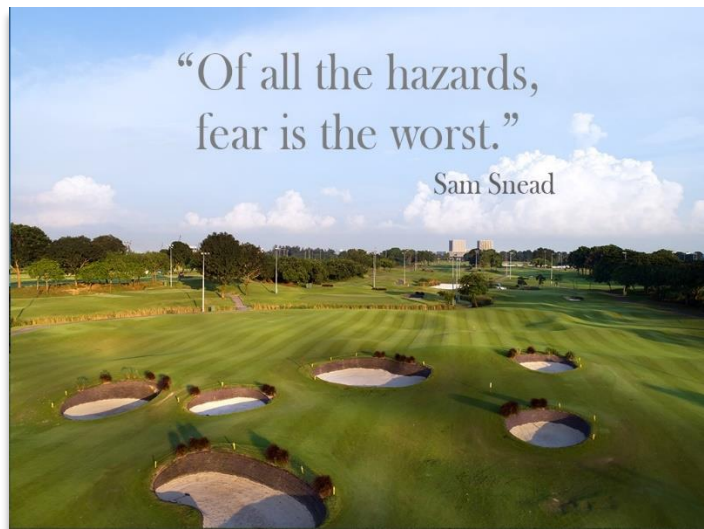
Another "new" event at Apple was the Pro Par 3 laser tournament. You'll want to check out the article in this issue. As a new and different event there were some "kinks" to work out but overall it was a well-received event that we will be scheduling into our next year's calendar. Thanks to **Rob DiNunzio** for coordinating this event.

Please be aware that the board has asked our Handicap Chairman, **Steve Jenkins**, to send out periodic articles on "The Rules of Golf". Steve will specifically address rules from the USGA but ALSO the Local Rules that pertain to our golfing experience here at Apple Mountain. I want to encourage you all to read what Steve shares. If you do, there will never be another "head scratching" episode when your ball or your playing partner's ball ends up in the "pit of Hades" for which we are all aware can create chaos and confusion. Steve asked me to ask you to respond to his articles with your individual Rules questions. It is his desire to personalize his new column to fit what matters to you most. He will be sending out a separate email dealing with the Rules of Golf that you can easily respond to. Look for them in your email.

As I close, I'd like to share a quote from the infamous Sam Snead. Sam said "Of all the hazards on the course and in life.... fear is the worst". With so much happening in our world to distract us and the continued mounting pressures that many of us have or are experiencing ...uncertainty reinforced by "fear" can be crippling. This one thing I know is that when you find a friend or a group of friends to latch onto then nothing can stop you from your desired end goal. We are so blessed to be associated with a great group of people here at Apple Mountain and it is our Association that makes us strong and resilient. I am truly grateful for each and every one of you for being a part of my life. I am a better person because of you! Let's share the goodness that we have discovered here at Apple Mountain and as we move through the challenges, struggles and joys that are set before us. Let's make a positive difference in the lives of others and the "hazards" that Sam Snead spoke of will be our bridge to becoming better people.

I'll see you on the course.... with your guest!

Larry
President, The Club at Apple Mountain



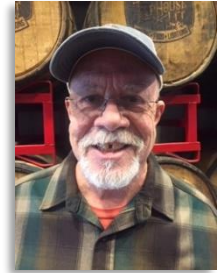
Pro Par 3

By Rob DiNunzio

The first annual Pro Par 3 tournament was a great success. 11 (2 person) teams entered the competition, all anxious to declare themselves the most accurate par 3 hitters in the club. Round 1 saw the elimination of 7 teams. Only the teams of **Bruce Nyhammer/Ralph Ogden, Armando and Bo Lizzarraga, Steve Hernandez/Kaleb Woehler, and JD Ross/Noah Woehler** moving on to Round 2.



The competition was fierce, but in a remarkable display of accuracy and competence, Kaleb and Steve outshined the competition and took first place. Their skills found them landing the first-place prize of \$350 apiece.



It is the sincere hope of the Club to run more Pro Par 3 competitions. Watch for updates about future matches, talk to those who participated, and plan to play in next year's tournament! We'd love to have more participation and even greater payouts!

Four Club

By Dennis Ringnes

The 4 Club Tournament was played on Tuesday, August 15. This favorite tournament of many members challenges players to score well with only 4 clubs. Finesse is the name of the game. Even though a number of members were away on other adventures, 32 players took on the challenge.



In the A flight, the team of **Dale Goodart and Mike O'Neal** were the winners with a best ball score of 64. **Steve Hernandez and Rafa Cardoza** (65), **Jim Dixon and Jim Ussery** (67), and **Bud Collins and Dave Brandi** (69) took 2nd, 3rd, and 4th respectively.

The B flight saw **Steve and Deb Dringenberg** (65) grab the top prize, with **Bruce Nyhammer and Daryl Prouty** (66), **Gabby Gargus and Julie Rosch** (67), and **Marshall Seaborn and Rory Humphrey** (69) capturing 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. In addition, **Gabby Gargus** won closest to the pin on the second hole, while **Bill Bates** took closest on hole 17. There were many skins winners as well.



Although hot and somewhat humid, a great day was had by all. A special shout out to Steve Dringenberg for handling the scoring.

Rules of Golf

By Steve Jenkins



What are your options when you hit your ball into a Red Penalty Area?

First of all, for purposes of this example, we are going to assume that you can see your ball in the Penalty Area. (We will deal with situations where your ball may or may not be in a Penalty Area and variations of this simple example at another time.) You have four options:

1. You may play the ball as it lies in the Penalty Area, without penalty.
2. You may take relief for one penalty stroke. If your drive went into the penalty area, your next stroke will be your 3rd shot rather than your 2nd.

- a. Return to the spot where you originally hit the ball, re-tee it and hit the ball again.

- b. Draw an imaginary line between the flag and the point where the ball entered the Penalty Area. Drop the ball anywhere on this line behind where the ball entered the Penalty Area. Go back as far as you want along this imaginary line.

- c. Drop the ball within two club lengths of where the ball entered the Penalty Area.

For b. and c., the relief area must not be in the same Penalty Area and may not be closer to the hole. Note that, contrary to the belief of some, there is no option to take the ball back anywhere on a line between the point of entry and where the ball was previously hit from.



12 Man Update

By Dave Brandi & Tyson Muncher



HUGE NEWS!!! Both Apple Mountain twelve-man teams [Grab your reader's attention with a great quote from the document or use this space to emphasize a key point. To place this text box anywhere on the page, just drag it.]

have made the playoffs! Dave Brandi, who captains the Saturday team, and Tyson Muncher who captains the

Thursday team are both extremely proud of the performances of all the twelve-man players.

The playoffs are under way. The Thursday team will play on August 31st against Dark Horse and the Saturday team will play on September 2nd against Ancil Hoffman. There are four playoff rounds leading up to the finals in October.

Here's hoping the Apple Mountain teams can emerge victorious in their upcoming matches and find their way into the finals. Congratulations to both teams and the tremendous success they have had up to this point.

Match Play Championship

The Match Play Championship has concluded. A total of 32 participants were divided into eight pods of 4 players each. Players within each pod played one another and all 1st and 2nd place finishers entered the playoffs. In order to limit the number of matches, the playoffs required only a couple of matches resulting in 4 first place winners. The participation was fantastic, the competition was fierce, and the results can be seen below. Congratulations to all who finished in the money!



Match Play Champions		Season Results			
		Pod	Place	Name	Payout
 Steve Dringenberg  Ron Baker  Ralph Ogden  Larry Thornhill	Pod 1	First Place	Steve Dringenberg	\$40	
	Pod 2	First Place	Mike Swartz	\$40	
	Pod 3	First Place	Bart Robinson	\$40	
	Pod 8	First Place	Bo Lizzarraga	\$40	
	Pod 1	Second Place	Mike Dietz	\$30	
	Pod 2	Second Place	Ron Baker	\$30	
	Pod 3	Second Place	Mark Berscheid	\$30	
	Pod 8	Second Place	JD Ross	\$30	
	Pod 4	First Place	MaryAnn Baker*	\$40	
	Pod 5	First Place	Glen Sabado	\$40	
	Pod 6	First Place	Roy Hopkinson	\$40	
	Pod 7	First Place	Mike Hayworth	\$40	
Pod 4	Second Place	Ralph Ogden	\$30		
Pod 5	Second Place	Gerry Catalano	\$30		
Pod 6	Second Place	Larry Thornhill	\$30		
Pod 7	Second Place	Bob Elliott	\$30		
Playoff Results					
Pods 1, 2, 3, and 8	First Place	Steve Dringenberg	\$50		
	Second Place	Bo Lizarraga	\$40		
	First Place	Ron Baker	\$50		
	Second Place	Mark Swartz	\$40		
Pods 4, 5, 6, and 7	First Place	Ralph Ogden	\$50		
	Second Place	Wayne Duty*	\$40		
	First Place	Larry Thornhill	\$50		
	Second Place	Bob Elliott	\$40		

*Wayne Duty finished 3rd in Pod 4 and replaced MaryAnn Baker in the Playoffs as she was unable to participate.



King of the Mountain

By Ron Baker

Since our last publication, the final two KOM tournaments were played. KOM 4 was played on July 13th. We had 18 participants resulting in two flights in the fourth KOM tournament in a series of 5 events. 'A' Flight....1st- **Jerry Marshall** net 69, 2nd- **Steve Dringenberg** net 70, 3rd- **Ron Baker** net 76 and 4th- **Bart Robinson** net 77. 'B' Flight.... 1st- **Bob Elliott** net 69, 2nd- **Bruce Nyhammer** net 70, 3rd- **Jim Price** net 73 and 4th- **Glen Sabado** net 74. Thanks to all that participated.

On August 10th 19 participants gathered to compete in the final King of the Mountain tournament prior to the finals which will be held on September 21st. The top 20 players from these first 5 KOM tournaments qualify for the KOM Final, so a number of players were trying to improve their position in this last “regular season” opportunity. The final results for this critical fifth tournament are as follows:

Flight	Place	Name	Score
A Flight	1 st	Michael O'Neill	69
	2 nd	Doug Ryle	75
	3 rd	Bill Andrzejewski	75
	4 th	Jerry Marshall	76
	5 th	Steve Dringenberg	76
B Flight	1 st	Jim Price	67
	2 nd	Gerry Catalano	69
	3 rd	Bob Elliott	71
	4 th	Ralph Ogden	72
	5 th	Larry Thornhill	75



Mike O'Neal & Jim Price

Following the 5 KOM Cup tournaments, 20 participants qualified to participate in the finals for a chance to win a Apple Mountain Gold Membership and be crowned King of the Mountain. In addition to the Gold Membership there are 2 half Gold Membership's and additional money payouts. Final tournament points are double. The current leaders with 21 points are Glen Sabado and Mike O'Neil. Close behind are Jerry Marshall with 18 points and Bart Robinson with 17 points, followed by 4 participants with 16 points. Good luck to all participants.



If you are one of the 20 qualifiers for the KOM final, you will be notified prior to September 21st, the date of the final KOM tournament. Keep an eye out for that email.

Red, White and Blue Challenge

On July 6th Club members gathered to face the Red, White, and Blue challenge. **Wayne Duty** coordinated this tournament and it was a fun and exciting event with the extra added benefit of offering a salute to our great country. There were three flights with eight players in each flight. Payouts went to the top five in every flight, giving ample opportunity for participants to cash out at the conclusion of play. Here are the results of the fun and festive tournament:



Flight	Place	Name	Payout
Betsy Ross	1 st	Dan Dewater	\$80
	2 nd	Rob Lupient	\$55 + \$30 CTH
	3 rd	Roy Hopkinson	\$35
	4 th	Ralph Mouillseaux	\$25
	5 th	Bonnie Duty	\$15
Paul Revere	1 st	John Tierney (guest)	\$80
	2 nd	Daryl Prouty	\$55
	3 rd	Wayne Duty	\$35
	4 th	Kevin Tierney	\$25
	5 th	Bruce Nyhammer	\$15
	CTH	Mike Hayworth	\$30
George Washington	1 st	John O'Shea	\$80
	2 nd	Bart Robinson	\$55
	3 rd	Ron Baker	\$35
	4 th	Dave Brandi	\$25
	5 th	Dennis Ringnes	\$15
	CTH	Dale Goodart	\$30



CTH = Closest to the Hole

Carson Valley Trip

By Rob Lupient

On June 27th twenty-four members participated in the annual sojourn to Carson Valley. Rob Lupient has been organizing this trip for a number of years now and it is always a great experience. This year the group played the newly renovated Genoa Ranch course along with Genoa Lakes. In addition, they enjoyed an incredible steak dinner following their round on the 27th, with an open bar offered from 5:30 to 6:30.



Genoa Lakes was played on the 28th and although the conditions were a bit soggy and the mosquitos were relentless, the course was enjoyable and the competition fun. The game at Genoa Ranch was beat the boss, where six golfers prevailed. At Genoa Lakes there were two flights looking for lowest net. Payouts

went to the lowest 3 in each flight.

If you would like to participate in the Carson Valley experience next year, mark your calendar for June 25th and 26th. Courses are yet to be determined, but you can be assured you'll have a great time regardless of your golf score.



Ladies Only Open

By Bruce Nyhammer

This was the Tournament that could not happen.



The First Annual Ladies Only Open Tournament was held on June 14th at Apple Mountain. Never before had The Club at Apple Mountain had a tournament that was exclusively for Ladies. In fact, some Ladies asked if the club could sponsor another ladies' tournament this year. That was not in the plans but the second annual Ladies Only Open will be on the schedule for next year.



The turnout was great, 34 players' total. It would have been 36 but **Maryann Baker** was unable to participate. Also, a big "thank you" to **Gabby Gargus** for getting out the flyers to so many other ladies, encouraging participation and campaigning to make this happen.

As the Ladies arrived for the tournament, they saw signs welcoming them and directing them to the bag drop, where bag boys (Club Members) unloaded their car and placed the bags on their designated carts. They were then pointed to the reserved parking in the front, the closest area to the pro shop.



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There were members from ten different golf clubs/courses including Apple Mountain represented in the field.

Ron Baker, filling in for Maryann, brought a variety selection of doughnuts that were available at the starter podium, and this went over like a hole in one. There was a sleeve of golf balls for each player in the carts along with the players' tees and format information.

The format of the day was a two-person scramble and there were two flights that included a shot gun start from 1, 15, 16, 17 & 18. In addition, there were two closest to the pin holes, No. 2 and No. 15.

When the tournament was over and everyone entered the Grill, wine tasting was waiting for every lady, and they loved it. Mariah from Edio Vineyards sponsored the wine tasting. A lunch buffet was served that the Resort's own Tonya prepared, a homemade enchilada, rice & beans and everyone raved about how good it was and the comparison to other tournament meals was not even close.

The winners were:

Closest to the pin: Hole 2: Linda Wolf, 33 inches; Hole 15: Lynn Hanamura, 10 feet one inch.

Scramble for Net Scores:

Flight A:

- 1st Place: 66 **Joan Canepa & Mary Klein** from Dry Creek
- 2nd Place: 67 (tie breaker) **Tracy Spitler & Debi Franzen** from Castle Oaks
- 3rd Place: 67 **Jill Thompson & Carrie Hoffman** from Dry Creek
- 4th Place: 69 **Linda Gillihan & Lynn Hanamura** from Empire Ranch

Flight B:

- 1st Place: 63 **Lori Scalaro & Tarah Kubes** from Apple Mountain
- 2nd Place: 65 **Gaye Johnson & Carol Laughlin** from Empire Ranch
- 3rd Place: 68 **Kristie Schreve** from E-Club Sac & **Andie St. Denis** from Harding Park
- 4th Place: 69 **Ronda Barth & Kathy Gupton** from Empire Ranch



The day included a raffle and, thanks to Rob DiNunzio securing donations from **DiVittorio Winery** every participant received a free bottle of wine. This incredible event would not have been possible without the Club members that volunteered to assist with the greetings, parking, bag drop, etc.

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Those members who deserve a very big thank you include: **Larry Thornhill, Mark Swartz, Roy Hopkinson, Rob Lupient, Bart Robinson, Ron Baker, Maryann Baker, Rob DiNunzio, Gabby Gargus.** All of the employees at the Apple Mountain Resort deserves thanks as well, with special thanks going to Sara Close, Tonya, and JD Ross.



Player of the Year

The Player of the Year award is given to the Club member who earns the most points playing in tournaments throughout the year. The current standings are as follows:

Ranking	Name	Points
1 st	Ron Baker	431
2 nd	Ralph Ogden	377
3 rd	Dale Goodart	315
4 th	MaryAnn Baker	312
5 th	Michael O'Neill	279
6 th	Steve Dringenberg	268
7 th	Jim Price	261
8 th	Roy Hopkinson	253
9 th	Bart Robinson	240
10 th	Daryl Prouty	237



Ron Baker and Ralph Ogden battle for the top spot as the Player of the Year

Upcoming Tournaments

All members of The Club at Apple Mountain are invited to attend our upcoming tournaments. See the list below, or visit the website at: <http://theclub-applemountain.weebly.com/upcoming-tournaments.html>

Ryder Cup Rumble

September 12th

KOM Final (By invitation only)

September 21st

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