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**OCGC TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE 2017**

Mon, Feb 13	Silverado North CC, Napa	Fun Event - Guest Welcomed
Sat, Mar 11	Callippe Preserve GC, Pleasanton	
Sun, Apr 9	Hiddenbrooke GC, Vallejo	Marc Rice POSTPONED
Sun, May 7	Rancho Solano GC, Fairfield	
Mon., June 12	Mira Vista Country Club, El Cerrito	Fun Event – Guests Welcomed
Sat, Jun 24	Boundary Oak GC, Walnut Creek	Director’s Cup
Sat, Jul 15	Peacock Gap GC, San Rafael	Cancelled
Sat, July 29	Hiddenbrooke GC	Marc Rice Memorial
<b>Sat, Aug 12</b>	<b>Paradise Valley GC, Fairfield</b>	<b>Club Championship</b>
<b>Sun, Aug 13</b>	<b>Chardonnay GC Napa Valley</b>	<b>Club Championship</b>
<b>Sun, Sep 17</b>	<b>Eagle Vines GC, American Canyon</b>	<b>Daimo Cup</b>
<b>Sat, Oct 14</b>	<b>Las Positas, Livermore</b>	
<b>Sun, Nov 5</b>	<b>Metropolitan Golf Links</b>	<b>Tournament of Champions</b>

**FEDERATION EVENTS - 2017**

**Fri – Sun, Sep 1 – 3    Portland, Oregon                      Portland Invitational**

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**OCGC HAS A FACEBOOK PAGE!**

**PLEASE VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AT <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Oakland-Chinese-Golf-Club/1538219453073989>. AND BE SURE TO LIKE THE PAGE TO BE NOTIFIED OF UPDATES.**  
We would like your help in building our community and ask you to recruit your friends to LIKE our Facebook page as well.

We look forward to seeing you on Facebook. If you have any questions, please email Cliff Tong at [Tong.cliff@gmail.com](mailto:Tong.cliff@gmail.com).

For more information on the club visit [www.oaklandchinesegec.org](http://www.oaklandchinesegec.org) . For more information on the Federation of Chinese GC, visit [www.chinesefedgolf.org](http://www.chinesefedgolf.org) to see the activities of the 20 member clubs.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS (Previously posted except where highlighted or important.)**

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The NCGA Most Improved Golfer (MIG) report that comes out monthly shows the current MIG winner each month. It compares the monthly index from last year to the same month this year. The MIG’s are as follows:

- September - Christine Lee - 22.3 to 18.1
- October - Perry Seto - 17.5 to 14.7
- November - Allen Yuen - 14.9 to 12.1.
- December – John O’Shaughnessy 11.7 to 7.9
- January - John O’Shaughnessy 11.0 to 7.9
- February - John O’Shaughnessy 11.0 to 7.7
- March - John O’Shaughnessy 10.8 to 7.8
- April – Judy Eng 25.8 to 21.6

May – David Shim – 25.1 to 21.1  
June – Howard Shao - 25.0 to 18.2  
July – Howard Shao - 25.4 to 17.7  
**August – Doug Low – 18.4 to 14.4**

CONGRATS TO THE MIG'S!

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**If you have any changes in your address, phone or email address, contact Secretary Steve Chan (steven.chan@calbt.com) who will pass on any changes to other members of the board.**

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**DIRECTOR'S CUP SUMMARY**

The Director's Cup was played at Boundary Oaks on June 24, 2017 with 16 members vying for the humongous rotating trophy that was donated by past member Marc Rice, Sr. back in 1959. Yes, it's been that long since the club was organized and we still are the largest of the 20 Federation clubs. The club's website is in the process of being updated and you will be informed when updated. You can check out the history of the Federation as well as club news in previous Grass Roots newsletters.

For the new members of the club, the Director's Cup rotating trophy was donated by Marc Rice Senior who was instrumental in helping the club get established in 1959 by generously sponsoring this trophy as well as others. He died shortly after the first couple of years and his son Marc Jr. and wife Pat continued this sponsorship by donating trophies each year. Marc Jr. passed away in 2013.

Boundary Oaks played very tough with no one netting below 70! But, a 70 did win the privilege of getting his name engraved and keeping it until next year, and Bill Wong was the winner! Attached are the results of the event. Many thanks to the tournament committee for their hard work in summarizing this event.

Welcome new members who were first timers in joining this event and meeting other members: Ron Haraguchi, Harry Huang, and Ann Woo. Speaking of first timers, Kim Shek, our member came all the way down from Bellevue, WA. What a trooper!

**BATTLE OF THE BAY**

The almost annual Battle of the Bay (BOB) between Northern California member clubs in the Federation took place on June 25 at Hiddenbrooke Golf Club in Vallejo. Marin Country Chinese Golf Club served as hosts for this year's event, with Sacramento, Oakland, and Foon Hay also in the mix to earn bragging rights.

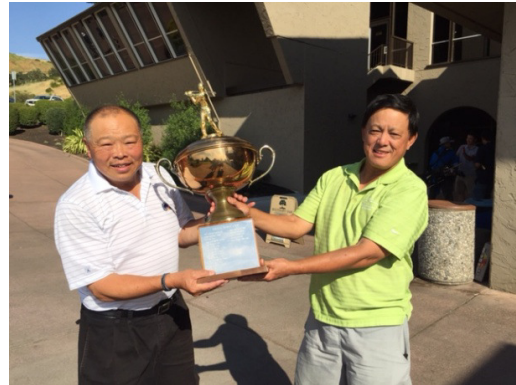
Battle of the Bay is a match play event where players within foursomes play simultaneous matches against one another trying to earn points for their club. A total of 48 points were awarded in this format for the 8-member teams. With this format, Foon Hay ended up with 15 1/2 points to win the competition. Sacramento and Oakland ended with 12 points each with Marin County earning the remaining 8 1/2 points.

The OCGC team with points included David Yip 2.0, Christine Lee 1.5, Alex Fong 3.0, Kim Shek 2.0, Kenny Fong 2.0, Paul Han 0.0, Alan Whiteside 1.5 and Benny Lee 0.0.

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**BILL WONG - CHAMP**



**BILL WONG – CHAMP, DAVID YIP**

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**PLAYER OF THE YEAR (POY) RESULTS**

The board authorizes \$200.00 for the POY to encourage participation and rewards members for attaining a high level of excellence. At each event, points are awarded for field low net. Twenty-two places are awarded points beginning with 40, 30, 20, 19, 18, 17, etc. down to one point. For participation, the remaining players receive one point. For net ties, points are divided equally. For team events, two or four player teams, points will be divided equally. E.g., the first place team of two players will receive 35 points each.  $(40 + 30)/2$ . The second place team will receive 19.5 points each.  $(20 + 19)/2$ , etc. It looks like it's going to be a tight race for points with Alan Whiteside at 103.0, Bill Wong at 91.0, Frank Chiang at 89.0, Ron Haraguchi at 75.0 for the top for leaders. Watch out for Ron who has only played in three events as the others have played four or five events. See the attached current rankings.

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**HIDDENBROOKE – MARC RICE MEMORIAL**

The rescheduled Marc Rice Memorial was played at Hiddenbrooke GC on Saturday, the 22 signups played the always tough layout with new member Ron Haraguchi shooting a great round of 88 netting a 64! Wow, that field low net score resulted in getting 40 points for the Player of the Year standings. The women's field low net was won by Christine Lee with a net of 71. Runner-up winners for men were Bill Wong and Alan Whiteside winning 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> nets respectively and new member Ann Woo winning 1<sup>st</sup> net for the women. See attached for the field scores.

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**SHORT SHOTS**

With the end of the year in sight, the club is looking for new blood for the Board of Directors. The Board will be making contacts with the membership for members with new ideas in promoting better participation at our monthly events and welcome any feedback to maintain and increase our membership. Speaking of membership, OCGC has the most members in the 20 member clubs in the Federation and as most clubs, membership seems to be decreasing while our club's membership has been on the rise. We need members to step-up as we get into planning for 2018.

We have been blessed with new members this year. Last report was 27. Since then welcome back Jesmer Lorenzo who was our VP from 2009 – 2011. Also, welcome new member Alain Young and regular member Sam Wong for playing their first event in 2017.

At the Mira Vista event, we received confirmation for the free interactive raffle prize that was won by guest John Ciaccio from the Foon Hay Club. He won the Heads or Tails game with the "rock, scissors, hand" tie breaker against Norman Chang. This year with new management, changing their name to Berkeley Country Club, John received a ONE MONTH COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIP to the country club!



NORMAN CHANG, JOHN CIACCIO

A new Federation president was elected at the Sacramento's Reno Invitational in May. Sheila Lee from Foon Hay Golf Club replaced Rocky Yee from Sacramento Chinese Golf Club who served for six years as president. Other officers elected were 1<sup>st</sup> Vice president Gene Wong from Vancouver Chinese Golf Club, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President John Sturges from Portland Chinese Golf Club and Secretary-Treasurer Steve Vines from Los Angeles Chinese Golf Club. The Federation Webmaster is Clarence Bakken from Foon Hay Seniors Golf Club from the South Bay Area. What is the Federation of Chinese Golf Clubs? Check out the website at: <http://cbakken.net/fedgolf/> and select the line that starts with Federation of Chinese Golf Clubs.

Have you ever heard of a person playing golf in four different time zones in one day? Starting on the East Coast and playing a full round in each time zone with a full set of clubs, member Howard Shao did it on behalf of a charity. The Youth on Course charity in their "A Day on Course Series" called "Racing the Sun," he started on June 21 at 5:50 am at Valhalla GC, in Louisville, KY, flew to Kansas to play Prairie Dunes CC, flew to Colorado to play Ballyneal GC and to Las Vegas to play Shadow Creek GC finishing at 8:30pm! What's next on his bucket list? See Page 69 in the latest NCGA magazine.

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## GOLF JOKES!

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>> A husband and wife are on the 9th green when suddenly she collapses from  
>> a heart attack!

>> 'Help me dear," she groans to her husband.

>> The husband calls 999 on his mobile phone, talks for a few minutes,

>> then picks up his putter, and lines up his putt.

>> His wife raises her head off the green and stares at him.

>> "I'm dying here and you're putting?"

>> "Don't worry dear," says the husband calmly, "they found a doctor on the  
>> second hole and he's coming to help you."

>> "Well, how long will it take for him to get here?" she asks feebly."

>> No time at all," says her husband. "Everybody's already agreed to let  
>> him play through."