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OCGC TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE 2016 (Tentative)

Mon, Feb 29	Sequoyah CC, Oakland	Fun Event - Guest Event
Sun, Mar 20	Silverado South CC, Napa	Fun Event - Guest Event
Sun, Apr 2	Deer Ridge, Brentwood	Marc Rice Memorial
Sun, May 1	Hiddenbrooke, Vallejo	Director's Cup
Thu, May 19	Blackhawk CC Lake, Danville	Fun Event – Guest Event
Sun, Jun 12	Las Positas, Livermore	
Mon, Jul 18	Round Hill CC, Alamo	Fun Event - Guest Event
Sat, Jul 30	Rancho Solano, Fairfield	
Sat, Aug 20	Roddy Ranch, Antioch	Club Championship
Sun, Aug 21	Chardonnay, Napa	Club Championship
Sun, Sep 11	Poppy Ridge, Livermore	Daimo Cup
Sun, Sep 18	Mare Island joint with Sacramer	nto Chinese GC
Sun, Oct 15	Paradise Valley, Fairfield	
Sat, Nov 5	Tilden Park, Oakland	Hugh Lee TOC

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 <u>Tong.cliff@gmail.com</u>.

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For more information on the club visit <u>www.oaklandchinesegc.org</u>. For more information on the Federation of Chinese GC, visit <u>www.chinesefedgolf.org</u> to see the activities of the 20 member clubs.

OAKLAND CHINESE GOLF CLUB FUN EVENT SEQUOYAH COUNTRY CLUB - FEBRUARY 29, 2016

There were 72 enthusiastic golfers from 12 Federation Clubs and guests that did a leap year effort to break net par. Only three made this objective. The 9:30am shotgun saw a group on every hole on the course and for the most part, the five hour round was the norm as was three putts!

The course pro shop was very co-operative creating the score cards and cart signs and delivered the box lunches to the golf carts just before players were directed to their respective holes. On the closest to the pin Par 3 holes, the five flights, three men's, one ladies, and a guest (no winner) flight were awarded a sleeve of balls that were donated by the pro shop and for a raffle prize, a gift certificate worth about \$500.00 for a foursome was also donated. After golf, the Sky Bar room was made available for a no-host bar and scoring was also done. Thanks to Brian Fields and crew for a great event!

This is one of the largest turnouts for a fun event and as mentioned above, the participation from all of the Federation Clubs which included ten players from Sacramento and seven from Foon Hay and Marin County Clubs created many new friendships. Speaking of Foon Hay, with the absence of our tournament chairs, a committee of four including the Federation Webmaster Clarence Bakken did an excellent job in verifying the scoring and the results summary. Many thanks goes to them for their efforts.

	Men's Flight 1	Men's Flight 2	Men's Flight 3
	Rudy Birnel 69 FH	Vince Kwan 72 SAC	Will Tong 71 OAK
	Joseph Marquez 71 MAR	John Ciaccio 73 SC	Wm. Wong 74 OAK
	Allen Yuen 72 OAK	Larry Fong 74 MAR	Joseph Liao 75 ALA
Low Net 2nd Low	Ladies Flight Kathy Nagakura 75 GT Frances Gin 80 FH	Guest Flight (blind bogey Scott Kontny 66)

Closest to the Pin: Men's Flight 1 Willie Tse 7' 6" MAR Men's Flight 2 Nick Chin 37' OAK Men's Flight 3 Francis Wong 13' 3" FH Ladies Flight Kathy Nagakura 45' Green Tee Guest Flight No Winner Raffle Prize (Heads & Tails) Winner – The tails winner was Candy Tom OAK

SEE ATTACHED PHOTO GALLERY FOR PLAYER CANDID SHOTS.

The board is still looking for volunteers to fill open positions on the Board of Directors. The offices of President, Vice-President, and Co-Tournament Chair Elect are open. This will be a great opportunity for members to gain experience and provide some valuable feedback to help the club continue improving by doing new and innovative programs for the membership. There

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are only four dinner meetings a year to learn how each of the committees function. If you have questions, give anyone of the members of the board a call.

We were deeply saddened with the news of Clayton Soohoo passing. At 92, he was the club's charter president in 1958. He held several other offices, tournament chairman, director (6 years) and served on many committees during his 58 years as a member. He was preceded in death of his wife Bess. Clay practiced optometry in Oakland for 50 years and retired in 1999.

Likewise for Duane Wong who joined the club in 1994. He served as tournament chairman – elect and tournament chairman in 1998 and 1999 respectively. Duane and his wife Joanne owned a music shop for many years. Last words from Duane - "Thanks, Hugh. I will always remember the trophy you had made to celebrate my one and only ace. Glad I got that one off my "bucket list." "Tell our members that I appreciate their support and have enjoyed being part of the golf club."

Congratulations to Judy Lim who had a Hole-in-One at the Resort at Redhawk in Reno, NV on February 9, 2016. She made it on the Lakes Course Hole 4 (The Windmill) 113 Yards. This was her third hole – in – one !

Speaking about the Lims who have been members since 1987 but currently living in San Diego, Al and Judy are retired and what do retirees do these days? Traveling, of course. They plan on being away from home for a couple of months traveling to Austria for skiing, Dalmatian coast, Sacramento, New York City on the way to Switzerland for a cruise on the Moselle and Rhine to Amsterdam to see the tulips in bloom. Wow, watch for a lot of photos coming!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

We would like to welcome new member for 2016:

NORMAN CHANG from San Jose CHRIS LANG from Danville STEPHEN LEE from Oakland GARY JEUNG from San Francisco JAY LIN from San Francisco MARIO NAKANO from Manteca ED OSHIKA from Oakland WILLIAM TOM from Alameda ANGELA WONG from San Francisco

Several of the new members above have joined us in two events this year including the Silverado "rain out." Members should reach out to introduce yourself to the new members. There is a saying that there are no strangers in the game of golf, just friends you haven't met.

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Posting of scores for handicap index calculation? Attached is an article on posting scores that defines what scores should and should not be posted. It will be an eye opener for many.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR STANDINGS (TOP 10)

NAME	<u>SEQUOYAH</u>	
	NET	POINTS
TONG, WILLIE	71	40.0
YUEN, ALLEN	72	30.0
YIP, DAVID	73	20.0
OWYANG, TERRY	74	18.5
WONG, WILLIAM	74	18.5
WONG, NELSON	75	17.0
FONG, KENNY	77	16.0
ASAMI, CHRIS	78	14.0
TONG, CLIFFORD	78	14.0
TONG, STEPHEN	78	14.0
	TONG, WILLIE YUEN, ALLEN YIP, DAVID OWYANG, TERRY WONG, WILLIAM WONG, NELSON FONG, KENNY ASAMI, CHRIS TONG, CLIFFORD	NETTONG, WILLIE71YUEN, ALLEN72YIP, DAVID73OWYANG, TERRY74WONG, WILLIAM74WONG, NELSON75FONG, KENNY77ASAMI, CHRIS78TONG, CLIFFORD78

Golf truisms

Golf can best be defined as an endless series of tragedies obscured by the occasional miracle, followed by a good bottle of beer.

Golf! You hit down to make the ball go up. You swing left and the ball goes right. The lowest score wins. And on top of that, the winner buys the drinks.

Golf is harder than baseball. In golf, you have to play your foul balls.

If you find you do not mind playing golf in the rain, the snow, even during a hurricane, here's a valuable tip: your life is in trouble

Golfers who try to make everything perfect before taking the shot rarely make a perfect shot.

The term "mulligan" is really a contraction of the phrase "maul it again."

A "gimme" can best be defined as an agreement between two golfers ... neither of whom can putt very well.

An interesting thing about golf is that no matter how badly you play; it is always possible to get worse.

Golf's a hard game to figure. One day you'll go out and slice it and shank it, hit into all the traps and miss every green. The next day you go out and for no reason at all you really stink.

If your best shots are the practice swing and the "gimme putt", you might wish to reconsider this game.

Golf is the only sport where the most feared opponent is you.