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#### OCGC TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE 2018

MARCH 17th, Saturday: Monarch Bay

APRIL 29th, Sunday: *Metropolitan* 60th OCGC Anniversary & Marc Rice

MAY 19th & 20th: Sat. & Sun: Blackhorse & Bayonet-Federation Tournament Monterey

JUNE 24th: Sunday: *Boundary Oaks*Director's Cup

JULY 10 or 11th: Mon or Tue - *Moraga Country Club* (Tentative)

AUGUST 18th & 19th: Sat & Sun: *Hiddenbrooke*-Club Championship

SEPTEMBER 23rd: Sunday: *Eagle Vines* Diamo Cup

OCTOBER 28th: Sunday- Chuck Corica Park, South Course - TOC

### **FEDERATION EVENTS - 2018**

Sat-Sun, May 19-20 Bayonet/Black Horse, Monterey Norcal Invitational

Sat-Sun, Sept 1-2 Victoria, BC 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.

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For more information on the club visit <a href="https://www.oaklandchinesegc.org">www.oaklandchinesegc.org</a>. For more information on the Federation of Chinese GC, visit <a href="https://www.chinesefedgolf.org">www.chinesefedgolf.org</a> to see the activities of the 18 member clubs.

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Stepping up as interim President is Hugh Lee and as previously indicated interim Tournament Chair is Alan Whiteside and Norman Chang who will be assisting in our Evites for the first few events this year. Thanks to Preston Jeung, and Kido Seok who stepped up for Secretary and Director respectively and Stephen Lee taking over the Social Chair office and Stuart Lum for bringing back the Match Play Champion event.

Who is next? We need to have a permanent Tournament Chair and Tournament Chair-Elect to continue the work in those two offices. Thanks to Alan, we have a tournament schedule for the year, but we need others to help make this year successful. It has been suggested that the club set up a small group of members to assist in the monthly events for pairings, scoring and skins. Last year, we had 79 members that signed up to play an event which is around 66% of the membership and is really remarkable. The Board thanks those members for their support.

From the 79 members, I am asking for volunteers to assist in each of our events in pairings, scoring and skins. From this pool, members will be assigned to a duty for one or two events. For now, please let me know if you will help with the tournament events this year. (HUGHPLEE@YAHOO.COM)

Hugh Lee President

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

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 past year's MIG's are as follows:

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 September - David Yip - 4.4 to 2.1 October - Joyce Shao - 28.6 to 21.5 November - Joyce Shao 28.1 to 21.3 December - Kim Shek 5.1 to 2.1 January 2018 - Kim Shek 5.1 to 2.2 February 2018 - Joyce Shao 28.1 to 21.4

**CONGRATS TO THE MIG'S!** 

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If you have any changes in your address, phone or email address, contact Secretary Preston Jeung (prjeung@gmail.com) who will pass on any changes to other members of the board.

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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. This will continue in 2018.

#### MATCH PLAY

The Match Play event is back in 2018. Stuart Lum has stepped up to chair the event and have sent out the rules AND the draw/pairings. The matches will begin in March. If you win the first round, you have your money back and each successive round another payout it made. The club will donate a Match Play Champion award and will have his or hers name on the rotating trophy. Good luck!

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#### **2017 MILESTONES!**

### CHRIS PANGILINAN - HOLE-IN-ONE OCTOBER 14, 2017 LAS POSITAS GC

"Regarding the hole in one, we played it at 161 yards, wind right to left. I used my 4-hybrid. I wasn't even aiming for the green. I was aiming right of the green and just let the wind take it in. Unfortunately, we didn't see it go in since the hole was protected by the bunker. We just saw the initial bounce. Oh well, no difference." (Per Chris)

#### NORMAN CHANG - HOLE- IN-ONE OCTOBER 19, 2017 AT EAGLE RIDGE GOLF COURSE

Wow! Less than a week apart, our 2017 tournament chairman had a HIO, too! On the Par 3 2<sup>nd</sup> hole at 134 yards using an 8 iron. Playing with Kenny Fong, Chris Asami and Elmer Meredith he enthusiastically popped for drinks and lunch!

The club honored both with HIO trophies. Since the club's (HIO) fund is only for club tournament events, Chris was the winner of \$585.00. The last HIO by Judy Eng was six years ago. The Board has decided to continue the \$1.00 HIO annual fee in the future and limit the payout to \$300.00 for each HIO.

Speaking of Hole In Ones!

#### WHAT'S NEW WITH CANDY TOM AND WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT "2626?" In her own words:

"Still on a high, keep seeing my tee shot going high up in the air over the sand trap landing a short distance on the left side of the flag and rolling to the right towards the hole. Thought it was going to be real close and then it dropped in the hole!! I screamed along with two of my girlfriends playing with me. Think my name is going to be on a hole in one plaque at the Club and I will get some kind of wood trophy and I may get my photo in the local newspaper."

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"Just about 10 days ago when I was playing that same hole I hit a shot that was just about 6 inches from the hole.....and I was thinking to myself that a hole in one was going to happen soon for me! Spirit was listening...but I had no idea what a big deal it was going to be."

#### **HOW SHE DID IT:**

"Hole 17 par 3 at King Kamehameha on February 2, 2018! Pin was back right 100 yds from red tee, used a 6 hybrid. HIO pot had been started in July 2014 for Members only on Friday Member's Game day. No hole in one had been made until mine. The accumulated dollars in the pot on Feb 2, 2018 was \$2496. In addition to that I got \$130 on that same hole for a skin, a KP and a snake (a zero putt). My total win on hole 17....\$2626! "

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**



#### ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

### Why you should never lie about your handicap

A businessman was attending a conference in Africa. He had a free day and wanted to play a round of golf and was directed to a golf course in the nearby jungle. After a short journey, he arrived at the course and asked the pro if he could get on.

"Sure," said the pro, "What's your handicap?"

Not wanting to admit that he had an 18 handicap, he decided to cut it a bit. "Well, it's 16," said the businessman, "But what's the relevance since I'll be playing alone"

"It's very important for us to know," said the pro, who then called a caddy.

"Go out with this gentleman," said the pro, "his handicap is 16."

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The businessman was very surprised at this constant reference to his handicap. The caddy picked up the businessman's bag and a large rifle. Again, the businessman was surprised, but decided to ask no questions.

They arrived on the 1st hole, a par-4. "It's wise to avoid those trees on the left," said the caddy.

Needless to say, the businessman duck-hooked his ball into the trees. He found his ball and was about to punch it out when he heard the loud crack of the rifle and a large snake fell dead from a tree above his head. The caddy stood next to him with the rifle smoking in his hand.

"That's the Black Mamba, the most poisonous snake in all Africa. You're lucky I was here with you!"

After taking a bogey, they moved to the 2nd hole, a par-5.

"Good to avoid those bushes on the right," says the caddy. Of course, the businessman's ball went straight into the bushes. As he went to pick up his ball, he heard the loud crack of the caddy's rifle once again, and a huge lion fell dead at his feet.

"I've saved your life again," said the caddy.

The 3rd hole was a par-3 with a lake in front of the green. The businessman's ball came up just short of the green and rolled back to the edge of the water. To take a shot, he had to stand with one foot in the lake. As he was about to swing, a large crocodile emerged from the water and bit off much of his right leg.

As he fell to the ground bleeding and in great pain, he saw the caddy with the rifle propped at his side, looking on unconcernedly.

"Why didn't you kill it" asked the man incredulously. "I'm sorry, sir," said the caddy. "This is the 17th handicap hole. You don't get a shot here."

And that, my golfing friends, is why you should never lie about your handicap!