

SPEAR NEWS

SPRING 2023 Edition

The last four months have been very dynamic for us golfers. The year began with lots and lots of water. We didn't know when it would stop raining. Eventually the rain tapers off some so that we were able to play our first tournament at Blue Rock Springs in Vallejo, but the rain strongly resumes throughout March and forced us to reschedule our March Moffett Field tournament to June 17th.

We were able to fit in our 46th Annual Invitational Tournament, despite concerns for weather at the Wente Golf Course in Livermore. The weather turned out to be fabulous. The course was beautiful and challenging. The evening social gatherings were memorable.

Unfortunately, on the first day of tournament play, we did have a bad accident with one of our members. Ann Bryant lost control of her golf cart on Hole 1 and suffered major scrapes, scratches, cuts, and bruises. The accident required her to spend one night in the hospital. She was discharged the following day and recovery is proceeding slowly. Ann wants to thank everyone for their support, love, and care for her.

Please, when you see them, give Jill Bornor-Brown and Rob Brown, Al Brown, Gwen Brown-McKay, Darren Avent, Byron Deadwiler, Greg Bennett, and Ann Bryant a big thank-you. We couldn't have pulled this tournament off without their volunteerism. Because of their commitment, everyone just had a wonderful time. So much so, that we have already begun negotiations with Wente to bring our annual tournament back next year. We are looking at 4/27-28/24.

Our next 4 club tournaments will be Spanos Park on 5/21/23. The rescheduling of Moffett Field to June 17th. Our granddaddy for the year, Poppy Hills at Pebble Beach on 7/16/23. Followed by Pacific Grove (Poor man Pebble) on 8/13/23.

The WSGA will be holding their 69th Annual Golf Championship on June 21th, June 22nd, June 23rd, and June 24th. I have already shared with you the entry instructions. Like last year, it will be held in Reno, Nv. Last year we also had around 25 Spear players and their guests participating

in the tournament and evening events. I am encouraging you all to show up again this year and let the rest of WSGA feel the present of Spear. Entry Deadline is June 10, 2023. Don't forget to support the Raffle sponsored by this tournament.

To our Spear Women Membership, the "save the date" notice came out for this year's WSGA North/South Shootout. It will be on 9/29- 10/1/23 in Vallejo. Please mark your calendars and consider participating. Look for the registration forms and full details in late June.

I have distributed most of the shirts. I have a few more to get out and hope to have them all out by July end. I have been approached about getting hats. We will evaluate our club finances in the fall. If it looks fluent, we will come back and check with our membership about acquiring club golf hats.

Speaking of Members, the Spear Golf Club membership is 65. That is a 38% increase over our 2022 membership count. Welcome aboard to all the newcomers.

In closing, Phil Brooks is working on something that involves a Los Cabos Golf trip in October 2023. Details will be shared within a couple of weeks.

Remember:

We come together to play,
We come together for fun,
We stay together for friendship,

Lewis S. G. Braxton III
Spear Golf Club President