



## PRO REPORT

### CONGRATULATIONS TO LARRY KOESTER

Larry proudly represented The Pines Country Club by making a half court putt during the Borsheim's putting contest at the Creighton basketball game on November 4th. Mark Thalken, our assistant professional, gave Larry some good advice: put a slow stroke on the putt. Everyone who misses does so because they putt the ball too hard. Larry said it was like slow motion watching the ball go down the court. But true to his stroke he made the putt. *Congrats Larry!*



### SAND VALLEY GOLF CLASSIC MEN'S MEMBER GUEST

Players mark Friday, July 23rd, Saturday the 24th and Sunday the 25th on your calendar. July 23rd is optional. Cost this year is \$300 for our spectacular member/guest event. The format will be the quota game for Saturday and Sunday. Spouses are invited to dinner Saturday evening at no extra charge. This will be a great event!

### NEWLY ELECTED BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEMBERS FOR 2010

Newly elected Board of Director members for 2010: BILL THOMPSON, GREG HARR, BOB MILLER and JOHN MORRIS. Officers this year are (President) FRANK KOSIBA, (1st Vice President) BILL BUTTELL, (2nd Vice President) KEN CHRISTIANSEN, (Secretary) JO STEIN and (Treasurer) BILL THOMPSON. Thanks to all Board members, WGA and MGA Board members and Committee members for all your time and efforts in making our club the best it can be!

### LEAGUE PLAYERS

*Call the Pro Shop to Register*

We have three lists: Looking for a team, substitute and those teams already formed.

### DEADLINES

*Sign up by April 11 for Men's League  
Women's League sign up by April 18*

### JUNIOR GOLFERS

Mark Wednesday, June 9th at 9:00 on your calendar. That is the junior golf kickoff. No advanced registration needed. Just be here that day at 9:00 to sign up. If you can't be here that first day please either stop out to register any day after June 9th or have someone here to register for you.



**Reminder:** junior program is open to juniors who are between the ages of six and 17 years old. It is open to members and relatives of members. In addition to one, three, six and 18 hole divisions again this year we will have two nine hole divisions: nine hole orange and nine hole green.

*Please call the pro shop at 359-4311 with any questions.*

### MEMBERS

**PLEASE UPDATE THE WEBSITE  
WITH YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS**

# Mother's Day

## SALE



**Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>  
to Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

Shop the pro shop for bargains. You won't want to miss those days to save money. All golf clubs and golf bags will be 20% off the normal selling price those days only. Sale is for in stock merchandise only.

### CORRECTION:

MONICA IRWIN plays high school golf for Millard North not Millard West as reported earlier. *Sorry Monica.*

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## FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO RIDE . . .

Please help us out by bringing the cart key back to the pro shop when you are finished. Please slide it into the cart keys slot next to the pro shop doors. Another option is to put the cart key in the black box located at the corner of the cart barn.

**Also, when you have finished your round please park your cart near the newer cart barn.** We want to avoid used carts being parked in the cart staging area so a member does not get into a cart that has litter, empty sand bottles or grass on the floor. *Thank you.*

### **EVENING GOLFERS who ride please take note**

We have a sign on the pro shop counter that states when carts need to be back in from the golf course. Please adhere to this sign. The time changes per sunlight. *Thank you.*

### **IF YOU WALK and use a pull cart**

Please don't pull that pull cart between bunkers and greens. *Thank you.*

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## DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES

These devices have been approved again for use during club events here at The Pines. We allow those that measure distance only. However please remember that this is a **local rule only**. If you wish to use one at another golf course during an event please check with their pro shop staff before play.

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## MEMBERS WHO PLAY IN AN OUTSIDE EVENT

Please pay the outing the full amount that the outing charges. Then let a member of the pro shop staff know the day of the event that you're playing in the outing. We will then internally credit your club account the green fee charge. If you have any questions please call your pro shop staff at 359-4311.

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## REMEMBER ON WEEKENDS

When you see a 2:00 modified shotgun start that means we will have tee times available in the morning. When you see a 2:00 shotgun start that means that outing will be large enough to fill the entire course which means we'll have an 8:00 shotgun in the morning for members and their guests.

## HANDICAP COMMITTEE

### **Has Some Bite to it Again This Year**

Our handicap committee does have the right to either lower a player's handicap or prevent a player from playing in an event if that person is a chronic sandbagger. MGA policy: Upon the third violation the violator will receive an even par score of 72 posted to his handicap record. Beware the handicap committee!!! Post those scores and be sure to post them according to esc (equitable stroke control). Remember league players you can post on-line if you choose to do so.

## HOLE-IN-ONE CLUB

Cost is only \$3. If you have not been a member of the hole-in-one club now is the time to enroll. When a hole-in-one club member makes an ace your account gets billed \$3 with the proceeds going to the acemaker. There are no specific dates anymore. When we are playing from regulation tee boxes to regulation greens with only one hole location your ace counts. Call the pro shop to enroll or if you are unsure if you are already signed up.



## LADIES – Don't Forget to Sign Up!

### **DON'S LADIES CLINIC**

Cost is \$40.

The clinics will be held on four consecutive Thursday evenings beginning May 6<sup>th</sup>.

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## RANGE HITTERS

During the season the range will close early on Sundays and Wednesdays so we can pick it clean for mowing on Monday and Thursday mornings. We'll be hitting from the mats every Monday and up to two hours before every **outside event** shotgun start. Late fall, winter and early spring we'll be hitting from the mats everyday.

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## MEN'S INTERCLUB ROSTER

### **Now Available to Sign-Up**

We'd like to have at least 20 members on the roster. Cost is \$12 when we play The Pines and \$30 when we play away courses. This cost includes cart, hors-d'oeuvres and green fees when we play elsewhere. Call the pro shop to put your name on the roster.

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## TIP FOR APRIL

Pace of play is always a concern at golf courses everywhere. If your group falls one hole or more behind the group ahead of you then you are guilty of slow play. If you are unable to close the gap please wave faster groups through. If you are in a group that is being held up and the group ahead of you does not wave you through a good idea is to tactfully ask them if you could play through. I've never heard of conflict occurring if the group behind asks nicely if they can play through. Tip #2: Remember the rule change regarding hitting a wrong ball from a hazard. The rule is that you must identify your golf ball before hitting it from a hazard. A hazard is a bunker, water hazard or a lateral water hazard. If you need to brush away sand or lift it for identification purposes you may do so. Be sure to let your playing partners know what you're doing. However you must replace it in the same lie it was in to begin with.

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**MAKE GOLF FUN,  
DON, JON, & MARK**

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