



The Fairway Finder

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SWING INTO THE 2026 SEASON

Dear Members,

The month of January brisk morning Men's Club.

Congratulations to winners of Yellow Ball Tournament, it was a huge success with our largest pot this year. There were great times and epic holes in one by Lloyd Parsons, Adrian Leon, Mike McKinney, and Brian Ortega. What a month!



Re-Winding January

January was a little brisk with most mornings in the forties, I was surprised there were not more frost warnings, so thanks to the Pro Shop Staff for getting us out on time.

We had a great Yellow Ball Tournament with a record purse, so thank all the members for your participation, making this tournament the best this year. **Congratulations** to the winning teams.

Winning 4 Man Teams

1st Place \$240

- Team 13 - 81**
- 207 — Stevens, John
- 108 — Wiebe, Wes
- 161 — Mann, Bernie
- 107 — Brower, Jerry

2nd Place \$180

- Team 12 - 87|40**
- 112 — Douglass, Barry
- 119 — Gaumond, Marc
- 447 — Parsons, Lloyd
- 223 — Rostie, Bryan

3rd Place \$100

- Team 13 - 87|42**
- 109 — Wachal, Richard
- 405 — Pugh, Marshall
- 187 — Bungard, Bill
- 138 — Cha, Surapong

Winning 3 Man Teams

1st Place \$165

Team 20 - 81

129 — Lesser, Karl

120 — Harvey, Tom

139 — Gonzalez, Jose

2nd Place \$105

Team 7 - 82

127 — Monroy, Carlos

209 — Leon, Adrian

158 — Mixer, Roy


3rd Place \$60

Team 10 - 89 | 1st HDC

222 — McNaughton, Lavern

105 — Pothier, Charles

133 — Martin, Robert

A special **Congratulations** to the entire field of teams for making this such a great tournament. 

The Heroines of Bratz and Bevy's

On Thursday Feb. 26th I was treated to probably one of the best after-round treats in forever, Beer Bratz and Chips at Richard Wachal's house on the 3rd tee. This seems to be an annual event and "believe you me", it should continue in perpetuity.

Wanda Wachal, Betsey Grue, and Denise Rosendale, (all closely related to members of the club) put on a master class in hospitality, service, and sheer deliciousness on hole 3. My only regret was it was over too quickly. Thank you, Ladies!!!



Remember: we have a member's meeting on Tuesday the 3rd of March at 10:00 am. If you have any certificates, they'll be paid out at the members' meeting, and if you haven't collected your prize money from the Yellow Ball tournament, you may collect it after the meeting.

Four Aces, One Incredible Month

February delivered unforgettable moments and pure magic on the course, highlighted by incredible holes-in-one from Lloyd Parsons, Adrian Leon, Mike McKinney, and Brian Ortega. Four aces in one month — now that's something to celebrate!





Tournament News

This month's events include:

President's Cup Tournament is a 36-hole stroke play event, played over two consecutive weeks (18 holes each week). This tournament is a club sponsored event with big payouts for those of us who can last to the end without giving in or giving up. There is no fee for the tournament, only the optional **\$5 KP**.

Eligibility: Open to all active members of the Men's Club in good standing.

Tee Boxes: All competitors play from their designated regular tee boxes.

Scoring: Stroke play format: every stroke is counted until the ball is holed. The sum of both rounds determines the winner. In the event of a tie, a sudden-death playoff begins immediately after final round.

Handicap: Presidents Cup is played using net scores (SCGA handicap).

Why Play in the Club Championship?

- Compete for the honor of becoming Club Champion.
- Test your game across 36 holes of true competition.
- Enjoy camaraderie and sportsmanship with fellow members.
- Play with your official GHIN handicap for a fair Net competition.
- Be part of one of the premier events of the year.
- Showcase your skills on your home course.

Guys & Dolls Tournament – March 13

The Tri Palms Par Three Gals are excited to host the upcoming **Guys & Dolls Tournament on March 13**, and it promises to be a fantastic day for all!

The entry fee is just **\$20 per person and \$25 for non-members and guests**, and the fun will include mulligans, 50/50, and KP's to keep the competition lively and entertaining.

Following golf, everyone will enjoy a delicious meal featuring **Stater Bros. chicken, fresh salads, and ice cream bars** — the perfect way to wrap up a great day on the course.

Grab your partner, sign up, and plan to join us for a day filled with golf, laughter, and great company. The Guys & Dolls is always one of the highlights of the season!

We look forward to seeing you on the course!



Course Updates

The course is getting better every week: there are still a few sore spots but overall, the course is wide open.

Hole 12 is open. “That being said”, the fairway leaves a lot to be desired. Stay Right or left where the grass is greener, on your second shot cover the ditch and your home free with no further issues.

Hole 13 is now dry enough that your ball is running again, so the short shot can now make the front of the green.

Hole 15 I don't know if you have noticed the new tee box on 15, moving the red tees forward and making the green drive-able from red and gold as well. The ditch is still in play and depending on the time of day can be ugly and require a ball retrieval tool, (and a wet cloth), If it's any solace it is findable and a free drop.

Hole 18 is open; the temporary green is no more. Be careful on your second shot, (or if you are me third shot), the sparse grass and clay makes for an interesting feel under your wedge. Again, you may want to ask for a lift clean and replace down towards the ditch in front of the green.

The Par 3 players are looking for some competition

The Century Course may be short, but don't let that fool you—this Par 3 is no walk in the park. It's one of the best places around to sharpen your second shots, rescue shots, chips, and yes... your putting. Lots of putting.

As members of the Tri Palm Men's Golf League, you have the flexibility each week to choose between the Millennium Course and the Century Course. If your driver is behaving but your short game needs some love, a few weeks par 3 play can work wonders. And remember—GHIN recognizes both courses.



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Little-Known Golf Rules

Little-known USGA golf rules:

- **Ball in Clubhouse:** If your ball lands in a clubhouse or building that is not marked out-of-bounds, you can open doors or windows to play the ball without penalty.
- **Clubhead Falls Off:** If your clubhead falls off during the downswing and you miss the ball, it counts as a stroke. If it falls off during the backswing, it does not.
- **Protecting Against Cactus:** You can wrap a towel around your arm or leg to protect yourself from a cactus when playing a shot, but you cannot use the towel to cover the cactus.
- **Spitting on Club:** It is legal to spit on your clubface to clean it, but illegal if done to reduce spin for a straighter shot.
- **Moving Ball in Bunker:** You can move loose impediments in a bunker, but if you cause the ball to move, it is a one-stroke penalty.
- **Accidental Deflection:** If your ball is deflected by you or your equipment, you may be entitled to drop the ball without penalty, particularly if it becomes stuck in your clothing.
- **Broken Club Replacement:** You can replace a broken club during a round, but it must be replaced by a club that fills the gap in your set, not just any club.
- **Ball in Hole Deflection:** If your ball lands in the cup and bounces out because another ball is already in there, there is no penalty, but you must play the ball as it lies.



Closing Thoughts

Let's keep the spirit of sportsmanship and fun alive. Whether you're competing for the top spot or just enjoying a round with friends. We want to hear from you! Your ideas and feedback help make the Tri Palm Men's Golf Club even better. If you have suggestions for events, improvements, or topics you'd like to see in future newsletters, please reach out through the [Contact Page on the website](#).

See you on the fairways, **Tri Palm Men's Golf Club**.



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2025 / 2026 Season Tournament List

Tournament	Date	Costs
White, Red, Gold	November 20, 2025 - 7:00 & 12	\$10 & \$5 KP
Quota Points Tournament	December 18, 2025 - 7:00 & 12	\$10 & \$5 KP
Guys & Dolls (open to all residents)	January 9, 2026 - 7:00 & 12	\$25.00 KP incl
4-man 2 best ball	January 22, 2026 - 7:00 & 12	\$10 & \$5 KP
Yellow Ball	February 12, 2026 - 7:00 & 12	\$10 & \$5 KP
President's Cup	March 5th, 2026 - 7:00 & 12	N/C
President's Cup	March 12th, 2026 - 7:00 & 12	N/C
Guys & Dolls (Par 3 Gals)	March 13th 2026 - 7:30	\$20
Guys & Dolls (TPMGC)	April 4, 2026 - 7:30	\$25
White, Red, Gold	April 23, 2026 - 7:00 & 12	\$10 & \$5 KP

Summer League