



THE DRIVER

Newsletter of the Madrona Links Men's Club

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Men's Club Tournaments and November Events

TURKEY SHOOT THREE-MAN SCRAMBLE WITH POISON BALL

NOVEMBER 17

EVERYBODY IS A WINNER

That's right, at the Turkey Shoot everybody gets at least a turkey. This event is another fun format tournament. Each four man team will be given two numbered poison balls. On each hole one player will use a poison ball while the other three play a there-man scramble.

The poison ball gets its name from the fact that it can affect your score in a big way. If you lose one of the poison balls it will cost 4 strokes. If you lose both of them, it will disqualify the team.

But that's not all. The poison ball has to rotate from man to man, and it must be done in the correct order. Failure to follow the correct order can also result in disqualification. Full rules will be given out at the tournament.

At the end of the tournament each player can turn in a ticket for a free frozen turkey.

CONGRATULATIONS

Les Barnett eagled number one on his was to shooting **another** 73—one stroke below his age.

I know there's others out there with noteworthy accomplishments. I know some of you told me about them, but if you want to be sure to be acknowledged in The Driver, email me at madro-nadriver@yahoo.com and I'll get them in next month.

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The Return of Knuth

The Men's Club Board has decided that beginning January 1 we will be reinstating the use of the Knuth System for handicap equity. At its simplest the Knuth System figures that if handicaps are right, eventually everyone should win in the net sections of tournaments.

In order to insure this, the Knuth system examines all of the top five net winning scores, and gives "points" to each.

The point schedule for tournaments with 50 or more participants is:

First place—5 points

Second Place—4 points

Third Place—3 points,

Fourth place—2 points

Fifth place—1 point.

For team competitions each member of the team get the points.

Our tournaments are often divided into "flights" so the point schedule is a bit different. I encourage you to read about it at popeofslope.com/pointssystem/index.html

If a player earns 7 points in a two-year stretch, his handicap is lowered by 2 strokes for tournament competition. Each additional 2 points in the two-year period results in an additional 1 point adjustment.

The New Rules are Published

The new Rules of Golf go into effect on January 1. There are significant changes in regard to Out-of-bounds and Lost balls. You can find the Rules at usgapublications.com/collections/rules-of-golf-2019. You can also download a Rules app for your phone or computer.

I'll try to detail some of the changes next month.

November 17
Turkey Shoot/Poison Ball
4-man teams
White tees
Shotgun start

December 9
Ball Buster
2-man Scramble
Incredible Tees

January
No Date Set
3 Clubs and a Putter
White tees