



The Executive Eagle

President's Tee *by Roger Stier*

At our Friday, Executive Men's Golf play please welcome your new Board Members: Social Chairman Lonnie Brown, Publicity Chairman Mike Callahan, Handicap & Rules Chairman Bill Prusa, and Treasurer Dan Cosner. Thanks for volunteering your time and welcome to the Board.

Our third Friday lunches for 2012 will again be held in the North Club House Multi-purpose room. I believe all will agree this arrangement has worked out better than traveling to the South Club House for our lunches. Our increased attendance proves the point so please consider joining us if you haven't been. A big "Thank you very much with sincere

appreciation" to Vern Sedig who has been picking up our coffee for our third Friday Tournaments. Vern has been doing this for several YEARS but is stepping down now. He really is one of our silent heros. On the same topic Bob Reese has generously volunteered to take over for Vern. Thanks Bob! I don't know about you guys but the first day of Winter isn't until December 21 and I'm already tired of the cold weather. Oh well, if Winter comes can Spring be far behind? Merry Christmas to all and a Healthy and Happy New Year!

Roger



Vice President Fairway

by Harold Donahoo

Welcome to the 2012 New Year. My how time flies when you're having fun in our great Sun Lakes Community.

Hope our club members and families had a great Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I believe that 2012 will be a good year for our club. We have four new members joining the Board. Also, Don Landreaux has planned some great tournaments for the club. Our golf course is in great shape so what else could you ask for.

Just a brief reminder that cart exits have been established on holes #15 and #18. Please exit to the left when leaving these fairways. Also, a drop area has been established on hole #7.

See ya out on the golf course.

Harold Donahoo, VP



Social Issues

by Lonnie Brown, Chairman

For our January luncheon (January 20th) the lunch will be Salisbury Steak with Mushroom Gravy.

As the luncheons for the remainder of 2012 are finalized you will be notified.

Once again I want to thank everyone for their help and support.



From The Pro's Desk

by Eric Charos, PGA

Make 2012 a better golfing Year

Start the new 2012 golf season by working on the basics of the golf swing, as simple as heading to the range with clubs for alignment aids to see what the proper ball position is as well as you alignment.

1. **Many swing faults occur from an improper setup.** This can cause unnecessary adjustments during the swing. Taking care to position the ball, feet, hips and shoulders properly ensures building a good swing foundation. Testing has shown golfers with open stances show no more tendency to slice than golfers with closed stances. The open stance may give the golfers a little more opportunity to slice, because it allows a little more freedom in the downswing and follow-through. The square stance is used by most successful golfers. Beginners should start with a square stance. As you advance, you can experiment with the advantages of other stances. Avoid extreme stances. Experiment to find the stance that works best for you.

Take care to set up consistently on all normal shots.

2. **To start with a proven ball position.** Moving a golf ball even two inches forward or back in your stance can make a great deal of difference in shot consistency. Start with the ball a couple of inches inside the left heel. After you master this consistent ball position, you can experiment with other ball positions. However, a ball too far to the front of your stance will increase the chances of a slice by encouraging an outside-to-inside swing. A ball too far back in the stance will make it difficult to get the clubface closed by impact and may cause a push or a push slice.
3. **To achieve the goal of hitting the ball at the bottom of the swing arc.** Your drives should be hit slightly on the upswing, iron shots are struck slightly on the downswing. Fairway woods are hit at the bottom of the swing arc.

Hope you had a good Holiday Season
Eric

Membership Items

by Al Silva, Chairman

Membership for 2011 ended at 155. E-mails have been sent out listing new and renewed members so make sure you update your 2011 Club Directory. Membership renewal forms for 2012 are located in the North Pro Shop. Please get your renewals in as soon as you can. Remember that anyone who has not renewed their membership by Wednesday, January 18th will not be allowed to participate in the January 20th

tournament. Also, if know of a former member who has not renewed their membership please talk to them and let them know that the club would like to have them back.

If you know of anyone who may be interested in joining or renewing please encourage them to contact Al Silva at 769-7495.

Publicity Items

by Mike Callahan, Chairman

This is the first Executive Eagle of 2012. We have been trying to get out more information via e-mail as that seems to be the most efficient method. If you have an e-mail address and are not getting this information please let me know. My phone number is 797-3306 and my e-mail address is Callahm56@yahoo.com.

let me know if you have any ideas about the information being displayed.

Checkout the Sun Lakes web site at WWW.Sunlakescc.Com. Once there click on the golf ball on the right and then select the Sun Lakes Men's Executive Golf Club. Here you will find past issues of the Executive Eagle plus some of the latest tournament results. There is also information on the 2011 Tournament Schedule, any Hole-In-Ones and a list of the club officers with their phone numbers. Let me know if there is any additional information we need on the web site.

The club's 2012 Club Directory is being prepared now so get your renewals in to Al Silva, Membership Chairman, ASAP so we can get the Directory out early in 2012. If any information in the Directory is in error please let me know so we can get it corrected.

We will be putting new information on the Sun Lakes TV Channel (97) every couple of weeks or so. So tune in and



Tournaments

by Don Laundreaux, Chairman

EXECUTIVE MEN'S CLUB TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2012

Date	Format	Description / Comments
Jan 20 (Fri)	Partner Best Ball	Choose partner or be paired with Handicap difference of no more than 10.
Feb 17 (Fri)	Individual Stroke	Flighted
Mar 8 (Thur)	Highland Springs Country Club	
Mar 16 (Fri)	4 Man Scramble	Combined flights
Apr 20 (Fri)	2 Man Pinehurst	
May 15 (Tue)	Combined LEGS/MEGC	
May 18 (Fri)	Individual Stroke	Flighted
Jun 15 (Fri)	Hi-Low	Pick your own partner.
July 20 (Fri)	Highland Springs Country Club	Scramble – combine players with Each club.
Aug 15 (Wed) Aug 17 (Fri)	Club Championship	Flighted and must play both days
Sep 14 (Fri)	4 Club Individual Stroke	Only 4 clubs allowed, including the putter.
Oct 3 (Wed)	Executive Extravaganza	Mixed flight scramble.
Oct 19 (Fri)	Individual Stroke (Eclectic optional)	
Nov 15 (Thur) Nov 17 (Sat)	Sun Lakes Tour	Individual stroke
Nov 16 (Fri)	4 Person Dropout Scramble	

Handicap and Rules

by Bill Prusa, Chairman

Nothing new this time; however, I would like to remind all members that a copy of the rules are located in the 2011 Club Directory. Carry a copy of the Directory with you and use them as necessary. If you see a rule that you think needs to be reworded, or a new rule, please let us know. Also, the new

2012 Club Directory will be printed and distributed near the end of January 2012. Therefore, if any of the existing rules need to be reworded, clarified, etc. then let me know ASAP.



As 2012 begins I'm sure that there are some of our members whose health is not doing great. Please let me know of any member who is having any health problems. Please email me at vecchiones@aol.com. Thank You and have a Happy New Year.

Fr. Jerry

Lighter Side of Golf

By The Rules

Two friends were playing golf one day. They decided that they would adhere strictly to the rules with no improving their lie. After a few holes, one guy's ball landed on a cart path. As he reached down to pick up his ball to get relief his friend said, "We agreed that we would not improve our lie." No matter how much the first fellow tried to explain that he was entitled to this relief, the second fellow would not allow it. So the man went to the cart to get a club. As he stood over the ball he took a few practice swings, each time scraping the club on the pavement, taking out big chunks of blacktop and sending out lots of sparks! Finally, after several practice swings he took his shot. The ball took off and landed on the green about 6 feet from the pin. "Great shot!" his friend exclaimed. "What club did you use?" "YOUR 7-iron!" he replied.

Top Ten Signs You're Golfing Too Much

- When you pick up something off the floor, you have to lean on your putter
- The only number on your speed dial is 1-800-TEETIME.
- You have your priorities in order: food, shelter, greens fees, job.
- You dream you go to prison but still get conjugal visits with your driver.
- You tell the lost motorist that the gas station is only a par 4 away on the left.
- You'd like to take off your glove but hey, why bother?
- Whenever you see a hole in the ground, you squat, squint and read the line.
- You're vaguely aware of living with a woman, allegedly your wife
- You ask the shopper ahead in the checkout line if you can play through.
- Before you pick up the salt shaker, you mark its position with a dime.



"Maybe you were aiming for the wrong green."



OK, fine! You can build a putting green in the back yard."

