### newsletter



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#### **NOVEMBER/WINTER 2021-2022**

### Daily Club Operations & Hours, November/Winter 2021

Golf Shop: Daily 10:00am to 4:00pm (play is not permitted before 10:00)

Golf Cars: Must be returned to the golf shop no later than 5:00pm

Driving Range: Closed for the season until spring 2022

Swimming Pool: Closed until Memorial Day Weekend, 2022

Bar: Open daily at 12:00noon (closing times vary)

Deli: Closed for the season until spring 2022

Dinner: Friday & Saturday 5:00 to 9:00pm

Sunday 5:00 to 8:00pm

Bar Food: Monday Pub 5:00 to 7:00pm

Thursday Special 5:00 check-in (single seating only)

Friday & Saturday 5:00 to 9:00pm

Sunday 5:00 to 8:00pm

### Holiday Hours 2021

Thursday November 25: clubhouse & golf shop closed \*golf course open to walking members & members with their own carts, between 10:00am and 4:00pm only

Friday December 24 & Saturday December 25: clubhouse & golf shop closed

Sunday December 26: clubhouse & golf shop open; normal winter hours

Monday & Tuesday December 27 & 28: evening pub menu; bar open

Wednesday December 29: kitchen closed; bar open

Thursday December 30: Thursday dinner, w/live music tba

Friday December 31, New Year's Eve: dinner specials & music tba

Saturday-Sunday January 1-2, 2022: normal operations



C A S T

#### From The General Manager



Bob Russell

As we draw to the close of 2021, it's encouraging to see how far we've come from the shadows and uncertainty of last year. While our country is by no means out of the woods, with our broken supply chains, creeping inflation and the lingering health issues, we still have very good reasons to look to the future in a positive light.

At Sequoia Woods we have welcomed many new members, watched the return of our special events - featuring our popular summer patio buffet/music events again - rescheduled the majority of our golf tournaments and awards dinners and even watched the return of weddings. Considering our current bookings for 2022, and the general interest in special events next year, we should be back to normal and exceed our pre-virus 2019 levels. Our staff and I will continue to give our members - and the Arnold community in general - the best experience possible at our club.

I would like to thank our entire staff for an excellent job in 2021: Paul Watts with the golf course and golf cart staff, Bob Reichle & Chris Faria along with the rest of the Pro Shop staff, Chef Ryan Niblack and his kitchen crew, Nancy Ward with the restaurant & banquet staff, Kelly Russell and her deli crew, our entire group of bartenders and all other ancillary employees that keep our club operating and functioning smoothly.

Next, I would like to address the impending sale of our country club. Our Shareholders have been in various stages of a sale agreement with our potential buyers for the past eight months and the sale is finally nearing completion. We anticipate the closing date should be in December, with the transfer of ownership occurring with the close. I firmly believe that the new owners will be a positive change for our club.

The potential buyers are the Abel family from the delta area, are long time members of our club and have owned a home in BLS for 30 years. Ryan & Derek Abel own a very successful Chevrolet dealership in Rio Vista and view this purchase as a long term investment with the idea of continuing SWCC in its present state and making improvements to our club along the way. They have asked that our entire staff, myself included, continue in our current positions and help them both improve and move our club forward. This should be an exciting time for all of us and I ask for your support in welcoming the Abels when they become our owners.

In closing, I would like to graciously thank our current Shareholders and their families for acting as stewards of Sequoia Woods for the past 25 years and leaving us all with this wonderful golf course and country club. Thank you all!

This is our final Fore! Cast Newsletter for 2021.

During the off-season, we'll continue to keep our members informed with club updates by email blast, and with postings in the clubhouse.

We will resume the newsletter in the spring of 2022.

**Happy Holidays Everyone!** 

### **MEMBERSHIP**

#### **Paying Your Member Account**

When you write a check to pay your SWCC account balance, please include:

- (1) the member account number
- (2) the primary member name(s)

If you have auto-payment set up through your bank, please make sure the bank prints your SWCC member number on the checks (and be sure to update that number if you change your type of membership.)

If someone other than the primary member writes checks, it's still important to reference a primary member name or the SWCC member number. If there are two primary member names on the account, it would be helpful if they were both referenced.

Our bookkeeper, Kay Abernethy, is great at keeping us organized, but without names or numbers, the payments can't be processed.

Kay can be reached in our business office, Monday through Friday (hours vary), and she's more than happy to help: 209-795-1000 ext. 2.

### We Welcome Our Newest Club MembersI

Christopher Lawrence and Tracy

Larry Izzo

Trevor Davies and Brentwood

Ayesha Achakzai

Jim and Kyle Alwyn Los Gatos

Mike & Marcia DeRousse Escalon

Cindy Lunge and Murphys

Frank Colby

Give them a hello!

In Memoriam

Dave Johns

Dick Lawlor

Paul Holshevníkoff

#### **Golf Shop**

by Bob Reichle, Golf Professional

Golf course conditions are perfect and the fall colors are hanging in there. Come on up to winterize the cabin and enjoy a couple of days of perfect golfing weather.

Don't be surprised when booking morning tee times that, upon arrival, we may be subject to a frost delay. Coffee is always available but standing around in the cold may not be your cup of java. If that sounds like you, just call ahead to check on course conditions and possible delays.

We will continue to be open for play throughout the winter months as conditions will allow, however, as we get closer to late November and the overnight and daytime temperatures start to drop we will most likely close holes 14-18 to protect the tees and greens that get little or no sun this time of year. If you call the golf shop during a period of golf course closure we will leave a no answer greeting in regards to the closure and a tentative opening date. If you require further information you may call the main club house at 795-1000.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY AT SWCC

The Golf Shop and Club House will be closed but the golf course will be available as follows:

- Members only
- No play prior to 10:00am (frost delay may be possible)
- First come-first serve basis (please be courteous to others and wait for the tee box to clear)
- Walkers and private carts only (rental carts will not be available)
- Dress code policies will be required.
- Restrooms will not be available
- We trust that all members will be respectful to their golf course and other members that may decide to come to the facility.
- The club house and golf shop will reopen the following day (weather permitting.)



### **Couples Twilight October 2021**



First Flight Winners - congratulations Willie & Kathy Ganley ~ Bob & Ann Arshakuni ~ Pete Neal & Tess Leary



**Second Flight Winners - congratulations**Wayne & Dorris Luty ~ Rick & Candy
Zvolanek ~ Vic Manuelli & Marti Figone



### **Champagne Classic October 2021**



First Flight Winners - congratulations
John & Catherine Dow ~ Don & Melinda
Hutchison



**Second Flight Winners - congratulations** Sean & Karyn McDaniel ~ Carol Louisell & Craig Songster

#### **The Sequoians-**Women's 9-Hole Club By Chris Gilbrech



We celebrated the end of our 2021 season on Tuesday, October 12th with a Shamble game of golf on the back nine. It was a beautiful, sunny morning and we played the back in record time in order to convene in the

dining room for a luncheon and final meeting.

Our tables were decorated with adorable pumpkins containing fresh flowers, provided by Pat Hjelmhaug, which made our luncheon a special event. Thank you for the decorations, Pat. We had a delicious hot lunch prepared by Chef Ryan, followed by our business meeting. We elected our club Officers for 2022: Shirley McGill, Captain Maureen Chassy, Co-Captain Alice Stroh, Treasurer Secretary, open at this time, with Kathy Enea volunteering as needed.

To our members: please consider volunteering for the Secretary position. It is very simple - attend board meetings and monthly general meetings and take notes following the agenda provided by the Captain.

Our Most Improved Player award for September goes to Julie Lapham. Congratulations Julie. Your exercise program paid off!

Our seventh Low Net Charm Girl event was Tuesday, October 5, 2021 and this award was won by Maureen Chassy this month. Congrats Maureen! ...continued next page...





Low Net Charm Girl October 2021

Maureen Chassy

#### The Sequoians, cont'd.

We welcomed one final new member this year, in September: Liz Thompson. Liz's family has had a home in Arnold for some years. We are pleased to have Liz playing with us.

It has been my pleasure to be your Captain this year as we were able to resume our play days and traditional events we all enjoy.

Happy Thanksgiving!



by Alan Court

Our Men's Club season is over. Despite all the issues that still abound with covid, we managed to play all our scheduled tournaments and play days during 2021.

Just a reminder for next year: our membership dues are requested to be paid by December 31, 2021. Sign-up forms are available in the Pro Shop.

Another reminder is that our Thursday play days are returning next season.

This will be my last entry for the Forecast news-letter. I am coming off the board after my three-year stint. I would like to thank everyone for their help and support during the year. Your President for next year will be Jim Walton. Jim is a Men's Club veteran and I am confident we will have a great 2022 season.

As I sign off, I wish all Men's Club members Happy Holidays and I look forward to playing golf with many of you next year.



"Think beautiful thoughts...."

The Golf Shop at Sequoia Woods

### **Black Friday Sale**

Friday November 26

All men's and women's clothing and apparel ½ off, all day, rain or shine!



#### **Protocols for Reciprocal Golf Play**

When you want to play other private golf clubs, here are some suggestions:

- 1. Call the facility first and let them know you are a member of a private club and are interested in reciprocating with their facility.
- 2. Ask questions such as: "will you reciprocate with our facility, what days and times are available, may we bring guests, what are the dress code requirements and what can we expect in regards to costs."

Generally, at this point, they will ask for a call from your Head Golf Professional to set your tee time up. The staff at the golf shop will be more than happy to take over from here and make the call.

By doing the ground work first we can eliminate the frustration of phone tag. During the winter months when our facility is closed, and you need a call from us to set up a reciprocal round, just leave a message on our phone. We check for messages every other day and will get back to you as soon as possible.

There are many great private clubs out there, so take advantage of the benefits of being a member at Sequoia Woods.



The Driving Range Is Closed Until Spring 2022

#### Women's 18-Hole Club by Sharon Tussy, Captain



Another great golf season has drawn to a close. On October 10th we had our Annual Awards Luncheon, celebrating accomplishments achieved throughout the year. Those included the following: Club Champion: Kathleen Garmsen, Club Champion Runner Up: Cindy Gibbs, Club Champion Low Net: Carroll Covey, and WGANC low net pendants: Elise Hanrahan and Marti Figone. In addition we announced all the Ringer/Birdie and Break Pin winners for the year. The final announcement was our Most Improved Golfer and this year it was Melba Thomas! Melba won a \$100 gift card of her choice and a custom embroidered SWCC golf towel. Congratulations to all of these ladies for their success in 2021!

The final event of the year will be the December 11th Women's and Men's Club Christmas party, this year hosted by The Sequoians. Invitations have gone out to all members via email, so get your checks mailed in right away as this event is always sold out.

I want to personally express my thanks to all our SWWGC members that stepped forward in 2021 to serve as officers, on the board or as tournament chairs. First, thanks to our retiring board members, Marti Figone and Sharon Croswell. The majority of our officers and board are returning for another year – Sharon Tussy as Captain, Cindy Gibbs as Co-Captain and Rules, Secretary Barb Mehan and Treasurer Kayleen Clemens. Much appreciation to all these ladies for their hard work in 2021 and for taking another ride around the sun in 2022. Karen Chu will also remain on the board in 2022 and will share Tournament Chair duties with Kathleen Garmsen. We would also like to welcome our two additional board members, Jackie Gutierrez and Bea Hurst.

For those of you that may be new to Sequoia Woods or have been here for years and have been considering playing organized ladies golf, please email Cindy Gibbs at cgibbs4591@gmail.com or give her a call at 209-616-3089. We have a fun group of ladies, lots of social and golf activities, and we would love to have you as part of our group. You can also find information on the Sequoia Woods website, under Golf > Women's 18 Hole Club.

Enjoy our remaining days of sunshine and let's hope for a rainy and wet winter. Until next year!



Most Improved Golfer, 2021

Melba Thomas

#### The Divot Divas

Who are the Divot Divas?

The Divot Divas started in 2018, with eight ladies who wanted to practice their golf game and have fun. Three years later there are 30 Divot Divas...in 30 shades of pink. We play every Wednesday afternoon, we had two tournaments this year, and we are still having fun!

A "special thank you" to the Sequoia Woods team:

- \* Bob and Chris in the Pro Shop for their help with the Tournament.
- \* Bob Russell and Nancy Ward for their help with the dinner and table arrangements.
- \* Kay Abernethy the bookkeeper extraordinaire.
- \* Chef Ryan and his crew for a delicious dinner; the wait staff and bartenders who make everything special for the members.
- \* Paul Watts and the grounds keepers who keep the golf course looking beautiful.

We appreciate all of you, The Divot Divas



**Divot Diva October Tourney Winners:** (I to r, above)

3rd Place: Chris Gilbrech, Pat Hjelmhaug, Linda Utter, Carole Hintz 1st Place: Shar Sylvester, Betty Chase, Carol Tregenza, Shirley McGill, 2nd Place: Diane Sudbury, Debi Lamb, Casey Valverde, Shari Gong

Not Pictured:

Hole #3: Closest to the Hole on the Second Shot – Kay Abernethy

Hole #6: Longest Putt Holed – Julie Lapham

Perseverance Award: (This is what happens when you don't use your Mulligans!)

Shirley Stroble, Julie Lapham, Karen Jones, Sherry Tittle

### FOOD & DRINK

### THE RESTAURANT AT SEQUOIA WOODS

Weekend Dinner Menu - FALL 2021

#### SMALL PLATES

BAKED MACARONI AND CHEESE with cheddar, bacon and smoked olive oil 12. CRISPY BRUSSEL SPROUTS with toasted almonds, pancetta, parmesan and balsamic vinegar 10.

FRIED SHISHITO PEPPERS with a roasted garlic aioli and lemony bread crumbs 10.

P.E.I. MUSSELS with dill, tarragon, tomatoes, orange juice and grilled crostini 15.

FRIED CALAMARI with pickled onion, fennel salad, house-made tartar sauce 14.

RISOTTO ARANCINI with mushroom, prosciutto and fennel jam 12.

FRENCH ONION SOUP with gruyere and crostini 10.

SOUP OF THE DAY 6.

ARUGULA SALAD with roasted beets, chevre, pecans and citrus vinaigrette 7.

ICEBERG WEDGE with crumbled blue cheese, bacon, roasted tomatoes and green goddess dressing 8.

PETITE ROMAINE salad with parmesan, croutons and a caesar vinaigrette 8.

Add grilled chicken to any salad above + 8. Add grilled salmon to any salad above + 15.

### LARGE PLATES

PAPPARDELLE PASTA with a mushroom bolognese, ricotta and parmesan 23.

PORK CHOP with parmesan crust, red potatoes, arugula and mustard cream sauce 26.

SHRIMP SCAMPI with orange butter, polenta, chili oil and broccolini 29.

GRILLED SALMON with apple chutney, grilled carrots and cauliflower puree 30.

GRILLED ANGUS NEW YORK STEAK with brandy and green peppercorn sauce, mashed potatoes and broccolini 32.

GRILLED RACK OF LAMB with peas, pancetta and roasted fingerling potatoes 33.

CHEESEBURGER house-ground beef, garlic aioli, choice of cheddar or swiss cheese; with fries 18. (add bacon: +2.00)

#### Friday and Saturday special (as quantities last):

ROASTED PRIME RIB with stuffed baked potato (bacon, cheddar & sour cream) 14 OZ. 39. 10 OZ. 35.

**EXECUTIVE CHEF: RYAN NIBLACK** 

Maximum party size of six (6) people for indoor dining; eight (8) people outdoors

We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express.

Corkage fee: 12.50 per (750 ml) bottle / Cake plating fee: 1.50 per slice.

Split meal charge: 6. (Sorry, no split salads)

## FOOD & DRINK

Sequoia Woods Country Club  Weekend Bar Food Menu - Fall 2021	
friday & saturday 5 to 9pm sunday 5 to 8pm	
buffalo chicken wings blue cheese dip	12.
deep fried calamari pickled onion, fennel salad, house-made tartar sau	<b>14.</b> Jce
french onion soup gruyere, crostini	10.
fried mozzarella marinara sauce	11.
iceberg wedge salad bacon, roasted tomatoes, crumbled blue cheese,	<b>8.</b> green goddess dressing
soup du jour french bread	<b>6.</b>
flatbread pizza du jour ask about current toppings	12.
<b>cheeseburger</b> 1/2 lb. house-ground beef, swiss or cheddar, garlic	<b>16.</b> aioli; fries
desserts -flourless chocolate cake (pear & caramel sauce) -pumpkin cheesecake (pumpkin seed praline)	
No reservations needed for our weekend bar menu; open seating is available in the lounge and covered deck, weather permitting	
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### FOOD & DRINK

## The Restaurant

795-1000 ext. 1 (calls taken daily after 12noon) open for dinner, currently serving outdoors hours: Friday & Saturday 5:00-9:00pm
Sunday 5:00-8:00pm

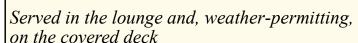


Don't forget to phone ahead for a reservation

## The Lounge

795-1000 ext. 1

serves cocktails, beer and wine daily with food orders taken outdoors or to-go.



Monday Pub Food: 5:00-7:00pm

Thursday Special Dinner: 5:00pm (single seating) Weekend Bar Menu: Fri. & Sat. 5:00 - 9:00

Sun. 5:00 - 8:00

### The Deli...

795-1000 ext. 101

Now closed until spring 2022



## Thursday Dinner In The Lounge

#### **November 4**

BBQ Baby Back Ribs Mac n' Cheese Cole Slaw Corn Bread \$15.00

#### **November 11**

Chicken Cacciatore Cheesy Polenta Caesar Salad Garlic Bread \$15.00

#### **November 18**

Chicken Fried Steak
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Fresh Veggie
Garlic Bread
\$15.00

#### **November 25**

Clubhouse Closed Happy Thanksgiving!

Check-in 5:00pm; Food served at 5:30pm Reservations required 795-1000 ext. 1