ANTELOPE VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB

# THE CLUB GAZETTE

DECEMBER 2023



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Member - Jonae Fedors
Member - Royce Kaufman
Member - Adrienne Reca
Member - Diane Wellbaum
Member - Hugo Via

#### PICKLEBALL COMMITTEE

Tennis/ Pickleball Director - Kirk Shoemaker
Member- Veronica Clarkson
Member- Geoff Yeager
Member - Jessica Hillemann

## From the Board

## **MESSAGE FROM BOARD**

#### **Liquor License**

As many already know, the Club has finally secured a full, Type 47, liquor license, which allows us to sell alcohol to the general public moving forward. We owe many thanks to former board member Greg Cich for his tireless effort to make this happen. This change will not only enable more revenue for the Club through increased sales, but will also reduce expenses through the elimination of the \$100 fee that the Club previously paid for events requiring liquor sales. While we remain a "Country Club" aimed at serving its Members, the business model for long term financial success is shifting towards a more open Golf and Racquet Club. This change in our liquor license type is one step towards that goal, and helps to ensure the Club will be here for future generations to enjoy. With that in mind, we understand that the Club is special due to its shareholder ownership, an ownership which is mostly golf and racquet members who care deeply for the Club, and appreciate your input and support as we make decisions with the Club's best interest in mind.

#### **The Bunker Food Service**

Unfortunately, all the wonderful meals we were enjoying have been temporarily suspended due to LA County Health Department restrictions. Rest assured, Mark and his team are doing everything in their power, including the renovation of the area behind the bar to support a temporary kitchen, to restore our food service. We appreciate your continued patience while the construction process is completed, and anticipate the amazing Bunker food service to be back very soon.

#### **Lemon Leaf Lawsuit**

We do not have any new information on the lawsuit at this time but anticipate an update by the end of December 2023. We will share any news we are legally permitted to in the January 2024 board meeting.

#### **Cart Path Only**

As the winter months and cold weather roll in, be prepared for Frost Delays and a Cart Path Only Policy effective December 1st. Please call the Pro Shop directly each morning to determine how long the frost delay will be. Keep in mind, both these procedures help protect our golf course and reduce costly maintenance. The club will be purchasing a new fleet of golf carts in April with restrictive GPS sensors to help keep players off delicate areas around the golf course. Until then, please take every effort to protect the course. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

#### <u>Security</u>

The club now has daily private security services. While we cannot control the negative elements in our community, the Club is making efforts to ensure employees, members and guests are safe while on campus. Please do your part and be aware of your surroundings, secure your belongings and report suspicious activity.

On behalf of the entire Board of Directors, we wish you and your families a wonderful holiday season.

Sincerely, Gina Hutchison, VP Board of Directors.



THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE:

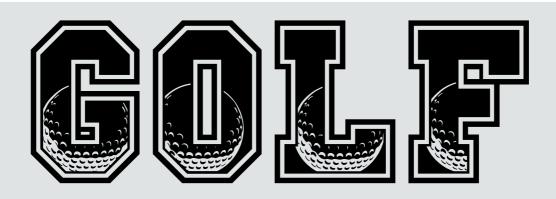
**DECEMBER 21ST AT 6:00 PM** 

## **BOD MONTHLY MEETING**

All Board of Director (BOD) meetings are scheduled for the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. with the exception of the months of November and December, which are scheduled for the third Thursday.

If you wish to address the Board of Directors, there is an open forum for you to do so, you will be given the opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting.

# **From the Course**



## **WGA Tournaments**

December 2, 2023 WGA Dancers & Prancers

January 2, 2024 - February 12, 2024 WGA Winter Ringer

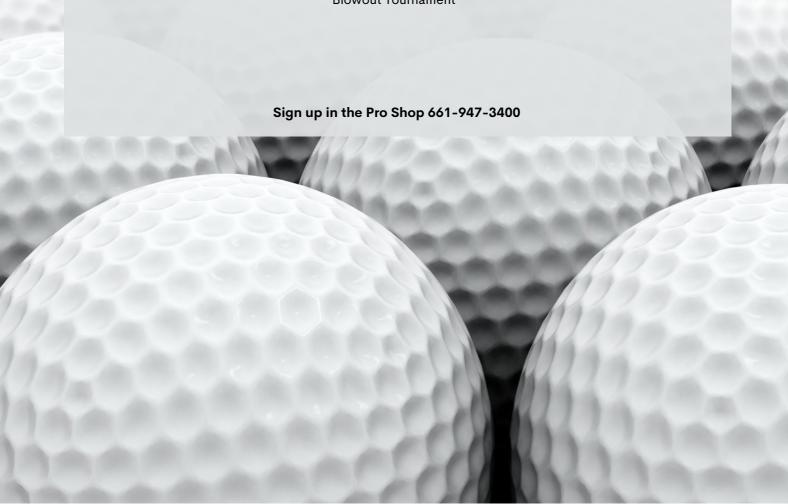
### **MGA Tournaments**

December 2, 2023 - December 3, 2023 MGA Ryder Cup

> December 9, 2023 MGA Winter Blow-Out

# **AVCC Club Tournaments**

January 13, 2024 Blowout Tournament



# From the Business Office



**December 1st-** Teesnap will email you your November Statement which will consist of November Dues and November Member Charges.

**December 8th-** Autopay pulls. If you signed up for Autopay expect your November Statement balance to pull in full including any member charges on December 1st - December 7th.

Friendly reminder all Monthly Statements will come from this email address: no-reply@teesnap.com

Be sure to check your spam or junk mail as many of your email providers may not recognize the new email address for your Monthly Statement.





## Karen Cervantes

Director of Catering and Member Relations

Hello Members!

Happy Holiday Season! This is my time of year, this is where kindness flows and generosity comes alive. I am looking forward to 2024 and continuing my role at AVCC.

2024 Membership Rates have been announced as of 11/15/2023. In the email communication it was also announced that Social Memberships would be discontinued. Please, if you have yet to review your email please do so that way if you will be making any changes to another membership I can kindly get that notated. I have received resignations due to the changes, which was anticipated.

AVCC was approved for a 47 license for the bar which now allows us to serve to the public. With this huge accomplishment under our belt we can now serve open play players as well as any guest that visits AVCC! This is a major reason why the Social Membership is being discontinued as you no longer need a membership of any kind to partake in the bar or food services at the Clubhouse.

Reminder to all members that the Clubhouse is closed Monday, December 25, 2023 due to the holiday. Christmas Eve Sunday, December 24, 2023 the entire Clubhouse, Golf Course, and Tennis area will be closed at 3:00 PM due to the holiday. Please plan ahead.

Thank you!



# From the Courts

# Kirk Shoemaker, Director of Tennis

On November 18, 2023 we attempted our first Laver Cup Team Competition and got rained out in early am and recovered at 10am to have a Laver Cup Clinic. We had a food drive for those in need. Kirk catered the food from Sam's and Trader Joes to have a wonderful luncheon, the Tennis Fund treated all 14 players that showed up out of the original 20. Due to the ongoing litigation, the December Christmas Events have been cancelled, which includes the Tennis Christmas Party. December will be very busy for many member starting with Racquet Wars and then Sectionals. Hopefully after, we will have a month or longer to wrap up and play all league matches to have a grand party during the Aussie Social at the end of January. Please schedule your matches! I will also give out Player of the Year Awards for 2023 then as well. Lets hope for a great new beginning and a great New Year of events for 2024! Merry Christmas / Happy Holidays / Happy New Year to our Tennis / PB Tribe!

Contact Captain Kirk for All Things: Racquets / Paddles

#### **Weekly Clinics**

Tues 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM USTA 3.0-4.0 Drill Clinic

Wed 9:30 AM - 11:30 (Noon) Private Clinic/ Luncheon

Thurs 3:30 PM - 4:30 AM Adult Tennis Drill Clinic

Thurs 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Junior / High School Tennis Drill Clinic

Thurs 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Pickleball Drill Clinic

Sat 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM USTA 3.0 - 4.0 Drill Clinic



# From the Pro Shop

# Pro Shop Announcements

As days get shorter the 1st Tee Time will be at 6:30am Monday - Sunday. If you need to cancel your Tee Time please be sure to do so on your user portal or call the Pro Shop. We want too ensure we are optimizing all Tee Times.

WINTER HOURS PRO SHOP: Pro Shop Closes at 5:00 PM Last Call for Range Balls: 4:00 PM Last Tee Time: 3:30 PM (9-Holes)

**ALL CARTS MUST BE RETURNED BY 4:30 PM** 

AVCC Golf Pro Shop 661-947-3142 EXT. 806 Hours: Monday - Sunday 7:00 am - 5:30 pm



# **Grass Gossip**

# Course Maintenance Announcements

AVCC Golfers and Golf Enthusiasts-

Effective December 1, 2023 we are officially cart path only. We advise all members and guests to get in the habit of calling the golf shop first thing in the morning for potential frost delays.

Thank you! Mark Fragale **General Manager** 



DECEMBER 2023

**AVCC Club Tournament** 

# TURET SHOOT









Women's Golf Association





# **Women's Golf Association**









# **Men's Golf Association**



#### **MGA Committee**

Please send any photos of MGA Tournaments or Social Events to Karen to include in upcoming Newsletters for the MGA section. Thank you!

membership@antelopevalleycountryclub.com



# **AVCC Employee of the Month**

#### Continue to nominate your choice for AVCC Employee of the Month!

#### Goals:

Increase/improve member satisfaction
Increase/improve customer satisfaction
Increase productivity
Improve unity between different club functions (office, bar, tennis, pro shop, and restaurant)

Nominee submission by peers, members, managers, and board members.

Submissions due by **3rd Thursday of each month** and provided to Karen Cervantes via email.

membership@antelopevalleycountryclub.com The next deadline is Thursday, December 14, 2023

(Due to the Holiday it will be 1-week sooner). We skipped December Employee of the Month as we were behind one month when we started in 2023. We will announce the next Employee of the Month for January 2024.

The submissions will be voted on by the Board of Directors at their monthly meeting, every 4th Thursday of the month.

Must include a paragraph on why this nominee deserves the award. Can be quantitative or qualitative.

Winner will be recognized the last Friday of the month at The Bunker, presented by the board president or his representative. If your candidate is not chosen, do not be discouraged please resubmit your candidate again!

The recipient will also receive a gift to recognize his or her achievement, along with a photo and article that will be published in The Club Gazette, and will be shown on the TV in The Bunker.

#### **AVCC Board of Directors**





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Questions? 661-947-3142 Ext 805 Front Office			Front Office Hours Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 to 4:00 PM Closed Monday and Sunday	01	02 MGA Ryder Cup
Pickleball 03 MGA Ryder Cup WGA President Cup	04 WGA President Cup	05	Pickleball 06	07	08	09 MGA Winter Blow-Out
10 Pickleball	11	WGA Dancers & Prancers	13	Employee of the Month Deadline for Submissions	15	16
17 Pickleball	18	19	20 Pickleball	21 Monthly Board Meeting	22	23
Pickleball 24  AVCC Closes at 3:00PM	AVCC Closed	26	27 Pickleball	28	29	30
31 Pickleball		Pro Shop Hours 6:00 AM - 5:00 PM Monday to Sunday				

# **JANUARY 2024**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Front Office Hours Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 to 4:00 PM Closed Monday and Sunday		2 WGA Winter Ringer Begins	3 Pickleball	4	5	6
7 Pickleball	8	9	10 Pickleball Ladies Poker Night	11	12	13
14 Pickleball	15	16	17 Pickleball Ladies Book Club	18 Employee of the Month Deadline for Submissions	19	20
21 Pickleball	22	23 Ladies Bunco Night	24 Pickleball	25 Monthly Board Meeting Tennis Winter Flex League	26	27
Pickleball Tennis Grand Slam Social Aussie Open	29	30	Pickleball	Questions? 661-947-3142 Ext 805 Front Office	Pro Shop Hours 6:00 AM - 5:00 PM Monday to Sunday	3

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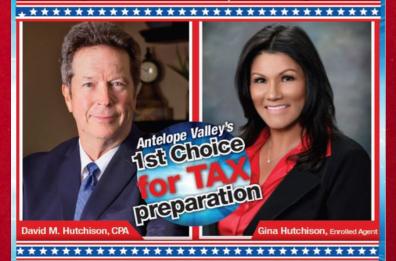
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