

ROBERT DAUTERMAN REPORTS the Carmel Valley Golf and Country Club has a superb, 18 hole championship golf course, designed by Robert Muir Graves. This private course is famous for the challenging water hazards -- 11 lakes and interlacing curves of the Carmel River. Other facilities include tennis courts, swimming pool, snack bar, 7 acre practice fairway and putting green and a magnificent Clubhouse, with a cocktail lounge, dining room and meeting facilities as well as a Resort Pro Shop and complete locker room facilities.

The Carmel Valley Golf and Country Club facilities also include a luxurious overnight facility, Quail Lodge, with 96 spacious rooms and lakeside cottages. Quail Lodge has been awarded AAA's highest rating, "outstanding" and shares it with only 5 others among the 9,000 hotels and motels in California and Nevada.

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NOTES FROM STAN - The first thing I would like to do is apologize to John Williams. After a super meeting in June at his course there was nothing said in the July newsletter about it. I for one had a great time and thought that everything was just perfect. Hope we can return next year, John.

As for the July meeting all I have to say is I enjoyed very much hosting it and hope that all of you that attended enjoyed being there. I would also like to have you back again soon.

I would like to take this chance to say a few words about reservation cards. Having never hosted a meeting before I never realized how important these cards were. After this I for one will be sure to fill out my card properly and promptly. I will also notify the host superintendent of any change in plans. I am sure that if all of us do this it will be greatly appreciated by all future host superintendents. Hope to see all of you at Carmel Valley C.C.

We are now looking for a name for the newsletter, please send all ideas to me.

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Word has just reached us that member Steve Kirchhof of Cupertino was killed in a car accident April 22nd.

BILL GOODRIDGE tells us snuggled picturesquely in the rolling foothills about 1½ miles Southeast of Valley Springs and near Hogan Lake the new La Contenta Country Club is rapidly taking shape. The construction of the course itself will be completed this fall with the opening scheduled for spring of '74. Basically a championship course, it will boast 4 large lakes, parks, play grounds and picnic areas plus a planned subdivision community surrounding the course.

The Golf Course Superintendent for this new spectacular is none other than our old friend Bob Uhland. A first class golf course superintendent turned salesman and now returned to his first love. Welcome home, Bob.

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LEE HUANG tells us George Finnan left Castlewood Country Club July 13. He is now in charge of construction of a 9 hole course on the Pleasanton fairgrounds. His foreman will succeed him at Castlewood.

C. W. "Chuck" Weatherton has been appointed to the position of parks services manager for the City of Oakland. He had been responsible for supervision of parks, recreation facilities, landscaped areas and golf courses. His first responsibility was construction of Lew Galbraith Golf Course.

Weatherton has served as president of the Golf Course Superintendents Association. He is a certified park manager of CPRS and has received the Certificate of Merit and Merit Award from the Northern California Turfgrass Council and the Merit Award from the Golf Course Superintendents Association.

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GOLF NOTES - Howard Fisher, Mt. St. Helena Golf Club, Calistoga

For you golfers who haven't been out to the monthly meetings in the last three months, you have not only missed excellent meetings by the "Chico Kid", but outstanding golfing weather. I say the last 3 meetings because of the condition of the golf courses we've played.

Jack Jagur has El Macero in top shape. The golfer had to look for a bad lie. Jack, the course was superb.

Then, in June, we hit the high country with John Williams. The course was beautiful, the weather unbelievable. Besides, John had three young ladies working on the course. We all had trouble keeping the eye on the ball. Two Foursomes of "Hot Shots" played Edgewood from the back tees. Funny, I didn't hear any bragging on how they tore up the course. John, without your "Little Bug", you could never keep the course as nice as it is.

At our July meeting, we had another great golf course. Oakland had its typical fog. This was a tight picturesque golf course.