

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by John Engen, CGCS Butte Creek C.C. Chico

THANKS AGAIN to Mike Clark for being a great president and for his 7 yrs on the board. It is going to be tough following in your footsteps Mike. I would also like to congratulate you for one of the most organized annual meetings we have ever held. Everything went like clock work.

Many thanks to the awards committee for bestowing upon me the Superintendent of the Year award. There are many more deserving than I, but is greatly appreciated and is my most prized possession. It is now hanging in the pro shop at Butte Creek Country Club.

One sure way to be a success or to be a good leader is to surround yourself with good and capable people and this is what you have done for me by electing competent people. We are looking forward to a great year, but it will take the participation and input from all the membership. Let us hear from you.

BUTTE CREEK COUNTRY CLUB was designed by Golf Course Architect Bob Baldock. Construction began in April 1963 and the course opened for play in April 1964. Some changes have taken place thru the years. Fairways were seeded originally to bluegrass, red fescue and highland bent. They are now being seeded to bermuda. Butte Creek was a complete quick coupling system. Now greens and tees are automated with plans to do fairways this fall. Butte Creek Country Club is owned by the members and has a closed membership at 325. The course is a championship layout with regular tees playing 6,642 yards and can be lengthened to 7,100 yards.

Butte Creek country Club has a new manager, Mr. Larry Reynolds, a new golf professional Mr. Bob McCallister and an old golf course superintendent

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Editor's Notes by Bob Ford

Awards Committee - The Awards Committee, chairmaned by Bob Livesey did an excellent job choosing their recipients for this years awards.

Superintendent of the Year - John Engen

Excellence in Golf Turf Management - Bill Nigh

Class F Award - Chuck Mangold