

Carmel Valley Golf and Country Club, which just celebrated its 12th year, is a good example of a successful non-proprietary private club. It was built and organized by the same team that still manages it today. There are no committees, and Steve Carlton, the golf course superintendent, reports directly to the President, Ed Haber. The staff, remaining constant, does not have the same problem as most clubs that have changing Boards of Directors every year or two. Golf Course equipment, for example can be bought without waiting for any committee decision.

The Club recently was the site of the USGA Senior Amateur Championship, and is particularly noted for its 10 lakes, which have been made into game bird sanctuaries. Also on the grounds, and owned by the Club, is Quail Lodge, the only resort hotel in California with the Mobil 5 Star Award.

Because of Quail Lodge, there are a great many celebrities who play golf at the Club, and during the Crosby Pro-Am such players as Gary Player, Arnold Palmer, Johnny Miller, Doug Sanders, David Graham and Bob Charles have played the course.

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Members of the Sierra Nevada GCSA are invited to attend the meeting at Carmel Valley Golf & Country Club.

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PROGRAM - Mr. Tom Simmons, representative from Mission Insurance Company, who carry compensation coverage on a large number of clubs will speak on safety practices on the course which can reduce accidents. Mr. Simmons has had a great amount of experience with golf course accidents so his message should be of interest to all.

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It was good to see Bill Mayo, who is a charter member of GCSA of Northern California back in 1932, and George Finnin a member since 1953 retiring in 1974. Both live in the Reno area.

Steve Flatt, Wilcox Oaks is buiding a new 9 which is under construction now.

Griff Taylor, Kelly Ridge Golf Links, is repairing damage done by recent rains.

Del Rio Golf & C.C., Modesto, Cliff Wagoner, Superintendent, hosted the United States Golf Association Junior Girls Championship.

The following week Del Paso Country Club, Sacramento, Tom Unruh, Superintendent, hosted the United States Golf Association Womens Amateur Championship tournament.