YOUR HOST SUPERINTENDENT - Frank Barberio, Mira Vista G &CC, El Cerrito

Frank has worked on the golf course at Mira Vista twenty-two years, the past four as Superintendent. Since becoming Superintendent Frank is responsible for removing over 300 eucalyptus trees from the golf course, greatly improving the turf. The golf course is in super condition as a result of Frank's diligence.

Mira Vista Golf & CC is a private club whose golf course is 62 years old. Four members owned all of the property which the club bought outright in 1980. Approximately 40,000 rounds per year tour the Mira Vista Links.

Mira Vista has a unique water system, "HOSES" Only 8 greens have quick couplers, with no automatics

THANKS TO STAN BURGESS and all the people at Richmond Golf & Country Club for a wonderful day on the coulf course and around the pool.

KEN'S NOTES by Ken Sakai, President of GCSA of Northern California

One hates to beat a dead horse but there are some problems that we have been having at a few of our monthly meetings. The first deals with people forgetting to notify the host superintendent that they will be attending the meeting. It is usually these people that compound the problem by inviting guests (see Murphys Law). This in turn, creates additional problems, such as, seating arrangements, lunches, and starting times for the golfers.

The second deals with the proper "requested" attire at our meetings. We, on the board, realize that we can only request general terms of dress. Please remember that if coat and tie, or casual, or sport coat is requested it is usually by the host club; and after all we are all guests of that particular club. For us to stay in good graces and, perhaps, utilize that club again in the future I personally recommend that we adhere to their wishes.

If you know of any other solution, please contact me and we can discuss them.

While I have your ear, I would like to congratulate four of our Northern California members.

- 1. Manuel Cardoza, Cypress Point Club, for hosting USGA Walker Cup Matches
- 2. Mike Phillips, Pebble Beach, for course preparation USGA Mens Open
- 3. Tom Unruh, Del Paso, for course preparation USGA Womens Open
- 4. Tom Christy, Almaden, for course preparation the upcoming LPGA Inamori Classic

These people symbolize, to myself, what we, as members of GCSANC, are striving for. The professionalism, achievement, and recognition of a job well done. CONGRATULATIONS!