BOB KLINESTEKER lived in Grand Rapids, Michigan for 27 years before getting married and moving to California. He worked on golf courses for 5 years before attending Michigan State University and earning his B.S. degree in Turfgrass Management. He worked as Assistant Superintendent at Kent CC for 2 years and as Superintendent at Silver Lake CC in Grand Rapids for 2 years. Bob started working at the San Francisco Golf Club in 1982 under Paul Paulsen. Paul retired in the spring of 1983 and Bob assumed the position of Golf Course Superintendent.

The San Francisco Golf Club was first started in 1895 on the site now called the Presidio Golf Club. The original clubhouse still stands as part of the Presidio Clubhouse. In 1905, new land was purchased east of Sloat Blvd. by the members and the old Presidio links were abandoned. The new San Francisco Golf Club was played until 1911 when they were informed that they could not renew their lease on the land. New acreage was then purchased on the present sight.

A.W. Tillinghast was awarded the job of designing the new course which wasn't completed until 1918. One point of interest is the 7th hole. Tillinghast often spoke of this hole as his favorite of all the holes he had designed. It is also the scene of the most famous of all the Wests duels fought in 1859 between Senator Broderick and Judge Terry.

No major design changes occurred until 1950 when the Club faced possible condemnation of a substantial portion of their land on the easterly boundaries for highway purposes. The present 14th green was the old 13th. The old 14th became the 13th and the 15th tee is located where the 14th is today. Mr. Harold Sampson of the Burlingame Club planned these changes. Other than plantings, this was the only major physical change ever made.

*REMEMBER - GOLF is limited to 72 only. MEMBERS ONLY FOR GOLF. Guests welcome at lunch. Must take Caddies - $20 plus tip.