

OUR HOST AND HIS COURSE FOR APRIL

Finally, I would like to mention my appreciation to the members who served on the various committees and let them know their involvement was for the good of the Association. They should serve as an example to the rest of our membership. Get involved, run for office, get on a committee, just do something.

Finally, again, your Board of Directors this past year deserves a lot of credit for being a diligent, conscientious and very active board. It takes a lot of extra hours to run a growing organization like ours and they were always there to serve and get the job done. So, thank you, for making my year as President a memorable one that I will always look back upon with fond memories.

Joseph A. Rodriguez, CGCS

Joseph Rodriguez, CGCS, started his Horticultural career in Antioch, California in 1959.

In 1969, he went to work for Contra Costa County in the Landscape Division. He progressed to the Chief Gardener position, where he was in charge of all landscaped and turf areas within the County's jurisdiction.

While with Contra Costa County, Joe graduated from Diablo Valley College with a degree in Ornamental Horticulture. He also attended Los Medanos College for two years, and possesses a state Contractor's License for landscaping.

In 1986, Joe graduated from Saint Mary's College with a Bachelor's Degree in management.

He has been the Superintendent at the Rossmoor Golf Courses since 1978.

Rossmoor is a planned adult community that was first opened in 1964. Presently there is a population of approximately 8,500 residents, whose age averages 75.5 years. The community has many advantages. Among them is a medical clinic and the Rossmoor security force.

The maintenance and management of the Rossmoor community is administered by the Golden Rain Foundation.

The Rossmoor Golf Course consist of the 18 hole South Course and the 9 hole North Course, and are private courses.

In 1975, a new 9 holes was designed by Robert Muir Graves, and put into play. The new 9 was worked into the old 9 for 18 holes. So, we have a combination of new and old on the South, and the North is the original front nine.

The South Course is rated at 67 from the white tees, and the course lenth is 5,798 yards. The cart paths extend from tee to green, and carts are restricted to the paths. There is also no rough. This is to facilitate play because of the age factor. We mow approximately 175 acres of fairway twice weekly.

In the past two years, we have averaged 98,000 rounds of play per year.

The Golf Pro at Rossmoor is Norm Oliver, with whom we have a very cooperative working relationship.



JOSEPH A. RODRIGUEZ, CGCS

LOOK AHEAD

March 28

Joint Meeting with USGA, NCGA
Castlewood CC

April 8

GCSANC Annual Meeting, Rossmoor

May 2

Oakhurst CC, Clayton

June 21

Sonoma National

July 15

Supt./Pro Tournament, San Francisco
Golf Club

August 22

Oakland A's Baseball Game, Oakland
Coliseum

September 19

Richmond CC

October 10

Bodega Harbour GC

NAUMANN'S NORCAL NEWS

Bob Cox has left Pittsburg G& CC to become the Supt. at Canyon Lakes CC in San Ramon. Replacing him at Pittsburg G& CC is **Ed Watson** (former Supt. at Boundary Oak GC in Walnut Creek). Pittsburg G & CC is now being run by the City of Pittsburg, who is taking over from the leasee....**Ed Thiele** is the new Supt. at Sky Valley CC in Vallejo. Sky Valley is a new development designed by Arnold Palmer Designs and being installed by Golf Course Consultants....**Joe Blaker** is the new Supt. at Tahoe Donner GC in Truckee.