THE MEETING PLACE

Scholarship & Research Tournament
Castlewood CC
Host Superintendent: Blake Swint

Our meeting and tournament on June 20 will be held at Castlewood Country Club in Pleasanton. Castlewood, with 810 members, is a 36-hole course, 18 of which are on the hill, 18 in the valley.

We will be playing the hill course -- the older of the two, having been built in 1921. The course was built on land previously owned by William Randolph Hearst, the publishing mogul. It was designed by the late William Bell who designed many of the courses in the area.

Our host superintendent is Blake Swint. Blake grew up in San Lorenzo, although he was born in Georgia. At 12 he got the golfing bug, and worked a deal with the manager at Sky West Golf Course to pick up trash around the clubhouse in exchange for free golf. After two years of dedication, he was hired on the crew for summer and weekend help. He became the night waterman at 16 and hired on full time after high school graduation.

Blake knew his calling in life at a very early age and never veered off course. He was at Sky West a total of 14 years...