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The Main Course

Fountaingrove Country Club - November 9, 10, 1995

The Course

Fountaingrove Country Club is an 18 hole semiprivate championship course located in the foothills of Santa Rosa. This Ted Robinson designed course is well maintained and has 50 bunkers, 7 tiered greens, and 3 lakes strategically placed among its rolling hills. It is a position course with narrow fairways skillfully designed to the terrain to make your game a combination of challenge and pleasure. With a slope of 135 from the blue tees, Fountaingrove is rated the number one course north of San Francisco. Fountaingrove features it's own "Amen Corner," starting with the par-4 13th and ending with the dramatic

17th, the 218 yard par-3 signature hole. The extensive rock walls and bridges around the course were constructed from rocks removed from the fairways during construction. The course opened for play in 1985, with the Japanese style clubhouse completed in 1986. There are over 5 miles of concrete cart paths around the course, which varies over 250 ft. in elevation from the #4 Green high point to the lowest elevation on the #14 green.

Practice facilities include 2 putting greens, 16 station driving range, and a sand bunker. Fountaingrove has sponsored the Sonoma County Nike Pro Am the past two years.

Our Host

Bob Tyler has been with Fountaingrove since its inception in 1982. He was hired to build the course by the developers on the recommendation of course designer, Ted Robinson. Bob worked with Ted on various course projects in Southern California, and has been involved with golf over 25 years. After construction was completed in 1985, Bob decided to stay on as course Superintendent. He was promoted to Director of Golf Operations in 1993. Bob attended college in Ontario, Canada, and has been a member of the GCSAA and GCSANC for the past 10 years.

1995 Institute

The 1995 Golf Course Institute is upon us, and early indications are this year's event will be a huge success. Those involved with the planning and development of the program have felt from the inception that a seminar devoted to lake management would be a topic the membership would support. Add to the mix a great location, comfortable accommodations and the opportunity to play one of the areas finest courses and you can see why this event will be well attended.

As in past years, the Trade Show will be held before and after the seminar as well as during lunch. This provides a great opportunity for you to visit with the vendors and lend your support to those who are instrumental to the success of events such as these. To help you relax at the conclusion of the seminar, the ever popular reception returns again this year. So grab your notebook, and clubs and get ready for one of our associations most spectacular event of the year!

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