I hope everyone was able to keep their sanity and their turf during the record setting high temps we encountered. This year has kept us on our toes with the record rains in the spring and the record temps the summer.

I would like to thank everyone that contributed clubs for our troops at the Sonoma Tournament. We collected over 20 complete sets of clubs and many miscellaneous clubs and boxes of golf balls. We are working with the personnel at Travis A.F.B. to get them shipped overseas. We will post pictures in our next issue.

Our association is approached regularly by many worthwhile organizations asking for financial contributions. The Board of Directors struggles with how to contribute to such organizations as The First Tee, The Junior Golf Associations and others while still working within a limited budget. The BOD feels that it is important for the GCSANC to be involved and seen, as a contributor to the game of golf and by helping groups like these is one way we can achieve this goal. The board of directors has decided to create special fund, a "Benevolent Fund" which will be funded completely on a volunteer basis by our membership. By contributing to this fund, our association will be able to continue to play an important part in growing the game, by having resources to help these worthwhile groups. On your next dues renewal notice you will see an "opt in" box. By checking this box, $5.00 will automatically be added to your dues to fund this program. You will have the option of contributing more than $5.00 if you chose. The GCSANC is seen as leader in the game of golf and our support of the game is important to us all.

September is our annual joint meeting with Sierra Nevada. This year we will be at beautiful Saddle Creek Resort. Hope to see you there!

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Following each distribution, I receive some "undeliverable mail" or rejected fax numbers. We do attempt to check out the bad addresses but are not completely successful. As the Internet world adds more security and junk mail filters, more of the e-mails are "bounced." Some of you are unintentionally screening communications with the association via your personal e-mail filters. Some clubs and company web sites also filter your communications without your knowing. So if you haven’t been receiving these notices, and would like to check for up-to-date information, please call or e-mail the office.

Results from Sonoma GC
June 19, 2006

Superintendent/Pro Team
1st — Gill Stiles & Mark Quintel - Santa Rosa Golf & CC
2nd — John Pina & Matt Staton - La Rinconada CC
3rd — David Sheldon, Jr. & Dean James - Fountaingrove Golf & Athletic Club

Professional
70 — John Hughes - Castlewood Country Club
71 — Rod Metzler - Oakmont Golf Club
71 — Matt Staton - La Rinconada CC

Superintendent Low Net
1st — Tim Powers, CGCS - Crystal Springs Golf Course
2nd — Billy Witt - Rob Roy Golf Course
3rd — Michael Clark, CGCS - Oakmont Golf Club

Open Flight
1st – Thomas Ott – PSSI
2nd – J. Arnaz Tree Movers - Jim Arnaz
3rd – Target Specialty Products – Michael Parks