

GCSANC QUICK PROFILE

Name: Glenn Matthews

Employer: The Course at Wente Vineyards

Position: Director of Maintenance

Years in the Golf Business: 18

Previous Employment: Balboa Park G.C. (San Diego), Singing Hills Resort (San Diego), Steele Canyon C.C. (San Diego), San Luis Obispo C.C.

Education: Cuyamaca College
A.S. Ornamental Horticulture
Cal Poly San Luis Obispo – B.S. Soil Science

Other Organizations: Central California GCSA, San Diego GCSA

Family: Single

Interests Outside of Golf: Softball, Soccer, Fishing, Music, Travel

iPod? : John Mayer, All American Idiots, Jack Johnson

Favorite Vacation: Golf in Scotland

Best Golf Related Memory: Making birdie on the 18th hole at Carnoustie (I almost cried)

Favorite Course to Play: The Old Course at St. Andrews

Course You'd Like to Visit: Bandon Dunes

Strangest Thing You've Witnessed On The Golf Course: Two grown men fighting on the first green after one accused the other of being a cheater. I broke up the fight, but not until one of them had broken his putter over the back of the other. They both finished the skins game.

Worst Comment/Question From a Member: "I can't believe a course as nice as this has artificial greens."
– Wente Vineyards

What You'd Be Doing If You Weren't Involved With Golf: I would be working in a vineyard.



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Front Row:

Ted Horton, CGCOA & GCSANC, Pat Gross, USGA, Bill Aragona, NCGOA, Mike Huck, Industry Consultant

Middle Row:

Carol Pence, NCPGA & LPGA, Kevin Heaney, SCGA, Pat Blalock, WSCGA, Craig Kessler, PLGA, George Steffes, Government Liaison, Mike McCullough, NCGA & GCSANC, Emmy Moore Minister, GCSANC Communications Consultant

Back Row:

Chris Thomas, NCPGA, Tyler Jones, NCGA & PGA, Bob Bouchier, CAG & CSCA, David Bill, NCGA, Tom Schunn, CMA and GCSANC Associate Member, Mike Tinkey, NCGOA

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CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE FOR GOLF UPDATE

Members of the California Alliance for Golf convened recently at the Northern California Golf Association (NCGA) Headquarters at Poppy Hills Golf Course to discuss issues impacting golf in California.

During the half-day session industry leaders appointed Mr. Bob Bouchier as interim executive director for the organization. Prior, Bouchier was actively involved with the California State Club Association.

GCSANC Member Mike McCullough (who also serves as NCGA Director of Environmental & Water Resources) provided an informative update surrounding water issues in California. Governmental Liaison Representative George Steffes was on hand to provide a legislative update to alliance members.

The California Alliance for Golf is currently based from the NCGA Headquarters in Pebble Beach, CA. The group originally came together through the California Golf Economic Study in 2001. The committee gained momentum in 2003 when concerns emerged about water resources for golf facilities in the State of California.

The organization has initiated discussions with Stanford Research Institute (SRI) regarding an updated economic study.