

MARIN COUNTRY CLUB, Novato was opened for play in the Spring of 1958. The designer was John Dawson.

It is an 18 hole private course - 6,405 yards from the blue markers, 6,155 from the white and 5,680 from the red.

It was originally owned by Trousdale Construction Company, was later sold to Lear Siegler Corporation, and a few years ago was purchased by the club membership.

Probably the most unique feature of the course is a series of six lakes which were formed to store winter run-off water to be used for irrigation. While these lakes furnish 90 to 95 % of the necessary water (the rest comes from two wells) they also cause either water hazards or lateral water hazards (or both) on eight holes.

I was employed by Trousdale Contrustion Company while the course was being built, then worked under Doc Babson until 1968 when I was made assistant to Orv Suttles when he became superintendent. I have been superintendent since he left in 1974.

Dick Aven, Golf Course Superintendent

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MEETING at Diablo Country Club, Sohan Singh, Golf Course Superintendent. Sohan has to be highly congratulated for giving us such a fine course to play. I started early (6:a.m.) so as to play 18 holes before our board meeting. The course set up (new cups, flags and poles) was excellent. The greens were cut and in beautiful condition and you could not hear any machinery running. He certainly is doing an excellent job of maintenance. The GCSA of Northern California wants to thank Al Reale, General Manager Bob Wynn, Professional, Phil Hammon, Green Chairman and all the membership of Diablo Country Club for allowing us to play their course.

JOE TURNER - "Investment Opportunities" - Those of you not attending missed a special talk on money and our future opportunities in investments. Interest rates and available money was a strong point of discussion. It certainly is a subject that all seemed interested in. Thanks very much, Joe - everyone enjoyed it.

Dave Sexton is now superintendent at the Meadow Club in Fairfax. He was with Ojai Valley Inn & CC at Ojai

New Orleans Conference CONTACT Jim Ross for money saving group plane trip NOW.

Murray Nonhoff tells us that Mike Clark, Superintendent at Oakmont, Santa Rosa has moved into a new maintenance facility called Oakmont Golf Course Operations Facility. If you're looking for a design to follow, take a look at Oakmont. As a result of good planning, it is very roomy and functional. Mike is inviting the group up in May 1982 to see it. He is proud of it.

- Tom Thatcher

BOB DAUTERMAN, GOLF CHAIRMAN reports that Golf Sweeps at monthly meetings will be \$3.00. Please pay the pro at host course before teeing off.

Remember if you play golf you MUST attend lunch and meeting.

Prizes from Diablo CC will be awarded at Marin CC. Be there to collect or forfeit your prize.

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CALIFORNIA GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION - by Bob Livesey

The annual meeting and educational session of the California Golf Course Superintendents Association was held at the San Luis Bay Inn, Avila Beach. The turn out was good. There were 62 in attendance for the Sunday program and 52 played golf.

The speakers gave excellent presentations. All that I talked to felt that everyone came away with some helpful information. We are in the process of trying to get PCA credit hours for the program.

Dave Fleming from the San Diego Chapter set up the golf tournament. Word has it that everyone shot par or under. But the final results say different. The following are winners:

Superintendent Low Gross

1st Howard Fisher - 71  
2nd Dave Zarte - 76  
3rd Mike McCraw - 82

Superintendent Low Net

Grady Simril - 60  
Bob Dauterman - 66  
Dave Mastroleo - 70

Team 2 Best Ball

1st John Culbertson  
Ron Parker  
Mike Summer  
Vince Masquez  
Dave Mastroleo

Guest

1st John Culbertson - 61  
2nd Mike Summers - 63  
3rd Arch Hemphrys - 66

2nd Jim Lapary  
Art de Vos  
Bill Klomparens

Our Host Al Glaze, once again did an outstanding job. The food and drink were excellent.

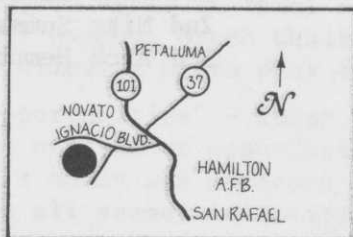
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