



DECEMBER 2020

Message from the Director of Golf

Rick Price, PGA

We want to say thank you for another fantastic year. It has had its twist and turns with COVID-19 and the changes we have all had to make in our lives. However, the year's highlight was undoubtedly the significant improvements to the golf course with the green reconstruction project and the new practice tee.

We are thinking of you during this holiday season and would like to tell you how much we appreciate your support. Before the year is over, we do not want you to miss the sales in the Pro Shop. Our special holiday sale Friday, December 4. You can pick up that perfect gift or a gift card for the holidays.



PRO SHOP HOLIDAY SALE

Apparel 30-60% off
Hard Goods 15-30% off

(shoes, accessories, clubs, etc)

Dec. 4, 2020 • 7:00 am to 6:00 pm
The Views Pro Shop
1555 E Rancho Vistoso Blvd, 85755

The more you buy, the more you save.
See website for details

A MAXIMUM OF (8) PEOPLE AT A TIME IN THE PRO SHOP.
SOCIAL DISTANCING & MASK REQUIRED.

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Also, our Annual Christmas Toy Drive runs from Friday, December 4 through Friday, December 11. We are collecting toys for local kids and families in need. If you bring a guest during this week with a toy(s) valued over \$30, your guest plays for FREE! The guest pass is valid only during this week promotion. Any toy(s) and food donations are welcome, whether playing golf or not. We appreciate your kind and generous contributions and support.

As a reminder, the Pro Shop will be closed Friday, December 25, for Christmas to allow our team to spend time with their families. However, if you have a private cart and would like to play golf on Christmas day, you are more than welcome. There will be no scheduled starting times. Also, the driving range is available to hit practice balls if you have a pre-paid range card.

In these uncertain and changing times, we continue to promise to provide professional, friendly service with a positive and memorable golf experience. It is our goal to add as much value to your experience while offering you a safe atmosphere to enjoy the game.

There has never been a better time to join our membership! We are excited about the latest changes to the golf course and look forward to the 2020-21 season. Thank you for your support and business.

I Wish You a Wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Price". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Updated News

The President of Sun City Oro Valley, Joy Huxtable and General Manager Mark Wade were on hand to cut the ribbon for the grand re-opening of the golf course along with the Mayor of Oro Valley, Joe Winfield, President and CEO of Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce, Dave Perry.

This was done in celebration of the job well done of our Greens Superintendent Michael Kropf and his team, along with golf course design architect Mike Gogel and the greens reconstruction committee.



A golf course reminder: there was no overseeding on all the newly sodded areas around the greens, approach areas, and driving range tee. We would ask your help when driving your golf cart around the tees and greens to keep the cart on the path at all times. This includes all handicap flagged golf carts. Please follow the signage for golf cart traffic and use the blue gate system to enter the fairways between the two blue stakes and exit the fairway between the two blue stakes further down the fairway. The idea is to keep your carts in the fairway once you enter through the blue stakes. The new seeded fairways will handle cart traffic much better than the dormant bermunda rough.

The first tee time in December is 7:56 am. The Pro Shop will open an hour before the first tee time and close at 5:00 pm daily.

PRO SHOP STATUS

We welcome you into the Pro Shop. However, we require masks inside to ensure the safety of all our members, residents, guests and staff. The check-in process will continue as follows: a tee host concierge will be stationed outside of the pro shop to will assist you with check in. The player assistant will be on the tee to get you started on time.

GOLF CART POLICY

The Views golf carts golf cart policy is two players per golf cart. Single players should be prepared to share a cart. We pair golfers up to share a golf cart according to starting times booked.

Due to availability of golf carts, we cannot provide single rider golf carts. You may consider walking or please do not book a tee time if you are uncomfortable riding with

someone else in a cart. Masks are recommended while riding in the golf cart. Masks are not required on the driving range or practice areas, if maintaining social distance – but if unable to do so please wear your mask.

If you have a private golf cart, you may continue to ride as a single. ***Only two carts will be allowed in the fairway or rough at any given time.*** Any additional carts in the group must remain on the cart path.

If you have less than four players and would like no one else to be paired with your group, you are welcome to pay for the entire foursome to reserve the space.

It is the responsibility of the person booking the starting time to fully communicate these procedures to all golfers in their group in advance prior to arriving at The Views Golf Club.

TEE TIME RESERVATIONS

Thank you for showing up and being ready to tee off a minimum of 10 minutes before your scheduled tee time. The early arrival to your starting time helps to keep us on schedule throughout the day, which leads to a good pace of play and an enjoyable day on the course.

PRACTICE FACILITIES & DRIVING RANGE TEE

DRIVING RANGE - We will be using the artificial tee line starting December 1 through the season. It is located on the back of driving range tee.



PRACTICE PUTTING GREEN - This area is now open and is twice the size of our old practice putting green.

SHORT GAME PITCHING AREA - The new short game area features two practice chipping greens and a bunker located between the 1st tee and 9th green at the bottom of the hill. We will keep you updated on the progress as to when we will open the practice area. The short game practice area will not be overseeded this year.

FINN SCOOTER WILL BE HERE ANY DAY!

We will have four Finn Scooters available to rent starting very soon. They are easy to ride with a low-center of gravity and the lightweight aluminum frame makes it a well-balanced ride. If you can ride a bike, you can ride a Finn. Renting a scooter is easy through a downloadable app. The cost is \$25 for 18 holes and \$14 for 9 holes. This fee is additional to the golf rate.



HOLE IN ONE

Bob Whren - 11-7-2020 - Hole #7 - 149 yards - 7 iron



Lesson Tee

Improve Your Golf Game!



GOLF CLINICS

WEDNESDAYS AT 9:30 AM

12/2/19 FULL SWING

12/9/19 SHORT GAME

12/16/19 FULL SWING

\$20/SESSION

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Shouldn't Golf be Cheaper in the Winter?

I fielded a phone call recently in the golf shop, and the dialogue made me think. New to golf and fairly argumentative, the gentleman questioned why golf rates went up in the Winter. I kindly asked his reasoning for rates being less expensive in the Winter. "There is less green grass to hit from, the greens are way too fast, my ball doesn't roll as far in the fairways, it's colder outside, and it's harder to get a tee time." I paused for a moment and agreed with everything he just said. Did we have it wrong all along?

I know the glaring problems with his position (supply and demand, for example), but it made me realize that everyone has a different perspective and experience. The same day as that phone call, some ladies from one of our associations mentioned they would like less sogginess around the greens. Then the men had equal suggestions that we should water the greens more to soften them up.

As a PGA professional, I am committed to growing the game for everyone. Not just men, not only ladies, not just the wealthy but scratch and novices alike. Everyone. All of our members should know we hear you and we value you. There is always a flip side at the end of the day; a different perspective shaped by our life experiences and skillsets. With so much polarity in our world, I could do a much better job seeing it from somebody else's eyes.

Get a grip! I've just ordered a large number of new grips for the season. Contact me for any club repair needs or just want to talk. All the best!

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NOTE:

2020-2021 Daily Rate Fees - [CLICK HERE](#)

2020-2021 Membership Plans - [CLICK HERE](#)

Charley's Grille @ The Turn every Friday and Saturday 11:00 AM - 2:30 PM

All shotgun events currently through the month of December have been canceled due to COVID-19. However, the 9- and 18-hole men's and women's associations will have starting times blocked for their league events. Please check your email and look to the website for further updates.

Golf and COVID-19: Latest news on course operations

Playing guidelines to golf safely during the COVID-19 pandemic. Many medical experts believe that golf is one of the safest activities you can participate in during these current times as long as you take proper precautions. These include social distancing with other golfers at the course. Wear a mask when sharing a golf cart with someone you do not know. Walking is available in certain circumstances approved by the Pro Shop.

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