



Catta Talk



CATTA VERDERA COUNTRY CLUB



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*Clint Bassett, PGA
General Manager*

FROM YOUR PGA GENERAL MANAGER

Hello Catta Members,

Even though February is the shortest month of the year, we have packed it with exciting opportunities to enjoy all that Catta has to offer. As we move through the winter season and eagerly await spring, our Club continues to be a hub for amazing golf, memorable social gatherings, and meaningful time spent with fellow members, family, and friends.

On the golf course, Jogi and his Turf Team remain focused on delivering excellent playing conditions throughout the winter months. Their continued dedication allows us to maintain the quality and beauty of the course year-round, and we truly appreciate your patience and support as winter projects take place. February also brings a host of tournament opportunities, offering great chances to get out on the course, enjoy some “friendly competition”, and connect with fellow members.

Socially, this month features some long-standing favorites and highly anticipated events. Our Super Bowl Sunday Spectacular is sure to be a lively and fun way to enjoy the day with friends, great food, and a spirited Club atmosphere. Don't miss out on the specials that Hillary has planned for everyone! Later in the month, we look forward to our famous Annual Catta Crab Feed on February 21, an event that has become a true tradition and is always a favorite. We encourage you to reserve your spot early and join us for an evening of great food and even better company.

Around the Clubhouse, our teams continue to deliver warm, welcoming experiences through new menu offerings and exceptional service. February is also a wonderful time to introduce friends and family to the Club and share what makes the Catta Verdera community so special.

Thank you, for being such an engaged and supportive membership. Your participation and feedback play a vital role in shaping the Club experience. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any member of our team if there is anything we can do to enhance your enjoyment of the Club.

We look forward to seeing you around Catta throughout February.



[Click Here](#)
to view the Catta Verdera Women's Golfers monthly newsletter from Eddy Nanchy.





Hillary Bamont
Director of F&B

Food & Beverage

FROM YOUR DIRECTOR OF F&B

Happy February everyone! It's great seeing so many of you around the club taking advantage of the drier days we've been enjoying.

Our events team has been working nonstop to bring you an action-packed February! Our goal is always to give our members plenty of reasons to gather at the club, especially during the winter months, when colder weather can make it tempting to stay home. We want you here to enjoy everything the club has to offer, which is why you'll see a wide variety of events scheduled on different dates and at different times. As always, your feedback is welcome—please let us know if there's something you'd love to see that we're not currently offering.

Many of you have been asking when the new menu is launching, and the answer is: very soon! We're just a few weeks away from introducing new menu items featuring fresh ingredients, exciting flavors, and options that accommodate a wide range of dietary preferences, including gluten-free, vegetarian, vegan, and updated takes on traditional favorites. Menu additions take time to perfect—from testing and pricing to ensuring quality and presentation are just right. You may have already spotted a few sneak peeks in our regular specials and Game Day menus (hint, hint!). Along with the new menu, look forward to more themed specials in the coming months tied to special events like St. Patrick's Day and Masters Week.

We're also experimenting with different event times to better serve our members. For example, we're offering Valentine's Day crafting workshops both during a weekday mid-afternoon and in the evening, allowing us to cater to those who prefer daytime activities as well as those who enjoy evenings out.

February highlights include:

- ◆ Thursday, February 5: Heart Wreath-Making Class for Valentine's décor (details and registration on ForeTees)
- ◆ Wednesday, February 11: Valentine's Bunco for couples, beginning at 6pm

- ◆ Saturday, February 14: Traditional Valentine's Day Dinner (log onto ForeTees for details and reservations)
- ◆ Saturday, February 21: Annual Crab Feed (registration now open on ForeTees—spaces still available!)
- ◆ Friday, February 27: Frank Family Wine Dinner (more information on ForeTees)
- ◆ Saturday, February 28: Teddy Bear Tea—a fun family event featuring a balloon artist, storytelling, teddy bear adoption, and an afternoon tea designed for both adults and children (details and registration on ForeTees).

As you can see, February is full of thoughtfully planned events and memorable food and beverage experiences. I hope to see you at one—or all—of the exciting events we have lined up!

Warm regards.

Catta Verdera Presents
VALENTINE'S
Dinner ♥♥♥♥♥♥♥♥

Saturday, February 14th
Seatings at 6pm & 6:45pm

♥♥ Champagne Greeting
♥♥ 4-Course Dinner
♥♥ Live Music

\$165++ per couple

RSVP on ForeTees to select your time, salad
& entree choices
48-hour cancellation





Dain Ebright, PGA
Head Golf Professional

Golf Department

FROM YOUR PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

Hello Golfers!

Are your wedges and grips being neglected? When your wedge strikes the ball from the turf, the grooves have

an important job. They're designed to clear out the grass and moisture created when the ball is compressed by the club face. When the grooves are sharp and deep, the ball grabs the club face and produces spin. When grooves are worn shallow and have rounded edges, there is less room for the grass and water to be moved away from the point of impact. The ball tends to slide up the face instead of gripping it. This is why worn wedges launch higher, spin less, and run out more than expected, even on good swings. Around the green, those slight differences matter.

◆ Why wedges wear out

Wedges are your scoring clubs. They get used for approach shots, pitches, chips, and bunker play. They are your "Swiss Army knives" and are often used more than any other club in the bag. Over time, that repeated use wears down the grooves and reduces spin and consistency.

Most major golf publications, including Golf Monthly, Today's Golfer, and Golf Digest, agree that noticeable declines in wedge performance begins after about 60–75 rounds. This timeframe can be further reduced when players conduct frequent short game practice. These publications suggest replacing your wedges every one to two years. Apparently, these writers have never met any Catta Members. Some die-hards around here hit the 60-round mark before Saint Patrick's Day!

◆ Give your grips some attention

Your grips are your only connection to the club. As they wear, they become slick and shiny, which often leads to gripping the club tighter than necessary. That extra tension can affect swing speed, feel, and consistency. This detail cannot be emphasized enough. Feeling like you are fighting a slippery grip will wreak havoc on your tempo as well as your ability to release the club head through impact.

Most PGA professionals recommend replacing grips

about once a year for the average golfer. (Have I already over-used the Catta frequent player joke?) If you play frequently, it's not unusual to need new grips more than once a season, or more frequently if you prefer soft-feeling grips. These compounds degrade more quickly than traditional rubber grips.

◆ Come see us in the Golf Shop

If you're not sure where your equipment stands, stop by the Golf Shop and we will take a look at your equipment. Rob and Parker have extensive experience in club repair, and Rob is a certified club fitter. Any recommendations will be based on how you play, not just how long you've owned the clubs. A quick check can go a long way toward better spin, better control, and more confidence where it matters most.



NEW DEMO CLUBS FOR 2026 ARE IN THE SHOP!

Next time you peak into the Golf Shop, ask about the brand-new demo clubs we have for you to try starting with wedges from Titleist and Ping. The Vokey SM11 and Ping S259 wedges just arrived, along with the Ping G440K and TaylorMade Qi4D drivers.





ADVISORY COMMITTEE – NEWS & NOTES

With our first meeting of the year taking place last month, this was a great opportunity for our new Committee Members to get to know our existing Committee Members, and to get a feel for the meeting procedures. While much of the meeting covered all that was accomplished in 2025, each member still brought valuable information to the table to get the new year started.

Here is just a sample of the topics covered under our January AC Meeting:

- ◆ Member Survey Results Review
- ◆ Cleanliness of Clubhouse Grounds (Air Compressor, etc.)
- ◆ Unsupervised Children in Quixote's
- ◆ Carts cutting through native areas creating shortcuts to tees
- ◆ Focus social events more on weekends
- ◆ Improved outdoor lighting around club entrance
- ◆ Enhancements wanted on the Terrace (TV's, Sound System, etc.)
- ◆ Pace of Play and how it is monitored

We encourage everyone to communicate with our committee members to gain even more details related to all topics discussed in prior meetings. I also remind everyone that if you have a topic that you feel needs to be added to our agenda, email me or a member of our Advisory Committee so that it can be included in our discussions.

2026 Advisory Committee Members:

Stephen Columbo, Michael Goater, Ellen Grivna (Chair), Sean Harrigan, Sasha Macktinger, & Dana Mata

Email contacts for each Advisory Committee Member can be found on our Member's website page under the "Committee" tab.



2025 MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS

At Catta Verdera, member feedback always plays a vital role in shaping our Club experience. Each year, our Member Survey provides valuable insight into what we're doing well and where we can continue to improve. We're pleased to share highlights from the 2025 Member Survey, and most importantly, to thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts.

We are proud to report an overall average satisfaction score of 90%, an excellent result that reflects the dedication and hard work of our entire team. These scores place Catta Verdera among the top-performing private clubs and reinforce that we are delivering the high-quality experience our members expect.

Several key areas received especially strong marks:

- ◆ Golf Experience: 93% satisfaction
- ◆ Turf Care & Overall Course Conditions: 91% satisfaction
- ◆ Food & Beverage: 83% satisfaction

In addition, Catta Verdera achieved an exceptional Net Promoter Score (NPS) of 93%, indicating that members overwhelmingly value their experience and would enthusiastically recommend the Club to others. This is a significant achievement and a testament to the strength of our community.

While we are encouraged by these results, we also recognize that excellence means continuous improvement. The survey highlighted several areas where we can and will do better, including tee box conditions, food consistency, and golf shop apparel selections. These insights are incredibly valuable, and our leadership teams are already focused on addressing these opportunities with thoughtful planning and measurable action.

We want our members to know that these results are not viewed as a finish line, but rather as motivation. Our team is laser focused on refining the details, improving consistency, and enhancing the overall experience wherever possible.

Thank you again for your engagement, honesty, and commitment to Catta Verdera. Your feedback helps guide our priorities and ensures that the Club continues to grow stronger for years to come.

Catta Verdera Country Club

VALENTINE'S BUNCO



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH | 6PM - 9PM
5:45PM RULES & GAME REFRESHER
IN MADELENA'S

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\$25 PER PERSON INCLUDES BUFFET

SIGNIFICANT OTHERS & GUESTS
WELCOME!

Please bring \$10 CASH to contribute to prizes

RSVP ON FORETEES | 48 HOUR CANCELLATION

♥ Catta Verdera Country Club ♥

Teddy Bear Tea Party!



SATURDAY
February 28th
11 am - 2pm

Adults \$40++
Kids 2-12 yrs \$35++
Boys & Girls are welcome!

Kids receive a 20" Teddy Bear with
adoption papers!
Balloon Artist and Storyteller included!

RSVP on ForeTees | 48-hour cancellation



T.J. Orban, PGA
Director of Instruction

Instruction

FROM YOUR PGA DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION

This month T.J. offers us a quick tip on “Creating a Release”!

Click [HERE](#) to view this informative lesson.

To book a lesson with T. J. contact him at torban@cattaverdera.com

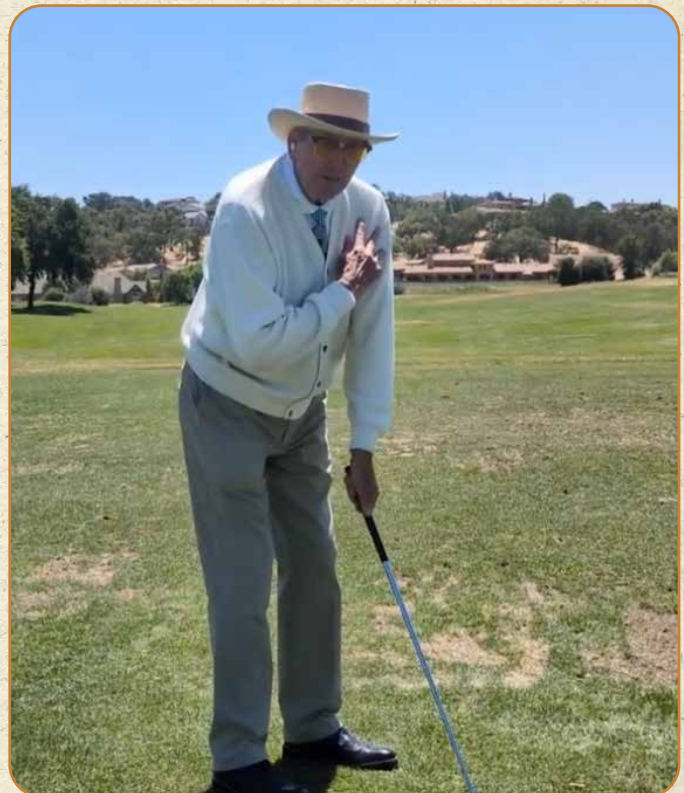


THE LESSON VAULT – WITH BRITISH PGA PROFESSIONAL, FRANKLYN RICHARDS

This month, Franklyn offers five informative shorts focusing on the dreaded “shank”.

To view the playlist, click [HERE](#).

To schedule a lesson with Franklyn here at Catta Verdera, please email him at britishpga@gmail.com or call the Golf Shop at 916.645.7200





HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS!

Please join us in wishing our members a Happy Birthday!

Jeff Awtrey	Craig M Gandy	Chris Nunez	Logan Sheppard
Savannah Baldree	Devon Hawley	Victor Nunez	Tyler Sheppard
Marcus Basquez	Ethan Herkert	Ellie O' Flaherty	Trevor Smith
Marta Bennett	Aaron Johnson	Charlotte Phillips	Sharon M Snyder
Kaia Bereczky	Kevin Kraft	Michelle Phillips	Ken Storer
Mark Birtha	David Laut	Caron Poole	Michael Sula
Robert Brenner	Jodi LaVoie	Dave Prindiville	Pearl Summerhays
Garrett Bruno	Grant Leasure	Chung Nam Rho	Raegan Tanon
Jeremy Chambers	Olivia Leasure	Ian Robertson	Scott Taylor
Sydney Chapman	Ashlan Leingang	Kelly Rose	Clancy Thompson
Robert Cheng	Kyle Leonard	Adam Ruggles	Marcela Truxal
Rhett Clawson	Henry Lipschitz	Dan Runte	Todd Weygandt
Isaac Cullinan	Ilene Marshall	Brynlee Salazar	Grayson Williams
Thomas Cuquet	Alexis McClure	McKinley Salazar	Reese Williams
Ella Dunn	Nancy McNabb	Jack Sanofsky	Guy Wolcott
Tim Eppler	Jim Mendes	Lila Sanofsky	Alison Wolfe
Tracie Freeman	Gregory Nash	Madison Schumacher	Andrew Wright
Jim Furr	Shab Nash	Wendy Seagraves	

If we missed you, that means we need to update your member profile.

Please contact Curtis at: clanda@cattaverdera.com to make sure we add your birthday to our database.

“Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow.” — Albert Einstein



CATTA VERDERA'S



GUESTS
WELCOME!

• ANNUAL • CRAB FEED

FEBRUARY 21, 2026 | 6PM

\$85++ ADULTS

\$25++ CHILDREN 3-12

SIGN UP ON FORETEES

48-HOUR CANCELLATION



**Jogi Choung, GCSAA
Superintendent**

Golf Course

FROM YOUR GCSAA COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

I'd like to take a moment to share an update on course conditions and the work being done to keep Catta Verdera in the best shape possible.

During this time of year, we all notice areas of the course (particularly our Bermuda grass) that have entered dormancy. This is a normal and healthy response to cooler temperatures and shorter days. Combined with all the foggy mornings we've experienced recently, dormant grasses can impact overall coloration, creating more muted tones across the course. So, in response to all of you who have taken the time to ask me about this, I want you to know that while color may change seasonally, our turf health remains our top priority.

To address this, we continue to apply targeted fertilization and growth applications designed to strengthen our turf, protect plant health, and build a solid foundation for the "spring green-up". These applications help ensure that when temperatures finally rise, the course transitions smoothly and efficiently back to peak condition.

In addition to nutrient management, we are closely monitoring drainage and turf stress, adjusting our practices as needed to respond to any expected (or unexpected) changing weather patterns. Our goal is to balance winter protection with playability, allowing you to enjoy the course while safeguarding its long-term health.

We appreciate you understanding as the course moves through its seasonal cycles. The work being done now plays a critical role in delivering outstanding conditions that we all expect once spring arrives.

Thank you for your continued support and for taking pride in Catta Verdera. Remember to rake your bunker, fill your divot, and fix multiple ball marks.

February 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 Advisory Committee	4	5 Valentine's Heart Wreath Making Class	6	7 CVWG Saturday Golf Shotgun
8 Super Bowl Specials	9	10	11 Valentine's Bunco Night	12	13	14 Valentine's Dinner
15 Couple's Valentine's Day Tournament	16 President's Day Club Open	17 Club Closed	18	19	20 CVMC Friday Golf Shotgun	21 The Famous Catta Crab Feed
22	23	24	25	26	27 Wine Dinner #1 Frank Family	28 Teddy Bear Tea

Coming in March...

- Wednesday, March 4th
Ladies' Night in Madelena's
- Saturday, March 7th
CVWG Saturday Shotgun Golf
- Tuesday, March 10th
Advisory Committee
- Wednesday, March 11th
CVMC Wednesday Shotgun Golf
- Thursday, March 12th
Thurs-Dates in Madelena's
- Saturday, March 14th
McClure Golf Outing
- Tuesday, March 17th
St. Patrick's Day
- Thursday, March 19th
CVWG Thursday Shotgun Golf
- Friday, March 20th
Wine Dinner #2 - Pruetts Wines
- Wednesday, March 25th
Catta Book Club
- Friday, March 27th
CVMC Friday Shotgun Golf



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