



# Catta Talk



CATTA VERDERA COUNTRY CLUB



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**Clint Bassett, PGA**  
General Manager

FROM YOUR PGA GENERAL MANAGER

Hello Catta Members,

Spring has arrived, and with it comes one of the most enjoyable times of the year at our Club. The course has come out of its winter dormancy better than ever, the days are getting longer, and everything begins to feel a little more alive. It's a great time to be out enjoying Catta, whether you're playing a quick nine, practicing on the range, or simply taking in the scenery.

To kick things off, we're excited to host our annual Easter Brunch. This is always a special gathering for families and friends, and we look forward to welcoming many of you for a great meal and a festive atmosphere. Be sure to make your reservations early, as this event tends to fill up quickly.

The month of April also means one of the most iconic weeks in golf... The Masters.

It's a time that inspires all of us to get out and play, and if you can't do it at Augusta, there's no better place to do it than right here at the Club. Whether you're chasing your own personal best or just enjoying time with friends, we hope the excitement of the season adds a little extra energy to your rounds.

On the course, we remind everyone that we will be conducting our spring aerification on April 7th and 8th. This is an essential agronomic practice that helps relieve soil compaction, improve turf health, and promote strong, consistent playing conditions over the long term. While there will be some short-term disruption, these efforts are critical to maintaining the quality of the course you expect and enjoy.

Not to slow down, our tournament calendar also begins to pick up this month. We're looking forward to hosting the Sr. Men's Troubadour Member-Guest, an event that brings together great competition and camaraderie. In addition, our Women's Member/Member will highlight the strength and enthusiasm of our ladies' golf community. Both events are cornerstones of our spring schedule and always create memorable experiences for participants.

This is truly a month that showcases everything that makes the Club special. Great golf, vibrant events, and a strong sense of community. We appreciate your continued support and look forward to seeing you around the Club this spring.



[Click Here](#)

to view the Catta Verdera Women's Golfers monthly newsletter from Eddy Nanchy.





Dain Ebright, PGA  
Head Golf Professional

## Golf Department

FROM YOUR PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

Pace of play is a frequent topic of conversation in the shop, out on the course, and at Quixote's. It naturally becomes even

more important as the season gets into full swing. While we often encourage groups to keep things moving, we don't always talk about how to do that effectively.

This isn't meant to be a "lecture", just a friendly collection of tips I've picked up over the years (and things I especially notice when they're not being used!).

Here are a few simple practices that can make a big difference:

### ◆ **Understand when a provisional ball is not needed**

If your shot may have landed in a red or yellow penalty area, a provisional ball is not necessary. Instead, play your next shot from where the ball lies, or take a drop near where it crossed into the penalty area. This saves you the distance penalty of playing a second shot from the previous position

~ For example, on Hole 5: if your tee shot heads toward the red penalty area on the right about 200 yards out, drive up and look for it. If it's outside the penalty area, great! If it's in the penalty area or not found, proceed with a drop. This typically leaves you hitting your third shot from 150–180 yards out, rather than replaying from the tee.

### ◆ **Know when a provisional is appropriate**

A provisional ball is helpful when your original shot may be lost or out of bounds (and not in a penalty area).

### ◆ **Multi-task when you're both out of the cart**

If your ball and your partner's ball are near each other, go ahead and step out of the cart. There's no need to wait. While staying clear of their line, you can begin preparing your own shot. If

you use a rangefinder, shoot a spot near your ball and then the pin to estimate distance using subtraction. That way, when it's your turn, you're ready to go. These small-time savers really add up over a round.

### ◆ **Get back in the cart!**

After your shot, it's tempting to stand by your bag, chat, and clean your club, but that can wait. Go ahead and hop in the cart, share the story of your shot on the move, and clean your club as you go. You can organize your gear while waiting later.

### ◆ **Read putts while others are getting ready**

When you arrive at the green, there's often some natural downtime- players in bunkers, others walking up, etc. Use that time to read your putt from different angles and get a feel for the slope. By the time it's your turn, you'll be ready to step up and roll it. Please don't start your process from the very beginning once it's your turn.

### ◆ **Head to the next tee before recording scores**

Feel free to chat about the hole, but do it while driving to the next tee, not while sitting near the green. This helps the group behind you move into their approach shots more quickly.

Our golf staff has been spending more time out on the course, and we truly enjoy being there, visiting with you, seeing great shots, and helping when needed. Our goal is to make your experience as enjoyable as possible, and ideally, to spend less time talking about pace of play and more time sharing in the fun of your round.

Thank you for keeping these tips in mind. It really does help create a smoother, more enjoyable day for everyone at Catta.

See you on the course!

## A FRIENDLY REMINDER ABOUT OUR DRESS CODE

As we welcome the warmer days ahead and begin to trade layers for lighter attire, it's a great time to revisit our club's dress code. Our policy reflects the pride we all share in our club, and helps maintain the comfortable, respectful, and polished atmosphere that all members and guests expect.

Our standard is simply "Country Club Casual", a balance of relaxed style and good taste. While the guidelines are not overly restrictive, they are designed to ensure a consistent and appropriate environment throughout the club. As always, members are responsible for ensuring their guests adhere to these expectations.

### Golfing & Practicing

- ◆ Ladies are to wear golf shirts, sweaters, or sleeveless tops with a collar, paired with golf dresses, skirts, skorts, pants, or mid-length shorts.
- ◆ Gentlemen are to wear collared shirts (tucked in unless designed otherwise), along with slacks or mid-length shorts.
  - Hats and visors must always face forward.
- ◆ Children over age 7 should follow the same guidelines as adults, while younger children should still be dressed in a manner consistent with club standards.

### Dining & Relaxing

- ◆ Golf attire is welcome in dining areas
- ◆ Ladies are to wear blouses, dresses, skirts, skorts, pants, or mid-length shorts. Denim is permitted provided it has no visible holes or tears.
- ◆ Gentlemen are to wear collared shirts (tucked in unless designed otherwise), along with slacks or mid-length shorts. Denim is also acceptable if it is neat and free of holes or tears.

### Unacceptable Attire

To preserve the club's atmosphere, the following

items are not permitted at any time:

T-shirts, tank tops, halter tops, cut-offs, workout apparel, sweatpants, denim with visible holes or tears, and shorts, skirts, or skorts that fall above mid-thigh.

As temperatures rise, we appreciate everyone's attention to these guidelines. Dressing with care ensures that our club remains a place we can all take pride in. Making Catta a welcoming, comfortable, and respectful experience for every member and guest.

Thank you for helping uphold the standards that make our club special.





Hillary Bamont  
Director of F&B

## Food & Beverage

FROM YOUR DIRECTOR OF F&B

I would normally begin by sharing how excited I am for spring at the club, but it feels like we've already enjoyed a taste of warmer weather throughout March! It has been so wonderful to see so many of you at club events, in the restaurant and bar, and out on the golf course.

I have also thoroughly enjoyed working with our women's and men's golf groups to plan menus and create fun food and beverage focused experiences for your events. The collaboration and creativity going into these programs has been incredibly rewarding, and we can't wait to enjoy the rest of the year with all of you.

We hope you are enjoying the latest menu additions in both Quixote's and Stable's! Our goal is to refresh menus quarterly, highlighting seasonal items for you to enjoy, so keep an eye out for even more updates coming soon.

On the event side:

♦ Trivia Night returns to Madelena's on Friday, April 3rd! Our last trivia night was a packed house, and seating is available on a first come, first served basis—so be sure to arrive early. Madelena's will open for food service at 5:00 PM, with trivia beginning at 6:30 PM. Guests may order from the Quixote's menu while enjoying the fun.

♦ Easter Brunch kicks off our peak season on Sunday, April 4th. We will host three Easter egg hunts throughout the day so families can enjoy brunch and festivities aligned with their reservation times. The Easter Bunny will also be making a special appearance, with photo opportunities available to capture those adorable holiday memories.

♦ For those of you who don't know, I love golf, and one of my favorite weekends of the year is approaching... The Masters Weekend! We'll once again be transforming Quixote's into "Augusta" for the long golf weekend and offering Masters themed specialties at Masters pricing.

Here's to warmer days, longer nights, and the very best food and beverage experience around. Now... Let's eat and drink!



## April Events

APR <b>1</b>	<b>Ladies Night Bunco   6PM</b>	
APR <b>3</b>	<b>DJ Trivia   6PM</b>	
APR <b>5</b>	<b>Easter Brunch   10AM-2PM</b>	
<b>9-12</b> APR	<b>The Masters   Quixotes Specials</b>	
<b>12</b> APR	<b>Brunch Bingo   11am</b>	
<b>17</b> APR	<b>DJ Trivia   6PM</b>	
<b>21-22</b> APR	<b>The Troubadour   Tournament</b>	



Events will be available for Sign-ups on FourTees Appx.  
14 days Prior to Each Event Date





## **ADVISORY COMMITTEE – NEWS & NOTES**

Once again, I want to thank our AC Members for getting this year off to a great start. Their enthusiasm and involvement have been unprecedented as they have truly reached out to our membership to bring new topics each month.

In March we again covered a vast number of items that I have highlighted below.

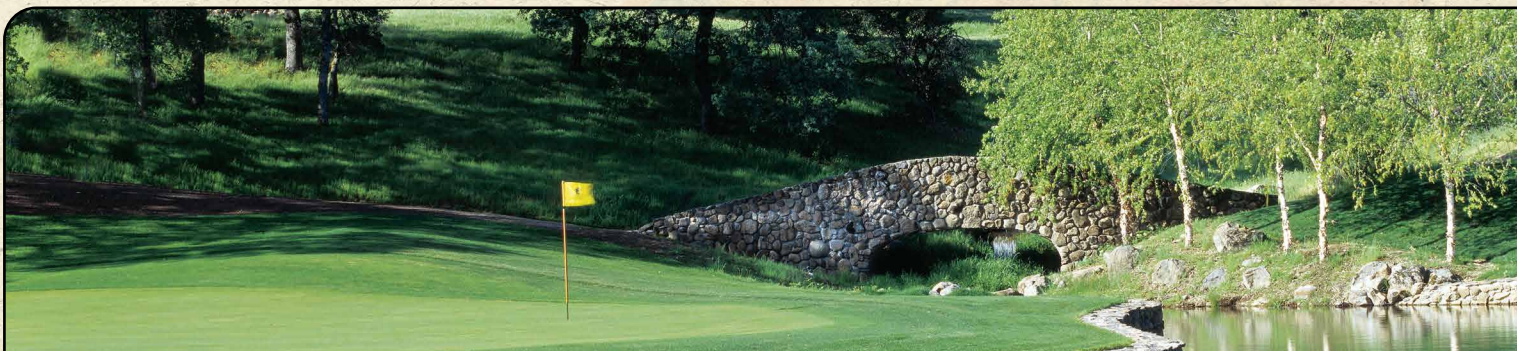
- ❖ Shoe Cleaner Compressor working intermittently – The Club has worked to resolve this, and will be purchasing a new, larger one in the next week.
- ❖ Discussion of a more formal Woman's Tea Party due to the success of the recent Teddy Bear Tea Party.
- ❖ Service Levels in Quixote's is a subject that Hillary is diving into head first with results already showing through.
- ❖ Discussions on how the lottery winners for the Cabrillo were determined. And what we can do next year to make it even better (A double-shotgun was discussed and is being considered by the Club).
- ❖ Single Rider Cart Policy was discussed and defined – This will be added to the Member Website for reference.

These are just a few of the items that the Committee and Club Management discussed. And, I am pleased to announce that many of the items have already been addressed and resolved, or put into process.

If you have any topics that you would like discussed in these meetings, don't hesitate to reach out to your committee members.

### **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.





**T.J. Orban, PGA**  
*Director of Instruction*

## Instruction

FROM YOUR PGA DIRECTOR OF INSTRUCTION

PGA Director of Instruction, T. J. Orban is committed to helping our members play better golf, and this new video is designed to do just that.

In this “Tip of the Month”, T.J. focuses on a move that will improve contact and give you more distance. Click [HERE](#) to view this informative lesson.

To book a lesson with T. J. contact him at [torban@cattaverdera.com](mailto:torban@cattaverdera.com).



### **THE LESSON VAULT – WITH BRITISH PGA PROFESSIONAL, FRANKLYN RICHARDS**

This month, Franklyn offers a full night of viewing with 14 informative shorts pulled from the vault focusing on one of the most important parts of the game “Chipping”.

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

To schedule a lesson with Franklyn here at Catta Verdera, please email him at [britishpga@gmail.com](mailto:britishpga@gmail.com) or call the Golf Shop at 916-645-7200.





## HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS!

*Please join us in wishing our members a Happy Birthday!*

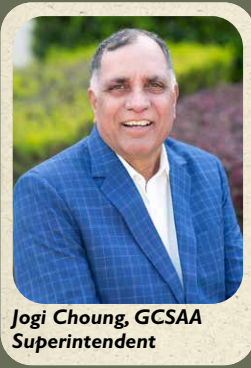
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*If we missed you, that means we need to update your member profile.*

*Please contact Curtis at: [clanda@cattaverdera.com](mailto:clanda@cattaverdera.com) to make sure we add your birthday to our database.*

*“A birthday is a quiet reminder that time is a gift.”*





**Jogi Choung, GCSAA  
Superintendent**

# Golf Course

FROM YOUR GCSAA COURSE SUPERINTENDENT

Over the past several weeks, our topdressing program has already made a tremendous impact on our putting greens. You may have noticed smoother playing surfaces, improved turf density, and better overall consistency on our greens. As we have pointed out previously, this process helps dilute organic matter, firm up surfaces, and promote healthier turf growth, and it's great to see such positive results so early in the process.

Looking ahead, we are preparing for our primary aerification, scheduled for April 7th and 8th. The course will be closed on both days to allow our team to complete this essential work as efficiently and effectively as possible. Full Core Aerification is one of the most important cultural practices we perform each year. It relieves soil compaction, improves air and water movement in the root zone, and sets the foundation for strong, healthy turf throughout the season.

We understand that closing the course is an inconvenience, but this short-term disruption plays a major role in delivering the long-term playing conditions you expect and enjoy. Our team will be working diligently to ensure a smooth recovery and a quick return to top playing conditions.

Thank you as always for your continued support and understanding. We're excited about the progress so far and look forward to a great season ahead.

## April 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Ladies' Night in Madelena's	2	3 DJ Trivia Night	4
5 Easter Brunch	6	7 Golf Course Spring Aerification	8 Golf Course Spring Aerification	9	10	11 Couples' Golf Night
12	13	14 Advisory Committee	15	16 Women's Thursday Shotgun Golf	17 DJ Trivia Night	18 Men's Shotgun Golf
19	20	21 The Troubadour	22 The Troubadour	23	24	25 Women's Member/ Member
26 Women's Member/ Member	27	28	29 Tee It Up #1	30		

### Coming in May...

- Friday, May 1st  
**DJ Trivia Night**
- Sunday, May 3rd  
**Couples' Golf Night**
- Tuesday, May 5th  
**Season-Long Match Play Begins**
- Wednesday, May 6th  
**Men's Shotgun Golf**
- Wednesday, May 6th  
**Ladies' Night in Madelena's**
- Thursday, May 7th  
**Thurs-Date Night in Madelena's**
- Sunday, May 10th  
**Mother's Day Brunch**
- Tuesday, May 12th  
**Advisory Committee**
- May 13th - 16th  
**THE CABRILLO CLASSIC**
- Thursday, May 21st  
**Women's Sr. Invitational**
- Monday, May 25th  
**Memorial Day - Club Open**
- Tuesday, May 26th  
**Club Closed**
- Wednesday, May 27th  
**Tee It Up #2**
- Wednesday, May 27th  
**Catta Book Club**
- Thursday, May 28th  
**Tunes on the Terrace**
- Saturday, May 30th  
**Women's Mojo Tournament**



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PLEASE JOIN US FOR

*Easter*  
**BRUNCH**  
*and egg hunt*

*5 April 2026*

Multiple Seatings from  
10AM - 12:30PM

**Adults : \$68++**

**Kids 2-12 : \$25++**

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