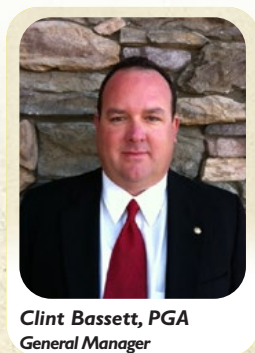




# Catta Talk

CATTA VERDERA COUNTRY CLUB

DECEMBER 2023



*Clint Bassett, PGA  
General Manager*

FROM YOUR GENERAL MANAGER

We are now in our final month of 2023 and I could not be more pleased with the progress our club has made.

Our membership remains strong as we welcomed in more than 30 new Golf and Social memberships filling the openings left by those who moved away. It is also great to see our new team of leaders (who now have a full year of service under their belts) thriving in their roles. Their dedication and commitment to making Catta Verdera Country Club better each day is reflected in their team's performance, and our member experience.

Nicholas Banks and his entire team continue to expand the offerings from our Golf Operation in areas like golf instruction, merchandise selection and so much more. Jogi and his Turf Team work tirelessly to give us the best playing conditions possible, while enhancing the surrounding landscape of our entire property. Kyle and his team maintain their laser focus on making sure that every member's needs are met whenever you visit. Their willingness to listen and adapt has had an immeasurable impact both on their teams, and our members. And then we have the team behind the scenes, our ownership, our management group, and our team of accountants. These individuals

often work in "the shadows", but never fail to provide the tools and resources that we need on the front line to deliver an unforgettable experience.

While we are all proud of the direction we are headed in, and with the positive growth we have experienced, not one of us is satisfied with where we are. As we look to 2024, we will continue to focus on ways to improve our club and our amenities. To help us achieve these goals, we will once again solicit feedback from our membership related to each department and the overall Member Experience here at Catta Verdera Country Club. Our Member Survey should be ready the first week of December with a two-week window to complete.

Here's to a strong finish to 2023, and an even better 2024!



[Click Here](#)

to view the Catta Verdera Women's Golfers monthly newsletter from Stephanie McCarthy.



Gift cards make a perfect holiday gift for the golfer on your list!





Nicholas Banks, PGA  
Head Golf Professional

## Golf Department

FROM YOUR PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

### **Implementing a Peer Review System**

- GHIN Score Posting, Scorecard Review & USGA Policy - Catta Verdera's Score Posting Standards

Continuing from our October Newsletter, Catta Verdera and the USGA Score posting policies, we will be implementing a peer review policy for the month of December.

This will help us elevate our current posting efficiency percentage of 72% efficiency and create more accurate playing handicaps. Please note that the USGA requires 95% posting efficiency. Therefore, during the month of December, please delegate a player in each group to be responsible for your groups score. We would like to remind you that:

#### • **Rule 5-2. Posting Scores**

- o Posting scores in person immediately following the round at the course where the round is played is the preferred way to expose scores to peer review. This method of posting must be used whenever possible.
- o The place for returning scores from all courses should be convenient to make it as easy as possible for players to record every round played.
- o The form of reporting is the responsibility of the golf club or the authorized golf association and will depend upon the procedure adopted by the Handicap Committee.
- o The posted scores for the day must be immediately available to all members for peer review.

For handicap purposes, the following information must be returned in person immediately following the round at the course where the round was played or, if that is not possible, as soon as practicable prior to the next revision so that a scoring record is up to date:

- Player's name or identification number.
- Date.
- Course name.
- USGA Course Rating and USGA Slope Rating of the course played.
- Adjusted gross score.
- Score type for Tournament Scores or scores posted via the Internet.

Total scores may be returned and need not be recorded hole-by-hole. The Club and Handicap Committee would like to see a returned and attested scorecard to review scores that have been posted. If a player plays on their own or if the player plays less than 7 or 13 holes respectfully, they will not need to post but should let the golf shop know.

Please note, due to the ease of the use of the Internet, the NCGA and USGA believe that successful golf clubs can implement a positive Internet score posting component. The NCGA and USGA also encourage all golfers to post their scores immediately following their round at the course where they played. However, on rare occasions when that is not possible, this feature allows a golfer to return scores via the Internet. If a golfer is a member of a club that allows Internet posting, scores can be posted directly through the NCGA Web site to the main GHIN computer at the USGA or club. The scores immediately become part of the golfer's scoring record and will be routed back to the player's home club the next time it connects to the GHIN Network.

Catta Verdera will continue to implement a weekly audit to raise our percentage closer to the **95%** recommended. As previously reported, we are currently hovering at 72% efficiency. By weekly auditing the tee-sheet (Foretees), cross-referencing with score posting, and implementing a scorecard return system (USGA), we will strive to improve the efficiency set forth by the USGA of **95%** compliance and have fairer reflective handicaps for tournament equitability and a player's ability.

For more information, please contact the Golf Shop.



Kyle Hundley  
Director of F&B

FROM YOUR DIRECTOR OF F&B

The cold temperatures and holidays are here! We started the month of November with a great Ladies' Night and had our very first DJ Trivia. DJ Trivia is really starting to pick up steam and I encourage you to try it out. It is free to play and you have the chance to win Catta gift cards and the esteem of being the weekly Trivia Champ. We also held our second annual Catta Wine Mixer where we offered 70 different wines. Catta members have purchased over 100 cases of wine and counting! Following the wine sale, we had the Klinker Brick Wine dinner hosted by our very own Liz Barnard! Lastly, we did our Thanksgiving Dinners To-go, from which I have had incredible feedback about the quality of the food. Great job by the culinary team and a big "THANK YOU" to all of them for being here on the holiday.

December comes with almost daily holiday parties. Nearly every available time slot is booked, but there are a few openings, if anyone wants to sneak another event in. If you are interested, please contact the events team at [events@cattaverdera.com](mailto:events@cattaverdera.com) but please remember dates and times are extremely limited and we do need at least 10 days to fully prepare for an event.

Regarding member events, we have our annual **Cookies with Santa**. This event is complimentary and includes a visit from Santa Claus and decorating Christmas cookies. We will also continue DJ Trivia until December 22nd and then it will resume in January.

On Christmas Eve, we will be serving Christmas Eve Dinners To-go. Those dinners will be the only food offering outside of Stables for the day. We will have the bar open for drink service, Stables will be open and the beverage cart on-course.

Finally, we have the New Year's Eve Party on December 31st. This event will include dinner, a DJ, and dancing. It's going to be a great holiday season!

On behalf of the entire Food and Beverage Team, I want to express our gratitude to the members of Catta Verdera Country Club for providing such a warm and friendly place that sustains our livelihood. We all take pride in working here and the quality of the environment would be entirely different without all of our wonderful members. Thank you so much and we wish you the happiest of holidays!

**DJ TRIVIA NIGHT**  
Every Friday

Sign-ups Start at 6:30 pm  
In Quixote's  
Game Starts at 7 pm

**FREE TO PLAY!**

**What is DJ Trivia?**  
DJ Trivia is a Fun, Live, Interactive Trivia Game that includes you, your team, other teams, and a live DJ host. The live DJ Trivia host will display the questions on TV and offer up a variety of interesting trivia categories including: Movies, History, Music, TV, Science, and more.



CATTA VERDERA COUNTRY CLUB'S ANNUAL



**COOKIES**

*With Santa*

**JOIN US FOR COOKIE  
DECORATING AND PICTURES  
WITH SANTA!**

**December 17 • 12:00PM - 2:00PM**

**RSVP on ForeTees  
Complimentary event  
open seating**



## PERFORMANCE GOLF ACADEMY

~ TIP OF THE MONTH

In our continuing effort to improve our member's enjoyment on the course, we offer this month's brief instructional video from PGA Professional Phillip Dawson, Jr.

Click [HERE](#) to view this month's tip on the importance of the "Swing Plane".

To schedule a lesson or book a golf clinic with Phil, call 530.409.7464

## THE LESSON VAULT – WITH PGA PROFESSIONAL FRANKLYN RICHARDS

This month Franklyn discusses how to approach our putts and to "putt like you throw".

To view this installment of "The Lesson Vault" click [HERE](#).

To schedule a lesson with Mr. Richards here at Catta Verdera, please email him at [britishpga@gmail.com](mailto:britishpga@gmail.com) or call the Golf Shop at 916.645.7200





**Jogi Choung, GCSAA  
Superintendent**

**FROM YOUR GCSAA COURSE SUPERINTENDENT**

It's that time of year where the cold weather slows the growth down and things begin to freeze. My team will be working with the Golf Team moving forward to make sure that Frost Delays cause minimal impact on play. While we are still at the mercy of Mother Nature, we have a policy in place that will allow our team to get the needed setup work done quickly and efficiently. We do appreciate everyone's patience as our goal is to get everyone out on the course as quickly as possible, without causing long-term damage to our turf.

We also continue to work on a number of projects from bunkers to tree trimming. We will begin work on the last bunker on Hole #2 this week, and hope to have this completed by the holiday. Lastly, we are finishing up the work on Hole #12 as the team works to remove bushes, trees, other items from the entire left side of the hole. I hope everyone has noticed how this has really opened up the view of the hole from the tee box.

As always, please fill your divots, and fix multiple ball marks. Happy Holidays.

## December 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
3	4	5	Ladies' Night Men's Golf Day	CVWG Holiday Party	CVMC Holiday Party DJ Trivia Night	CVWG Meeting
10	11	12	Men's Club Guest Day	Ladies' Golf Day	Golf Sip & Shop DJ Trivia Night	Men's Club Saturday
17 <i>Cookies with Santa.</i>	Quixote's Christmas	19	Men's Golf Day	Ladies' Golf Day	DJ Trivia Night	23
24 Christmas Eve Dinner To-Go	Christmas Club Closed	26	Men's Golf Day	Ladies' Golf Day	DJ Trivia Night	30
31 New Year's Eve Party						



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Where everyone wants to be.

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Catta Verdera Country Club's Annual

# NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY!

**SAVE THE DATE**

DEC 31, 2023 | 7:00PM

Join us in celebrating New Year's Eve with  
Dinner, DJ and Dancing, Photo Booth, &  
Complimentary Champagne Toast at Midnight!

**\$90++ per person**

RSVP ON FORETEES | **GUESTS ARE WELCOME**  
48-HOUR CANCELLATION POLICY WILL APPLY