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Upcoming Events

Central Council is having their tournament on August 17, 2025 at River Island golf course.

New Members

Cesar De La Cruz joined the V-T Chapter on June 30, 2025. Cesar works in IT as an Infrastructure and Security Analyst for the Tulare County Superior Court. He started playing golf last fall with the Costales family and says, "I've been hooked ever since". He is 37 years old and is excited about joining the V-T Chapter.

July Mtg Highlights

The main items discussed during the April meeting were:

- **Scholarship committee**
The committee is gathering information to develop guidelines for the scholarship applicants. Funds will be set aside for scholarship
- **Playing alternate courses**
Will pursue idea of one Super Sunday fun game per month and

alternate courses to be played.

- **2025 State Tee Sponsor**
State tournament is being held in Menifee on August 29-31 at Menifee Lakes and Golf Club of Rancho California. Voted to fund 2 tee sponsors at \$125 per day.

- **Central Council Sponsor**
Voted to support the central council tournament by sponsoring a \$100 tee sponsor and providing 5 raffle items with value between \$20-\$25.

- **Posting Scores**
Will develop a policy on how to deal with members that do not post their scores. In the interim, will send a text to members that they must post their scores within 48 hours of play. If not, the handicap chairman has been instructed to post a score of 72 for the golfer that did not post his/her score.

Rules of Golf

Q: My ball was hit into a tree and the ball never came out. Is it treated as a lost ball or do I take a drop near the tree with

the one stroke penalty?

USGA: [Rule 19.2](#) and [Rule 19.3](#) tell us that the reference point for taking unplayable ball relief using either the back-on-the-line or lateral options is the spot where the ball originally lay. This means the player must find (and identify) the ball in the tree in order to use either of these two options. When found and identified as theirs, the spot on the ground directly below where the ball sits in the tree is the reference point.

If the player is unable to find or identify the ball as theirs, the player's only option is [stroke and distance](#).



Madera Mandatory

The Madera tournament was held on July 20th. There were over 100 golfers in attendance. Burritos were provided in the morning along with a meal at the conclusion of the tournament. The Chapter is to be commended for a job well done.

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2025 Visalia-Tulare Chapter & Central Council Mandatory Dates

CHAPTER	DATE	LOCATION
Western Regional	May 23-25	San Antonio, Tx
Visalia-Tulare	June 8	Tulare Golf Course
V-T Club Championship	June 22	Valley Oaks Golf Course
Madera	July 20	Madera Country Club
Central Council	August 17	River Island
State Tournament	August 29-31	Menifee
CC Fun Tournament	October 19	Tulare Golf Course

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