

Saddle Creek Men's Club Update

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Welcome to 2007. We have finalized our 2007 tournament schedule, available on our website - click the Events Calendar link on the left..

We will continue to have Men's Club tournaments on the second Saturday of each month. In addition, we will once again offer a Match Play Championship the last weekend in April and the first weekend in May. Our Senior Men's Club Championship for those 55 and over will be held as a separate event on July 21 and 22. Also, get your scissors ready, since by popular demand we will bring back the String Tournament in August.

Our first tournament will be the Powerball Get Acquainted Scramble on Jan. 13. The Powerball Scramble is a regular 4-man scramble except for 5 designated "Powerball" holes where only one player hits a drive from the red tees. Each player must hit at least one "Powerball" drive. Please sign up as an individual with the pro shop or on Golf Fusion.

At the request of the Men's Club, Saddle Creek has recently added a set of combo tees that will allow us to have all players play from the same set of tees for many tournaments. The combo tees use the blue tees for 14 holes and the white tees for holes 1, 10, 14 and 18. It has been rated as 70.3 with a slope of 129 and can now be played. This makes the course more playable for those of us who no longer hit our drives 250+ and will allow everyone to try to qualify for our NCGA events. Give it a try and let us know what you think.

In December, 24 members participated in our 2-man best ball/scramble tournament which involved nine holes of 2-man best ball and nine holes of 2-man scramble. First place went to Dave Kaja and Gregg Cass with a fine net 63.5. Bob Watson and Roger Lamb finished second with 65 despite an ugly best ball net 9 on #18. Jon Slezak and Rick Damelio took third with 67 and Floyd Thionnet and Jim Shields won the fourth and last money spot with 67.

Our 2006 Money Leader title was a tight race, but Adrian Alton, who led most of the year, hung on to win with \$270. Congratulations Adrian!! Dennis Merrill was second with \$260, Kent Lazarus third with \$220 and Roger Lamb and club champ Mike O'Brien tied for fourth with \$205. Winnings for the top five finishers will be reported to the IRS! The list of the top 25 money winners is below.

Please give any feedback or suggestions on the 2007 schedule to any of the [Men's Club Board](#) members.

Golf Joke of the Month:

"I just got a new set of golf clubs for my wife!"

"Great trade!"

Top 25 Saddle Creek Money Winners

Alton Adrian, 270
Merrill Dennis, 260
Lazarus Kent, 220
Lamb Roger, 205
O'Brien Michael, 205
Slezak Jon, 195
Watson Bob, 170
Cass Greg, 160
Agbayani Randy, 157
Marsden Steve, 155
Shields Jim, 155
Saylor Ken, 145
Thionnet Floyd, 138
Grant Robert, 135
Kaja David, 135
Crawford Jerry, 131
Gardin David, 130
Smith Ben, 130
Mullins Mark, 115
Robinson Charles, 113
Macdonald Dave, 110
Wentker Fred, 110
Kenyon Bob, 105
Silva Leonard, 105