

Fiesta Men's Golf Club

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Sleeper and Coach? The Tom Train



Tom Reid's current 3rd place in Fiesta Golf Club may not be such a fluke. Why? Perhaps it has something to do with whom he rubs shoulders with. Then again, perhaps it has some-

thing to do with him not watching the rest of Fiesta Golf Club whilst we putt. You be the judge.

Tom has positioned himself with an excellent chance of taking 1st place in 2006, and should do well in this month's three-club tournament.

March Tournament

The March Tournament is a 3-club format, which will be allocated as 2 clubs plus a putter. One additional club can be purchased for \$5(US), which each player will have to register prior to play. Skins and Proximities will be counted, and 5 to 6 places will be awarded depending on attendance.

According to the SCGA Handicap Manual, 3-Club Tournament scores cannot be posted for handicap purposes. Rule 5.1.f covers Unacceptable Scores, and section (v) reads as follows, "When, as a condition of the competition, the maximum number of clubs allowed is less

Rumor has it that Tom will employ a secret weapon in the up-coming events, and contrary to some urban-legends, this will not involve any shaving devices. However, the USGA has yet to make a ruling on certain bow-ties as being acceptable as necessary "medical equipment" (See Feb issue).

Tom will have to stay on his game, as James Gray is the current Club leader, and there are some tough tournaments ahead. Whether or not these tournaments happen to be in this league may play a factor in how these two battle it out through the spring and summer.

Can Tom take the coveted Fiesta Double-Crown? With patience, devotion, skill, sand-bagging and perseverance anything is possible. Stay tuned for results in the September home-stretch, as Tom is my pick for Sleeper of The Year.

SUGGESTIONS?

Okay, Torrey Pines is out as a possible tournament venue, so are there any other courses you can suggest for tournaments this year? If so, contact our Tournament Director, Jim Sexson.

Arrowood, during the summer, would be my first choice; however, I am somewhat biased. Any JC course would be fine, as I still have some coupons to burn.

than 14, or types of clubs are limited as, for example, in a competition that allows only iron clubs".

I intend to use my Odyssey White Hot #5 Putter, an Easton 30 oz aluminum softball bat, and a portable bungee-cord powered Scorpion-2 catapult. The additional "iron" I wish to purchase remains classified, as several of its components were recovered from Area 51, though the guy I purchased it from on eBay assured me that the composite club is USGA conforming.

Good luck, and choose wisely!



Fiesta Club Member News

The Open

Trivia questions:

In what year was the British Open Championship first "open" to both professionals and amateurs?

What did the original British Open Championship trophy look like, and what happened to it?

In what year was the claret jug first awarded to the winner of the British Open Championship?

Anyone interested in going sailing on dry-land, please contact Bryce Hodgson (bryce@classactionracing.com) or myself (lunatech@yahoo.com).



March 11th was a memorable outing for Fiesta Club, though we only had 6 members attend.

Fred Gammon was kicking some serious booty until he attempted to negotiate #8 East, the 17th hole of the round. Fred was within shouting distance of Taiwan before his ball emerged from the green-side bunker. Personally, I have to give him a huge amount of credit for keeping his sense of humor after carding an excruciating 14 on the hole.

James Gray took 1st place with a net 60 under abnormally cold, wet conditions; though we did experience a few minutes of sunshine.

The Fiesta Club 6-some had the course

to ourselves throughout much of the morning, and we played at a rather leisurely pace until thunder began rolling in the hills around us.

I highly recommend the full cart cover and propane heater that Jim and I employed. Our next additions will probably be lightning rods.

Other News:

The 4th Annual Mesquite Amateur tournament is scheduled for May 8-12, 2006 for those of you interested in attending this event. See Tom Reid for details, or visit the following website:

[Www.mesquiteamateur.com](http://www.mesquiteamateur.com)
Or call 1-888-711-4653 ext 2-9.

Oaks North Rules

Last Saturday we had a question concerning the 100-yard marker Italian Cypress trees on the par-4's. On the back of the Oaks North Golf Course score card you will find the **Consideration of Play** local rules, which includes the following, "Staked trees and 100-yard Italian Cypress trees are defined as immovable obstructions". According to the Rules of Golf, Rule 24-2.a: Interference by an immovable obstruction occurs when a ball lies in or on the obstruction, or when the obstruction interferes with player's stance or the area of his intended swing.

Rule 24-2.b.(i) Through the Green: If the ball lies *through the green*, the player must lift the ball and drop it with-

out penalty within one club-length of and not nearer the hole than the nearest point of relief. The nearest point of relief must not be in a hazard or on a putting green. When the ball is dropped within one club-length of the nearest point of relief, the ball must first strike a part of the course at a spot that avoids interference by the immovable obstruction and is not in a hazard and not on a putting green.

(*Through the green* is defined as any part of the course that is not on a tee or putting green.)