



General Manager

From Darryl Janisse

Dear Golf Members,

I hope everyone has enjoyed a wonderful summer and is looking forward to the arrival of fall. I know I am ready for some cooler temperatures!

Over the past six months, we have experienced several changes within our department leadership, including the addition of a new Director of Agronomy, Membership Director, and Head Golf Professional. While leadership transitions can be challenging, they also provide an opportunity to evaluate our operations, identify areas for improvement, and ultimately enhance the member experience.

I am excited to welcome Oscar Mejia, Director of Agronomy; Melissa Bernal, Membership Director; and Aric Zuberbier, Head Golf Professional to their respective leadership roles. Each brings a combination of experience, fresh perspective, energy, and strong communication skills that will help us continue to raise our standards and improve the overall operation of the Club.

New Golf Cart Fleet & Visage GPS System

We are excited to welcome a new fleet of rental golf carts, with delivery expected in late September or early October. The new carts will feature the latest GPS technology, Bluetooth speakers, and Visage, an advanced golf cart management system.

Visage will provide the Club with real-time cart locations and geofencing capabilities, helping us better manage restricted areas and improve pace of play. The system will also provide golfers with pace-of-play notifications and give our Rangers valuable information to address potential delays before they become significant issues.

There are several additional features we look forward to introducing, including the potential ability to see other carts on the GPS display on blind-shot holes such as Conquistador #15.

Our staff will receive training throughout September, and we ask for everyone's patience as we introduce the new system. Member feedback will be especially valuable as we establish geofencing parameters and fine-tune the system. Additional information will be shared as we become more familiar with the technology and its capabilities.

Upcoming Club Improvements

We also have several exciting improvement projects planned for the coming months.

At the Overlook, we are working toward installing sound-absorbing panels in the bar area. The project will provide a refreshed look while helping reduce noise levels and improve the overall atmosphere. We are currently working through the bidding process and hope to complete the project in October. If successful, we will consider extending the improvements to the other side of the Overlook in the future.

At Pusch Ridge #1, a drainage and landscape improvement project is scheduled to begin in October. The project will improve drainage from the maintenance area toward the #1 tee and connect with the existing drainage ravine near the stairwell leading toward the Golf Shop.

As part of the project, the large cactus garden near the #1 tee will be relocated to a new home in early September. We will also incorporate additional rock and desert landscaping to enhance the area and create a more attractive entrance to the hole.

We are excited about these improvements and the positive impact they will have on both the appearance and functionality of the Club. Thank you for your continued support and patience as we work to make El Conquistador Golf an even better experience for our members.



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Head Golf Professional

From Aric Zuberbeir

Hello!

I am now a few weeks in, and I want to thank everyone for the warm welcome and hospitality. I have really enjoyed meeting many of you so far, and I know there are plenty more introductions to come! I promise that by 2028, I'll have most of your names down.

It has been great to join a team with so much excitement and passion for El Conquistador. I'm looking forward to being part of the team and building upon an already strong facility and membership experience.

As we begin preparing for the upcoming season, be on the lookout for some great sales on current merchandise in the Golf Shop!

The Event Calendar will also be a great resource for upcoming member events. We'll be keeping it updated frequently, so be sure to check it regularly for the latest information.

Upcoming Outside Events

- September 12 - Conquistador: Tee times will open after 12:30 p.m.
- September 19 - Cañada: Tee times will open after 11:00 a.m.

*Member course will be open for members on both days

Again, it has been a pleasure meeting everyone I've had the opportunity to meet so far. I'm thoroughly looking forward to getting to know more of you and being a part of the El Conquistador team!



CONNECT WITH OUR NEW GOLF PROFESSIONAL, ARIC!

For questions about instruction, practice, or your next round, contact Aric Zuberbeir at azuberbeir@elcongolf.com or 520-229-5352.



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Membership Director

From Melissa Bernal

I'm so excited to officially introduce myself and to be here as your new Membership Director!

I joined the club at the end of July, and in the short time I've been here, I've already had the opportunity to meet so many of our members. It has been wonderful getting to know everyone, hearing your stories, and learning more about what makes this club so special. I have to say, you have all been incredibly welcoming, and I truly appreciate the warm welcome I've received.

I'm looking forward to continuing to meet more of you and getting to know our membership even better. I'm also excited about the opportunity to increase member engagement and continue creating an exceptional member experience. My goal is for our members to feel connected, involved, and excited about all that the club has to offer.

As summer begins to wind down and we head into our busy season, I'm especially excited to be a part of all the fun ahead! From Happy Hours and dinner nights to our other social events, there are plenty of opportunities to get together, meet fellow members, and enjoy time at the club.

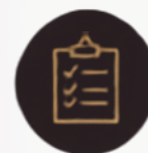
Be sure to keep an eye out later this month for more information about upcoming member events and special events. We have some great things planned, and I can't wait to share them with you!

And, as always, be sure to check our online calendar of events for the most up-to-date information. We're working hard to keep it current with the latest event details and times, so it's a great resource for staying in the know.

I'm so happy to be here and look forward to seeing many of you around the club in the weeks and months ahead. If you see me around, please stop and say hello, I'd love to meet you!

Here's to a great season ahead!

MEMBER NOTES



Reminder:

Please make checks payable to El Conquistador Golf



New members

We welcomed 5 new members this month!



Profile check

Be sure to keep your contact information current,



Connect with our Membership Director, Melissa!

For questions, updates, or help with your membership, contact Melissa Bernal at mbernal@elcongolf.com or call 520-229-5357.



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Food & Beverage Manager

From Zach Olfers

Hi everyone!

Summer is flying by and we will be back to beautiful weather before we know it. I am looking forward to seeing everyone who escaped the heat again and to those who stuck around with us, thanks for the great summer at El Con!

With the fall season approaching I want to let you know about some exciting upcoming events. Last year we had great support and feedback from all of you for our live music and dinner events, so we have decided to start hosting these again in October.

To kick off the season, we look forward to welcoming El Con's own Kaci Bays! Kaci will be performing live on October 2nd! This performance will be accompanied by happy hour pricing on specialty cocktails, house wines, and draft beers as well as an appetizer buffet.

After that, we will continue to do live music every first Friday and we'll bring back our rotating dinner nights featuring the club favorite fish night, pasta night, and many more! I will have a full schedule posted on our event calendar later this month, so check our event page to make sure you don't miss your favorite dinners!

Also starting in October, you can look forward to a revamped lunch menu and extended restaurant hours including a return to our 3p-6p happy hour on weekends! Thank you all for continuing to support us in the Overlook and, as always, I will see you in the restaurant!



OVERLOOK
RESTAURANT



Open Daily: 10am-4pm



Daily & Weekly Specials: Ask your server about our delicious specials



Gather together: Plan a meal, casual visit, or gathering around your next club visit.



PLAN YOUR NEXT VISIT OR GATHERING

For menu questions, event reservations, or hospitality details, contact Zach Olfers at zolfers@elcongolff.com or 520-229-5355.





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Superintendant

From Oscar Mejia

September is here!

Welcome to cooler temperatures and a change in our courses as we gear up for overseed. On the 21st we will close the Conquistador course to begin our fall seeding. Once we complete this course on October 11, we will move on to the Cañada course. With this, you will notice areas on the courses marked with paint to define where the course will be seeded. You will also notice we will be vertical mowing all seeded areas in the coming weeks to remove thatch. In conjunction with vertical mowing, we will be lowering our mowing heights. This will guarantee seed to soil contact when we drop our seed. Then, coming out of overseed, we will have our mowing heights a bit higher than usual to keep our fall grass healthy. As we get into cooler temperatures, we will lower the mowing heights on the healthy grass to improve playability. As a reminder, carts will not be allowed on the course for two weeks following overseed. Please see dates below for full schedule.

Our irrigation pond on El Conquistador hole number five has had top moss and grass weeds in the lower portion of the pond. We acquired the services of Solitude Lake Management to help mitigate this issue. They will maintain the pond moving forward to improve the view and health of our pond. During our closures we will be adding sand to our bunkers and giving attention to much needed areas through our properties. I am sure we are all excited for fall season and the beautification of our properties. On another note, I want to take a moment to bid farewell to our Assistant Superintendent, Ivan Patheal. Ivan has accepted a position as Superintendent at Mount Graham Golf Course. Many thanks to him for his contributions to our course and his leadership through transitional periods. I am sure I am not alone in wishing Ivan the very best in this next step in his career. I am looking forward to seeing all our membership and friends and enjoying our busy season kick off.

MEMBER NOTES



Course Closures: Conquistador Closed 9/21 – 10/11; reopens 10/12 | Cañada Closed: 10/12 – 11/1, reopens 11/2.



No carts for two weeks post-overseed. Conquistador reopens to carts 10/26 | Cañada reopens to carts 11/16



Courtesy reminder: Follow posted guidance and respect temporary closures or marked work areas.



Share Agronomy Feedback

To report a concern or submit feedback about a course or trail, contact Oscar Mejia at oscar.mejia@elcongolf.com.