

## New Club Champion Crowned

The Del Lago Men's Golf Club (DLMGC) Championships tournament was held at the Del Lago Golf Course over the weekend of March 29 and 30. The competition involved three flights with winners being decided on a gross and net basis. Gross is the raw number of strokes taken during the round while Net scores are that raw score minus their course handicap. When the competition was concluded, Jaxon Pearson was crowned as the DLMGC Champion having scored an impressive two stroke victory over Ryan Ververs and was 8 shots ahead of Garrett Moyer who finished third in the Gross stroke competition. Pearson carded 73 on Saturday and 74 on Sunday.

Domingo Laborin was the Net Champion with a 7 under 137 net over the two days followed by Scott Fields at 142 and Martin Lovato at 149. There were 11 members of the DLMGC competing in the Championship flight. Eleven other members competed in the B Flight won by Heath Rickhoff at 164 followed closely (one stroke) by Jerry Olson and John Bell who finished third with a 166. Bill Mccall played to 2 over for the event capturing the B Flight Net victory. Al Helms was 2 strokes behind, and Tony Mata was 5 back at 151, good for third place.

In the C Flight, Bill Camp walked away with the Gross Championship as he shot 162 to win by 8 strokes over Steve Robinson and 15 strokes over Stuart Katz. Mike LePage, who last year in his first outing with DLMGC scored a hole-in-one, was one under for 36 holes at 143. Jim Augustiniak was 4 shots back in second and Bob Snodgrass finished third 14 behind LePage.

Snodgrass, President of DLMGC, commented, "It was a great event with the most members participating in the history of the club. The Championships culminate the end of the Fall/Winter season, and the Spring/Summer season begins Tuesday, April 22. We will continue to have events Tuesday, Friday and Sunday during the May through September season when the course goes into overseed condition. We learned some things about our preparation and actual scoring of the event, so we will be meeting in the next couple of months to discuss those issues and possible changes and solutions."

Tye Lockard, DLMGC Handicap Chair, noted that the flights were based on handicaps. The Championship Flight was 0.0 and below, B Flight was 9.1 to 15.0 and C Flight being 15.1 and

above. We also allow members to ‘move up’ into the Championship flight if they would like to do that when their handicap is above 9.0”

“We’re always looking for new members to join,” said John Blumenshine, Events Director.

“Anyone interested can sign up on the Arizona Golf Association website, [www.azgolf.org](http://www.azgolf.org); then click on the Join/Renew button on the top right side of the website. Then click on the JOIN tab, then the Member Club and go to the Club Directory. Type in Del Lago Golf and Vail and then the search button. Select the Del Lag Golf Club for the Men’s club or the Del Lago Women’s Golf Assoc for the Ladies group and follow the instructions from there. We’ll contact you once you have completed the process online.”