



THE PRADERA PRESS

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Celebrate

New Year's Eve 2012

at The Club at Pradera!

The Club is pleased to offer you a night of the best dance music
in the Denver area featuring the

★ Moses Jones Band! ★

Elegant reception food, favors and champagne toast at midnight,
and transportation home at the end of the evening.

Cheese display, vegetable crudité, whole poached salmon,
carving station, and dessert station.

Doors Open 8 pm.

Band Starts 9 pm.

*\$150 per couple, limited to the first 100 couples. Advance on-line registration required,
or call Tiffany Messer at (303) 607-5684. 7-day cancellation policy in effect.*



CHIPS SHOTS

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce Kerensa Cox as our new Membership Director. Kerensa is originally from Wyoming and was born and raised in Rawlins. She has lived many places including England and Montana before settling in Colorado in 1999. She has three daughters Sharayah, Mariah and Hunter, ages 21, 18, and 16.

Kerensa loves the mountains and in her free time, if she isn't playing golf, she can be found hiking, camping, or driving a mountain pass. She also enjoys both playing and watching her daughters play volleyball.

Kerensa comes to Pradera with a vast amount of sales experience having worked as a Sales Representative for both Xerox and CBeyond.

We are excited to have Kerensa as part of our team and we look forward to having her meet the Membership.

In closing, I wanted to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a Happy Holiday Season and prosperous 2012.

Thank you all and I look forward to seeing you at the Club.

Best Regards,

Chip Hierlihy, *PGA General Manager*
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Turf Care Corner

Winter started off great with ample moisture and cold temperatures, but since has turned into dry and windy conditions. With the warm weather the golfing conditions have been good for late November, but bad for the long term health of the turf grass plant. There have been multiple questions on why the greens are so sandy, here is the short agronomic lesson on winter topdressing. We top-dress heavy in these dry winter conditions to protect the grass plant from wind desiccation and golfer foot traffic. The sand layer creates an air buffer around the crown of the plant which keeps the temperature there warm enough to limit the plant from desiccating in the cold dry winds; it also protects the plant from being constantly broken down from the foot traffic of the golfers. Another issue that seems to happen during these dry winter stretches is that when the weather gets warm the greens surface at the first inch softens up and is very susceptible to ball marks, the topdressing helps to smooth out the greens and buffer the injured grass

within the ball mark. When we do get snow and ice the sands continues to create an air pocket between the sand and turf which helps with snow mold suppression, ice damage and snow removal. Let's remember the plant dies back at the leaf blade in order to protect the crown of the plant, which is the part where all growth is generated from. When you walk or drive on that die back area it breaks off, and then has to die back again, getting closer to the crown closer to the crown. If this happens to the point that it gets to the crown you get DEATH and that creates long term condition problems. In the perfect world we would get periods of ample moisture and snow cover, in conjunction with stretches of nice weather so we could get in some play. Remember not to love the winter play to death and create problems come spring. Everything in moderation.

Thank you,

H. Dean Lindsey



3rd Annual Santa Breakfast

Family breakfast & pictures with Santa Claus

Enjoy our beautiful breakfast buffet
and your little ones can share their wishes
with the man in red!!

Breakfast buffet begins at 9 am, on the hour only.

Adults \$20, All Kids \$10

Santa will be here from
9 am to Noon.

Please bring your camera to take as many photos
as you like!

Please call for table times!

(303) 607-5700

Reservation Required

Reservations on the hour beginning at 9 a.m.



NEW for 2011!!

Holiday Ornament Dinners

December 2nd & 3rd

December 22nd & 23rd

A special Knife and Cork style dinner where each family will receive a special, limited edition Collectible Holiday Ornament.

2011 is the first year of a new tradition at the Club and you will not want to miss out.

Each year these beautifully crafted ceramic ornaments will feature a different image of the Club and Golf Course.



Gourmet four-course meal

\$35 per person

Children will order from the
Knife & Cork Kids Menu.

Please call now for your table time,
this event has limited availability as
additional ornaments cannot
be ordered for 2011. (303) 607-5700



Rick Ellefson
Head Golf Professional

HEAD PROS CORNER

The golf shop staff has been busy preparing for next season ordering new merchandise and planning the event Calendar. The complete 2012 Calendar of Events is now available on the main page of Foretees.

If you are planning any trips to warmer climates and the golf course is “in season”, please post your scores in the GHIN system. All that is required is the course and slope ratings and we will be happy to assist in posting your scores. We do have reciprocity with Blackstone Country Club in Phoenix, and would be happy to arrange a t-time for you and your group next time you are in the area. The guest rate is \$125 per player.

The golf shop kicked off the Holiday Season Sale with a Wine & Cheese party with trunk shows from Ecco shoes, and Straight Down Apparel on Black Friday. The Holiday Sale will continue through Christmas, so be sure to stop and take advantage of our deep discounts!. Also, we can still special order some items and possibly have them here in time for the holidays. Free gift wrapping is provided with all purchases!

We hope to see you at the club!

Wine Club Grand Opening Event!

The Club, along with Republic National Distributing Company is pleased to have hosted an evening to celebrate the completion of our new Wine Cellar. Members were given the opportunity to taste over 40 wines from around the world, choose some of their favorites, and stock their own personal wine locker. Attending the event also allowed members the opportunity to their own spot in cellar. If you are passionate about wine and enjoy dining at the Club please feel free to visit the clubs website - Dining tab for more details on the benefits of being a part of the wine club.





HOURS OF OPERATION

FOOD AND BEVERAGE:

A la Carte Breakfast

Saturday and Sunday, 8 am to 11 am

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Lunch and Bar

Tuesday through Thursday

11 am - 9 pm

Friday and Saturday

11 am to 10 pm

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Snack Bar

Closed for the 2011 Season

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Dining Room

Thursday and Friday, 5 pm to 9 pm

CONTACT INFORMATION

Clubhouse (303) 607-5700

Golf shop (303) 607-5678

Bar/grill/take out order (303) 607-5682

Ace in the Hole



November

*Ryan Rattan
Guest Services*