

valley roundup

# Blackhawks romp in CV Rotary Tournament

Staff Reports

LA QUINTA — Dylan Costello threw a shutout, striking out seven in five innings to lead the Blackhawks to a 16-0 victory over Central in the Coachella Valley Rotary Classic Tournament. Costello also went 2 for 3 with three RBIs.

Chris Tellez went 3 for 3 with two RBIs while Sean Lorenger added a double and two RBIs.

La Quinta (10-5) visits Coachella Valley on Wednesday.

**BRAWLEY 5, COACHELLA VALLEY 2:** Rolando Haro collected two doubles and pitched four innings, but the Arabs fell short in the final day of the CV Rotary Classic Tournament. Teammate Dominic Duran also contributed two hits.

**CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS:** Fountain Valley rallied from an 8-2 deficit against Calvary Chapel-Santa Ana with a home-run fest. Fountain Valley knocked out four home runs in the fourth and added two more in the game to capture the title with a 15-8 victory.

**REDLANDS ADVENTIST ACADEMY 8, DESERT CHRISTIAN 7:** Sam Updell's two-run homer broke the tie in the top of the fourth.

Steffen Bell's RBI double with two hits in the top of the fifth.

Desert Christian's Calvary Chapel-Santa Ana on Monday.

Xavier's Chris Carderelli.

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innings, five hits, decision. He the plate.

Desert Christian travels to face Desert Tuesday.

**Golf**

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**BASEBALL: Indio goes extras to**

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kind, but umpires were able to keep the two clubs separated enough to keep them from

when Brian Cuevas scored on a passed ball, after getting aboard on a dropped fly ball by center fielder Devin Owens.

Then with one out in the

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### Alfred Castro

#### La Quinta golf

**What he did:** Shot a team-low 71 to spark La Quinta to the Palmetto Golf Championship in South Carolina.



### Nick Baker

#### Palm Desert baseball

**What he did:** Pitcher recorded his 20th career victory and improved to 4-1 this season in a 7-1 victory against La Quinta.



### Ricardo Nevarez

#### Cathedral City track

**What he did:** Senior broke a school record in clocking a 9:41.99 in the 3,200 meters at the Asics Invitational.



### Dylan Costello

... of the CV Rotary Tournament, leading the Arabs. He had three doubles and a home run.



## All-Tournament team

### Coachella Valley Rotary Tournament

**Fountain Valley:** Cody Morad, Mike Tucker, Tyler Claus, A.J. Carderelli; MVP Aaron Ochoa

**Indio:** Edgar Gomez

**Coachella Valley:** Rolando Haro

**La Quinta:** Dylan Costello

**Xavier:** Connor Lennon

**Calvary Chapel:** Brett Perry, Ryan McDaniel, Chad Wallach

**San Jacinto:** Miguel Navarro, Steven Brown, Danny Castillo

**Murietta Mesa:** J.B. Bishop, Daniel Robinson

**Brawley:** Chaz Woodland

**Desert Christian:** N/A

**El Centro, Hertiage:** N/A

## bohannan's banter

Finally, at long last, mercifully, today we get to see Tiger Woods play golf rather than see him reading statements or answering questions about things that have nothing to do with golf. And while there are many questions about how fans will react to Tiger at the Masters and in weeks to come, the real question today is, how will Tiger play in his return to the game? It's been 144 days since he hit a golf ball in a tournament, and for much of

that time he wasn't even thinking about holding a golf club. He said his competitive spirit started to stir at the beginning of March, but his game wasn't ready for the Tavistock Cup or the Arnold Palmer Invitational. Now, he says, his game is ready. When a guy with 14 majors and 71 career wins says he's game is ready, you tend to believe him. It seems unlikely that Woods could truly be competition sharp, especially for a course

that demands such delicate work around the greens as Augusta National. And the overwhelming question now is will a kinder, gentler Woods still have the killer instinct he's always shown. Woods is not going to embarrass himself. He has four victories at this course, but none in the last four Masters. Expect him to float around the leader board but make one or two mistakes too many to win the tournament.

— LARRY BOHANNAN



## BOHANNAN'S ODDS

Larry's handicap for the Masters

FAVORITES	ODDS	BEST FINISH	COMMENT
Ernie Els	6-1	2nd ('00, '04)	Is Els the new Greg Norman?
Phil Mickelson	8-1	1st ('04, '06)	Just the spot for his year to turn around
Tiger Woods	10-1	1st (four times)	In your heart, you know he'll play well
Ian Poulter	11-1	T13 (2007)	Will this be his breakthrough win?
CONTENDERS	ODDS	BEST FINISH	COMMENT
Retief Goosen	13-1	2nd ('02, '07)	Somehow he has Augusta figured out
Anthony Kim	14-1	T20 (2009)	Comes in off win in Houston
Jim Furyk	16-1	T4 ('98, '03)	Can he master the Augusta greens?
Paul Casey	18-1	T10 (2007)	Having one of his best years
SOME CHANCE	ODDS	BEST FINISH	COMMENT
Lee Westwood	20-1	T6 (1999)	Maybe not his best course for a major title run
Angel Cabrera	23-1	1st (2009)	Repeating at Masters is almost impossible
Bill Haas	25-1	T40 (2004)	First Masters appearance in six years
Geoff Ogilvy	27-1	T15 (2009)	Someday he'll win this tournament
LITTLE CHANCE	ODDS	BEST FINISH	COMMENT
Patrick McDermott	30-1	T20 (2009)	Irish rookie struggling a bit this season
Brian Perry	35-1	2nd (2009)	Last year was probably his last real chance
David Toms	40-1	2nd ('98, '02)	Four appearances, four MCs since 2001
Tommy Alton	100-1	1st (1982)	At 56, he's the second-oldest player in the field

## MASTERS NOTES

**PAR 3 CONTEST:** Louis Oosthuizen figures any trophy at the Masters is better than none.

And he's sticking to that story.

Oosthuizen became the third consecutive South African to win the Par 3 Contest at the Masters on Wednesday, finishing at 6 under. It's somewhat of a dubious distinction, however, considering no winner of the Par 3 has ever gone on to capture the green jacket.

"There's always a first time to break the curse," said Oosthuizen, who has three top-five finishes on the European Tour this season, including a win at the Andalucia Open. "Everyone is

aware of it, but to have your name on anything at the Masters I think is great."

**Graeme McDowell**, who was an early leader at 2 under, joked that he'd never rooted for someone to pass him on the leader board before. When Oosthuizen pulled into a tie at 4 under, **Ernie Els** suggested he put a ball in the water.

McDowell and **Jim Furyk** had the only aces in the contest, both coming on the ninth hole.

"There's so much luck involved," said McDowell, who used a 52-degree wedge. "I was just trying to make sure I got it past the flag to have a chance on the way back."

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Woods has appeared to be as interested in his behavior as his performance during the practice rounds. He is smiling more, making eye contact, even signing more autographs.

Woods attended the Golf Writers Association of America dinner Wednesday night to receive his player of the year award.

It was the 10th time he had received the award — but the first time he had ever stayed