

Country Club Finance Al Prompts

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How to Use This Progressive Toolkit

- 1 Select your comfort level, then advance when ready:
 - BEGINNER Build confidence with simple, quick wins
 - INTERMEDIATE More detailed analysis when you're comfortable
 - ADVANCED Sophisticated insights for power users
- **2** Consider the 4 Pillars of your framework. (See page 6 for examples.)
 - **₹** PERSONA Give AI a specific role
 - **OPERIOR :** Define the task clearly
 - **PARAMETERS** Specify format & constraints
 - **PROCESS** Guide the thinking steps
- 3 Go to your comfort level section and follow these Instructions:
 - 1. Copy the prompt template
 - 2. Replace [bracketed items] with your specific details
 - 3. Attach relevant reports from your club management software
 - 4. Paste into ChatGPT, Claude, or your preferred Al platform
 - 5. Refine based on the initial response

BEGINNER LEVEL

Perfect for getting started - simple and confidence-building

1. Quick P&L Review

★ Great first prompt to try

Act as a financial analyst. Review this P&L statement and tell me the 3 most important things I should discuss with my General Manager.

Attached report: [Upload your monthly P&L statement]

2. Budget Variance Spotter

★ Simple Variance identification

You are my financial controller. Look at this budget vs. actual report and highlight anything that looks unusual or concerning.

Attached report: [Upload your budget vs. actual report]

Focus on: Variances over \$[amount] or [%]

3. Member-Friendly Explanation

★ Great for communication practice

Act as a club communications expert. Explain our current financial situation in simple terms that I could share with members or board members who aren't financial experts.

Attached report: [Upload your monthly financial summary]

4. Quick Cost Check

★ Fast operational insights

You are a club operations consultant. Based on this report, what's the one cost area I should focus on reducing this month?

Attached report: [Upload your departmental expense report]

When you're comfortable with basics and want more depth

5. Comprehensive Variance Analysis

Act as a country club financial analyst with 15 years of experience. Analyze our monthly performance and provide insights.

Attached report: [Upload your monthly P&L with budget vs. actual] **Please provide:**

- Top 3 favorable and unfavorable variances (amount and % of budget)
- Likely causes for each significant variance
- Recommended actions for unfavorable variances
- Executive summary suitable for board presentation

Focus on variances greater than \$5,000 or 10% of budget.

6. F&B Optimization Analysis

You are a restaurant operations expert specializing in club F&B. Help me improve our food & beverage profitability.

Attached report: [Upload your F&B departmental P&L]

Additional context:

- Covers served this month: [number]
- Special events/circumstances: [describe any unusual activity]

Analyze:

- Cost percentages vs. industry standards for clubs
- Cost per cover analysis
- 3 specific improvement strategies that won't hurt member experience
- Potential savings from each strategy
- Implementation difficulty (Easy/Medium/Hard)

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL CONTINUED

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7. Member Retention Insights

You are a member experience analyst. Help me understand our member retention and develop improvement strategies.

Attached reports: [Upload membership report with retention data]

Additional context:

- Common resignation reasons: [list if known]
- Member satisfaction scores: [if available]

Provide analysis on:

- How our retention compares to industry standards
- Early warning indicators of at-risk members
- 3 specific retention improvement strategies
- ROI estimate for retention investments

8. Board-Ready Financial Summary

You are an executive communications specialist. Create a compelling financial report for our board meeting.

Attached reports: [Upload monthly/quarterly financial statements and membership report]

Create a board-ready summary including:

- Executive summary (3-4 sentences on overall financial health)
- Key metrics in dashboard format
- Variance explanations in business terms (not accounting jargon)
- Action items requiring board attention
- Forward-looking outlook for next quarter

Keep tone professional but accessible, focus on strategic implications.

9. Strategic Profitability Analysis

You are a club strategic financial consultant. Conduct a comprehensive profitability analysis across all our service lines and provide strategic recommendations for resource allocation and growth.

Attached reports: [Upload departmental P&L, membership analytics, and service utilization reports]

Additional context:

- Shared/allocated costs: \$[amount]
- Allocation methodology: [describe how costs are distributed]
- Strategic priorities: [list 2-3 key club objectives]

Provide comprehensive analysis including:

- Gross margin and contribution margin by service line
- Member lifetime value analysis by membership category
- Cross-subsidization analysis between profitable and loss-making areas
- ROI analysis of potential investments in each area
- Pricing optimization opportunities with member impact assessment
- 5-year strategic recommendations for portfolio optimization
- Resource reallocation suggestions with quantified impact projections

10. Integrated Financial Forecasting & Scenario Planning

Act as my senior financial planning consultant. Create a comprehensive financial model with scenario analysis that accounts for seasonal patterns, member behavior trends, and external economic factors.

Attached reports: [Upload 12-month financial history, membership trends, utilization patterns, and cash flow statements]

Additional context:

- Planned capital expenditures: [list major items and timing]
- Economic concerns: [list any external factors affecting your market]
- Strategic initiatives: [describe any major changes planned]

Develop:

- 18-month cash flow projection with monthly detail
- Three scenarios: Conservative, Most Likely, Optimistic
- Member behavior impact modeling (retention, spending, utilization)
- Seasonal adjustment factors based on historical patterns
- Sensitivity analysis for key variables (membership levels, F&B volume, external economic factors)
- Risk assessment with mitigation strategies
- Strategic recommendations for cash management and growth investments
- Board presentation summarizing key insights and decision points

QUICK REFERENCE: THE 4 PILLARS

PERSONA Examples:

- "Act as a financial analyst" (Beginner)
- "You are a club operations expert with 15 years experience" (Intermediate)
- "Act as my senior strategic consultant" (Advanced)

© PURPOSE Examples:

- "Tell me the 3 most important things" (Beginner)
- "Analyze performance and provide insights" (Intermediate)
- "Conduct comprehensive analysis with strategic recommendations" (Advanced)

PARAMETERS Examples:

- "Focus on anything unusual" (Beginner)
- "Focus on variances over \$5,000" (Intermediate)
- "Provide 18-month projections with scenario analysis" (Advanced)

PROCESS Examples:

- "Review and highlight" (Beginner)
- "First analyze, then recommend, finally prioritize" (Intermediate)
- "Develop comprehensive framework, analyze scenarios, finally provide strategic recommendations" (Advanced)

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Questions about these prompts or Al implementation?

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PRO TIPS FOR BETTER AI RESPONSES

For Manufacturing:

- Add production metrics, quality data, safety records
- Focus on efficiency, waste reduction, cycle time
- Include supply chain considerations

For Retail:

- Include sales data, inventory turnover, customer traffic
- Focus on conversion rates, basket size, seasonal patterns
- Add merchandising and staffing optimization

For Professional Services:

- Include utilization rates, project profitability, client satisfaction
- Focus on billable hours, resource allocation, pipeline management
- Add client retention and growth strategies

For Technology:

- Include sprint velocity, bug rates, deployment frequency
- Focus on technical debt, innovation metrics, time-to-market
- Add talent retention and skill development

INDUSTRY-SPECIFIC ADAPTATIONS

1. Be Specific with Context

- Industry, company size, team size
- Current challenges and constraints
- What success looks like

2. Provide Clean Data

- Remove sensitive information first
- Organize data logically
- Include relevant time periods

3. Iterate and Refine

- Start broad, then narrow focus
- Ask follow-up questions
- Request different perspectives

4. Validate Outputs

- Check against your experience
- Run ideas by your team
- Start with small tests