



SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

September 2003 NEWSLETTER

Club Championship Dinner

Our 2003 Club Championship dinner will be held at Mariani's Inn & Restaurant in Santa Clara. The event will be held on Saturday, September 20, the evening of the finals of the Club Championship. The party begins at 6:30 p.m. with food being served promptly at 7:30 p.m. Mariani's Restaurant is located at 2500 El Camino Real in Santa Clara..



Your Club Meeting

The next General Membership meeting for the S.M.G.C. will be held on Wednesday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m. with early tournament signups starting at 6:30 p.m. General Meetings are held every third Wednesday of every month at the Lookout Inn above the pro shop at Sunnyvale Muni

Time To Renew!

It's September, and you know what that means! It's time to renew your SMGC membership. We have a great schedule planned for 2004 that will be introduced soon.

Membership dues are just \$110 per year, due between September 1st and October 15th. Any member not paying by October 15 must also pay the new member initiation fee of \$20. The NCGA is strict regarding when memberships must be frozen., so please help us comply with their deadlines and send in your renewal form and payment soon.

Please fill out and mail in the renewal form included in this newsletter to Club Treasurer Nadeem Rahman (see address on form), or hand it to any of our board members. Please include a check for \$110 payable to SMGC.

Team Match Results

	W	L	T	Pts.
Pajaro Valley	4	2	0	124
Laguna Seca	3	3	0	115
Sunnyvale	3	3	0	100
NPS Monterey Pines	2	4	0	93

Thanks again to **Dale Howell** for captaining our team this year. We greatly appreciate the effort he has put in to setting up these matches for us. Next year let's bring home the win guys!

Future Tournaments

November 1, 2003 Manteca Park

Cost: \$45 No Cart
 Director: Les Cheong
 Phone: (408) 396-6902
 Field Size: 44
 First Tee Time: 9:00 a.m.
 Format: Low Net
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: October 20
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90^o Weather Permitting

Comments:

This course was built on flat terrain. The fairways are narrow, tree lined, and water hazards and sand bunkers come into play on most holes. Greens are small, flat and generally fast. A better bargain will not be found. This is a club favorite and will draw a good sized field. Come on out and experience one of the better places we play for affordability and course quality.

Blue tees: Rating: 71.3, Slope: 121, 6,478 yards

White tees: Rating: 69.7, Slope: 117, 6,131 yards

November 8, 2003 Micke Grove

Cost: \$55 With Cart
 Director: Nadeem Rahman
 Phone: (510) 543-5579
 Field Size: 44
 First Tee Time: 8:00 a.m.
 Format: Point Par
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: November 1
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90^o Weather Permitting

Comments:

This links style course is nestled among Lodi's vineyards. It has eight lakes that come into play on a number of holes. The signature hole is #14, a 179 yard, par 3, requiring a tee shot over water to a green framed with railroad ties in front. A good field usually shows up for this one and going low here is a distinct possibility.

Blue tees: Rating: 71.0, Slope: 118, 6,572 yards

White tees: Rating: 68.0, Slope: 115, 6,020 yards

November 15, 2003 Tilden Park

Cost: \$50 With Cart
 Director: Arif Janjua
 Phone: (408) 230-8920
 Field Size: 36
 First Tee Time: 8:30 a.m.
 Format: 2 man point par aggregate
 Tees: Blue
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: November 5
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90^o Weather Permitting

Comments:

This course has many hills that can cause uneven lies and trees that can affect your shots. One stream comes into play on a couple of holes, including #16, a 206 yard par 3 which calls for a tee shot over the stream. It's been quite a while since we visited Tilden Park but the reduced green fee's should make this one a pretty good draw. **Don't miss out!**

Blue tees: Rating: 70.6, Slope: 123, 6,294 yards

Currently Scheduled Tournaments

These tournaments were announced in the August 2003 newsletter. Please refer to it or the website www.smgc.info for details.

On Sept. 27 Nadeem Rahman will direct us in a point par split tees tournament at **Ridgemark (Diablo)** in Gilroy. There is room for 44, price is \$73 with cart and the first tee time is 9:00 a.m. We are past the cut-off date of Aug. 16. Contact Nadeem for any openings. (510) 543-5579 or nadeemr@smgc.info

October 4 takes us to **Lockeford Springs** for a modified stableford split tees tourney hosted by Les Cheong. Field size is 40 players at a cost of \$65 per person with cart and range balls included. Spots are available. First t-time is 9:30 a.m. We are past the cut-off date of August 13. Contact Les Cheong for any openings. (408) 396-6902 or lesc@smgc.info

October 11 is where you'll find Arif Janjua taking us on a low net, back tee's tournament at **Pacific Grove**. Field size is 44 with a 9:30 a.m. start. Cutoff date is Sept. 27 Check with Arif to see if any spots are available. This is a popular destination and getting into the field at the last minute can be futile. arifj@smgc.info or (408) 230-8920

On Oct. 18 John Johnson will take us to **Los Lagos** in San Jose for the first time as a club. Locality and the opportunity to play a new course makes this one a good draw. Cost is \$62 with cart, and a 8:30 a.m. starting time. Field size is 44 and we will be playing a low net blue tees tournament. Cutoff date is Oct 4. This is a short course with plenty of par 5 and par 3 holes that should make for an interesting scoring opportunity for all. Contact John for any openings.

Hunter Ranch on October 25 - 26 is our last weekender of the year and a club favorite. This is a fantastic golf getaway with a great golf course, good weather, and great comradery between players. We usually dine together at a large table for dinner after golf on Saturday night where you get to co-mingle with all your fellow members that you may not have the chance to at other tournament sites.

A good time is guaranteed!

John Szarka will be running a point par split tees tournament on both day's with a 2 day sweeps available for outside play. Cost is \$75 each day, cart and range balls included. Field size is 36 players with a 9:00 a.m. start. Cutoff date is Oct. 15.

It's up to each player to make his own lodging arrangements, or you can double up with another player. Check out August's newsletter for hotels available in the Paso Robles area. If you would like to get in on the fun, contact John Szarka for any openings. (408) 656-6941 or johns@smgc.info

Zone Championships August 18 - 19 Spyglass Hill

Congratulations go out to the team of **J.R. Salladay, Lee Cooper, Scott Day, and Don Leonard Jr.** for their stellar finish at the 37th annual NCGA Zone Championships held at Spyglass Hill on August 18 - 19. Sunnyvale's team finished in third place behind Kings Country Club and Modesto. The 43 under score for Kings Country Club was just good enough to edge out Modesto by one stroke. Sunnyvale finished 3 strokes back.

Way to go, guys!



Tournament Results

De Laveaga - August 23, 2003 Modifid Stableford

First Flight - White Tees

Player	Points	Certificate
Ed Trotter	4	\$40
Arif Janjua	3	\$30
John Brown	-1	\$15
Oneal Sutton	-1	\$15

Second Flight - White Tees

Player	Points	Certificate
J.R. Salladay	10	\$35
John Szarka	10	\$35
Brian Silva	8	\$20
Ben Tibbetts	7	\$10

Third Flight - White Tees

Player	Points	Certificate
Walt Keown	9	\$40
Lee Cooper	8	\$30
Steve Cope	2	\$20
Brani Buric	-1	\$5
Nadeem Rahman	-1	\$5

Franklin Canyon- August 30, 2003 Point Par - Split Tees

First Flight - Back Tees

Player	Points	Certificate
John Balsley	38	\$40
John Blum	33	\$25
Arif Janjua	33	\$25

Second Flight - Middle Tees

Player	Points	Certificate
Greg Shiimoto	40	\$40
Pete Katsumis	39	\$30
Phil Smithson	38	\$20

2003 Club Championship Match Play Qualifying Results

Championship Flight - Black Tees Plays to Scratch

Position	Player	Total
1	Larry Lopez	147
2	John Driver	150
3	Les Cheong	152
4	Brad Nelson	155
5	J.R. Salladay	155
6	Jim Perko	156
7	Jay Dameron	156
8	Arif Janjua	156

First Flight - Black Tees Played at Net

Position	Player	Total
1	John Balsley	136
2	John Szarka	144
3	Bob Heihn	144
4	Tom Boydston	145
5	Tom Kelsch	147
6	Lou Saavedra	147
7	Rick Duley	148
8	Martin Delfino	148

Second Flight - Black Tees Played at Net

Position	Player	Total
1	Oula Souryasack	133
2	Jay Kearney	134
3	Mitch Sano	136
4	Steve Bogdan	138
5	Jim Duley	148
6	Bob Hamilton	151
7	Nadeem Rahman	152
8	Jay Kanemoto	156

Third Flight - Black Tees Played at Net

Position	Player	Total
1	Chuck Richmond	133
2	Tim Neilson	139
3	Greg Shiimoto	143
4	Dan Chase	144
5	Brani Buric	144
6	Lee Cooper	145
7	Ed Simonsen	148
8	Phil Smithson *	150

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Club Championship Medalists

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT - *PLAYED AT SCRATCH*

Player	2 Day Total Score
Larry Lopez	147

FIRST FLIGHT - *PLAYED AT NET*

Player	2 Day Total Score
John Balsley	136

SECOND FLIGHT - *PLAYED AT NET*

Player	2 Day Total Score
Oula Souryasack	133

THIRD FLIGHT - *PLAYED AT NET*

Player	2 Day Total Score
Chuck Richmond	133

The top eight qualifiers of each flight listed on page 4 will compete against each other in match play over the next two weekends for the Club Championship in their respected flights.

Upcoming Elections

There will be three board positions up for election at the October Annual Meeting. This month's General Meeting is your last chance to nominate a member for a position on the Board of Directors. The nominating Committee is **John Szarka, Nadeem Rahman, and John Johnson**. SMGC Members who would like to nominate a fellow member or serve on the Board of Directors themselves should contact anyone on the nominating committee. Nominees selected by the committee will be listed in the posting room at the Sunnyvale Golf Course by September 1st. In addition to being nominated by committee, any five members of the Club may nominate one or more person(s) by submitting a petition by the end of the September General Meeting. Nominations will close at the end of the September meeting, and no new nominations may be made from the floor at the October Annual Meeting. **It is important that as many members as possible show up for this month's General Meeting.**

SMGC Board of Directors

President	John Szarka
Vice President	Les Cheong
Secretary	John Johnson
Treasurer	Nadeem Rahman
Handicap Chairman	Arif Janjua

Club Championship Prizes

As is customary, we will be handing out numerous door and raffle prizes to our members and guests at the Club Championship dinner. If you have prizes you would be willing to donate for this purpose, please contact any board member. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated and will help the club operate within it's limited budget every year!

2004 Schedule Preview

Our Vice President, **Les Cheong** has done another outstanding job of preparing the upcoming tournament season for our club. Next time you see Les be sure to thank him for all of the hard work he does in securing our tournament sites. Your pocket schedules for the 2004 season will be available in October or November. Here is a preview of some of the courses we will be playing in 2004.

Manteca Park	Poppy Ridge
Castle Oaks	Spring Hills
Laguna Seca	Delta View
Blue Rock Springs	Diablo Grande
Peacock Gap	Avila Beach
Cypress Ridge	Royal Vista
Lone Tree	Las Positas
Crystal Springs	Rancho Solano
Rio Vista	Paradise Valley
Palo Alto	San Juan Oaks

Player of the Year Standings

Updated as of September 7, 2003

Here it is gentlemen! A hotly contested title run over the last month or so by J.R. Salladay, John Balsley, Dale Wilson, and Jay Kanemoto has come down to the match play finals of the Club Championship. It looks like J.R. Salladay's 445 points has the upperhand, but, John Balsley can win it all with a victory in his flight of the Club Championships. Both players are on top of their games and it looks like it's going to go down to the wire. **Good luck in the finals guys!**

Place	Name	Points
1	Bruce Salladay	445
2	John Balsley	375
3	Dale Wilson	365
4	Jay Kanemoto	355
5	Arif Janjua	350
6	John Szarka	350
7	Brani Buric	325
8	John Johnson	285
9	Ben Tibbetts	280
10	James Tzyy	258

Posting Of Non Tournament Scores

All Members of the SMGC should post they're scores after every round, even if their not playing in a SMGC event. If any member does not know how to post their score, he can give his score to Handicap Chairman **Arif Janjua** or any other board member to post for them. Those players who do not post all stipulated rounds are in violation of the USGA handicap rules. (ESC rules, of course). ESC rules can be found on the SMGC website at www.smgc.info.