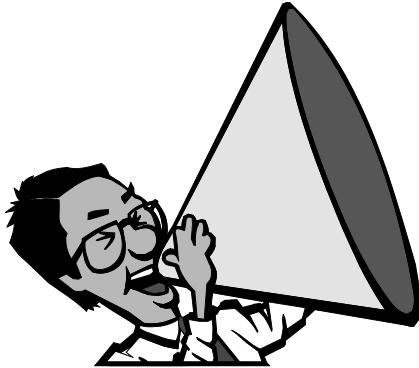




SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

June 2004 NEWSLETTER



IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT!!!

Howdy Folks. Please read the following for some important information that will affect your club in upcoming months.

First of all, the board has seriously discussed the possibility of reducing the number of general meetings. The attendance at these meetings has been very low, and although we clearly appreciate the members that show up each month, it is difficult to justify each board member's time and effort each month to plan and attend these meetings when only a handful of members show up. This topic was discussed during the last May meeting and unanimously, the members in attendance agreed that reducing the frequency of these meetings makes sense. The website and email (for contacting the board and for signing up for tournaments) has effectively obviated the need for many people to attend the meetings. Therefore, the board will draft changes to the existing bylaws to reduce the number of general meetings, and the draft will be available on the website for member comments.

Secondly, if the general meetings are reduced, we need to ensure that signing up for tournaments remains easy. Therefore, website tournament sign-ups will be happening soon! I will be working on an application to permit this on the website and the goal is to use a tournament in August as a test of the new technology. Yes, you will be able to go to the pro shop and sign up on a paper sheet like always, but we believe the Internet sign-up will be the most common way people will sign up for tournaments. This will be hooked into the same accounts you may already have for the website discussion board, so if you don't already have an account there, please create one now!

If you have any comments regarding the frequency of general meetings or for signing up for tournaments on the website, send any board member email, use the discussion board on the website, or simply call any of the board members.

Thanks, all.

Les Cheong
President
Sunnyvale Men's Golf Club

Future Tournaments

July 17, 2004 Summitpointe (4-Ball Net Senior Qualifier)

Cost: \$70 with cart
Director: Arif Janjua
Phone: (408) 230-8920
Field Size: 36
First Tee Time: 8:00 a.m.
Format: 2-man better ball
Tees: White
Driving Range: Yes
Cutoff Date: July 2nd
Spikes: Non -Metal Only
Carts: 90° Weather Permitting

Comments:

This will be a regular club tournament as well as a qualifier for the NCGA 4-Ball Net Senior.
See page 5 for further details.

The front nine is hilly, so expect some uneven lies. However, the fairways are somewhat open compared to the narrower ones on the back nine. Water hazards come into play on a few holes and the greens are generally fast and somewhat sloped.

White tees: Rating: 68.5
Slope: 130, 5,749 yards

July 24, 2004 La Contenta (Gold Country Weekender)

Cost: \$60 with cart
Director: Nadeem Rahman
Phone: (510) 543-5579
Field Size: 40
First Tee Time: 10:00 a.m.
Format: Point Par
Tees: Split
Driving Range: Yes
Cutoff Date: July 2nd
Spikes: Non -Metal Only
Carts: 90° Weather Permitting

Comments:

Set in the rolling foothills 35 miles east of Stockton, this tight and hilly course challenges you with out-of-bounds stakes lining fourteen holes and water hazards coming into play on nine holes. The signature hole is #13, a 185-yard, par3, which drops 100 feet from off the tee to an L-shaped green almost completely surrounded by water. Be ready to hit plenty of blind shots as well as shots from off of hillside lies. See page 6 for available lodging accommodations.

Blue tees: Rating: 70.1
Slope: 133, 6,103 yards

White tees: Rating: 68.5
Slope: 130, 5,749 yards

July 25, 2004 (Sunday) Castle Oaks (Gold Country Weekender)

Cost: \$69 with cart
Director: Nadeem Rahman
Phone: (510) 543-5579
Field Size: 40
First Tee Time: 10:00 a.m.
Format: Point Par
Tees: Split
Driving Range: Yes
Cutoff Date: July 16th
Spikes: Non-Metal Only
Carts: 90° Weather Permitting

Comments:

This course features somewhat narrow fairways that are sparsely lined with large oak trees and defined by a standard cut of rough. The large greens are moderately undulating, medium in speed, and a couple of them are multi-tiered. This course is built on rolling terrain and was ranked by "Golf Today" as 4th best public course in California recently. See page 6 for available lodging accommodations.

Blue tees: Rating: 70.3
Slope: 126, 6,356 yards

White tees: Rating: 68.4,
Slope: 124, 5,948 yards

Future Tournaments Continued

July 31, 2004
Pacific Grove

August 7, 2004
Las Positas

Currently Scheduled Tournaments

Cost: \$66 with cart
Director: Jay Dameron
Phone: (650) 473-1229
Field Size: 44
First Tee Time: 9:00 a.m.
Format: Low Net
Tees: Blue
Driving Range: Yes
Cutoff Date: July 20th
Spikes: Optional
Carts: 90° Weather Permitting

Cost: \$60 with cart
Director: Les Cheong
Phone: (408) 396-6902
Field Size: 44
First Tee Time: 11:00 a.m.
Format: Modified Stableford
Tees: Split
Driving Range: Yes
Cutoff Date: June 11th
Spikes: Non - Metal Only
Carts: 90° Weather Permitting

Comments:

Pacific Grove meanders along the coastline below the Point Pinos lighthouse and is reminiscent of the traditional links courses of Ireland - playing through grassy dunes. The holes are not overly lengthy and the greens are small. Aside from its proximity to the Pacific Ocean, there is only one water hazard in play and only a few bunkers scattered throughout the course.

Blue tees: Rating: 67.5,
Slope: 118, 5,732 yards

Comments:

Located in Livermore off of Hwy. 580 Las Positas offers rolling fairways with lakes and streams coming into play on several holes. Numerous sand bunkers dot the fairways and the greens are medium in speed and slightly undulating. Wind can be a factor in the afternoon making this course play even longer.

Blue tees: Rating: 72.1,
Slope: 127, 6,677 yards

White tees: Rating: 70.8,
Slope: 123, 6,331 yards

These tournaments were announced in the May newsletter. Please refer to it or the website www.smgc.us for further details.

June 19 is the annual Member Guest tournament hosted by Les Cheong. Cost is \$140 per team with a 8:00 a.m. start. We are past the cutoff date so contact Les to see if any spots are open. lesc@smgc.us or (408) 396-6902 See separate article on page 6 for further details.

On Saturday and Sunday June 26-27 Les Cheong hosts a point par split tees weekender in the towns of Lincoln and Auburn. Cost is \$78 each day and the field size is 36 players. First t-times are 9:30 a.m. both days. Contact Les Cheong to see if he has any room if you want in. (408) 396-6902 or lesc@smgc.us

Saturday July 3rd takes us to San Ramon (Royal Vista) for a point par split tees tournament run by Jay Dameron. Cost is \$68 cart included with a starting time of 9:30 a.m. We are past the cutoff date so contact Jay to see if there is still spots available. jayd@smgc.us or (650) 473-1229

Lone Tree is where we'll be on July 10th for a low net split tees tourney hosted by John Johnson. Cost is \$62 per player with cart. First t-time is 10:00 a.m. and the cutoff date is June 24th. Contact John to get in on the fun. johnj@smgc.us or (650) 342-8560

Tournament Results

Laguna Seca Point Par - May 16, 2004

First Flight

Player	Points	Certificate
John Szarka	37	\$40
Neil McCarthy	35	\$30
Dave Quattrone	34	\$15
Arif Janjua	34	\$15
Jim Perko	33	\$5

Second Flight

Brian Troy	37	\$40
Paul Phipps	34	\$25
Pete Katsumis	34	\$25
Ben Magana	33	\$10
Nadeem Rahman	32	\$5

Blue Rock Springs Point Par - Split Tees May 22, 2004

First Flight - Blue Tees

Player	Points	Certificate
Pat Rogers	37	\$40
Brad Nelson	35	\$30
Jim Perko	34	\$20

Second Flight - White Tees

Player	Points	Certificate
Mel Cottle	36	\$40
Barry Franklin	34	\$30
Jay Kanemoto	33	\$20

Eagle Valley Carson City Weekender Point-Par May 29-30, 2004

First Flight Blue Tees Saturday West Course

Player	Points	Certificate
Brian Silva	38	\$40
John Driver	35	\$30
John Balsley	33	\$7
Tom Boydston	33	\$7
Les Cheong	33	\$7

Second Flight White Tees Saturday West Course

Player	Points	Certificate
Dale Wilson	38	\$40
Jeff Curry	35	\$30
Pete Katsumis	31	\$10
Gary Ponzini	31	\$10

First Flight Blue Tees Sunday East Course

Player	Points	Certificate
Jay Kearney	44	\$40
Les Cheong	43	\$30
John Driver	41	\$20

Second Flight White Tees Sunday East Course

Player	Points	Certificate
Mel Cottle	44	\$40
Jeff Curry	40	\$30
Pete Katsumis	38	\$20

Tournament Results Continued

Santa Clara
(NCGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier)
June 5, 2004

Congratulations to Scott Day and Don Leonard who will represent us at the next qualifying round for the NCGA 4-Ball Net Championship. Bob Heihn and Ed Simonsen are the alternates (based on matching of the cards)

Net	Players	Certificates
60	Scott Day Don Leonard	\$40 \$40
62	Bob Heihn Ed Simonsen	\$20 \$20
62	Jim Perko Dale Wilson	\$20 \$20
62	Jay Dameron Martin Delfino	\$20 \$20
63	Mike Curran Scott Fuller	\$5 \$5

NCGA Senior Four-Ball Net Championship (Two-Person Better Ball)

The SMGC Board of Directors has decided to include the NCGA Senior 4-Ball Net qualifying tournament in conjunction with our regularly scheduled tournament at Summitpointe on July 17. The senior qualifier is a 2-man better ball format played at 90% of your course handicap using a maximum index of 18.4 for calculation. Partners' course handicaps cannot differ by more than 8 strokes. However, if two players with greater than a 8.0 stroke spread wish to pair up, the highest handicap will be reduced to meet the rules requirement. Must be 55 years or older to participate. Cost is \$70 per player or \$140 per team. Cutoff date is July 25th. Depending on how many single players sign up you may not wind up having a partner of your own choosing. The tournament director will help with the pairings. Same rules apply for the regular club tournament with the usual general distribution of prize funds. **Only one senior team will advance to the Sectional Qualifying on August 26 at a site yet to be determined by the NCGA.**

Board of Directors

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

Your Club Meeting

The next General Membership meeting for the S.M.G.C. will be held on Wednesday, June 16th at 7:00 p.m. with early tournament sign ups at 6:30 p.m. General Meetings are held every 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Lookout Inn above the pro shop at Sunnyvale Muni.

Member Guest Tournament

On June 19th the Sunnyvale Men's Golf Club will host our annual Member Guest Tournament. Each club member may invite one guest to play with them in our unique triad format. The triad consists of six holes of scramble, six holes of modified Chapman Scotch (where both players tee off, but then play one of the balls in alternate shot format until the ball is holed), and six holes of best ball. For complete tournament rules, please refer to the SMGC website at www.smgc.us/triad_rules.htm

There will be a very nice tee prize given to each participant in addition to \$7 in vouchers to be spent on food and beverages at the course. Your guest must have a current GHIN number and handicap index in order for both of you to play with handicap strokes. If your guest does not have an index, then you will play from scratch.

You do not need to have a guest to sign up with. If you cannot find one, we will find one for you or you could also call a member of the SMGC Seniors Club if you know of someone who would like to play. We are past the cutoff date so contact Les Cheong to see if there is still spots available. (408) 396-6902 or lesc@smgc.us

Please have your guest's GHIN number when you sign up for the tournament!

Refer to Currently Scheduled Tournaments on Page 3 for more information about this tournament.

Lodging for Gold Country Weekender

Here is a list of available lodging that is close to the golf courses. Other towns include Lone, and Sutter Creek.

10th Green Inn - Valley Springs - (209) 772-1084

Jackson Rancheria Casino - Jackson - (800) 822-9466

Holiday Inn - Galt - (209) 745-9500

Best Western Inn - Jackson - (209) 223-8000

Coming Soon! Team Match Play

The Sunnyvale Men's Golf Club participates in the NCGA match play league every summer starting in June. Tournaments are held on **Thursdays** against other clubs in the Bay Area. This year we have been paired off with three clubs from the East Bay. They are **Hiddenbrooke** in Vallejo, **Moraga C.C.** in Moraga, and **Boundary Oak** in Walnut Creek.

Our playing schedule this year is as follows.

June 17	Boundary Oak at Sunnyvale
June 24	Sunnyvale at Hiddenbrooke
July 8	Sunnyvale at Moraga C.C.
July 22	Sunnyvale at Boundary Oak
July 29	Hiddenbrooke at Sunnyvale
August 12	Moraga C.C. at Sunnyvale

Dale Howell has agreed to captain our team again this year. Les Cheong and Arif Janjua will co-captain the team. We have done quite well in years past thanks to Dale's leadership. If you would like to participate, please contact Dale Howell at (408) 732-8044 or email him at howellapr@comcast.net and he will see if he can use you on his team. If you cannot get ahold of Dale, co-captains Les Cheong and Arif Janjua can be reached at lesc@smgc.us or (408) 396-6902 and arifj@smgc.us or (408) 230-8920 whereby they will pass on to Dale that you are interested in playing. All handicaps are welcome and you do not have to play every week. Match play is an exciting format in golf, and since the majority of our clubs tournaments are stroke play, this is one of the few times you get the chance to play this format.

Here's to another successful match play season!