



SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

APRIL / MAY 2005 NEWSLETTER

"Springtime for Golfing"

With Spring now on high, let's get ready for some great golf. We have our first weekender coming up, Carson City. There will be many new tournaments hilited as well on the next few pages.

You should be impressed.

Please remember when signing up for events, particularly where guests are involved, to include their GHIN number so the director can record his/her scores.

NCGA Hdcp Stickers:

One note regarding your NCGA handicap stickers.

This will be the last month they will be issued. The NCGA is trying to streamline this process. On the first of each month, each NCGA member is contacted by email and their GHIN information is included, thus no longer the need to print and distribute stickers. Those without computers or email capability can still receive them by request. Contact any board member so arrangements can be made.

Next Club Meeting

The next General Membership meeting for the S.M.G.C. will be held on Wednesday, May 11th at 7:00 p.m. with early tournament sign ups at 6:30 p.m. General Meetings are held on scheduled months at the Lookout Inn above the pro shop at Sunnyvale Muni. We will keep you advised when the next meeting will be held.

Carson City Weekender

May 28, 29

Eagle Valley East / West

Our first weekender is coming up. We will play Eagle Valley Golf course both days, playing the West Course on Saturday and the East Course on Sunday.

The East course is wide open and gives you the ability to go low. However, you better take advantage of it because the West course is extremely challenging.

Here is a breakdown of the pricing and amenities.

\$210.00 - one golfer, double occupancy (with another golfer)

\$344.00 - one golfer with a non - golfer guest

\$279.00 - one golfer single occupancy

Pricing includes 2 nights lodging at Carson Station, 2 rounds of golf, 2 breakfast vouchers, a prime rib dinner banquet (hosted bar) on Saturday night, casino vouchers, a welcome gift, and unlimited cocktails during your stay. (**Note the early cut-off-date - 5/07!**) We need to pay this one ahead of time, so please, if you want to play, sign up before the cut-off date.

IMPORTANT: Contact John Szarka (408-252-0441) or "johns@smgc.us" **by 5/11** to specify your reservation plans. Be sure to mention if you are bringing a guest or significant other.

Upcoming Tournaments

Ridgemark (Gabilan Course) 5/14/2005

Monarch Bay 5/21/2005

Skywest 6/04/2005

Cost:	\$73 w/cart	Cost:	\$66 w/cart	Cost:	\$62 w/cart
Director:	Jay Dameron	Director:	Jim Perko	Director:	Nadeem Rahman
Phone:	(650)473-1229	Phone:	(408)739-1159	Phone:	(510)543-5579
Field Size:	36	Field Size:	40	Field Size:	36
First Tee Time:	9:03 am	First Tee Time:	11:00 am	First Tee Time:	9:00 am
Format:	Point Par	Format:	Mod Stableford	Format:	Low Net
Tees:	Split	Tees:	Split	Tees:	Split
Driving Range:	Yes	Driving Range:	Yes	Driving Range:	Yes
Cutoff Date:	5/04/05	Cutoff Date:	5/11/05	Cutoff Date:	5/24/05
Spikes:	Non - Metal Only	Spikes:	Non - Metal Only	Spikes:	Non - Metal Only
Carts:	90 ^o Weather Permitting	Carts:	90 ^o Weather Permitting	Carts:	90 ^o Weather Permitting

Comments:

The two course layout has holes from the old layout winding throughout each course. Formerly a turkey farm, the lush fairways and pristine greens are a bi-product of this previous industry.

If you can come down a day or two early, you may be able to take advantage of the lodging and dining accommodations. For information call: (831) - 637-8151

Blue tees: Rating: 72.8

Slope:131, 6,721 yards

White tees: Rating: 71.0,

Slope:128, 6,336 yards

Comments:

Named for the San Leandro native and former British Open Champ. Set on the coast of San Francisco Bay, this scenic linksstyle course offers breathtaking views, such as planes taking off from Oakland Airport and just the bay itself. There is a Nike Practice Center to warmup before the round.

Tourney tees: Rating: 73.7

Slope:127, 6,937 yards

Champ tees: Rating: 72.1

Slope:124, 6,567 yards

Member tees: Rating: 69.5

Slope:121, 6,061 yards

Comments:

The new clubhouse may in place by our outing but call ahead just in case, (510-317-2300) if you're planning to have breakfast there. Built in 1965, this is an old Muni track with some great holes. #2, #10, 12 are all par 4's over 420 and are very demanding. You'll enjoy the airport nearby (No Jets). There's Hillview charm and if the greens are right, they can approach 11-12 on the stimp meter. This course is no push-over.

Blue tees: Rating: 72.9

Slope:123, 6,789 yards

White tees: Rating: 71.6

Slope:121, 6,513 yards

Future Tournaments

Pacific Grove June 11, 2005

Sunnyvale Member/Guest June 18, 2005

Salinas Fairways June 25, 2005 (NGGA NET AMATEUR QUALIFIER)

Cost:	\$68 w/cart	Cost:	\$140 team/no cart	Cost:	\$62 w/cart
Director:	John Szarka	Director:	Jim Perko	Director:	Les Cheong
Phone:	(408)252-0441	Phone:	(408)-739-1159	Phone:	(408)-396-6902
Field Size:	44	Field Size:	80	Field Size:	40
First Tee Time:	9:58 am	First Tee Time:	8:00 am	First Tee Time:	9:04 am
Format:	Low Net	Format:	2-man Triad	Format:	Low Net
Tees:	Back	Tees:	Black	Tees:	Same
Driving Range:	Yes	Driving Range:	No	Driving Range:	Yes
Cutoff Date:	6/1/05	Cutoff Date:	6/13/05	Cutoff Date:	6/14/05
Spikes:	Optional	Spikes:	Optional	Spikes:	Non-Metal Only
Carts:	90 ⁰ Weather Permitting	Carts:	90 ⁰ Weather Permitting	Carts:	90 ⁰ Weather Permitting
Comments:		Comments:		Comments:	

We head back to this popular spot. Two very distinct nines here. The front nine is tight. #8 and #9 will test your length and accuracy. The back nine is scenic and has a great view of the Pacific Ocean. #15 and #16 are two demanding par fours and could be the "Amen Corner" of your round. Allow 1 hr and 15 minutes from Sunnyvale for your travel time.

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

White tees: Rating: 66.8,
Slope :116, 5,571 yards

This is our annual Member-Guest tournament. The format is our unique two-man triad which has proven to be very appropriate for this event. Six holes of scramble, six holes of Scotch, and six holes of Best Ball. Refer to the article on pg. 4 for more details. Complete rules of the Triad format are available on the website and will be handed out the day of the competition for reference.

Black tees: Rating: 70.4,
Slope:121, 6,236 yards

White tees: Rating: 68.3,
Slope:114, 5,736 yards

This is the NCGA Net Amateur Qualifier. It is also a normal club event as well (flighted and winners still get gift certs). 3 people will advance to Sectional Qualifying August 4. The Championship dates are Sept 12-13 so there is a long frame of time to play at your best. The Course itself has some real challenges. Long par 4's on #4 , #14 #15. The last 2 are into the wind and tough.

Blue tees: Rating 69.8,
Slope: 115, 6, 479 yds

White tees: Rating 68.7,
Slope: 113, 6,230

Future Tournaments

Franklin Canyon
July 2, 2005

Cost:	\$67 w/cart
Director:	Jay Dameron
Phone:	(408)733-9105
Field Size:	36
First Tee Time:	10:00 am
Format:	Point Par
Tees:	Split
Driving Range:	Yes
Cutoff Date:	6/22/05
Spikes:	Non - Metal Only
Carts:	90 ^o Weather Permitting

Comments: Off Hiway 4, this is a great hillside track. The course designer is Robert Muir Graves. Some of his other works include Sea Ranch and Mtn Springs, both in Sonora, and Moraga C.C. He was a top choice for golf course construction in the 50's and 60's. We may payoff in American Golf Certs!

Back tees: Rating: 71.5, Slope:129, 6,394 yards

White tees: Rating: 69.6, Slope :125, 6,152 yards

Thanks for the comments:

Recently it was brought up that we (the Newsletter editor) had dropped the information regarding whether or not carts were included in the cost of the entrance fee. Please excuse this oversight.

Note this letter's tournament costs. Each should state cart inclusion or not. Remember, we're here for you. If we miss an item, by all means mention it. This is your Newsletter. We welcome your input!

Member Guest Tournament

On June 18th the Sunnyvale Men's 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, then play one of the balls in alternate shot format until the ball is holed), six holes of Best Ball. For complete tournament rules, refer to the SMGC website at www.smgc.us/triad_rules.htm.

There will be a nice tee prize given to each participant in addition to \$7 vouchers for food and beverage at the course. Your guest must have a current GHIN number and handicap index in order for you both to play with handicap strokes. If your guest does not have an index, then you play from scratch. You do not need to have a guest to sign up. If you cannot find one, we will find one for you or you could also choose a member of the SMGC Seniors Club as your partner. Contact Jim Perko to sign up.

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

Refer to page 3 for more information regarding this event.

Lodging for Upcoming Weekenders

Solvang - Aug 27, 28

We will be playing the Alisal River Course and La Purisima. Here are some places to stay:

Quality Inn & Suites Lompoc	(805-735-8311)
Santa Ynex Marriott Buellton	(805-688-1000)
Royal Scandinavian Inn Solvang	(805-688-8000)

Hunter Ranch - Oct 1,2

Hampton Inn and Suites	(805-226-9988)
Melody Ranch Inn	(805-238-3911)
Paso Robles Inn	(805-238-2660)

Coming Soon!

Team Match Play

June 23 - Sept 12

The Thurs night challenges will begin June 23. John Szarka and Jim Perko will captain these matches. This is a great way to hone your game for match play. You must earn and play well to keep a spot. If you can schedule the time and never miss a match, your a Match player. Contact them if you're interested in playing. John Szarka - (408-252-0441) Jim Perko - (408 739-1159).

Schedule:

6/23 - Svale at Palo Alto
 7/07 - Crystal Springs at Svale
 7/14 - Aptos at Svale
 7/28 - Pacific Grove at Svale
 8/04 - Svale at Pacific Grove
 8/18 - Svale at Aptos
 9/01 - Playoffs begin

NCGA Senior 4-Ball Qualifier

The Manteca 7/9/05 outing will be the venue for the Senior Four-Ball Net Championship. If you are 55 by Sept 26, 2005 you are eligible. The format is Four-Ball (Two-man Better Ball). Sectional Qualifying is August 25th with the Championship dates being Sept 26-27 at Poppy Ridge. All play will be at 90 percent of the course hdcp using a max index of 18.4 for calculation. We will probably begin signups in June. Watch for updates in future Newsletters and the website for more information.

Tournament Results

Micke Grove
 April 2, 2005

Team Better Ball Net Format
 NCGA 4-Ball Qualifier

Team	Score
Jay Dameron/Bob Heihn	*63
Bob Chimpky/John Sasser	63
Tom Fosdick/Ed Trotter	64
Les Cheong/Larry Lopez	64
Jim Perko/Dale Wilson	64
Neil McCarthy/Dale Howell **	64

* - Won 2nd Tie-breaker.
 ** - Blind Draw Partner

Zone Finals Results
 April 3, 2005
 Laguna Seca Golf Course

Team	Score
Jim Perko/Dale Wilson	65
Gary Ponzini/Mel Cottle	*66
John Balsley/Tom Boydston	66
Bob Chimpkey/John Sasser	66

* - Won playoff 19th hole.

Congratulations to Jim Perko, Dale Wilson and Mel Cottle, Gary Ponzini who will represent SMGC at Spyglass and Poppy Hills June 6 and 7.

Board of Directors

Les Cheong	President
Arif JanJua	Vice President
Jim Perko	Tournament Chairman
Nadeem Rahman	Treasurer
John Szarja	Handicap Chairman
Jay Dameron	Secretary

Tournament Results

Director's Cup
April 24, 2005

	Total
1st Flight	
1) John Balsley	136
2) Don Anderson	*143
3) John Driver	143
* Won Playoff	
2nd Flight	
1) Jay Kearney	134
2) Jay Kanemoto	137
3) Roger Boettger	140
3rd Flight	
1) Lee Cooper	132
2) Ben Tibbetts	138
3) Chris Beck	140
4th Flight	
1) Richard Brennan	140
2) James Tzyy	141
T3) *Brani Buric, David Mac, Barry Franklin	143
* Won Playoff	

And a special thanks to Roger Boettger, who generously donated free lunches at local Arby's restaurants! His coupons were appreciated heartily by all the winners.

A list of all the raffle winners follows. We have a lot of "repeat" winners this time, which is very unique. And yes, Jay Kanemoto has won the set of irons ... *again*. Apologies to anybody that we have forgotten.

Arby's coupon	Martin Delfino
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Ping putter	Dan Chase
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Titleist golf bag	Phil Smithson
Mizuno golf bag	Martin Delfino
Cleveland Wedge	Phil Smithson
Set of Cobra irons	Jay Kanemoto

Player of the Year Standings

Updated: 4/25/05

For a description of what the Player of the year points are and how they are determined, go to our website or check your pertinent information bulletin. Remember the Player of the year has his dues renewed by the club the following year and also receives a plaque to commemorate his outstanding play for the year.

Player	Points
1) John Szarka	\$300
2) Dale Wilson	\$277
3) Richard Brennan	\$245
4) Ben Tibbetts	\$235
5) Dale Howell	\$230
6) Jim Perko	\$225
7) Bob Heihn	\$215
8) Zuhair Bokharey	\$210
9) Brani Buric	\$185
10) Greg Shiimoto	\$160
10) Neil McCarthy	\$160

Welcome New Members

Peter Danna	San Jose
Bill Murphy	Mt. View
Yongsheng Yang	Fremont
Raymond Wong	Fremont
Abid Asghar	San Jose
Ronald Parham	Campbell
Mac Rogers	Castro Valley