



SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

OCTOBER 2005 NEWSLETTER

October Elections

This month we will hold our Election of Officers for the 2006 season. There will be three SMGC Board Members elected for a 2 year term. Currently running for re-election are Les Cheong, Jay Dameron, and Martin Delfino. Due to working and travel commitments, Arif Janjua will not rerun this year.

Nadeem Rahman, due to work related issues, has resigned. The board has appointed John Balsley to replace him.

The Board wishes to take this opportunity to thank both Arif and Nadeem for their unwavering support over the years. Gentlemen, your membership in the club has stimulated others to join, become involved weekly, and we would not be as strong today had you not been aboard. You both will be missed. See their comments on page 2, "Officers stepping down".

Please plan to attend this important meeting to bring in the new and send Arif and Nadeem off in style. As the season winds down, there will be new faces in place, and a tournament schedule that will make our club only stronger. It is very rewarding to hear some of the very complimentary things said about our club during these last few months. Our members are the reason!

Your Club Meeting

The next General Membership meeting for the S.M.G.C. will be held on **Wednesday, Oct. 19** at 7:00 p.m. w/early tournament sign ups at 6:30 p.m. at the Lookout Inn at Sunnyvale Muni.

This is our **Annual Meeting**. We really want your attendance. The Board Elections are conducted and year end reports are given. Please show your interest in the club by attending.

2006 Tournament Schedule Preview

For your planning purposes, below are the SMGC tournaments scheduled for the first half of 2006. Pocket schedules will be available shortly. Take Note,

this is a preliminary schedule and subject to change.

1/7 Pacific Grove
1/14 Coyote Creek
1/21 Summitpointe
1/28 Sunnyvale (Zone Qualifier)

2/4 Los Lagos
2/11 Swenson Park
2/18 Sunnyvale Memorial
2/25 Pajaro Valley

3/4 Santa Clara
3/11 Laguna Seca
3/18 Sunol Cypress
3/25 Lockeford Springs

4/1 Micke Grove
4/8 Delta View
4/15 Reserve at Spanos Park
4/22 Sunnyvale Directors
4/23 Sunnyvale Directors
4/29 Tilden Park

5/6 Coyote Creek
5/13 Pajaro Valley
5/20 Franklin Canyon
5/27 Carson City Weekender
5/28 Carson City Weekender

6/3 Skywest
6/10 Pacific Grove
6/17 Sunnyvale Member Guest
6/24 Manteca

Officers Stepping Down

Time to Renew!

Guys - We still have a good number of players not renewed. We have a great schedule of tournaments for 2006. See page 1 of this month's newsletter.

Renewal dues are \$120 per year, due between Sept 1 and Oct. 15th. Any member not paying by Oct. 15th must pay the new member initiation fee of \$20. The NCGA is very 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 the renewal form included in last month's newsletter to Club treasurer Nadeem Rahman or any board member. Renewal forms can also be found on our website at www.smgc.us.

2 "Pillars" will focus on careers.

-- I must reluctantly resign position because current job demands will not allow me to devote the necessary time to board activities. I've enjoyed being Treasurer and have been working with John Balsely so he can get a grasp on the task ahead of him. I will continue to be an active club member. The guys have teased me about the fact my index stays the same, but I'll continue to take the ribbing, I enjoy it very much. Good luck to John on his new venture, he will be fine. I will be available for council should he need assistance.

Nadeem Rahman
Treasurer

Board of Directors

Les Cheong	President
Arif Janjua	Vice President
Jim Perko	Tour. Chairman
Nadeem Rahman	Treasurer
John Szarka	Hdcp Chairman
Jay Dameron	Secretary

-- Current travel and work commitments have forced me to yield my position as Vice President of the Sunnyvale Men's Club. In my over 20 years as a member, I can't think of a better club to belong to. I have established numerous friendships in the club and will be staying active as a player. Martin Delfino and I have been working together lately so the transition of organizing and booking tournaments will run smoothly. He is grasping the concept very well. I will be available for council as needed.

Arif Janjua
Vice President

Future Tournaments

Laguna Seca Golf Course November 13, 2005

Cost: \$50 no cart
 Director: Martin Delfino
 Phone: (510)-366-5142
 Field Size: 36
 First Tee Time: 9:00 am
 Format: Modified Stableford
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: 11/03/05
 Spikes: Non-Metal only
 Carts: 90⁰ Weather Permitting

Comments:

Discover a public golf treasure in the heart of the Monterey Peninsula! In 1970, Robert Trent Jones Senior and Junior crafted 18 beautiful holes that follow the natural terrain of the oak-studded coastal hills along the Monterey-Salinas corridor. Enjoy the re-vamped driving range now with 4 or 5 greens as targets to shoot for.

Black tees: Rating: 70.0,
Slope : 130 Yards: 6,174

Blue tees: Rating: 69.5,
Slope : 128 Yards: 6,007

Turkey Shoot Sunnyvale Muni November 19, 2005

Cost: \$47 no cart
 Director: Board / Jim Perko
 Phone: (408)-739-1159
 Field Size: 48
 First Time: 8:00 am
 Format: Low Net
 Tees: Back
 Driving Range: No
 Cutoff Date: 11/12/05
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90⁰ Weather Permitting

Comments:

Our annual chance to "Bring home the Bird". The format will allow the Low Net player in each group to win a turkey. Stick around afterward though for the selection of names from our Low Net Pool. Last year 26 players not leading their foursome, were awarded birds.

We want everyone to be a winner here and kick off the Holidays on a good note for the family.

Back tees: Rating: 70.4,
Slope: 121 Yards: 6,226

Sunol Valley (Palm) December 3, 2005

Cost: \$65 w/cart
 Director: Les Cheong
 Phone: (408) 396-6902
 Field Size: 36
 First Tee Time: 8:33 am
 Format: Point Par
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: 11/22/05
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90⁰ Weather Permitting

Comments:

A tough test, the Inner Course. Designed by Clark Glasson, his other works include Palo Alto Country Club and our own Sunnyvale Muni. There are long Par 4's and gigantic greens. You need your long ball here. Many shots are uphill and require the extra clubbing. You'll love the 9th and 18th finishing holes for each nine. Both of these greens are guarded by water and will test your approach shots.

Blue tees: Rating: 72.3,
Slope: 121 Yards: 6,895

White tees: Rating: 70.5,
Slope: 118 Yards: 6,464

Future Tournaments

Manteca Park December 10, 2005

Cost: \$45 no cart
 Director: John Balsley
 Phone: (510) 678-2191
 Field Size: 40
 First Tee Time 9:00 am
 Format: Modified Stableford
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: 12/2/05
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90⁰ Weather Permitting

Comments:

This great track we always book 2 or 3 times a year. You'll be challenged by long, narrow par 4's.

A fair test of golf for all with all the character of courses sloped 135 or higher.

Enjoy a Tri-Tip sandwich for lunch or the biscuits and gravy at breakfast. You'll really enjoy your day.

Blue tees: Rating: 71.2,
Slope: 123 Yards: 6,478

White tees: Rating: 69.7,
Slope: 118 Yards: 6,131

Currently Scheduled Tournaments

On Oct 22, we're off to Coyote Creek Tournament Course. John Szarka heads this event. You'll recognize much of the grounds from the old Riverside layout. The restaurant here serves excellent meals. Allow enough time for breakfast or lunch and treat yourself. Cutoff is 10/15. Call John at (408-252-0441 for openings.

On Oct 29, Jim Perko takes us to Palo Alto Muni. Designed by William Bell whose other works include Castlewood C.C. (Hill Course) and Alameda. Bring your long game, but don't worry about being straight, you can spray it around here. Cutoff is 10/15. Call Jim at (408-739-1159 for openings.

On Nov 5, John Balsley is in charge of Pacific Grove. Designed in 1932 by Jack Neville, whose other works include, PEBBLE BEACH. You'll love the similarities of small, fast greens and Ocean views. This is a favorite of S.M.G.C. and will fill up early. Cutoff date is Oct 25. Call John at (510) 678-2191 for openings.

Player of the Year Final Standings

(for 2004-2005 season)

The POTY is entitled to a FREE membership to the next SMGC fiscal year! You may review how points are determined by checking the standings on the website.

Congratulations to:

John Balsley

S.M.G.C.

Player of the Year 2004-2005 Season!

Here are the final standings based on 10 best tournaments!

	Postion	Player	Amount
	1)	John Balsley	\$370
	2)	Dale Wilson	\$350
Tie	3)	Zuhair Bokharey	\$325
Tie	3)	Dale Howell	\$325
Tie	3)	John Szarka	\$325
	6)	Nadeem Rahman	\$312
	7)	Ben Tibbetts	\$305
	8)	Jim Perko	\$300
	9)	Bob Joseph	\$290
	10)	Rich Brennan	\$285

Tournament Results

Club Championship Sept 2005

Congratulations to **Les Cheong** for his great play over 36 holes in the finals against John Driver. He holds the crown for the year. Hang in there John, this is your 3rd trip to the finals, you're due.

Championship Flight (scratch)

Winner Les Cheong
 Runner-up John Driver
 Semifinalists Dale Howell
 Brad Nelson
 Medalist Les Cheong (143)

First Flight (net)

Winner Don Anderson
 Runner-up John Balsley
 Semifinalists Zuhair Bokharey
 Martin Delfino
 Medalist John Balsley (135)

Second Flight (net)

Winner John Sasser
 Runner-up Bob Chimpky
 Semifinalists Jay Kanemoto
 Larry Morgan
 Medalist Bob Chimpky (137)

Third Flight (net)

Winner Lee Cooper
 Runner-up Barry Franklin
 Semifinalists James Tzzy
 Bob Johnson
 Medalist Bob Johnson (131)

Rancho Solano Sept 3, 2005 Modified Stableford

1st Flight: Blue Tees

17 pts. John Balsley \$40
 10 pts. Richard Sarwal \$30
 9 pts. Bob Joseph \$20

2nd Flight: White Tees

11 pts. Nadeem Rahman \$40
 6 pts. Barry Franklin \$25
 6 pts. David Mak \$25

Hunter Ranch Modified Stableford Oct 1, 2

Saturday

35 pts. Mel Cottle \$35
 35 pts. Jim Hofer \$35
 34 pts. Dale Wilson \$20

Sunday

39 pts. Mel Cottle \$40
 30 pts. Gary Ponzini \$30
 29 pts. Jim Perko \$10
 29 pts. Jim Hofer \$10

Salinas Fairways Low Net - Oct 8

First Flight - Blue Tees Net

72 Brad Nelson \$40
 73 Ralph Gushiken \$30
 74 Jay Dameron \$20
 76 Arif Janjua \$10

Second Flight - White Tees Net

67 Nadeem Rahman \$40
 71 Larry Morgan \$30
 74 Dale Wilson \$20
 75 Steve Cope \$10

Welcome to our New SMGC Members:

Ron Camaisa	Newark
Aurelio Periquet	Castro Valley
Justin Periquet	Folsom

Also, we have some returning players that have left the area but renewed their membership.
Welcome back guys:

Mike Hudack	Redding
Tom Hudack	Manteca

It is our pleasure to welcome these 5 new members to the Sunnyvale Men's Club. We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming event.

Annual Turkey Shoot

Next month, 11/19, we will kick off the Holiday season with our annual Turkey Shoot. This will be a Low Net event from the back tees. You can sign up with any group or partner you wish to play with. The "Low Net" player from each foursome wins a turkey. The remaining three players will be entered into a "Low Net" pool. A quantity of turkeys will be won by low net scores in the pool. The field will be split into three segments so you don't have to wait until the entire field finishes to find out if you have won a bird. If you are a winner, you will be given back your scorecard marked for a turkey. Give your marked scorecard to a board member in charge of handing out the birds. **Do Not Leave** the course before checking with the scorers table to find out if you are or are not a winner. If you have any questions regarding this event, call any board member.

Note: Refer to Future Tournaments on pg 3 for the cost and other details.

Good-bye to a couple of Warriors!

Two members are leaving us this month to begin anew. Both played almost weekly and their personalities and charmisma will be missed. We could count on their support at any function. Hopefully we can stay in touch and see them soon:

Ed Simonsen	Florida
Ben Tibbetts	Texas

It was a pleasure playing with you both and good luck in your relocation.

Dues Reminder:

Be sure your dues are current. You will not be allowed to participate in any tournaments until your renewal dues are paid. Contact any board member.

Future Weather Forecast!

With temperatures on the decline and the rainy season approaching, inclement weather may force the cancellation of a scheduled tournament. Have the Tournament Phone line number handy and doublecheck playing status before you head out for the course. **Do not leave messages on the line, they will not be checked.**

Tournament Phone: (408) 739 - 9281