



SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

SEPTEMBER 2005 NEWSLETTER

Upcoming Elections

From the August Newsletter, there will be three SMGC Board Members elected by the Annual Meeting in October. Currently running for re-election are Les Cheong, Arif Janjua, Jay Dameron. Members who would like to serve on the SMGC Board of Directors next year should contact anyone on the nominating committee of Jim Perko, John Szarka, or Nadeem Rahman.

Nominees selected by the committee will be listed in the posting room at the Sunnyvale Golf Course. From now to the close of the September general meeting, any five (5) members of the club may nominate one or more person(s) by submitting a petition. Nominations will close at the end of the September general meeting. No nominations may be made from the floor at the October Annual Meeting. The **VOTE ITSELF** for the open board position will occur at the October special meeting.

2006 Tournament Schedule

Looking ahead to 2006, there are some venues coming up you won't want to miss.

Summitpointe is in January, we've always enjoy its character in the past years. Swenson Park in February where you must be straight and long.

Designed in 1950, you can appreciate what players in that era had to endure. Delta View the first of April, is slowly becoming a favorite of S.M.G.C. The first weekender is in May where we venture off to Carson City. There are 4 weekenders in all scheduled for the year, July and August yet to be secured, but in October we head down to Hunter Ranch for that classic. Be sure to renew your dues and take advantage of the sites ahead.

Here's a Reminder:

Next General Meeting

The next General Membership meeting for the S.M.G.C. will be held on **Wednesday, Sept. 21** at 7:00 p.m. w/early tournament sign ups at 6:30 p.m. at the Lookout Inn at Sunnyvale Muni.

The next Meeting after:

Wednesday, Oct. 19th

This is the **Special Election Meeting**. We really want your attendance. The election is on and year end reports are given. Please help the Board with your presence!

Membership Dues should in by Oct. 31. Renewal forms are in the Sept Newsletter. \$120 for renewals and \$140 for new members. We will discuss the increase at the Sept meeting. You must have renewed to play in tournaments after the Club Championship. Watch the gap from 9/25 to 10/31, be sure you're paid up and current if you want to play during these dates!

Future Tournaments

Coyote Creek Tournament Course October 22, 2005

Cost: \$73 w/cart
 Director: John Szarka
 Phone: (408)-252-0441
 Field Size: 44
 First Tee Time: 10:00 am
 Format: 2-man aggregate Point Par
 Tees: White
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: 10/15/05
 Spikes: Non-Metal only
 Carts: 90⁰ Weather Permitting
 Comments:

A contrast to the "Old Riverside" course by being much tougher and longer. A totally new layout with "Environmental" areas scattered thruout. Higher shots are needed into the expansive greens. Better allow for 2-3 three-putts. Notice the similarity of the clubhouse to that at Saddle Creek, the exact same design. Take advantage of its ambience and have a meal here. You'll love it, especially after you and your partner have racked up 72 aggregate points.

White tees: Rating: 72.3,
Slope : 132 Yards: 6,420

Palo Alto Municipal October 29, 2005

Cost: \$58 / no cart
 Director: Jim Perko
 Phone: (408)-739-1159
 Field Size: 44
 First Time: 10:00 am
 Format: Low Net
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: 10/15/05
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90⁰ Weather Permitting
 Comments:

Designed by William Bell, his other works include Castlewood C.C. (Hill Course), Alameda (Earl Fry / Jack Clark), and Lake Tahoe Golf Course. Don't let the low slope fool you, better be long and straight here. This is a great area in Palo Alto. The ballfield off of holes #11 and #12 and the sounds of the small planes at the airport make for an enjoyable day.

Blue tees: Rating: 71.7,
Slope: 117 Yards: 6,580

White tees: Rating: 69.5,
Slope: 115 Yards: 6,227

Pacific Grove November 5, 2005

Cost: \$69 w/cart
 Director: John Balsley
 Phone: (650) 678-2191
 Field Size: 40
 First Tee Time: 9:34 am
 Format: Low Net
 Tees: Blue
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: 10/25/05
 Spikes: Optional
 Carts: 90⁰ Weather Permitting
 Comments:

A return to an S.M.G.C. favorite, you should do some scoring. John Balsley has asked to help the board here so go easy on him. Back to back par 5's on # 5 and #6 offer a challenge and then the demanding par 4 8th, your drive must be faded.

The back nine features the scenic Monterey Peninsula. Par 4's #15 and #16 could be the "Amen Corner" of your round. Travel time from Sunnyvale Muni about 1 hour 15 minutes.

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

Currently Scheduled Tournaments

On Oct 1- 2, Hunter Ranch Weekender - There will be a 2-day sweeps event as side action and both days are Point Par. Usually there is a group dinner for those interested at A.J Spurs in Templeton which provides some great comraderie. The cutoff date is Sept 23. Call Jim Perko (408) 739-1159 for openings. Usually lodging here is impossible, but try these places for last minute chances:

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

On Oct 8, Jay Dameron takes us to Salinas fairways. Be ready for long par 4's into the wind but usually a good day scoring wise. By the way, brush up on your short game from Bermuda & Cacuya grass. It surrounds every green. The bump and run shot is no good here. Cutoff date is Oct 1. Call Jay at (408) 733-9105 for openings.

On Oct 15, Martin Delfino has asked to help the board, so he takes over at Delta Vlew in Pittsburgh/Antioch. This is slowly becoming a club favorite in the East Bay. Designed by AListair Mackenzie, be prepared for fast greens and doglegs to the left and right. You need to work the ball around this course. Cutoff date is Oct 5. Call Martin at (510) 846-2632 for openings.

Player of the Year Standings (As of Sept 04, 2005)

What's at stake? 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. Here's how the year shakes out and who the leading players are:

1) Dale Wilson	\$350
2) John Szarka	\$325
3) Nadeem Rahman	\$312
4) Ben Tibbetts	\$305
5) Jim Perko	\$300
Tie 6) Zuhair Bokharey	\$295
Tie 7) Dale Howell	\$295
8) Bob Joseph	\$290
9) Rich Brennan	\$285
10) John Balsely	\$280

Remember, the upcoming Club Championship has significant point values.

Good Luck!

Flight Medalist	40 points
Flight Champ	80 points
Flight Runner up	60 points
Flight Semi-Finalist	40 points

Thursday Team Match Play

After a valiant regular season finishing with a record of 4 wins and 2 losses and clinching a playoff birth, the playoffs were not kind to S.M.G.C. The first round with Pajaro ended up with them dominating our players. Both venues were used, Pajaro and Sunnyvale. With a possible point total equaling 36 for each team and needing 19 to win, Sunnyvale could only muster up 7. However, a big congratulations go out to Jim Perko and John Szarka for putting this effort together. Each week they had to line up players by phone, secure dinner reservations afterwards, and just, in general, worry. Thanks to them both. We'll shoot for the "Super Bowl" next year.

**A Recuperating
SMGC
"Veteran!"**

The SMGC players and friends of Don Brusa, who has been in the club over 20 years, want to wish him a speedy recovery from his June bout with a stroke. We hope he is recovering nicely. Get well, Don, we miss you out there!

Tournament Results

Summitpointe Aug. 13, Point Par

First Flight: (Blues)

Pts.	Player	Certs
T39	John Mendoza	\$35
T39	Bob Heihn	\$35
35	John Szarka	\$10

Second Flight: (Whites)

Pts.	Player	Certs
40	Raymond Wong	\$40
38	Dale Wilson	\$30
37	Ben Tibbetts	\$20
T35	Matt Wassmer	\$5
T35	Barry Franklin	\$5

Coyote Creek (Tournament Course) Aug. 20, 2-man Low-Net aggregate

Net	Players	Certs
63	John Sasser / Robert Chimpky	\$40
65	John Szarka / Jim Hofer	\$25
	Bob Joseph / Jim Streeter	\$25
66	Dale Wilson / Jim Perko	\$15
67	Don Anderson / Roger Boettger	\$8
	Barry Franklin / Brian Silva	\$8
	David Mak / Yongsheng Yang	\$8
	Arif Janjua / John Driver	\$8
	Brian Troy / Paul Phipps	\$8

Alisal Weekender Aug. 8, Point Par La Purisima

Pts.	Player	Certs
41	Dale Wilson	\$40
39	John Szarka	\$30
37	Bob Joseph	\$20
36	Matt Wassmer	\$10

Aug. 9, Low Net River Course at Alisal

Net	Player	Certs
68	Matt Wassmer	\$40
69	Harold Cohn	\$30
72	Larry Morgan	\$15
	Dale Wilson	\$15

Club Championship Underway!

The Qualifying round is now complete and the Match Play participants are bracketed. Good Luck to all!

Remember the dinner is Sept 24 at Mariani's with a raffle to follow. Please bring a guest (\$10 extra for one, \$25 each after one), as they too will be part of the festivities. Prize donations are welcome for the Raffle. Please contact anyone on the Board if you have a prize. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.