



SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

DECEMBER 2006 NEWSLETTER

Happy Holidays!

Message from the President

The new duties I embark on, I look forward to with vigor. The board has selected me to hold this position and I will do so with pride. Some new topics you can expect will include rules seminars, guest speakers, and maybe some new twists not yet discussed, but all with the intention of keeping you better informed and competitively challenged. From NCGA tourneys to club match play events, we will try to bring you the best schedule attainable. New courses are on our schedule. They include Callippe Preserve, Van Buskirk and newly remodeled Blue Rock Springs.

Prize funds are more than adequate. Raffle prizes already include Titleist 735 irons, Mizuno wedges, walking carts, and weekend golf packages. We are thrilled to be signing up new members monthly, all of whom have been introduced by you, our players. With the current board members and our membership, we will stride into 2007 as one of the strongest clubs in Northern California.

As we wrap up 2006, on behalf of the SMGC board, have a happy, joyous Holiday Season.

Jay Dameron - President

Welcome to our New SMGC Members

David Carey - Woodside
Roshan Shaik - Fremont
** Bruce Fox - Sunnyvale

** Bruce is a returning member. He was the club Secretary in 1989 and Tournament Chairman from 1990 to 1996. He is also a "RULES" expert.

It is our pleasure to welcome these 3 new members to the Sunnyvale Men's Club. Introduce yourself to them at your next outing or the next General Meeting.

Future Forecast!

With the temperatures on the decline and the start of the rainy season approaching, inclement weather may force the cancellation of a scheduled tournament. Call the Tournament Phone Line to check the status of the tournament before you leave. Do not leave messages as they will not be checked.

Tournament phone: **(408) 739-9281**

Your Club Meeting

The next General Membership meeting for the S.M.G.C. will be held **Wednesday January 17th, 2007** at 7:00 pm at the Lookout Inn at Sunnyvale Muni.

Currently Scheduled Tournaments

Change of Directors - On Jan 6, **Les Cheong** (previously Jim Perko), now directs us at Aptos Seascap. Built in 1926 as Rio Del Mar Country Club, the course took a sabbatical during World War II, when it served as a "victory garden" to help grow crops for the nation's war effort. You'll love the natural beauty of forest and the nearby beach. 3 of 4 par 5's are reachable in two so birdies are eminent. Call Les at (408-396-6902) for openings.

Change of Directors - On Jan 13, **Jim Perko** (previously Les Cheong), heads up Paradise Valley. Praised for its walk-ability, enhanced by oak studded fairways and creeks which provide challenges of distance and accuracy. The greens are undulating and fast. Better allow 1 or 2 three-putts. This is a unique 2-man, Better Ball format. Call Jim at (408-739-1159) for openings.

Board of Directors	
Jay Dameron	President
Les Cheong	Vice President
Martin Delfino	Secretary
John Balsley	Treasurer
John Szarka	Hdcp Chairman
Jim Perko	Tournament Chairman

From: "Golf Etiquette" by
Barb Puett and Jim Apfelbaum

One absolute in all hazards: you may not ground your club (Penalty: two strokes). The club head may not touch the ground, the sand, or the water until you actually swing. You may not use the club as a cane. You may not test the bunker's consistency with your club. **WHY?**

It's against the rules and this helps preserve the course, like replacing a divot or repairing a ball mark.

Future Tournaments

Summitpointe Jan 20, 2007

Cost: \$65 w/cart
 Director: Martin Delfino
 Phone (510) 366-5142
 Field Size: 32
 First Time 8:30 am
 Format Modified Stableford
 Tees Split
 Driving Range Yes
 Cutoff Date: 01/10/07
 Spikes: Non-Metal Only
 Carts: 90° Weather Permitting
 Comments:

Formerly Tularcitos, this is a hillside layout that will test your shotmaking skills. The front will start you off going up hills, then #5 and #6 will bring you back down. Once you start the back side, water comes into play, making the tee shots on #10 and #18 very demanding. You'll enjoy the environment and with any luck may see some hang gliders coming down the mountain on #14 and #15.

Blue tees: Rating: 71.1
Slope: 131 Yards: 6,329

White tees: Rating: 69.7
Slope: 130 Yards: 6,061

Future Tournaments

Sunnyvale Zone Qualifier Jan 20, 2007

Lone Tree Feb 3, 2007

Poppy Ridge Feb 10, 2007

Cost: \$140 team / no cart
 Director: John Szarka
 Phone: (408) 252-0441
 Field Size: 80
 First Time: 8:00 am
 Format: 2-man Low Net
 Tees: Back
 Driving Range: No
 Cutoff Date: 01/13/07
 Spikes: Non-Metal Only
 Carts: 90^o Weather Permitting

Cost: \$69 w/cart
 Director: Jay Dameron
 Phone: (408) 712-0227
 Field Size: 32
 First Time: 9:00 am
 Format: Low Net
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: 01/15/07
 Spikes: Non-Metal Only
 Carts: 90^o Weather Permitting

Cost: \$79 w/cart
 Director: John Balsley
 Phone: (650) 678-2191
 Field Size: 40
 First Time: 10:30 am
 Format: Point Par
 Tees: Split
 Driving Range: Yes
 Cutoff Date: **01/09/07**
 Spikes: Non-Metal Only
 Carts: 90 Weather Permitting

Comments:

Kicking off 2007 with an NCGA qualifier, this tournament will be played at 90% of each players GHIN. Players over 18.4 will play at 18.4. The top 10 teams and ties advance. The second round venue will either be Laguna Seca or Micke Grove. Take a run at this event to advance and play with the best players of other NCGA clubs at Poppy and Spyglass 8/20 and 8/21.

Comments:

Designed by Bob Baldock in 1934. This man spans 5 decades as a designer. His other works include:

- Merced CC - 1926
- Kings River - 1955
- Corral De Tierra - 1960
- Diablo Creek - 1963
- Monterey Peninsula Shore - 1961

The pedigree here is astounding. Dog legs left and right and subtle elevation changes.

Comments:

Note the early cutoff date. We must prepay this event so be sure to sign up early. Poppy Ridge is the second NCGA member course and opened in 1996. The 27 hole Scottish Heathland Course consists of 3 nines aptly named Chardonnay, Zinfandel, and Merlot and located in the wine country of Livermore. It was designed in 1995 by Rees Jones.

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

Blue tees: Rating: 71.2
Slope: 125 Yards: 6,446

White tees: Rating: 69.6
Slope: 123 Yards: 6,098

Blue tees: Rating: 72.8
Slope: 136 Yards: 6,673

White tees: Rating: 70.6
Slope: 129 Yards: 6,214

Tournament Results

Delta View Oct 28, 2006 Point Par

First Flight - Blue Tees

Points		Certs
37	Brad Nelson	\$40
36	Dale Howell	\$30
34	Mac Rogers	\$20
33	Robert Chimpky	\$10
32	Jim Perko	\$5

Second Flight - White Tees

Points		Certs
38	Earl Leroy Cooper	\$40
34	Ed Biaggi	\$30
33	Harold Cohn	\$15
33	Aurelio Periquet	\$15
32	Ramon Periquet	\$5

Mountain House Dec 2, 2006 Point Par

First Flight

Points		Certs
38	Martin Delfino	\$40
37	Tom Fosdick	\$30
36	Bob Heighn	\$15
36	Justin Periquet	\$15

Second Flight

Points		Certs
36	Alan Depew	\$40
35	Ramon Periquet	\$30
32	David Carey	\$15
32	Pete Katsumis	\$15

Laguna Seca Sunday Nov 12 Point Par

Sunday

Points		Certs
40	Rich Brennan	\$40
36	John Szarka	\$30
35	Jim Perko	\$20
33	Jay Kearney	\$10
32	John Balsley	\$5

Sunol Valley - Palm Dec 09, 2006 Modified Stableford

First Flight

Points		Certs
2	Larry Lopez	\$35
2	John Balsley	\$35
1	Jim Perko	\$20
0	Brian Silva	\$10

Second Flight

Points		Certs
20	Roshan Shaik	\$40
17	Rick Colen	\$30
9	Greg Shiomoto	\$20
2	Dan Marble	\$5
2	Yongsheng Yang	\$5

- It is more important to be decisive than to be correct when playing any golf shot, particularly a putt.

- Golf is not a perfect game.
Dr. Bob Rotella