



SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB

OCTOBER 2006 NEWSLETTER

Special Meeting

This month we will hold our Election of Officers for the 2007 season. There will be three SMGC Board Members elected for a 2 year term.

Currently running for re-election are John Szarka, Jim Perko, and John Balsley. Also, we need to formally vote on the \$5 NCGA dues renewal price increase.

Please plan on attending this night. Board Members will give year end reports and welcome in the 2007 season.

Welcome to our New SMGC Members

Reginald Pena - San Francisco
Heedon Kyung - San Jose
Rick Morris - Mountain View

It is our pleasure to welcome these 3 new members to the Sunnyvale Men's Club. We look forward to seeing you at the next General Meeting to be held on October 18th or at an upcoming tournament.

With Regrets,

Bill Niblock, our past SMGC president from 1985 to 1988, passed away this past weekend. A Memorial get-together will be held at the Lookout Inn on Friday, October 27th, from 2-4 pm for those that wish to share their experiences that they had with the late and former SMGC President, Bill Niblock.

P.O.T.Y Final Standings (for 2005 - 2006 season)

1) John Szarka	\$360
2) (tie) Phil Smithson	\$350
2) (tie) Jim Perko	\$350
4) Pete Katsumis	\$340
5) Brian Silva	\$305
6) Lee Cooper	\$290
7) Dale Wilson	\$285
8) Justin Periquet	\$280
9) Nadeem Rahman	\$260
10) (tie) Neil McCarthy	\$255
10) (tie) Barry Franklin	\$255

The POTY is entitled to a FREE membership to the next SMGC fiscal year! It was such a tight race this year between 4 players. Phil Smithson, Pete Katsumis, and Jim Perko all could have won had Club Championship scenarios played out in their favor. The 2006 SMGC Player of the Year, **John Szarka !**

He is tougher than a nickel steak!

NCGA Low Net Amateur Update

(Oct 16 - 17)

Mark Wittler qualified at the Metropolitan course in Oakland to advance to Poppy Hills Oct 16 and 17. To retrace his trip, this started with a 19th hole playoff July 15 at Rancho Solano. He then played his way into Poppy with a great round at Metropolitan this past 9/21. Keep it up Mark, we're rooting for you.

Currently Scheduled Tournaments

On Oct 28, Les Cheong takes us to Delta View. Designed in the 1950's by Robert Muir Graves and Alistair MacKenzie, you'll appreciate the tradition of small greens and walkability. Cutoff date is 10/21. Call Les at (408-396-6902) for openings.

On Nov. 4, Jay Dameron takes us to Pacific Grove. This is an SMGC favorite. The Monterey Peninsula is in full view on the back nine. The clubhouse remodeling is now complete. Try breakfast or lunch at the new Point Pines grill. Cutoff date is 10/24. Call Jay at (408-712-0227) for openings.

On Nov 12, **Sunday**, John Szarka takes us to Laguna Seca. We get special pricing on Sundays and walking is emphasized. Cutoff date is 11/05. Call John at (408-252-0441) for openings.

On Nov 18, Jim Perko directs the annual Turkey Shoot. We'll have a bird for just about everyone, so don't miss this outing. See below. Call Jim at (408-739-1159) for openings.

Annual Turkey Shoot

Next month, 11/18, 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 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 a winner.

Your Club Meeting

The next General Membership meeting for the S.M.G.C. will be held on **Wednesday, Oct 18** at 7:00 p.m. at the Lookout Inn at Sunnyvale Muni. This is our **Special Election meeting. Please plan to attend.**

2007 Dues Reminder

Membership dues should be in by Oct. 31. Renewal forms were sent out in the Sept Newsletter and can also be pulled from the SMGC website under Club Documents. The NCGA has invoked a \$5 increase for membership renewal. This helps pay for administrative fees. Therefore, \$125 for renewals and \$140 for new members. You must have renewed to play in the tournaments following the Club Championship. Watch the gap between 9/23 and 10/31. Be sure you are paid up and current if you want play during these dates.

NCGA Club Champions Update

This year the NCPGA made a special offer to NORCAL Club Champs.

On Oct 2 at Cordevalle, these players competed for a chance to advance to Tampa Florida to play in the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic at the Westin Innisbrook Resort in February 2007. Only 4 players were selected, each had scores of 74 or better. Although, he barely missed the cut, **Brad Nelson** represented the SMGC as a true champion and learned a valuable, competitive playing lesson. Congratulations Brad.

Future Tournaments

Mountain House Dec 2, 2006

Sunol Palm Dec 9, 2006

President's Cup Sunnyvale Muni Dec 16, 2006

Cost:	\$65 w/cart	Cost:	\$68 w/cart	Cost:	\$50 / <i>No cart</i>
Director:	Martin Delfino	Director:	John Balsley	Director:	Szarka - Board
Phone:	(510) 366-5142	Phone:	(650) 678-2191	Phone:	(408) 252-0441
Field Size:	36	Field Size:	32	Field Size:	80
First Time:	9:00 am	First Tee Time	9:00 am	First Tee Time	8:00 am
Format:	Point Par	Format:	Mod Stableford	Format:	Low Net
Tees:	Split	Tees:	Split	Tees:	Back
Driving Range:	Yes	Driving Range:	Yes	Driving Range:	No
Cutoff Date:	11/17/06	Cutoff Date:	11/29/06	Cutoff Date:	12/9/06
Spikes:	Non-Metal Only	Spikes:	Non-Metal Only	Spikes:	Non - Metal Only
Carts:	90 ⁰ Weather Permitting	Carts:	90 ⁰ Weather Permitting	Carts:	90 ⁰ Weather Permitting

Comments:

Being such a new course in the Tracy foothills, not much information is available to describe its highlights. Here is the address. You may want to Mapquest it the day of the outing.

Mountain House
15000 Altamount Pass Rd.
Tracy, 95931
(925-243-0100)

Comments:

The Long 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.

Comments:

Our last major of the year. It is a trophy tournament played at Sunnyvale Muni. It is 18 holes of low net from the back tees. The top 3 low nets in each flight are awarded a trophy. The overall low net will receive a special trophy and have his name, along with the Club's President, inscribed on our perpetual trophy that is displayed in the Pro Shop. Only one trophy can be awarded to any one player.

Blue tees: Rating: 70.5
Slope: 123 Yards: 6,042

White tees: Rating: 67.5
Slope: 122 Yards: 5,491

Black tees: Rating: 72.3
Slope: 121 Yards: 6,845

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

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

Tournament Results

SMGC Club Championship, September 9-23, 2006

One championship flight (played at scratch) and 3 additional flights were played for the club championship. The top eight players after 36 holes of medal play advanced to the quarter finals in match play. The top player for the first weekend Sept 9 -10 captured medalist honors. Look at the brackets and see how each player performed. It's a grueling style of play. Congratulations to all the flight winners.

Brad Nelson is SMGC's 2006 overall Club Champion. *Refer to page 2 to see how Brad played as a special NCPGA invitee.*

Championship Flight

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|------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| 1) Jim Perko | _____ | Jim Perko (1 up) | |
| 8) Vince Delfino | _____ | | _____ Les Cheong (1 up) |
| 4) Jay Dameron | _____ | Les Cheong (19th) | |
| 5) Les Cheong | | | |
| 2) Brad Nelson | _____ | Brad Nelson (19th) | |
| 7) Neil McCarthy | _____ | | _____ Brad Nelson (1 up) |
| 3) Arif Janjua | _____ | Arif Janjua (6 & 4) | |
| 6) John Balsley | | | |

Medalists are the (1) seeds

Brad Nelson (1 up)
(36 holes)

First Flight

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|--------------------|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1) Zuhair Bokharey | _____ | Zuhair Bokharey (3 & 2) | |
| 8) Matt Wassmer | | | _____ Mac Rogers (1 up) |
| 4) Mac Rogers | _____ | Mac Rogers (1 up) | |
| 5) Roger Boettger | | | |
| 2) John Blum | _____ | John Szarka (1 up) | |
| 7) John Szarka | _____ | | _____ Jay Kearney (6 & 4) |
| 3) Jay Kearney | _____ | Jay Kearney (4 & 3) | |
| 6) Martin Delfino | | | |

Mac Rogers (4 & 3)

Second Flight

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|--------------------|-------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1) Justin Periquet | _____ | Pete Katsumis (2 up) | |
| 8) Pete Katsumis | _____ | | _____ Pete Katsumis (19th) |
| 4) Lee Cooper | _____ | Nadeem Rahman (5 & 3) | |
| 5) Nadeem Rahman | | | |
| 2) Jay Kanemoto | _____ | Alan Depew (2 & 1) | |
| 7) Alan Depew | _____ | | _____ Alan Depew (3 & 2) |
| 3) Youngsheng Yang | _____ | Youngsheng Yang (19th) | |
| 6) Tom Rooney | | | |

Alan Depew (1 up)

Third Flight

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| 1) Aurelio Periquet | _____ | Barry Franklin (3 & 2) | |
| 8) Barry Franklin | _____ | | _____ Harold Cohn (4 & 3) |
| 4) Harold Cohn | _____ | Harold Cohn (4 & 2) | |
| 5) Rich Brennan | | | |
| 2) Brani Buric | _____ | Brani Buric (7 & 5) | |
| 7) Dan Chase | _____ | | _____ Brani Buric (3 & 2) |
| 3) Walt Keown | _____ | Greg Shiimoto (19th) | |
| 6) Greg Shiimoto | | | |

Brani Buric (10 & 8)