



# SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER

MAY 2008

## DIRECTOR'S CUP UPDATE

The reconstruction of the tee boxes at the Sunnyvale Municipal Golf Course is now scheduled to be complete at the end of June or early July.

As a result, we have moved the date of our two-day SMGC Director's Cup once again. It will now be July 19 and 20 at Sunnyvale. All the new tee boxes should be open by then.

For those of you who wanted an ego-boosting round, play the Sunnyvale Course soon while the temporary tees are still being used for a lot of the holes. Member Larry Lopez recently played the course and gave the following report on how some of the holes played:

- #3 437 yards - basically a good par 4 now
- #4 98 yards
- #5 200 yards, and you can go directly over a big tree to get to the green in one
- #6 245 yards in a direct line, but you have to go over or around trees
- #7 75 yards
- #8 227 yards, reachable if you want to be aggressive
- #9 331 yards
- #10 435 yards, an easy par 4
- #11 332 yards
- #12 245 yards in a direct line to the green
- #13 78 yards

We see a career low score happening for a lot of you!

## NEW MEMBER

We are pleased to welcome our newest Club member, **Matt Tondag** of Fremont. Matt, we look forward to seeing you on the next tee!

## TOURNAMENT TALK

Our Carson City weekender is Memorial Day weekend (May 24 & 25). The club will play Eagle Valley West on Saturday and Silver Oak on Sunday. Signups closed on May 1, however call John Szarka (831-636-1408) if you'd like to know if a space has opened from a cancellation.

Jim Perko directs a low net event at Skywest Golf Course in Hayward on May 31. The cost is \$70 with cart and the cutoff date is May 21. Sign up online or call Jim at 408-739-1159 to get a spot.

## YOU HAVE A FREE SATURDAY!

There is no SMGC tournament scheduled on June 14. What can you do with a free Saturday? Well, fly an American flag for Flag Day and celebrate Father's Day a day early. Or, take your main squeeze out to lunch! No? You're going to golf anyway? What a guy!



# 2008 SMGC TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The entire 2008 tournament schedule is now available. The club will no longer print out the mini pocket schedules. However, we will provide it online in a PDF format that you will be able to print out if you so desire. It'll be available on the website soon at [www.smgc.us](http://www.smgc.us).

Here is the the SMGC schedule for the second half of 2008. Our thanks to **Martin Delfino** for booking these tournaments for the club.

Jul 5	No Golf
Jul 12	Pajaro Valley
Jul 19	Sunnyvale Director's Cup
Jul 20 (Sun)	Sunnyvale Director's Cup
Jul 26	Van Buskirk
Aug 2	Salinas Fairways
Aug 9	Lone Tree
Apr 16	Swenson Park
Aug 23	Dublin Ranch
Aug 30	San Geronimo
Sep 6	Club Championship
Sep 7 (Sun)	Club Championship
Sep 13	Club Championship
Sep 14 (Sun)	Club Championship
Sep 20	Club Championship
Sep 27	TBD
Oct 4	Manteca Park
Oct 11	Pajaro Valley
Oct 18	Delta View
Oct 25	San Ramon Royal Vista
Nov 1	Spring Hills
Nov 8	Tilden Park
Nov 15	Blue Rock Springs (East)
Nov 22	Sunnyvale - Turkey Shoot
Nov 29	No Golf
Dec 6	Lone Tree
Dec 13	Deer Ridge
Dec 20	Sunnyvale - President's Cup
Dec 27	No Golf

# IMPORTANT NCGA TOURNAMENTS

Two local qualifiers for Northern California Golf Association tournaments are announced in this month's Future Tournaments section on page 3. These events are always popular with the club because of the possibility of advancement in order to represent the SMGC against other clubs at venues such as Poppy Hills and Spyglass Hills.

The NCGA Senior 4-Ball Net Qualifier will be held at our club event at San Jose Muni on Saturday, June 7. The top two-man senior team will advance to the sectional qualifying round on Thursday, August 7. To qualify, both players must be 55 years of age or over by September 15, 2008. The finals are Monday and Tuesday, September 15 and 16 at Poppy Hills. The maximum allowable handicap is 18.4. Anyone over 18.4 will play at 18.4. In addition, if the two players' handicaps differ by more than 8 strokes, an additional 10% reduction to the course handicap will occur.

The NCGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier (for all players) is at Santa Clara at June 28. The top two-man team advances to the NCGA sectional qualifier on Thursday, August 21 at a course TBD. The Finals are Monday and Tuesday, September 22 and 23 at Poppy Hills. As with the Senior 4-Ball Net, the maximum handicap is 18.4 and an additional 10% reduction to handicaps will apply if the difference between the two handicaps is more than 8 strokes.

## Sunnyvale Men's Golf Club Board of Directors

President	Jay Dameron
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# FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

**June 7, 2008**  
**San Jose Muni**  
**NCGA Senior 4-Ball Net**

Cost: \$144 per team with cart  
 Director: Les Cheong  
 Phone: (408) 396-6902  
 Field Size: 40  
 First tee time: 11:00 am  
 Format: 2-Man Better Ball Low Net  
 Tees: TBD  
 Driving Range: Yes  
 Cut-off date: May 24

San Jose Muni is a local favorite. It is nearby for many, in good shape, and you can shoot a very good score if your swing is on. There are some holes where you can get into trouble (like the dogleg-right second hole or the super-long par 4 15th hole that is often against the wind. However, in general you can let it fly here.

This tournament will also serve as our local NCGA Senior 4-Ball Net Qualifier if both players in a team are 55 years of age or older as of September 15, 2008. See the article on page 2 for more details.

**Gold Tees:** Rating: 71.8  
 Slope: 119 Yards: 6,700

**Black Tees:** Rating: 70.0  
 Slope: 117 Yards: 6,304

**June 21, 2008**  
**Sunol - Palm Course**

Cost: \$69 with cart  
 Director: Martin Delfino  
 Phone: (510) 366-5142  
 Field Size: 32  
 First tee time: 9:05 am  
 Format: Point Par  
 Tees: Split  
 Driving Range: Across the freeway  
 Cut-off date: June 11

This is the longer of the two courses at Sunol. The fairways are wide, but the holes are long. This course is called the Palm Course because of the numerous palm trees that line the fairways. Palms are skinny, but it is amazing how often you can end up hitting them here.

Bring your long game as you will be needing it to hit a lot of drivers, fairway woods, and long irons.

**Blue Tees:** Rating: 72.3  
 Slope: 121 Yards: 6,830

**White Tees:** Rating: 70.5  
 Slope: 118 Yards: 6,406

**June 28, 2008**  
**Santa Clara**  
**NCGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier**

Cost: \$138 per team with cart  
 Director: Jay Dameron  
 Phone: (408) 712-0227  
 Field Size: 32  
 First tee time: 9:00 am  
 Format: 2-Man Better Ball Low Net  
 Tees: Gold  
 Driving Range: Yes  
 Cut-off date: June 18

There are some tricky holes at this course, but also some holes where you can score well. Two of the par 5s are reachable in two, and there are a number of short par 4s of which you can really take advantage.

In addition to a normal club event, this will also be our round to determine which teams represent the SMGC at the NCGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier. The top team will advance to the next round on August 21. Refer to the article on page 2 for more information on the NCGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier.

**Gold Tees:** Rating: 70.5  
 Slope: 116 Yards: 6,329

# TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## Spring Hills - April 12, 2008

### First Flight

40 pts.	John Balsley	\$40
39	Tom Boydston	30
34	Jim Perko	20
31	Jay Dameron	5
31	Andy Zutler	5

### Second Flight

38 pts.	Bob Johnson	\$40
36	Henry Huey	30
34	Rich Brennan	20
32	Ben Magana	5
32	Dale Wilson	5

## Ridgemark (Diablo) - April 19, 2008

### First Flight

33 pts.	Oneal Sutton	\$40
31	John Balsley	30
29	Bob Joseph	20
28	Brian Silva	10

### Second Flight

37 pts.	Rick Colen	\$40
31	Brani Buric	30
30	Phil Smithson	20
27	Bob Johnson	10

## Micke Grove - April 26, 2008

### First Flight

71 net	Robert Heihn	\$40
72	Brad Nelson	30
75	Zuhair Bokharey	20

### Second Flight

67 net	Brani Buric	\$40
70	Barry Franklin	30
73	John Szarka	20

## Blue Rock Springs - May 3, 2008

### First Flight

69 net	Jay Dameron	\$40
70	Martin Delfino	30
72	John Balsley	20
73	Larry Lopez	5
73	Jim Perko	5
73	Brian Silva	5

### Second Flight

64 net	Mark Wittler	\$40
68	Barry Franklin	25
68	Dale Wilson	25
69	Yongsheng Yang	10

## Swenson Park - May 10, 2008

### First Flight

67 net	Les Cheong	\$40
68	Jim Perko	30
72	John Balsley	20
73	Ray Wong	5
73	Matt Wassmer	5

### Second Flight

66 net	Dale Wilson	\$40
67	Irfan Mehdi	30
68	Brani Buric	20
69	Phil Smithson	10