



SUNNYVALE MEN'S GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER

April 2011

Carson City Weekender May 27 – 29

Our Carson City, Nevada weekender will occur over Memorial Day weekend, May 27 – 29. This is always a very popular getaway for the club. This isn't just golf, but much more! We will be opening up sign-ups this month because of the need to confirm the number of players a month in advance. Here are the details, pricing:

Single Golfer / Single Room \$320

Two golfers / shared room \$245

Single golfer + non golfer \$375

This package includes a room at the Plaza Hotel Friday and Saturday Night, along with cocktails, wine and dinner at Red's Grill on Saturday evening. Golf will be at Dayton Valley on Saturday and Eagle Valley West on Sunday. Price includes cart and range balls at both courses. Tournament format will be Point Par both days. Optional Skins each day (\$10) and a 2-day Sweeps (\$10) will be available.

The club has also arranged for a few tee times beginning at 1 pm Friday at Silver Oak GC. This is NOT included in the tournament package. at the course. If you are interested in playing Friday please contact director John Szarka and inform him of your intentions to play.

If you sign up for Carson City, all money must be received by April 29. Thanks in advance for your promptness. Please send your payment to John Szarka at 621 McMahan Rd, Hollister, Ca 95023. This is a package price, no exceptions.

Another Hole in one

Barry Franklin had another hole in one at Pacific Grove on #10, the same hole that he had aced last time. A new rule was proposed that no one is allowed to have a hole in one at a course that does not serve liquor.

Brett Attard is the top qualifier

There were 3 SMGC members that participated in the NCGA public links qualifier. Raymond Wong, Vincent Delfino and Brett Attard played the qualifier at Shoreline.

After the first attempt to play the qualifier on March 24th in pouring rain and 30+ mph winds it was finally cancelled and rescheduled for April 1, which in contrast was a beautiful and sunny 78 degree day.

After all the smoke cleared we had one of our own qualify for the Public Links Championship at Spyglass Hills on April 25/26. Shooting a 75 (5 over on the front and -2 on the back) Brett was in the club house as the top qualifier at Shoreline in the Presidents Flight.

Check out the NCGA tournament calendar for upcoming tournaments that you can enter and give it a go!

<http://www.ncga.org/rules-competitions/2011-tournament-calendar/>

FUTURE TOURNAMENTS

May 1 (SUNDAY) Sunnyvale NCGA South Bay Zone

Cost : \$160/ team.
Director: John Szarka
(831-636-1408)

Field size 64

First starting time is 8am.

Format: 2-Man Better Ball,
Blue Tees.

Cut-off date: 04-22-11

In addition to a regular event, this will serve as the first qualifying event to determine the four players to represent the SMGC in the NCGA North Bay Zone Competition. The second round is 5/15, Sunday, at Laguna Seca. The top ten two-man teams plus ties will advance to stage two July 11 and 12 at Quail Lodge and Poppy Hills. The final two teams from there will make up the four-man Zone team and play in Monterey August 29 and 30 and Spyglass and Poppy Hills. Play will be at 90% of your course handicap. The maximum index allowed for the competition is 18.4. If your index is higher, you will play at 18.4.



May 07 Dry Creek

Cost per player: \$56 w/cart.
Director: Bob Heihn
(408-557-8653)

Field size 24

First starting time is 10:02am.

Format: Point Par, Split Tees.

Cut-off date: 04-23-11

Jack Fleming designed Dry Creek Ranch located in Galt where it bisects Hiway 99. It's a great course, loaded with tall Oaks and a stream that are always in the wrong place. The front side seems like a challenge, but it's easy relative to the back side. Precision shots are required here. If you spray the ball you will be well acquainted with the lovely Oaks before the day is done. The restaurant serves an excellent tri-tip sandwich, so you may want to treat yourself afterwards.

White Tees:

Rating 69.8 / 123 6,161 yds

Blue Tees:

Rating 71.4 / 127 6,521 yds.

May 14 Spring Hills

Cost: \$53, no cart
Director: John Balsley
(650) 678-2191

Field Size: 28

First Tee Time: 9:00 am

Format: Low Net

Driving Range: Yes

Cut-off Date: July 31

Family owned and operated since 1965, this is a short demanding course in the Santa Cruz foothills. Holes 2 – 5 will test your accuracy, all tight with trouble on both sides. The greens here are undulating and small, reminiscent of Old Del Monte. You'll never have putts that are very long, just fast and with a lot of break. Measuring only 6,000 yards, this 127 slope will challenge all golfing levels. Come see this stylish course and enjoy the food in the old, refurbished clubhouse - a very comfortable setting.

White tees:

Rating: 69.6 /125 5,857

Blue tees:

Rating: 70.0/127 6,002

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Pacific Grove April 2

First Flight	Points	Certs
Jay Dameron	37	\$40
Andy Zutler	36	\$30
Larry Lopez	34	\$15
Jim Perko	34	\$15
John Balsley	32	\$5

Second Flight

Dan Chase	38	\$40
Ben Magana	37	\$25
Dale Wilson	37	\$25
Barry Franklin	36	\$8
Paul Phipps	36	\$8

Poppy Hills April 9

Flight 1 - Blue Tees - 6,559 yds (73.0 / 141)

Player	Pts	Certs
1st Arif Janjua	41	\$40
2nd John Balsley	35	\$30
3rd Bob Heihn	34	\$20

Flight 2 - White Tees - 6,163 yds (71.0 / 134)

Player	Pts	Certs
1st Oneal Sutton	35	\$40
2nd Chuck Richmond	34	\$30
3rd Barry Franklin	33	\$20

Tournament Phone

If 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.

Call 408 739 9281

Player of the year Standings as of APRIL 20, 2011

- 1 John Balsley \$280.00
- 2 Chuck Richmond \$245.00
- 3 Bob Heihn \$215.00
- 4 (tie) Tom Boydston \$205.00
- 4 (tie) Jay Dameron \$205.00
- 6 George Cai \$200.00
- 7 Phil Smithson \$145.00
- 8 Barry Franklin \$138.00
- 9 Yongsheng Yang \$130.00
- 10 (tie) Davis Huynh \$125.00
- 10 (tie) Dale Wilson \$125.00

10 Rules for hitting more greens (by Suzann Pettersen and Guy Yocum, Golf Digest April 2010). Here is 1.

Be tough on your irons. Hitting down on the ball and taking a divot is a must on iron shots yet many players just don't do it. They love their clubs, and I think they subconsciously afraid of banging them into the ground, nicking them, or otherwise wearing them out. They want to keep them shiny and new. Golf clubs are beautiful, yes, but you don't have to treat them delicately. They're tools. The same goes for perfect turf we get to play on; don't hesitate to take a healthy divot. Divots are easy to replace.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

2011 DIRECTOR'S TOURNAMENT RESULTS 36 HOLES - LOW NET APRIL 16-17, 2011

What a super tournament. The weather was great for both days. Some days of glory for some, and days of woe for others. We put up with the new cart path construction on the course with few problems. Lost track of all the winners in the raffle, 2 drivers, wedges, rescue clubs, golf bags, and balls were carried away by the happy winners. Thanks to John Balsley, Jay Dameron, and Jim Perko for their help in running this tournament.

John Szarka, Tournament Chairman

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL
OF OUR WINNERS !!!!

FIRST FLIGHT

First	John Balsley	139
SECOND	Mike Roscoe	144
THIRD	Zuhair Bokharey	144 *

*Lost playoff by default

SECOND FLIGHT

First	Samit Rao	142
Second	Nadeem Rahman	146
Third	Roger Boettger	148
	Brian Silva	148 **

** Lost playoff 21st



THIRD FLIGHT

First	Tom Boydstun	138
Second	Aurelio Periquet	139
Third	Don Anderson	141

FOURTH FLIGHT

First	George Cai	142
Second	Rich Brennan	146
Third	Dennis Nixon	149