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# SVJGA News

Summer/Fall 07

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Salinas Valley Jr. Golf Association

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## NCGA Membership

Would you like to play Poppy Hills, Bayonet/Blackhorse, San Juan Oaks, etc. for \$5? All you need to do is renew your NCGA membership through SVJGA for \$2. You can have an NCGA membership through more than one association. So, if you are a member through Salinas Fairways or Rancho Canada, you can also be a member with SVJGA. Only your membership with SVJGA, The First Tee of Monterey County or Santa Cruz County Jr. Golf will allow you the \$5 rates. That is because we are members of the Kids on Course program offered through the NCGA. You must be a member of an association that is affiliated with Kids on Course to get the discount. For more information, call Rusty at 444-0306.



## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Jr/Adult

Come join us on Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at Salinas Golf and Country Club for our annual Jr/Adult golf tournament. For your convenience, there is more information and an application in this newsletter.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraiser

Our annual fundraiser will be held Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at Salinas Golf and Country Club. Your entry fee of \$150 includes green fees, cart, range balls, tee prizes, dinner, awards, auction and a whole lot of fun. This is our major fundraiser for the year. This is how we support our junior tournaments and our range ball and green fee programs. We could really use your help to keep these programs going. As you may know, we are funded solely by private donations, grants and our fundraisers. We are asking for your help by playing in our tournament, becoming a sponsor, making donation to our raffle/auction, or simply volunteering to help

that day. Anything that you can do will be greatly appreciated. For more information call Rusty at 444-0306 or download an application at svjga.org.

## Northern California Golf Association

SVJGA wishes to thank the NCGA for their very generous donation of \$2,500. It will help us to continue to support our many programs. The NCGA also brings us the Kids on Course program which allows you \$5 green fees. Please join us in supporting them by joining or making a donation. For more info, go to NCGA.org.

## Want to Save Money?

SVJGA would love to help you save some money this summer. We are offering half price range ball cards that can be used at Twin Creeks, Salinas Fairways, or Salinas Golf and CC. We also have \$5 off green fee cards that are good anytime at Salinas Fairways. If you would like to take advantage of either of these programs, please call Rusty at 444-0306.

## 2007 SVJGA Board of Directors

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**THANK YOU to the following people  
for scoring at our Green Tournaments  
held at Twin Creeks Golf Course:**

**Jacob Quesenberry, Kay Harmon and Don Webster on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Greg Classen, Kay Harmon and Don Webster on March 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**Jacob Quesenberry, Gary Bacon, Kay Harmon and Don Webster on March 31<sup>st</sup>.**

**Jacob Quesenberry, Greg Classen, Kay Harmon, Gary Bacon and Dan Stockton  
On May 26<sup>th</sup>.**

**These scorers not only keep score, they also help our younger juniors with the rules and etiquette. This is not always an easy job. Our tournaments would not run so smoothly without their help. Thank you for your time and patience. Juniors or adults (with golf knowledge), if you would like to help, call Rusty at 444-0306. Juniors are eligible to earn community service hours from their high schools.**

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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

**The following juniors have advanced to the next level:**

**Sergio Rios, Jay Burlison and Mickey Mahoney have advanced to the Boys Gold level.**

**Taylor Camany and Caroline Belmont have advanced to the Girls Gold level.**

**Mariano Ottone and JJ Sanchez have advanced to the Boys Silver level.**

**Sunny Yan has advanced to the Boys Bronze 18 – hole level.**

**Congratulations juniors, great job!!!!**

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## **PACE OF PLAY**

**Pace of play is considered good golfing etiquette during any round of golf, tournament or not. Simply stated, “pace of play “ means keeping up with the group playing directly ahead of your group. SVJGA has come up with a policy to deal with pace of play during our tournaments. Simply put, it will not take more than 2 hours 15 minutes per nine holes for a foursome and not more than 2 hours per nine holes for a threesome. The Board recognizes that there can be many different factors that may cause a group to fall behind. However, it is then the individual responsibility of each player to make sure that the group as a whole maintains proper pace of play – even if it means having to speed up play in order to get back into position with the group ahead of you. If you would like to see the pace of play policy that was adopted on March 28, 2007, call Rusty at 444-0306.**

**Remember slow play will not be tolerated.**

## **SVJGA Tournaments**

Come join us! Juniors compete at skill level, age doesn't matter. Our less experienced players are called Green Level 5 and 9 holers. They play at Twin Creeks. Our Green 5 holers are required to carry (or pull) and choose their own clubs. They are sent out with a scorekeeper to help with the rules, etiquette and scorekeeping. It is a learning experience. Our Green 9 holers are also required to keep a score-card. When available, they will also have a scorekeeper. Afterwards, we enjoy pizza and trophies. Our more experienced players will play all other golf courses. They must follow USGA rules and correctly keep a competitor's scorecard. There are no scorekeepers. They will be broken into the following categories: (Boys) Gold-shoots 79 or less, Silver-shoots 80-89, Bronze-shoots 90 & up, Boys 9-hole (not ready for 18 holes). (Girls) Gold-shoots under 90, Silver-shoots over 90, 9-hole (not ready for 18 holes) Juniors may progress to the next level by shooting 3 consecutive or 3 out of 5 scores in the next division's range.

## **Lessons**

If you are interested in taking lessons, call Rusty at 444-0306. You will receive 5 one-hour group lessons for \$40.

## **18-Year Olds**

After turning 18 years old, juniors may continue to play with SVJGA until September 1<sup>st</sup> following graduation, or until entering college, whichever comes first. The year you turn 18, you will still be included in the TOC.

## **Spectator - Dress Code**

Please be aware that Salinas G&CC and Corral de Tierra both have strict dress codes. We expect spectators as well as juniors to dress accordingly. **This means no blue jeans.** We appreciate that these two private clubs allow us to use their courses. Please help us to thank them by showing respect for their rules.

## **Results**

Please check our website for results of our tournaments. We will no longer be posting them in our newsletter. You will also need to order range ball cards by downloading an

application from our website or by calling Rusty at 444-0306. We're sorry, but due to the rising costs of printing and postage, we find it necessary to cut back on costs.

## **Community Service – Scholarships**

Juniors that play in our Gold, Silver, Bronze tournaments are eligible to scorekeep at our Green level tournaments. This will accomplish three things. 1. You will earn community service hours which are required by all high schools now to graduate. 2. SVJGA looks very admirably on all scholarship applicants that have given back to our organization. 3. You will feel great about yourself by helping younger juniors to learn the game.

## **Spectator Rules**

We love to have you come out and watch your juniors play in our tournaments. The kids love having an audience. All we ask is that you respect our rules for spectators. **You must remain 25 yards from the competitors. You are not allowed on the greens or the tee boxes. You are not allowed to give advice to the juniors. Do not walk alongside of the competitors unless you are helping to find a lost ball. If you see an infraction of a rule, please bring it to my attention after the round.**

## **Valley Trophies**

Thank you to Valley Trophies for the beautiful job that they do on all of our awards. If you need trophies, plaques, medals, engraving, call Kurt Dillard at 422-2967.

## **Round Table Pizza**

Thank you Chris Swanson for supplying the pizza at our tournaments. It is excellent pizza and always on time.

## **Tournament of Champions**

This year's TOC will be held on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> with a 1:00 shotgun at Salinas Golf & CC. If you placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in any tournament in 2007, you will receive an invitation to play. Invitations will go out in October. You must respond to the invitation so we will have a proper head count.

## SVJGA Summer/Fall Event Schedule

___ Thurs, June 21	3:00	Rules Clinic (No Charge)	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sat, July 7	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Tues, July 10	1:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze, 9-Hole	San Juan Oaks
___ Sat, July 28	3:00	Rules Clinic (No Charge)	Twin Creeks GC
___ Mon, July 30*	1:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze, 9-Hole	Corral de Tierra
___ Sat, Aug 11	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Tues, Aug 14	1:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze, 9-Hole	Pajaro Valley GC
___ Sat, Sept 8	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sun, Sept 9	12:30	Gold, Silver, Bronze, 9-Hole	Rancho West
___ Sat, Oct 6	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sun, Oct 7	1:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze, 9-Hole	Salinas Fairways
___ Sat, Nov 3**	1:00	Tournament of Champions	Salinas Golf & CC

\* This is our annual competition against AT&T. Please do not sign up twice.

\*\* You will receive an invitation to this tournament, if you placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> during the year.

Check the events that you wish to participate in. Gold, Silver, Bronze, 9-Hole tournaments are **\$20**. Green tournaments are **\$10**. Please send your entries in as soon as possible. **If you cannot play in an event that you signed up for, please call Rusty at 444-0306. THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY!!!** No cash refunds. Credit will be issued if you cancel 2 weeks in advance of a tournament. I will call you a couple of days before the tournament with your tee-time. **On tournament day, please check in 30 minutes before your tee time.**

Dress code policy is enforced at **all** of our tournaments and clinics. Blue jeans and sweat pants are not allowed. Collared shirts must be worn and tucked in. Please wear soft spikes or tennis shoes. **Parents must follow dress code at SG&CC and Corral.**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE# \_\_\_\_\_

(GREEN ONLY) - I am currently playing 5 holes \_\_\_\_\_ 9 holes \_\_\_\_\_

(G,S,B,9-Hole) - I am currently playing GOLD \_\_\_\_\_ SILVER \_\_\_\_\_ BRONZE \_\_\_\_\_ 9-Hole \_\_\_\_\_

( All Ages ) (if new, I must have this info) INDEX OR LAST 3 SCORES \_\_\_\_\_

( 12 - 18 ONLY ) - I am interested in scoring for a Green Tournament on July 7 \_\_\_\_\_ Aug 11 \_\_\_\_\_ Sept 8 \_\_\_\_\_ Oct 6 \_\_\_\_\_

TOURNAMENTS CHECKED \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_ ( amount enclosed )

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**MAIL ENTIRE PAGE & PROPER \$ AMOUNT TO: SVJGA P.O. BOX 2507 SALINAS, CA 93902**