
SVJGA News

Summer/Fall 09

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Salinas Valley Jr. Golf Association

Jr/Adult Tournament

Our 12th annual Jr/Adult tournament was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who attended for helping to make this year so much fun. A huge thank you to Salinas Golf & CC for allowing us to hold our tournament there every

year. We couldn't ask for a better golf course or better service. Thanks to Rich Amirsehhi with Naturipe Berry Growers and Lou Fierro with Garden Source for sponsoring our trophies and golf balls. Thanks to Geoff Couch for donating the water. Thanks to all of our hole sponsors and to everyone that donated to our raffle and auction. Thanks for helping us raise over \$4,000 for our scholarship program.



Birdies for Charity

Thank you to everyone who donated to our organization during the Birdies for Charity campaign. Your contributions totaled \$1,028.05. To that, Monterey Peninsula Foundation added 10%, bringing our total to \$1,230.86. Thank you to Monterey Peninsula Foundation and to all of you. Look for this unique fund raising program again next year during the AT&T National Pro-Am.

Effective Immediately

All current and new SVJGA members will be required to attend a Rules Clinic. Please see page 2 for our new policy and a schedule of clinics.

Fundraiser at Pasadera

This year our 14th annual fundraiser will be held Monday, September 28th at Pasadera CC. Your entry fee of \$175 includes green fees, cart, range balls, boxed lunch, tee prizes, dinner, awards, auction and a whole lot of fun. This is our major fundraiser for the year and how we support our junior tournaments and many other programs. Please keep this date open. An invitation will be sent out this summer.

2009 Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations! Jill Strange will be receiving a \$1,500 scholarship. Christopher Boyns and Sunil Datt will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship. We are very proud of these juniors and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

E-Mail Addresses

I send out e-mail reminders and updates. If you wish to receive them, please remove djsiam@aol.com from your spam.

2009 SVJGA Board of Directors

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The mission of SVJGA is to prepare, develop and provide opportunities for competitive junior golfers, guided by etiquette and the rules of golf.

SVJGA 2009 Rules Clinic Schedule

Green	Bronze	Silver	Gold
		May 16th 9:00am – 12:00pm	May 16th 12:00pm – 3:00pm
June 13th 10:00am – 11:00am	June 27th 10:00am – 12:00pm	June 13th 11:00am – 2:00pm	June 27th 12:00pm – 3:00pm
July 25th 10:00am – 11:00am	July 11th 10:00am – 12:00pm	July 25th 11:00am – 2:00pm	July 11th 12:00pm – 3:00pm
August 15th 10:00am – 11:00am	August 8th 10:00am – 12:00pm	August 15th 11:00am – 2:00pm	August 8th 12:00pm – 3:00pm
September 19th 10:00am – 11:00am	September 12th 10:00am – 12:00pm	September 19th 11:00am – 2:00pm	September 12th 12:00pm – 3:00pm
October 17th 10:00am – 11:00am	October 10th 10:00am – 12:00pm	October 17th 11:00am – 2:00pm	October 10th 12:00pm – 3:00pm
November 14th 10:00am – 11:00am	November 7th 10:00am – 12:00pm	November 14th 11:00am – 2:00pm	November 7th 12:00pm – 3:00pm

All current SVJGA members must attend or be signed up for a rules clinic by June 30th in order to play in the Summer/Fall events. All new members must attend a rules clinic prior to their first tournament. Everyone will need to attend another rules clinic when advancing to the next level. Clinics are free to all SVJGA members. There is a \$10 fee for non-members to attend clinics. All clinics will be held at Twin Creeks GC.

We will conduct a rules clinic for each level once a month beginning in June. You may be excused from taking a rules clinic if you can pass a written test at 90% accuracy. Please pre-register for a rules clinic by e-mail rusty@svjga.org or call 444-0306.

Check the events that you wish to participate in. Gold, Silver, Bronze tournaments are \$20. Green tournaments are \$10. Please send your entries in as soon as possible. We must receive payment **prior** to the tournament. **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.

SVJGA Summer/Fall Event Schedule

___ Sat, July 25	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Mon, July 27	12:30	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9-Holers	Corral de Tierra*
___ Wed, Aug 5	3:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9-Holers	Poppy Hills GC**
___ Sat, Aug 22	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sun, Aug 23	12:42	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9-Holers	Laguna Seca GC
___ Sat, Oct 10	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sun, Oct 11	12:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9-Holers	Rancho Canada
___ Sat, Nov 14	2:30	Green 9 and 5 Hole Tournament	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sun, Nov 15	12:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9-Holers	Salinas Fairways
___ Sat, Dec 5	TBD	Tournament of Champions	Salinas G&CC***

*This is our annual tournament against AT&T Jr. Golf.

** Due to the late starting time, we are only playing 9 holes.

*** Do not sign up for the TOC. If you qualify, you will receive an invitation.

Hot dogs and sodas will no longer be provided at the Gold, Silver, Bronze tournaments.
We will provide water and snacks at the turn.

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 _____

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

TOURNAMENTS CHECKED _____ @ \$20 = _____ (amount enclosed)

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

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 awards. 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.

New Policies

- #1. All tournaments must be paid in advance. We no longer accept payment on the day of the tournament.
- #2. There are no cash refunds on tournaments. If you cancel 2 weeks before a tournament, we can issue a credit.
- #3. We now have a no-show policy in effect. If you don't show up for a tournament that you signed up for and you don't call, you will receive a warning letter. If you do it twice in one year, you won't be allowed to play in the Tournament of Champions. It is your responsibility to notify Rusty or the golf course that you will not be there.
- #4. Points Program – Please check our website to see how the Points Program works.

18-Year Olds

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

NCGA

SVJGA would like to thank the Northern California Golf Association for their very generous grant of \$1,200. It will help us to continue our many programs. The NCGA also brings us the Youth on Course program which allows you \$5 and \$2 green fees at over 80 golf courses. For more info, go to NCGA.org.

Want to Save Money?

SVJGA would love to help you save money. We have \$5 off green fee cards that are good anytime at Salinas Fairways. These cards are free. If you would like a card or cards, call Rusty at 444-0306 or e-mail her at rusty@svjga.org.

Community Service – Scholarships

Juniors that play in our Gold, Silver and Bronze tournaments are eligible to score keep at our Green level tournaments. This will accomplish three things. 1. You will earn community service hours which are now required by all high schools. 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.

Thank You

Thank you to the following people for scoring at our Green level tournaments held at Twin Creeks GC in 2009:

Drew Nelson, Jill Strange, Don Webster, Caroline Belmont, Mike Perham, Greg Williams, Sunil Datt, Keegan and Taylor Dominguez.

These scorers not only keep score, they also help our younger juniors with the rules and the etiquette. Our tournaments couldn't possibly run so smoothly without their help. Thank you for your time and patience. If you would like to help, call Rusty at 444-0306. Juniors may earn community service hours.

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Thanks again to Laurie Classen who continues to keep our website updated and maintained. Great job, Laurie. Thank you.