
SVJGA News

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Salinas Valley Jr. Golf Association

Happy New Year Everyone!

The SVJGA Board hopes that everyone had a great holiday and that 2012 finds you healthy and happy.

2012 SVJGA Membership

If you are a new or returning member to SVJGA, your membership fees of \$30 are due now. Your membership will be good until December 31st, 2012. You will also receive an NCGA membership at no extra cost. Please make sure that you include your current NCGA number (if you have one) on your application. This card will allow you to post your scores at each of the courses that you play and have an official handicap. This card also allows you

discount green fees at Laguna Seca, Poppy Hills, Salinas Fairways, etc. For your convenience, a 2012 application is included in this newsletter. For those of you receiving a waived membership with TFTMC due to enrollment in the Alisal school district, you must still pay for your SVJGA membership.

Our Heartfelt Thanks

Thank you to the Monterey Peninsula Foundation and to Salinas Golf and Country Club for their long-term support. They both play such an important role in our continuing success as an organization. We cannot thank them enough for their support of SVJGA.

Birdies for Charity

This is a fun and exciting way to make a donation to SVJGA based on the number of birdies scored by all PGA players during the 2012 AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am tournament. You can pledge one cent or more per birdie, or if you prefer, you may pledge a flat amount. To enhance your pledge, Monterey Peninsula Foundation will add 15% to your donation. SVJGA will actually receive 115% of all funds that we raise. You may get a pledge form by calling Rusty at 444-0306. Or, you can go to the "Birdies for Charity" website, www.attpbgolf.com and make a pledge on-line. Click on "The Charities", then "Birdies for Charity", then "Pledge your Favorite Charity". If you correctly guess the number of birdies made during the tournament, you can win two Continental airline tickets (up to \$500 each). There will also be random drawings for many other prizes throughout the pledging season. All monies raised will help us to improve on our many programs.

2012 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.

Rules Clinics

Effective this year, we have made it mandatory that every junior will take a rules clinic each year, if they wish to play in our tournaments. There will also be a \$5 charge for the rules clinics starting in 2012. We will have the 2012 rules clinic schedule on the website as soon as it is ready.

2012 NCGA Membership

Everyone will receive a new NCGA card when they join this year. Stickers are no longer being used. You **must** show your current card to receive discounts.

SVJGA Tournaments

Come join us! Juniors compete at skill level, age doesn't matter. Our less experienced players are called Green 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 scorecard. 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.

Tournament Policies

- #1. All tournaments must be paid in advance.
- #2. There will be no cash refunds on tournaments. If you cancel 2 weeks before a tournament, we can issue a credit.
- #3. We 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. 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.

Organizations

Please remember that SVJGA, TFTMC and AT&T are three different organizations. Therefore each of us has our own rules, addresses and phone numbers for contact purposes.

High School Seniors

If you are graduating in 2012, you may be eligible for a scholarship from SVJGA. Please contact Rusty if you didn't already receive an application. And if you did receive an application, please remember that it is due back by April 1, 2012.

E-Mail Addresses

SVJGA sends out reminders and updates by e-mail. If you wish to receive them, please make sure that we have your correct e-mail address. Also, if you would like to receive our newsletter by e-mail, please let us know.

AT&T vs SVJGA

Our annual competition with AT&T Jr. Golf will be Monday, June 4th at Corral de Tierra CC. You may sign up on the enclosed Jan-June Event schedule. For those of you that are members of both associations, please sign up with only one organization.

Tournament of Champions

Our annual TOC was held on November 20th at Salinas Golf & Country Club. Results are posted on our website, svjga.org. Congratulations to every junior that qualified to be there. And thank you to Salinas Golf & Country Club for their generosity and ongoing support.

Facebook

Salinas Valley Junior Golf Association is now on facebook. Please LIKE us, so you will receive the latest updates on tournaments and other happenings with SVJGA.

Points

Congratulations to our current Points winners for the 2011 Summer/Fall series. To see who they are or for more information on how you can earn points, please visit our website, svjga.org.

Check the events that you wish to participate in. Gold, Silver, Bronze tournaments are \$25, except for the San Juan Oaks tournament, which is \$30. 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, you must 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. You will receive a phone call or e-mail a couple of days before the tournament with your tee-time.

On tournament day, please check in at least 30 minutes before your tee time. You must be on the tee box 10 minutes prior to your tee time.

SVJGA Jan-June Event Schedule

___ Sat, Feb 25	2:30	Green 5 and Green 9 Holers	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sun, Feb 26	12:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9 Holers	Salinas Fairways
___ Sun, Mar 25	12:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9 Holers	Rancho Canada (East)
___ Sat, Mar 31	2:30	Green 5 and Green 9 Holers	Twin Creeks GC
___ Sun, April 15	12:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9 Holers	Ridgemark CC
___ Sun, May 6	1:30	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9 Holers	San Juan Oaks * (\$30)
___ Sat, May 19	2:30	Green 5 and Green 9 Holers	Twin Creeks GC
___ Mon, June 4	12:00	Gold, Silver, Bronze & 9 Holers	Corral de Tierra CC
___ Sat, June 30	2:30	Green 5 and Green 9 Holers	Twin Creeks GC

*There will be a \$30 charge to play San Juan Oaks.

Green tournaments will be provided pizza, drinks & trophies after the tournament.

Gold, Silver, Bronze tournaments will be provided snacks and water at the turn.

Medals to be awarded after the tournament.

NAME _____ AGE _____

PHONE# _____ E-MAIL _____

(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 G, S, B, 9-Hole players must take a yearly Rules Clinic. There will be a \$5 charge for the clinic. Please refer to our website, svjga.org for the current dates.

(All Levels) (if new, I must have this info) INDEX OR LAST 3 SCORES _____

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

TOURNAMENTS CHECKED _____ @ \$25 = _____ (amount enclosed)

TOURNAMENTS CHECKED _____ @ \$30 = _____ (amount enclosed)

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