

SPACE GOLF CLUB NEWSLETTER

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www.spacegolfclub.org



Presidents Message By Victor Allen

I hope all is well with you and your family as we traverse this global pandemic. You may have noticed a few of our scheduled tournaments have been postponed. There may be more postponements in the future. The tournament director will make the decision to postpone a tournament in conjunction with the golf courses and consideration of the current medical situation. At some point, we will continue to play golf as a club. The situation may not be totally under control when that happens. With that in mind, please be considerate of your tournament directors. They have to interact with every player in the tournament.

In the past, players have congregated around the tournament director to pay green fees, turn in scorecards or collect prizes. This may not be the best practice going forward. I ask that you allow sufficient space between transactions in consideration of your tournament director. Some directors may offer the option of sending your money in advance. The treasurer does not cash your checks until after the tournaments. If there is a postponement, your checks will not be cashed. When offered, I encourage you to use this option.

Approximately three times a year the Board of Directors and Committee Chairpersons meet to discuss issues affecting Space Golf Club. These meetings are open to all members to attend. They typically occur at one of the tournament sites either before or after the event. When a meeting is scheduled, an email will be sent to all members advising them of the place and time. There is no need to respond, just show up if your schedule permits.

For those planning to play in the Four-ball tournament, it will be moved from Temecula Creek to Industry Hills golf course. This was done to allow the winning team ample time to select a qualifying venue for the SCGA 4-Ball tournament.

I wish you continued good health going forward.

Vice-President's Message
By John Funke

SCGA TV

Fellow golfers, if your having problems with your game, there are hundreds of free PGA training videos available at the following SCGA website! Categories include driving, ball striking, short game, putting and game management. Check it out!

<https://www.scga.org/scga-video2/scga-swing-tips>



Treasurer's Message
By Scott Thoeny

Our Club is carrying scrip that is over 2 years old, which we would like to see used. The people owning the scrip are typically guests that don't normally play with us or people that have moved out of the area. If anyone knows or is in contact with the following individuals and wants to buy (pay that person for their scrip) their scrip, send an email to sthoeny@ca.rr.com and I will allocate their scrip to you:

Robert Aitken (24), Ken Baker (17), Richard Bloomfield (23), Julius Bowe (10), Steve Brown (29), Jim Campbell (12), Mike Castillo (13), Ted Cowan (23), Mike DeAngelo (14), Antonio Dias (26), Herb Dowell (14), Rey Ducot (20), Jeff Fettig (14), Henry Fortea (10), C Giarrantano (11), Carl Iseri (16), Kris Koerkenmeier (15), Ted Lang (15), Rob Marberger (14), R McCurdy (19), Gary McKay (42), Mike Miller (17), Joe Negrete (21), Jim Neptune (27), Toby Orr (15), Chris Robertson (24), Jeff Schlieder (11), Robert Sheffield (10), Blake Swanson (26), Mike Taurek (11), William Taylor (12), John Topolewski (24), John Turner (10), Jim Verdugo (23), Mike Vick (10), JR Winfrey (13)

SCGA Tournament Results By Scott Thoeny

Max Kim and Scott Thoeny represented our Club in the SCGA Tournament of Club Champions. Max took 5th place in his division and received a trophy plate. Congratulations to Max!



Here is a quote from the ever-photogenic Max Kim:

"I was honored to represent Space Golf Club at the SCGA Tournament of Club Champions in Dec of 2019. I placed 5th surprisingly. I struggled early on and had already used all of my strokes playing the first 9-holes. I then played scratch the rest of the way with a birdie on the last hole for a final net par to get myself into position for the award. Too bad Scott left early and wasn't able to cheer me on when I received my silver plate at the banquet. I hope to win it ALL next time I'm eligible?"

Membership Chairperson Message
Jerold Moore/Scott Thoeny

Jerold Moore has volunteered to be our Club's new Membership Chairperson. The Membership Application on our web site will be updated following our next Board Meeting. Jerold will be contacting members who are coming up on their renewal dates and collecting the dues. Thank you Jerold for taking on this task.

As of 2/20 we had a membership count of 110 with a number of delinquent renewals that are pending. Your membership with our Club includes membership with the Southern California Golf Association (SCGA). The SCGA has a number of membership benefits, including discounts at Roger Dunn, GolfTec and other establishments. To realize these benefits, see the SCGA-Member-Benefits email sent to each member. If you did not receive this email, or lost it, contact the SCGA at membership@scga.org

Handicap Corner
By Tom Hughes

The new world handicapping system has proved to be quite a challenge...especially for me as the club handicap chairman. The first thing most of us notice when the monthly handicaps come out is that you are getting fewer strokes! For starters, the best 8 scores not 10 of the last 20 are used.

Posting a score, yourself, at the course or on-line, the new system has a much different and tougher set of rules for adjusting scores. The new "net double bogey" limit rule has complicated things but in my mind actually made the adjustments both tougher and fairer. For our tournaments, the adjustments are done by the Tournament Directors. With the GHIN app, you can enter hole by hole scores where the scores are adjusted automatically. The USGA computer system does additional adjustments for weather and course condition. I still must post the tournament scores.

Indexes are adjusted every time a score is posted. If you use the USGA GHIN app on your cell phone, there is a Handicap History page that shows the new index after each posted score. Since the first of this year, I have posted 8 scores. The range from the low to high was 1 stroke. For our club tournament events, we will continue to use the Index values on the 1st and 15th of the month to allow the tournament directors sufficient time to put together the event HC's prior to the start of play.

Another challenge for me has been working with the USGA GHIN Administrative portal to define formats and publish the bi-monthly handicap index reports for the tournament director to use setting up the events. There is an extensive list of standard reports that the club could use to keep track of things. We are still learning there. If you see anything peculiar in the reports I send, let me know. I am still able to make changes or corrections on the posted scores. You can continue to have me make those corrections when you post an incorrect score or tee set. Just send an email to jtomh@earthlink.net.

Tournaments By Steve Venitsky

Please see the 2020 Space Golf Club Tournament schedule on the next page. Please note the club SCGA 4-ball net qualifier has been moved to the Industry Hills tournament on Monday, July 13th. You and your partner have the opportunity to represent our club in the SCGA 4-ball net tournament if you win the club qualifier. Qualifier rules will be included in the tournament information packet.

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SGC Board Meetings: Check with a board member for time and date details.

“Golf is a game that is played on a five-inch course – the distance between your ears.” -
Bobby Jones

“Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way when you criticize them, you are a mile away from them and you have their shoes.” -
Jack Handey

2020 SPACE GOLF CLUB SCHEDULE

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Date	Course	Contact	Phone	Time	Est \$	Field	Comments
1-25	Royal Vista, East/North	Terry Painter	(714) 873-6744	8:30	52	28	
2-10 (Mon)	Los Coyotes, Vista/Lake	Jeff Gase	(805) 791-8166	8:30	62	32	Private, Shotgun, Range
4-18	Los Serranos, South	Victor Allen	(951) 255-7360	8:34	72	40	
5-2	Costa Mesa (Mesa Linda)	Scott Thoeny	(714) 292-9239	10:00	67	28	Range
5-23	Menifee Lakes, Palms	John Funke	(562) 889-1528	8:30	52	28	Shotgun, Range
6/13	Mile Square (Classic)	Jeff Gase	(805) 791-8166	10:00	78	28	\$75 if 20 players or more
7/13 (Mon)	Industry Hills (Ike)	Minerva Venitsky	(909) 594-0604	8:30	71	36	Range, SCGA 4-Ball Net Qualifier
8-1	San Juan Hills	Jeff Gase	(805) 791-8166	11:06	72	32	Range
8-15	Temecula Creek, Creek/Stonehouse	Minerva Venitsky	(909) 594-0604	8:30	72	36	Shotgun, Range
8-31 (Mon)	Goose Creek	Victor Allen	(951) 255-7360	10:00	59/66	40	Senior \$59, Regular \$66
9-19	San Clemente	Minerva Venitsky	(909) 594-0604	10:30	57**	32	\$15 Cart optional, Range
10-24	Rancho California	Mike Basel	(949) 545-4200	8:30	64	36	Club Championship, Shotgun, Range
11-9 (Mon)	Alta Vista CC	Jeff Gase	(805) 791-8166	7:30	69	40	Private, Shotgun
12-5	Dos Lagos	Jay Badgley	(951) 809-4745	8:30	66	28	Hot dog, Soda
12-29 (Tue)	Anaheim Hills	Scott Thoeny	(714) 292-9239	8:40	53	40	Shotgun, Range

**Does NOT include cart.

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FREE GOLF & CART -- Tournament directors wanted: Contact [Steve Venitsky](#), (909) 594-0604

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