

Club News July 2025



President: Randy Gilpin

Because we pay our dues at various times through the year I bet I am not the only one who forgot to apply for my SCGA multi-club discount for 2025. If you pay SCGA membership through more than one club you are entitled to a rebate of some or all of the SCGA dues you pay. SCGA dues are \$41, but the most you have to pay to SCGA regardless of the number of clubs you join is \$55. If you are a member of two clubs that means you may receive a rebate of \$27. SCGA dues will be rebated in full for any additional memberships after that.

I am a member of the Whispering Pines Golf Club, as are a number of you. That means I can get \$27 back for paying SCGA dues twice. Some of you are members of clubs at El Cariso or Knollwood, or the Disney club. If you paid SCGA dues through those other affiliations, you can get a rebate.

Fortunately, you (and I) can apply for the rebate anytime during the year. I just submitted mine as I sat down to write this article. Follow the link below for more details and to access the application form:

https://scga.formstack.com/forms/mutimember_rebate_form

It takes a little time for SCGA to check records and verify multiple memberships, but they do eventually come through with the rebate. It is kind of a minor windfall when sometime a couple months later you get the money you forgot you had applied for!

In the meantime, see you at the golf course – stay cool and hydrated.



Membership Chairman: Gary Hallden

We begin the month of July with 140 total members. During the month of June, we gained 4 new members: Rick Boggs, Jerry Caston, Jake Lachman, and Richard Welter. Gentlemen, welcome to our Vista Valencia Senior Men's Golf Club! I guarantee that you will enjoy meeting the other players and the camaraderie within the Club.

Happy Birthday to all our golfers born during the month of July! The following members will officially become one year older: Curtis Bates (68), Don Bates (75), Mike Bojorquez (70), Jim Brantley (83), David Celaya (80), Charles Cote (79), Mike Eberhart (61), Michael Esser (69), Bertram Jayasinghe (68), Herb Ramsey (82), John Rivetti (69), Craig Robbins (74), Gary Rohr (67), Risto Salo (67), and Victor Yazgulian (63).

The hot days of summer are upon us! Don't forget to hydrate-drink plenty of water!

Here is a list of the most common mistakes on all the score cards that are reviewed: Total gross and net scores incorrectly computed, no finishing time, birdies (skins) not circled, and no signature by scorer or attester. Additionally, players forget to post their scores. Always post all your rounds that you play, including those non-Vista Club Events.



Away Event Chairman: Bill Westcott

Summer is here. It will bring very warm temperatures to play golf in. As a respite, consider playing in the upcoming away tournaments that will be played in the cooler environs of Ventura County. In July we will play at Olivas Links, followed by Sterling Hills in August and back to Olivas Links in September.

We played our June away tournament at the Westlake Golf Course. Randy Volar took first place in the A flight and Mark Vesolowski took first in the B flight. Interesting contrast between the two flights. In the A flight there were 18 birdies, in the B flight, one!

Please join us for the July 31st away tournament at Olivas Links. You can enter to play in this tournament by sending me an entry form and entry fee by US Mail (be sure I receive your entry prior to the deadline). You can deposit your entry form and fee in our box at Vista or you can submit the entry form at VVSMGC.com/away-event. Please indicate on the form how your entry fee will be received. If you have any questions about away tournaments, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Treasurer: Roger Jackson

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for Zelle — it's greatly appreciated! Zelle makes the payout process much smoother: it's faster, more secure, and eliminates the hassle of writing and depositing checks.

Recently, I had to reissue checks for two separate tournaments because the originals were never received. I also have a growing list of outstanding checks that remain uncashed. Switching to Zelle helps avoid these issues and ensures you receive your funds promptly.

Date	Member	Check #	Category	Amount
06/05/25	Arnie Jackmond	7049	Payouts	(50.33)
06/05/25	Gene Fretheim	7050	Payouts	(21.00)
06/05/25	Michael Smith	7056	Payouts	(24.00)
06/05/25	Ken Marchand	7057	Payouts	(10.00)
06/05/25	Harold Maxham	7059	Payouts	(21.00)
06/05/25	Harold Maxham	7060	Payouts	(12.50)
06/05/25	Jorgen Jensen	7061	Payouts	(29.00)
06/05/25	Jorgen Jensen	7062	Payouts	(9.00)
06/18/25	Jorgen Jensen	7072	Payouts	(42.50)
06/18/25	Tony Dos Santos	7073	Payouts	(50.00)

If you haven't signed up yet, I encourage you to consider it — it really streamlines everything.



Secretary: Lee Goldberg

Welcome to the second month of summer. This month should be very hot. Make sure you hydrate and use plenty of sunblock. Sunburn is not good, and cancer is even worse.

The major holiday in July is Independence Day. Happy 249 years America. We've come a longways since those ragtag soldiers fought for our independence. Stay safe with those fireworks. Too many people get hurt! By the way, the month was named after Julius Caesar.

The Board, especially Gary, needs your help. On June 24 we had eight groups playing in the Blind Bogey. Out of the eight, four scorecards were INCORRECT. The foursomes **MUST** make sure the card that is turned in is right. It is your responsibility, not Gary's! The twosome who do not have the card that Gary passed out, must have a scorecard too. Both cards should be verified before the original is turned in. Finish time is important also, and two players were not posted on the final BB score sheet. All players must be recorded.

What have we learned thus far? A lot of improvement is needed. The board is considering disqualification for mistakes made on the cards. Let's not get to that point.

Happy 4th to all!



Event Chairman: Risto Salo

44 golfers enjoyed our June 15th 4-Club tournament. Congratulations to the A Flight winner Scott Weber (net 58) and the B Flight winner John Capra (net 56)!!

Our next home tournament is a Low Net event on July 17th. The deadline is July 4. Don't miss out. Signup using either of the methods below.

Electronic form on the website (under the "More" heading select "Vista Event)

Manual entry form (under the "Events" heading and scroll to the bottom of the tournament schedule page), print and fill out. Place it in the box at the course or mail to my address.

All checks should be placed in the box at the course or mailed to my address.

The club is now accepting Zelle for entry fees and also for the payment of any winnings. Contact our Treasurer Roger Jackson to set this up.
rogerajackson45@gmail.com

The carts should have sand mix in the containers. Please fill in your divots.

On the greens, please repair your ball marks and any others that you see.

Please rake your footprints and any others that are nearby to give the groups behind you a clean lie.

See you at the course.



Rules Chairman: Ken Rosso

Greetings all. There is a maintenance road next to the green on hole #4, on the way to hole #5. A question came up on how we should treat it if your ball landed on this road. We discussed this situation at our last board meeting and agreed to treat it as if it was on a cart path. If the ball is on the hill side of the maintenance road, you might be better off playing it as it lies, which is always an option.

We will add this rule to our “Rules” page on our VVSMGC website. If you’re new to the club or haven’t reviewed our club rules in a while, I recommend going to this page as a refresher.

If you have any questions or need a rule clarification, feel free to contact me at kjrosso618@gmail.com.



Handicap Chairman & Web Master: Curtis Bates

Zelle is the way to go! No more paper checks to drop off or mail, so you can save on gas or postage.

Keep posting all your scores! If, you are having problems entering you scores into the handicap system, contact me (curtisdbates@gmail.com).