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## Special Announcements: Merry Christmas!

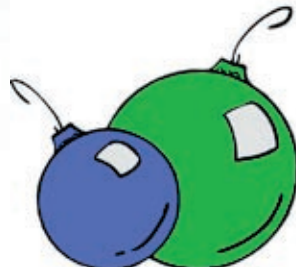
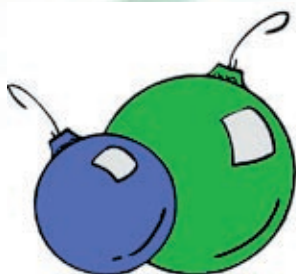


**President - Steve White**  
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Merry Christmas to all. It is that time of year for us to look back at our blessings and be thankful for all that we have, family, friends, and golf. My thanks go out to the members of the Royal Vista Mens Club for your participation in our events of the past year. With the hard work from your 2010 Board of Directors and the Royal Vista golf staff, we enjoyed a good year of golf. With the exception of our member-guest, all events were deemed a success. Both of our Team Play teams were winners, with Saturdays team advancing a few rounds. The Spring Fling in Palm Springs was as special as always. Thank you Sam Johnson for all your years of service for this tournament and our golf club. Our other away tournament was held in Laughlin, Nevada in October. Larry Lykins puts on a tournament that members talk favorably about for years. Thank you Larry for your time and effort spent for the mens club. Other members who have given their time for our golf club this year are, Phil Rini, Team Play, John Digregorio, Friday Skins, a special thank you to you both.

Your 2011 RVGA Board of Directors will work just as hard for you this coming year. We have our members in mind with something new and something old. We hope that all members find the time to become active by playing in the events and giving of their time when needed. See you on the greens...



## December

12/04 - General Meeting  
1:00 PM Lunch

### Tournaments

12/04 - Booze Shoot/Last Chance  
12/18 - Tournament of Champ  
01/08 - Match vs Par  
01/22 - 2 Man Aggregate  
02/05 - Low Gross/Low Net  
02/19 - 2 Man Scramble  
03/05 - 2 Man Select Drive  
03/19 - 2 Man Miami  
04/02 - Best 9 Holes  
04/16 - 4 Man Scramble  
04/28-29 - Spring Fling  
05/07 - President Cup



### Wednesday and Friday Game

8:00 am  
Individual Net Skin Game

### RVGA Board Members

President.....Steve White  
Vice President.....Tim Devaney  
Secretary.....Ken Wheeler  
Treasurer.....Vince Mitchell  
Handicap Chairman.....Tim Citizen  
Tournaments.....Dennis Walker  
Past President.....Doug Peterson  
Editor.....Mark Gallant

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Tis the season to be jolly, or Fred or Pete or whoever you dress up as for X-mas. Speaking of dressing, turkey or golf course, we are getting a major helping of some pretty good stuff. Have you taken a look around you lately? All those predictions that were foretold by some wise ole sage are coming to fruition. The major part of the construction in the bar will be completed by December 10 with the flat screens up and running, alcohol down and pouring and an actual unobstructed view of the 18<sup>th</sup> green. I know there have been issues with food service at the meetings and there have problems with waiting areas in the mornings before our tee times but Santa has arrived and packed a few surprises in his bag. There is a new director of food and beverage, Robert Lee who will take care of all those concerns. It seems like every time there is a cataclysmic event like infringed tee times or late meals, management has risen to the issue and addressed the problem. There are new people working in the golf shop that are just getting to know who we are and the surrounding mayhem with hammers and saws isn't exactly 9 drummers drumming or 10 pipers piping. But, if you remember years long ago wondering how the big guy in the red outfit would ever fit in and get down the chimney to bring you that Hopalong Cassidy gun and holster or that Daisy BB gun. You know I can see Cawdrey and Perez with both of those and that Sergeant Preston Northwest Mounties hat. (Bad visual, sorry). The point is Christmas is coming and there are things worth waiting for so hang in there I don't think we will be disappointed.

On a more Grinchy note, there are about 30 members who have not gotten their renewal memberships in yet. The list is going in to the SCGA in the next 2 weeks and if your name is not on that list, poof goes your handicap and an added late payment fine will be applied by the SCGA. I realize budgets, Christmas spirit and all that but it's time. Get those memberships in. On that note have a merry Christmas.



**Secretary - Ken Wheeler**  
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Royal Vista has had an interesting year at best with new management and new facilities. The board and especially I wish each and every one of you the best of holidays and a time for friends to join together to be thankful for all that we have.

Merry and happy to you all.





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The Holidays are here again. We are all running around trying to get the perfect gift for our Wife, Children, and Family members. What do they want, what do they need, and what can we afford to get them? It gets tougher every year! I am easy, all I ever want is some tees!

I would like to thank our Board of Directors; President-Steve White, Vice President- Tim Devaney, Secretary-Ken Wheeler, Treasure-Vince Mitchell, Tournament Chairman-Dennis Walker, Handicap Chairman-Bob Briggs, and Past President-Doug Peterson. The Board Members work all year to keep our club organized, enjoyable, and growing. Congratulations to our new Handicap Chairman-Tim Citizen. I am sure he will do a great job!

I would also like to thank the members. We have a very friendly bunch of members that come out to play in the monthly tournaments. If you ever need a game, take your pick. You can play with the fast pace group of Vince Mitchell at 7:00. Join Larry Lykins group at 7:22, you must keep up or they will leave you behind. You could join my group, but you must play by the rules. If you would like a slower pace, you can play with Kriss Ozols' group. Or, if you feel more comfortable playing with a women, you can join Rhonda's group. We have something for everyone and that is what makes us a great membership.

Have a Merry Christmas!



**Handicap Chairman - Tim Citizen**  
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I would like to thank the membership in electing me for Handicap Chairman. I will serve the post to the best of my ability, and remind you all to count em up, add em up and submit correctly each time you post!

I wish you all the best of the holiday season to you and your families, and let's all look forward to a great 2011.



**Past President & Rules - Doug Peterson**  
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From the Past Prez---From me and mine, to you and yours, Happy Holidays, one and all...!!! Here's hoping the fruits of past labors are helping you to weather the various storms that befall many of us this time of year, and that the look to the future brings many opportunities for accomplishing all the many things left undone over the last year or so. At Royal Vista, the course has moved forward in a new direction and good things seem to be in the works for the months to come. Though the weather is currently a bit "chilly" for we pampered SoCal golfers, I'm sure Santa will bring everyone new technology aplenty as we indulge our fantasies in the endeavor we call golf. As a reminder, don't throw out those old plastic windshields of years gone by because our new carts don't have them yet...and golf at O'dark thirty can get quite "nippy" without it. Cold hands and watery eyes do not make it easy to hit'em long, straight, and not too often, but a little forethought may ease the difficulty ratio a little. Remember too that this is the time of giving...no, not the "give me \$20.00" kind...a time to share what good fortune we have, and celebrate with those who have helped make our lives what they are...no matter the birdies or bogeys, skins or trophies. Our numbers have taken a hit this year and many have had to face difficult challenges. It's that time of year when we can appreciate those challenges and celebrate our efforts to overcome them and be better for it. It's that time of year to be generous in our toasts with those who share our passion for golf and the life that allows us to enjoy it. None of these words are new to this space, just a reinforcement of the season and a thankful reminiscence for the good things in our lives.

Should you be on the lookout for a seasonal treat of the golfing variety, you might want to check out a new addition to the Palm Springs courses now available to the little people...no, not just Devaney and Bales...!!! The once storied Indian Canyon North course (formerly the very private and exclusive haunt of celebs like Hope, Sinatra, Crosby, Martin, Lewis, Hackett, Eisenhower, Cooper, et al.) is now a semi private course that can be played by we mere mortals for less than \$100.00. It seems the local celebrity golfing community has been dying off and not replaced by today's young guns of the industry, at least not in Palm Springs anyway. Therefore, times are available most days of the week for those who would want to venture the links enjoyed by many of the rich and famous of earlier Palm Springs lore.

Speaking of lore, another golfing gift you might want to look into is a current book out, written by Mark Frost, called "The Match: The Day The Game of Golf Changed Forever". It's a true story about the early days of golf when amateurs ruled the links for the "love of the game" and the professionals could barely make a buck at their craft. Its Bobby Jones, Ben Hogan, Byron Nelson, Ken Venturi and a bunch of no name personalities behind the infancy and formation of the mega millions tour as we know it today. It's quite interesting, informative, and inspirational, and, if you know someone who has a "love of the game", they might enjoy finding it under their tree this Christmas.

Once again, Happy Holidays. Wishing Peace, Love, Joy, and Thanksgiving To All



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Well, we were rained out for the Turkey Shoot! this means you only have one more chance to qualify for the Tournament of Champions. Make sure to sign up for the Booze shoot this month.

On tournament days when we have inclement weather please call the Pro Shop, we inform them if we are going to play around 6:30 am. on that day.

We are going to change the Tournament of Champions on December 18th a little this year and only play on Saturday! We have had alot of no shows for the Sunday round in the past and this way we will all know the outcome on Saturday. Payouts will remain the same. This is all your first chance to qualify for the 2011 TOC!

Also at our Board meeting we discussed a members suggestion that in the event of a tie for first place all tying teams or players be qualified for the TOC and not have their fate determined by a card playoff. Makes sense and the board has agreed. We also decided to remove the card playoff format. In future the tying teams will all be winners and will receive an equal share in the script awarded plus entry into the Tournament of Champions.

We have another great year of tournaments coming up and have added a 4 man scramble to the list that will be a bind draw for teams. Should a fun format. See you on the links!

**2 MAN SCRAMBLE - NOV 6, 2010**

**A Flight**

Player	Hdcp	Player	Hdcp	Team Hdcp	Gross	Net
Lykins	7	Lykins	9	4.00	66	62.00
Peterson	6	Lindsay	12	4.50	67	62.50
Walker	10	Veiga	2	3.00	66	63.00
Jackson	5	Broussard	17	5.50	69	63.50
Ozols C.	8	Bowers	15	5.75	70	64.25
Chang	10	Woods	3	3.25	68	64.75
Gallant	4	Citizen	19	5.75	71	65.25
Bennett	17	Lopez	2	4.75	70	65.25
Devaney	7	Bales	15	5.50	71	65.50
Cawdrey	15	Frost	9	6.00	74	68.00

1st Place \$80 per team + T.of C.  
 2nd Place \$60 per team  
 3rd Place \$30 per team

**B Flight**

Player	Hdcp	Player	Hdcp	Team Hdcp	Gross	Net
White	10	Gross	24	8.50	73	64.50
Briggs	21	Kaminski	20	10.25	75	64.75
Salamon	11	Hall R.	24	8.75	76	67.25
Nazaroff	16	Heffington	18	8.50	76	67.50
Williams G	23	Brown	23	11.50	79	67.50
Kikuda	21	Flemins	26	11.75	80	68.25
Frenchy	21	Branchick	24	11.25	82	70.75
Hall D.	16	Thomas	20	9.00	82	73.00
Giles	21	Reed	22	10.75	86	75.25

1st Place \$80 per team + T.of C.  
 2nd Place \$60 per team  
 3rd Place \$30 per team



Presents



Awards & Contests

- Putting Contest
- Longest Drive
- Closest to the pin
- Hole-in-One
- Prizes



\$150.00 Golf Package

- Green Fees & Cart
- Beverages & Lunch
- Delicious Buffet Dinner
- Dinner Entertainment



**When: Friday, December 10, 2010**

**Where: Royal Vista Golf Club  
20055 E. Colima Rd.  
Walnut, CA 91798**

**Phone #: (909) 595—7441**

**Time: Registration 9:00 am  
“Shotgun Start” 10:30 am**

Enclosed is my check for: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ Golf Package @ \$150.00/player

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ Dinner & Entertainment  
Only @ \$75.00/each

Golfer Name

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