

Royal Vista Golf Association

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Special Announcements: Member Guest - July 09, 2011



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What a great time of the year. The Masters, and Players tournaments, the NBA playoffs, Hockey championship, AND OUR MEMBER-MEMBER-GUEST TOURNAMENT in July.

Your Board has put together a day of golf that has answered a lot of your concerns of the past Member-Guest tournament. We went to a one day tournament on a Saturday with a 7:30 shotgun start to beat the heat. The tournament entry fee is \$75.00 for golf, cart, raffle ticket, lunch, and entry in the tournament, and a chance to show off your membership and Golf Course to a guest. The format is a 3- person step aside scramble. This type of scramble is easier then it sounds and has some strategy to make the team think. I feel this could be a fun day of golf, but the membership needs to participate and even help. If you know of someone who could sponsor a tee box for \$50.00 or a restaurant that would give a couple dinners, or any other prize that we could raffle off please e-mail me ([shhoops @yahoo.com](mailto:shhoops@yahoo.com)).

A special thank you to ROYAL VISTA GOLF COURSE management for working with us to make this tournament what you ask for..... See you on the greens.



June

06/04 - General Meeting

1:00 PM Lunch

Tournaments & Team Play

06/04 - 4th Rd Pres Cup
06/11 - Pres Cup Finals
06/18 - 3 Club
07/09 - Member Guest
08/06 - Low Gross/Low Net
08/20 - 2 Man Pinehurst
09/10 - Club Championship
09/17 - Club Championship
09/18 - Club Championship
10/02 - Point Par

Wednesday and Friday

Partner Best Ball and
Individual Net Skin Game
8:00 am

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The introduction of a new tournament will materialize on Saturday July 9th. The tournament will feature a new format that has not been used before and we will be limited to 48 players composing 3 man teams. The golf course has been generous in allowing us to use a shotgun start in the morning to avoid the heat of the day and barbecue will follow directly along with the awarding of prizes to the winners. The format has been called Texas Scramble or Step Aside Scramble and resembles a normal scramble but with a few modifications that we think you will like. Along with the early morning shotgun and barbecue we will give the winning teams prize awards that you have not seen in a long time at Royal Vista. We will also be awarding prizes on all par 3's for closest to the pin.

There will be awards for both gross and net scores. Approximately 40% of the field will receive awards in the this event. The tournament is limited to 16 teams, which must be comprised of two members and one guest or two guests and one member. We are also extending this invitation to the Vista Seniors with the same guidelines. We are looking to get this off the ground this year and grow it every year. So plan your teams and get your entries in early and since both gross and net awards will be given, your opportunities are wide open. As of this writing the Presidents Cup is down to the semi final round and there are a few surprises. The top 2 seeds in the brackets have been knocked out with Don Bales defeating our net club champion Randy Jackson and Peter Lykins beating our Birdie editor Mark Gallant. Jesus Lopez bettered John Thomas and our super senior Phil Rini whacked Doug Peterson. The semi finals will see Bales vs. Lopez and Lykins vs. Rini. The matches will be decided this week. Good luck and may the better putters win.



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On April 27th. I exited the airplane in Birmingham, Alabama for a week of fun and reunion. It was my cousins oldest daughter's wedding and all the family was going to be their and many that I haven't see in years. At 4:30 CDT, the sirens began to wail and the world changed. Mother nature put on her work gloves and with impunity decided to change the land scape in great 3 mile swaths. The little town I was born in and where many of my "kin" still reside just disappeared under a mile wide tornado. One of those 100 year kind that makes us all take a more careful look at our fragility. Fortunately, my family was spared by no more than a quarter of a mile, but the rest of Pleasant Grove was gone, just gone. Seeing natural disasters from a news source is nothing like on the ground driving or trying to drive through old neighbor hoods where hundreds of people once lived.

The other day I 4 putted a hole and lost my bet. But before I could start my tirade I suddenly put it all in perspective. Even though golf is the most perfect game ever invented, don't forget it is only a game. One which should be enjoyed and played as often as possible, but still just a game. So the next time you tee up, tell your self that this is the best day of your live and go about enjoying it to the fullest.



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2011 Member-Member-Guest



ROYAL SCRAMBLE



WHEN: JULY 9, 2011
ENTRY FEE: \$75.00 each
Shot Gun Start: 7:30 AM

Format: 3-PERSON STEP ASIDE SCRAMBLE
(2 Members and 1 Guest or 1 Member and 2 Guests)

All three players will play a scramble.

The player whose ball is chosen for each shot has to sit out the next stroke.

Example. Players A, B, C, Tee off on their first hole. Player B's drive is chosen as the Team Drive, Player B has to "STEP ASIDE" (Sit out) on the next shot. Players A & C will hit from within 1 club length of the ball chosen. This continues until a ball is holed. The player who holes the ball does not tee off on the next tee.



*****ONE DRIVE MINIMUM FOR EACH PLAYER*****

*****ENTRY DEADLINE – JULY 3, 2011*****



LUNCH, DRAWINGS, AND AWARDS WILL FOLLOW.

Over \$1,900 in Prize Money

(based on a full field, 48 players)

AWARDS - GROSS Flight, NET Flight, and Closest to the Pins

ENTRY FORM - Royal Scramble

Player 1 _____ SCGA# _____

Player 2 _____ SCGA# _____

Player 3 _____ SCGA# _____



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From the Past Prez---A quick "Thank You" to my partners in the Spring Fling last month... Messrs. Sorensen, Rocha Jr., Mahard, Drew, Klemenc, and the ever popular Woody "blind draw" Woodburn. You guys helped to create some very enjoyable golf, and even though our 30 under on the second day didn't come close to paying off, I hope you all had a good time too. You have to admit, watching Phil Rini's "off roading" through the sand trap on the 18th hole was quite entertaining...although maybe not so much for him...!!! We had some laughs, the requisite woulda, coulda, shoulda's, and collected a few bucks too...thank you Mr. "Blind Draw". Hope to see you all back next year as Vince continues to carry the torch of this traditional men's club tournament in the future.

Something else "to be continued", the ongoing rules controversy, reared it's ugly head again and this time maybe changes are in the works. Webb Simpson, playing in the last group with Bubba Watson and on the verge of winning his first PGA event, was penalized a stroke when his 30 foot putt came up a foot to the right on the 15th hole at the Zurich Classic in Louisiana. As he readied for his "tap in", the ball moved ever so slightly and he imposed the penalty on himself as he had "grounded his club" upon addressing the ball. Watson ultimately won but Simpson, when asked to give his honest opinion of the incident said, it's "a bad rule". Sour grapes, maybe...but the U.S.G.A. seems to agree and will soon be in discussions regarding this and other rules that have arisen recently to change the course of many tournaments and the fates of many a young, and not so young, golfer.

Speaking of changing tournaments, this years Member/Guest/Member Tournament will undergo some changes. Without going into details, you will no longer just "tee it up" and hit it, find it, and hit it again. Because of a new format for the one day event, you and your partners will have to use strategy to collect the prize at the end of the day. Three man teams with two players hitting each shot towards the hole until one player puts it into the hole...got that...??? Don't worry, it's fun, fast, (food included), entertaining, and mentally challenging, all in one and all for \$75. Get your partners, mark Sat., July 9th on your calendar and prepare for the "Texas Scramble"...other names to be solicited upon completion of your round. Come join the fun and support your men's club.



