

Royal Vista Golf Association

Birdie Bugler

October 2009

Special Announcements: Happy Halloween!



Steve White - President

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Congratulations to all who played and won the Club championship and the Senior tournament.

What a nice job Mark Gallant did and has done for the Royal Vista Golf Club. Mark, one of our clubs top players,

disqualified himself for having fifteen clubs in his bag on the first day. My point is that this is why Golf is a great game. When we rule ourselves, and have integrity and post all our correct scores we keep this game great. Thanks for the reminder of how golf should be played.

We need a team captain for Thursday Team play, if you are interested please contact me.

It is election time again. At the November club meeting we will elect new board members for the following year. If you are interested in running for a position on the board please contact me and I will give you the information..

See you on the Greens.

October Events

10/10 - General Meeting

1:00 PM Lunch

Tournaments

10/10 - Point Par
10/24 - 4 Man Yellow Ball
11/07 - 2 Man Scramble
11/21 - Turkey Shoot
12/05 - Booze Shoot
Last Chance
12/19-20 - Tour of Champs.

Team Skin Game

Wednesdays - 8:00 am
Individual Net Skin Game
Entry \$40

Partner Best Ball

Fridays - 8:00 am
Blind Draw - PBB
Entry \$40

RVGA Board Members

President.....Steve White
Vice President.....Tim Devaney
Secretary.....Ken Wheeler
Treasurer.....Vince Mitchell
Handicap Chairman.....Bob Briggs
Tournament Chairman..Mark Gallant
Past President.....Doug Peterson
Editor.....Tom Miles



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Tim Devaney - Vice President

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These guys won't have the opportunity to play with us this year. They belong to another club and play with people that are always serious. They have to travel every week to all parts of the world. They always have people watching them. They are not allowed to wear shorts and no cigars on this tour.



Let me ask you, why would you want to join that club. You have a chance to join a club that doesn't adhere to any of the above and plays on a course that gets better every year. You can drink, smoke cigars, and even laugh while you play if you want. There is one catch though, get your membership renewal cards in.

The yellow card should have been mailed to you with the last Birdie Bugler. You can always go on line and find it on the website and please print clearly. Some of your script looks like you might have worked for an Egyptian Pharaoh. We do have a deadline for the SCGA, so get them ASAP.





Mark Gallant - Tournament Chairman

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Jeff Binner wins again!

Jesus Lopez shot 68 on the final day to catch Jeff Binner after 54 holes. They had to play a sudden death playoff. Jeff made birdie on the first playoff hole to beat Jesus who made a par. This is the second time Jeff has won the Club Championship. Nice job!

2009 Club Championship Results

Players	Gross	
Binner, Jeff	215	1st Place = \$70.00 + T of C
Lopez, Jesus	215	2nd Place = \$50.00
Collins, Jonathon	222	3rd Place = \$20.00

Players	Net	
Morales, Jorge	138	1st Place = \$70.00 + T of C
Robles, Ruben	142	2nd Place = \$50.00
Lykins, Peter	143	3rd Place = \$10.00
Ozols, Craig	143	3rd Place = \$10.00

Seniors

Players	Gross	
Peterson, Doug	149	1st Place = \$70.00 + T of C

Players	Net	
Salamon, Carl	145	1st Place = \$70.00 + T of C
Devaney, Tim	146	2nd Place = \$35.00
Mora, Bob	146	2nd Place = \$35.00

Super Seniors

Players	Gross	
Rini, Phil	156	1st Place = \$70.00 + T of C

Players	Net	
Klemenc, Walt	140	1st Place = \$70.00 + T of C
Briggs, Bob	141	2nd Place = \$50.00
Williams, Don	143	3rd Place = \$20.00





Doug Peterson - Past President & Rules

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As the weather starts to change and the course begins to go into that "it's time to punch the greens" season, I'm reminded of what's already been done before this program starts...can you say "there's new sand in those bunkers...???" Well, Bob Briggs and Grant Kikuda can certainly attest to the "new sand" part. You see, both had the misfortune to get into a trap with new sand during our recent Club Championship tournament, and both, with local knowledge and a deft touch, managed to make double digit numbers on their respective holes. The golf gods were not kind to either man as they helped to redistribute the beach residue to new places in and around the bunkers. Thank you guys for taking one for the team...!!!

A side note, as to his ability to respond to adversity and "never give up", Mr. Briggs came back the next week to face the demons of the deep, new sand and actually almost won the Super Senior division of the Championship. Walt Klemenc beat him by one stroke to claim the crown of Super Senior Club Champion. Congrats to Walt, Jeff Binner, our Club Champion, gross division, and all the other winners of their respective flights.

Another important side note concerning the honesty, integrity and character of our membership...Mark Gallant and Tim Citizen, our tournament chairmen, both DQ'd themselves after the tournament for infractions that occurred during their play...infractions that could have gone unnoticed and/or unpenalized. Golf is a game in which you call your own penalties and they did it at a cost of not competing for the championship. Hats off to you both...!!!

Since our hats are off, I'd like to keep mine doffed to our outgoing Birdie Bugler Editor, Mr. Tom Miles. Tom has been instrumental in keeping our membership informed and up to date via the electronic age for many years now. He took an Imperial vehicle and brought it into the Royal Vista era in a most seamless fashion. Along the way, he added his own insights and honesty to the various issues that faced the men's club, not always taking the most popular or convenient opinion, and for that, I am appreciative. You need diverse ideas to get better and we are a much better association because of Tom. Thank you for these many years of service and dedication to our club and your ability to help us get better along the way.

Continued from the Past President,



And now, as to better, and I think we are, I give you a brief comparison of golf courses around our area and what they charge their memberships for the activities provided. You may have noticed that the board has raised your renewal fees by \$5 and might wonder where we stand in relationship to the competition...now you will know. Most have small "skins games" some time during the week besides weekends. All, except Fullerton with two, have only one tournament a month. Some (Willowick) don't have tournaments at all and some (Westridge and Goose Creek) don't have a men's club at all. Most weekend green fees, with cart, are within our range, give or take \$5, but a few (Industry Hills--\$82, Los Serranos--\$71/\$68, Coyote Hills--\$89, Black Gold--\$85, Mile Square--\$73/\$61, Anaheim Hills--\$66) are quite a bit more. One club, Diamond Bar, despite three separate calls on three different days, could not give me any information on their men's club at all. I hope the information provided can make your choice where to hit'em long, straight, and not too often, an easy one...!!!

Course	Membership	Tournaments	Green Fees
Industry Hills	\$499	1 per mo.	\$82
Los Serranos	\$150	1 per mo.	\$ 71/68 South/North
Coyote Hills	\$249	none	\$89
El Prado	\$135	1 per mo	\$52 Butterfield/Chino
Black Gold	\$249	1 per mo	\$85
Montebello	\$130	1 per mo.	\$53
Mile Square	\$150	1 per mo.	\$73/61 New/Classic
Anaheim Hills	\$200	1 per mo.	\$66
Birch Hills	\$125	2-3 per mo	\$45
La Mirada	\$125	1 per mo.	\$43
Fullerton	\$80	2 per mo	\$46
Dad Miller	\$99	1 per mo	\$54
Green River	\$99	1 per mo	\$52 Orange/Riverside
Mountain Meadows	\$85	1 per mo	\$46
Willowick	\$50	None	\$49
Goose Creek	None	None	\$75
Westridge	None	None	\$84
Diamond Bar	No info	No info	\$41

All info based upon calls to course or calls to the Tournament Director





Tom Miles - Editor

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To every season... as the song goes, and it is my time to pass the torch. It truly has been a fun ride. Mr. Lovett, Mr. Briggs, Club members, thank you for the privilege to carry on the tradition of being the Voice of our Club. This is my last article as your Editor.

Mark Gallant has accepted the position and effective with the release of the October Birdie will be our Voice. Some of you may have been aware that we transitioned the Website to Mark's control some time back. If the personality that Mark has brought to our Website is any indication of his skills, our Birdie is in good hands.

Thank you again and we will be seeing you on the Greens of Royal Vista.





LARV Golf Association Tournament Entry
October 10 - Point Par – Cost 10.00 each

Individual Gross and Net Event –
 3 Flights – Blue Tees and White Tees(+18 Handicap)

Player _____ Handicap _____

Player _____ Handicap _____

Player _____ Handicap _____

Player _____ Handicap _____

Tee Time _____ Tee Times Will Be Posted On The Web Site www.larvga.com

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LARV Golf Association Tournament Entry
October 24 - Yellow Ball – Cost 10.00 each

4 Man Teams – Minimum Team Handicap is 40
 3 Flights – Blue Tees and White Tees(+18 Handicap)

Player _____ Handicap _____

Player _____ Handicap _____

Player _____ Handicap _____

Player _____ Handicap _____

Tee Time _____ Tee Times Will Be Posted On The Web Site www.larvga.com

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