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## Special Announcements:

### Member Guest 7/10 -7/11



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July is MEMBER/GUEST month. This is a tournament that your Board will put in a lot of time to make July 10th and 11th special. If you are a new member you shouldn't miss this event and the opportunity to be part of the Royal

Vista tradition.

I have made phone calls and talked to members who have made a verbal commitment to participate. We the Board need your entrance forms filled out and turned IN ASAP. Any member who would like to play and needs a partner, we have guests that would like to play. Let Doug Peterson know right away, by phone or e-mail if you need a partner. We don't want any member to miss this tournament. See you on the greens.

## July Events

7/18 General Meeting  
1:00 PM Lunch

7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31  
Blind Draw – Partners Best  
Ball 8:00 AM \$40 Entry

7/1, 7/8, 7/15, 7/22, 7/29  
Team Skins Game- 8:00  
AM Individual Net Skins Game  
\$40 Entry

7/10-11 Member-Guest

7/18 The Good, the Bad, and  
the Ugly

8/1 2 Man Match vs PAR

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## Tournaments

July 10-11 – Member Guest  
 July 18 – The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly  
 August 1 – 2 Man Match Vs Par  
 August 15 – 2 Man Pinehurst

## 2009 Partner Best Ball Results

### JUNE 6, 2009 - PARTNER BEST BALL

#### A FLIGHT

PLAYERS		PLAYERS		SCORE	
Trujillo, Dave	11	Day, Sean	12	23	55
Devaney, Tim	7	Briggs, Bob	17	24	57
Morales, Jorge	4	Blind Draw		19	59
Burtch, Randy	12	Collins, J	+2	10	59
Rini, Phil	9	Nazaroff, Greg	16	25	60
Peterson, Doug	8	White, Steve	10	18	60
Mitchell, Vince	10	Walker, Dennis	11	21	60
Ramos, Jaun	7	Cawdrey, John	15	22	62
Gallant, Mark	4	Citizen, Tim	19	23	62
Lopez, Jesus	3	Heffington, Rhonda	16	19	65
Lykins, Peter	8	Lykins, Larry	10	18	65
Binner, Jeff	0	Vuckovich, Steve	10	10	67
Veiga, Manny	3	Branchick, James	22	25	68

1st place \$50.00 per player  
 2nd place \$35.00 per player  
 3rd place \$12.50 per player  
 3rd place \$12.50 per player

#### B FLIGHT

PLAYERS		PLAYERS		SCORE	
Hamilton, Jeff	18	Sasseen, Bob	32	50	56
Bonneau, Frenchy	21	Giles, Tony	25	46	57
Williams, Don	16	Delgado, Mike	20	36	58
Bowers, Kevin	14	Hall, Don	16	30	59
Hamley, Bill	33	Blind Draw		33	60
Binner, Al	23	Kikuda, Grant	24	47	63
Wheeler, Ken	13	Merrill, Scott	16	29	65
Cornejo, Ventura	13	Thomas, John	18	31	65
Salamon, Carl	12	Hall, Bob	20	32	65
Miles, Tom	9	Smith, Richard	24	33	65
Johnson, Michael	11	Flemins, Hal	25	36	65
Walsh, Ed	30	Frohner, Charles	35	65	69

1st place \$50.00 per player  
 2nd place \$35.00 per player  
 3rd place \$25.00 per player



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Over the years my articles have been the "I tend to write what I know". Well this is no exception. Our Pro shop is the best deal in town. PERIOD ... end of statement. Matt and Don have set things up were we would be stupid to go anywhere else.

If you need it and they ain't got it, they will order it. If they have it, you can bet Roger Dunn's ain't in their league. Now, can just any yeah-who get these deals? Not on your life. That is one of the privileges of being a Royal Vista Golf Association member. I have bought golf balls, rain gear, pull carts, golf bags, shoes, clubs, and a GPS thing-a-ma-jigger. All at prices that cannot be beat.

Quite honestly, it is worth the membership fee just to get the deals in the Pro shop. So the next time you are in the shop, give Matt/Don a thank you. I think I just did.

Speaking of the course, folks, please take the time to fix your divots and ball marks. The course is in the best condition ever. Give back. Empty a sand bottle on every hole. It ain't that hard and you don't have to slow up play to do it. JUST DO IT....

Thanks again Royal Vista....

### **From the rough:**

- My best score ever is 103. But then I've only been playing 15 years - Alex Karras
- When Homero Blancas was asked if he had any uphill putts at the Masters, he answered "Yeah, after each of my downhill putts"
- Golf is a game that was invented to punish those who retire early - Anonymous
- Murphy's first law of golf: you can't lose an old ball! - John Willis
- When Jack Nicklaus was asked his secret to golf, "I think I fail just a bit less than everyone else"
- As a golf professional, I'll can tell you the amount of flex you will need in the shaft of your club. Remember, the stiffer the flex, the greater the strength you'll need to break it over your knee - David Wright
- Hit 'em hard. They'll land somewhere - Stewart Maiden



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If you are reading this and haven't found a partner for the Member/Guest yet, it's probably too late to enter and you really didn't read all the many reminders of what is to happen on July 10 and 11...our traditional showcase event of the year...the Member/Guest Tournament...but talk to a board member anyway if you want to play and maybe we can accommodate you. With many

new wrinkles and some tried and true formats, the board has a first class event for the members to proudly present to their golfing friends...are you part of it...and why not...??? Thus far it looks like we are going to have a field a bit bigger than last year with the course rounding into tournament shape...no, it's not the U.S. Open set up...and new ideas coming into play for your golfing enjoyment...we hope you are a part of it...!!! Tiger and Lefty couldn't win the Open, but who knows, you could win the Member/Guest...or have a great time trying...!!!

By the way, as the summer comes upon us, you are reminded to please repair your ball marks and divots so the heat and extended play don't infringe upon the enjoyment of other players playing behind you...think, oh, the dreaded ball in a divot shot...or perfect line, perfect speed...missed 20 footer for birdie because the putt hits an unprepared ball mark on it's way to the hole...!!! Our course is in great shape and we have a great group of guys to share it with...come out and enjoy it with those who have a common passion to hit'em long, and straight, and not too often...!!! Trust me...IT'S THERAPEUTIC...!!!

Finally, in the spirit of sharing new and unknown courses, we had occasion to play the Dos Lagos course in Corona lately...can you say TRICKY...??? It's not as hard as I heard it would be...we played it from the "whites"...but it is definitely a course that you would want to play a second or a third time to get a true measure of what kind of course it is...AND NOT IN THE WIND...!!! If you have courses you've played this summer that would be of interest...or not...to our members, let us know your thoughts and reactions and we will publish them for the membership to evaluate as to whether they want to put them on their golfing calendar. See you at the Member/Guest...!!!



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"Whatever you give a woman, she will make greater. If you give her sperm, she'll give you a baby. If you give her a house, she'll give you a home. If you give her groceries, she'll give you a meal. If you give her a smile, she'll give you her heart. She multiplies and enlarges what is given to her. So, if you give her any crap, be ready to receive a ton of shit!" (author unknown)



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Rules, rules and more rules....

Situation: Doug Peterson hits another long drive. However, his golf ball rolls to a position of rest behind a rather large divot clump that Don Crooker had created and failed to repair. The divot clump was not completely detached and was projecting upward several inches above Doug's ball. Of course, Doug did the only natural thing and lifted the clump up and tossed it aside. Steve White, Tim Devaney and Mark Gallant, his playing partners called a 2 stroke penalty. Doug said no penalty is involved. Who was right? What is the correct answer from below?

- A. Doug was in error. He cannot remove the divot clump. He should have pressed it down with his foot and left it in place. One stroke penalty.
- B. Steve, Tim and Mark are wrong. The divot clump can be removed. No penalty.
- C. Doug is wrong. His partners are right. Doug may not remove the divot or press it down before playing his stroke. Two stroke penalty.

The penalty for violating the rule in match play is loss of hole; in stroke play the penalty is two strokes

### **From the PRO Shop - Matt Delgado**

As many of you know, July will be my last month working at Royal Vista. Despite popular belief, it's not because Crooker is driving me insane. Rather, I'll be attending U.C. Hastings College of Law up in San Francisco in August (spare me the jokes please, I wear pink shirts anyway!). Working here for the past three and a half years has been a rather enjoyable experience, and the Men's Club has definitely added not only to me actually wanting to come to work, but also in my experience and fun as a golfer. Surprisingly, I've never won anything since joining the Men's club, but I've had tons of fun. It will be difficult having weekends without hearing Larry Lykins' quick (however somewhat ancient) quips, Vince hustling for more re-buys in the horse race, Mark Gallant asking me about the latest Mizuno clubs (although it's difficult to find clubs in the shop that are made that short), or forgetting that I never charge Rhonda a key deposit...Please keep in mind that even though I'm gone...my spirit shall remain! We'll still be able to beat any price in the big golf shops and work out awesome deals for the men's club members. Just ask Jeff Binner and he'll take care of it for you.

So let's run a few specials! Callaway Golf Upro - Arguably better than a Skycaddy (I switched over myself). Offers not only front, middle, and back yardages, but also a "pro" version of golf courses, which includes aerial views of the golf course and the ability to check yardages on the aerial satellite view anywhere on the picture. Check it out at [HYPERLINK](http://HYPERLINK)

"uprogs.com" Retail: \$399 Men's Club Price: \$340 + Free Green Fee! PLUS \$100 mail-in rebate from Callaway (through July 31st). Any Mizuno eight-club iron set (steel, true temper dynamic gold) includes Custom, \$610 +2 Free Green Fees! Taylormade TP (red or black) Dozen - 2 for \$55 Titleist NXT or NXT Extreme Dozen - \$24



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The opportunity to belong to a men's club and play with other members is a great perk for those of us that do not have a set foursome to play with every week. In the last couple years I have had the chance to play with quite a few different and interesting players. Everybody has a style and personality all there own. The range varies from 92 year old Bill Hamley to 14 year old Jonathan Collins. You find their game unique and sometimes amazing. I have learned who I would like to play with in that 4-man scramble coming up later this year. You see things about the person and their game that create a response " wow, how did you do that?" or a tidbit about them that you didn't know. Everyone has an aura about them and whether it is real or fabricated, the 4 plus hours you spend with them can be interesting and you can add a new contact to your LARV acquaintance list . So if you find yourself without a group or a game put your name on an entry form for the next tournament on our website [LARVGA.com](http://LARVGA.com) and you will be paired up with a group. For that matter you can show up early any Friday morning and John DeGrigorio will put a foursome or early Saturday morning on non tournament days and there will be players you can hook up with. So don't sit on the sideline if you can play, get involved.

## LARV Golf Association Tournament Entry

The Good, The Bad & The Ugly - July 18, 2008

Two Man Net Event - Minimum Team Handicap is 10

On The Par 3's You Must Use Both Player Net Score

On The Par 4's You Will Use The Best Net Score

On The Par 5's You Must Use The Worst Net Score

Player\_\_\_\_\_ Handicap\_\_\_\_\_

Player\_\_\_\_\_ Handicap\_\_\_\_\_

Tee Time\_\_\_\_\_ Tee Times Will Be Posted On The Web Site [www.larvga.com](http://www.larvga.com)

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Entry Cutoff is July 12, 2009