

From the Desk of the President of VGA, Jim Cox

VGA Members:

Valley Golfers Association 2024 Season - Encanto 9:04 AM City+ \$10: Message from VGA Saturday.

Here are the pairings for tomorrow 12/21/24 at Encanto Golf Club. Please note that the FIRST

tee time is 9:04am. We have a very large field tomorrow (44 players) so it is imperative that everyone get to the course no later than 40 minutes prior to your tee time. It will take time to collect all money and give everyone a chance to warm up properly so please don't be late. See you tomorrow. Play well and enjoy the round.

Unrelated to golf: I will be selling squares for the annual Super Bowl pool. Squares are \$20 and selling fast. Bring cash if you want to buy any squares. Nine winners each quarter!

The VGA's next big tournament is our Club Championship. This is a day-two event to be held at the Tubac Golf Resort and Spa scheduled for the end of September 28th and 29th in Green Valley, AZ (approximately thirty miles south of Tucson). Our hosting hotel is the Canoa Ranch Resort approximately 10 minutes from the golf course. Danielle, our contact at the resort has given us excellent rates. All information is attached.

Remember, to qualify for the Club Championship, you must play a minimum of ten rounds prior to the event. Prize money is \$1,000 per flight paid to ten places with a \$50 prize to the low gross champion.

The golf at Tubac is fantastic, the accommodation the same and tasty food in close proximity. Attached is the flyer with all the details.

Book your reservations now and let us have a great golfing experience.

Jim Cox

Key Issues / Highlights of VGA Q. 3 Board Meeting: one. 1. Board passed a motion to eliminate two-man best ball tournaments, 2. The board approved prize money for the Club Championship of \$2,000 (\$1,000 per flight payable to 10 places) plus a \$50.00 prize to the lowest gross player. Note that a player must have 10 rounds played prior to the Club Championship to qualify. 3. The board passed the stagnant money rule. VGA will attempt to contact the player of prize money, however if a player does not claim prize money over 30 days (about 4 and a half weeks), then the money will be deposited to the Treasury. 4. If a player does not show up with a cash entry fee, then the player is ineligible for the event. 5. Desert Rule: If there is an issue regarding the desert rule by a player, then the board requests the foursome concur with the ruling as a matter of protecting the field. 6. The board recommends that a player inquire with the tournament coordinator if the Desert Rule is applicable to the course being played. 7. Ringers' tournament payout is \$250 for Wednesday and \$250 for Saturday, broken down as follows: \$125 for first, \$75 for second and \$50 for third.

VGA Members,

A couple of weeks ago, I sadly announced the passing of Jeff Currie, a long-standing Valley Golfers member and avid poker player.

Jeff's wife Katrina has asked me to forward all of you an invitation to celebrate Jeff's life on Sunday, April 28th, 2 to 6 PM at the Elks Lodge, 6835 E. Oak Street, Scottsdale, AZ. Please attend at your leisure. The dress code is casual. A <u>formal</u> invitation is attached click here.

Hope to see all of you there,

Jim Cox-President

4/4/2024 Jeff Currie's Celebration of Life: Will be from 2-6 pm on April 28th. The board wishes to extend its condolences on the passing of long-standing VGA member Jeff Currie. His wife Katrina is inviting all of us to attend Jeff's celebration of life on Sunday, April 28th at the Elks club. 6398 E. Oak St. Scottsdale, AZ 85257 In addition, Katrina set up a GoFundMe page for any donations. The link is https://www.gofundme.com Simply hit the search button and type in Jeff Currie. Thank you for all your support.

Thanks, Jim Cox

1/28/2024: During the Q4 2023 board meeting, the board elected Ben Hughes as the new Vice President of our club. The board also approved a \$5.00 increase in the tournament fee for each event. This increase will take effect in Q2 2024, specifically on April 3, 2024. The increase will be allocated as follows: \$2.00 for Net Score, \$2.00 for

Gross Skins, and \$1.00 for the Treasury for Special Tournaments. This includes the new TPO Memorial Weekend Tournament and the VGA Club Championship, for which details will be provided later.

Due to the excessive heat last summer, the event schedulers will arrange the earliest possible tee times for the 2nd and 3rd quarters. The schedule for the First Quarter Two-Man Best Ball Tournament is Saturday, February 17th at Encanto and Wednesday, March 13th at Aquila.

Thank you, Jim Cox