



THE VALLEY NEWS

Altadena Valley Golf & Country Club

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From the MANAGER

I would like to start out by welcoming our newest members to Altadena Valley.

- Todd and Staria Hopkins and their son, Garrett. The Hopkins were brought in by Scott Hayes
- John And Katherine Huggins.
- Mike and Lisa Tate. The Tates were brought in by Ben Watson
- Gary and Shannon Lacy and their sons, Gary, Jr. and John
- Jason and Kimberly Douglas
- Matt Davis
- Tod and Laura Bass and their children, Jordan and Turner
- David and Missy Moody and their children, Dawson, McKay, and Dane
- Scott and Patricia Simpson and their children, Tori, Drew, Madison, Elizabeth, & Wesley
- Jerry and Mary Grace Prater. The Praters were brought in by their son, Jerry Prater.
- Michael and Sharon Little and their children, Allison & Cameron
- Vincent and Marie Casale

We welcome each of these new members and I hope when you see them around the Club you will make them welcomed.

You may have already noticed or you will in the near future that have done some build up work on #1 green. It is necessary to eliminate the two areas where water collects and improve the drainage. It should be ready to play on in a few days after it is built up.

MOTHER'S DAY is May 14th. If you haven't already, please call today for reservations.

We filled up for Easter and I am sure we will do the same for Mother's Day. Please call Michelle at 967-5322. The staff would like to thank everyone who came to the Easter Brunch. We had outstanding participation and only a few who didn't show up. If you have

reservations and are not able to attend please call and let us know, we have a waiting list who will be glad to step in. Thanks again to all of you.

In a recent golf match with Thompson, Vestavia Hills girls team defeated Thompson (125 to 149) with Brittany Wear, daughter of Frank and Necia Wear tied for medalist honors with Jenny Lines, shooting a 40 at Eagle Point.

Also on the (3284) golfing front. Gene May shot his age on April 13th! Congrats Gene for breaking 100! *(just kidding)*

We have a new Poffin the Club. Richard and Christina have a son, Richard G. III, born on April 12th at 8 pounds, 3 ounces. Both mother and child are doing well.

JUST FOR FUN:

- It is surprisingly easy to hole a fifty foot putt....for an eight.
- The less skilled the player, the more likely he is to share his ideas about the golf swing.
- Counting on your opponent to inform you when he breaks a rule is like expecting him to make fun of his own haircut.

Come see me,

John



A NOTE FROM Chef Toney

The AVCC staff and I would like to take a moment to (3951) thank our members and guests for supporting our Easter brunch. Your attendance made this day a great success. Keep in mind that Mother's Day is May 14th. We look forward to seeing you. Early reservations are important and greatly appreciated!

Chef Toney

FREE

FRIDAY NIGHT BUFFET!!!

Look for your Club member number in this issue of the newsletter and you win a Free Friday Night Buffet. Just call the office for your coupon.





I mentioned this event in last month's column and here is another head's up on it. We have one of the Club's major tournaments this month in the Member/Member Tournament May 20th-21st. The format is: six teams in each flight and each two-man team will play five 9-hole matches against each of the other five teams in their respective flights. Points are awarded for ties, wins, and number of holes won and the teams with the most points win their flights and advance to a shoot-out against the other flight winners on Sunday afternoon. Handicaps will be applied and adjusted for each match. There is also a Friday night Calcutta that is applied to the purse for the Sunday shoot-out.

Your cost is \$100 per man, which includes: 45 holes of cart fees, breakfast biscuits each morning, Saturday mid-day sandwich and a Sunday hamburger buffet. Play will start each day at 8:30 a.m. **The deadline to sign-up by is on Sunday May 14th by 5 p.m.** The course will be closed for this event all day Saturday and will open Sunday at 2 p.m. if we have 30 or more teams.

Call the Golf Shop for further details about this event or any others you have questions about. Don't miss out on the fun of this fantastic format! Also, we are open to host private outings and I ask that you put A.V.C.C. at the top of your list if you or anyone you know is looking for a golf course to have an event.

GOLF SHOP MERCHANDISE JUST ARRIVED ALERT!

New styles of short sleeve shirts have just arrived in various colors of

stripes and solids in conventional golf shirts. My Buy any 2 Pieces of Apparel and Get 1 Free Sale is still going (3330) on thru the end of this month.

LADIES GOLF CLINIC:

This is for all skill levels on Saturdays thru May 27th at 12 p.m. for one hour. Cost is \$10 per session for members and \$15 for non-members. **(There will not be a clinic on May 20th due to the Member/Member Tournament.)** Please call the Golf Shop and let us know if you plan to attend.

JUNIOR GOLF CLINIC:

The Summer Junior Camp will be June 19th thru the 23rd. The camp will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at 10:15 a.m. There may be a second camp start time of 10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. if we have more than 20 juniors sign up. The cost will be \$100 for members' children and \$125 for social members and non-members this includes members' grandchildren. Each junior will receive a golf shirt and daily chances to win other prizes. Sign-up in the golf shop.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 10th—Senior Men's Monthly - 8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start—4-Man Scramble ABCD Players with 10 of Total Handicap.

May 12th (Friday)—Private Outing (40 Players) - 1:30 p.m. shotgun start. This event will not close the entire course. This is a 9-Hole shotgun start and we will work around our regular member play as best as we can. Thank you for your patience in accommodating this event. We will start on Holes #11 thru #18 and #1 at 1:30 p.m. *#1 Tee will be closed from 1:15 until 3:00 p.m.*

May 18th (Thursday)—Ladies Team Play Course Closed in the morning until the last tee time. Should open somewhere around 11 a.m.

May 20th & 21st—Member/Member Tournament - See first

paragraph of this article for details.

May 29th (Monday)—Memorial Day - The Golf Course and Club is open.

May 31st (Wednesday)—Junior Qualifier 18-hole stroke play event for 3 spots to play with me in the Pro-Junior June 15th in Montgomery. *(Must be 12 years to 18 years old.)* One of the three spots must go to someone that is 16 to 18 years old to be able to drive the golf cart in Montgomery. There is no entry fee for this event but there is a \$70 entry fee for the 3 that qualify to play the Pro-Junior. This will start at 9 a.m. using tee times.

June 1st (Thursday)—Junior BGA - 7:30 start, course is closed until 30 minutes after the last tee time *(not known yet but somewhere around 11:00).*

CLUB GUIDELINES & RULES REMINDERS:

I want to welcome our newest members to A.V.C.C. and invite you to call or come by the Golf Shop if you ever have any questions about your golf privileges. The following is a quick summary of highlights and rules of the Golf Department that you need to be aware of:

1. Please sign in on the golf shop register before playing *(including walkers)* or practicing on the range and greens. This helps us to get to know you and put a name to the face.
2. Always inquire in the Golf Shop about whether it is okay to start on #10 hole.
3. We do have a dress code and we ask that you do not wear any denim of any color and no cut off shorts. Shirts must have a collar. The mock neck collar, which has about a 2-inch band around the top, and hugs the neck, is acceptable. Tee shirts with (2740) narrow neckbands and print on any part of the shirt are not acceptable.
4. Club sponsored tournament sign-up sheets are in the Golf Shop. A GHIN Handicap is required to play

From the PRO (CONTINUED)

Ladies NEWSLETTER



Isn't Altadena greening up nicely? Lots of nourishing rain, but no floods—a great combination!

I know that you will all join me in sending GET WELL wishes to Baker for a speedy recovery from her hip replacement surgery. We miss you, Baker!...as you can (3565) tell by this newsletter.

A big thank you to Mitch for posting the Ladies Thursday Event results in our locker room for all to see. Nice penmanship, too! Here are the winners:

First Flight:

Aline Blake, 31

Second Flight:

Kathy Baggio, 36

Third Flight (tie):

Cathy Lane & Margie Rice, 33

The format was number of putts and it was flighted by handicap.

REMINDER: Altadena hosts Team Play on May 18, and that morning Sandra really needs helpers to meet and greet our guests, distribute snacks, collect scorecards, etc. Please call Sandra or Fern if you can help.

Many thanks to those Altadena ladies who signed up to volunteer at the Regions Charity Classic at Ross Bridge on May 3rd through 7th. We may be few in number, but we are mighty when it comes to lending a helping hand.

Hope to see you on the golf course,

Kathy Baggio

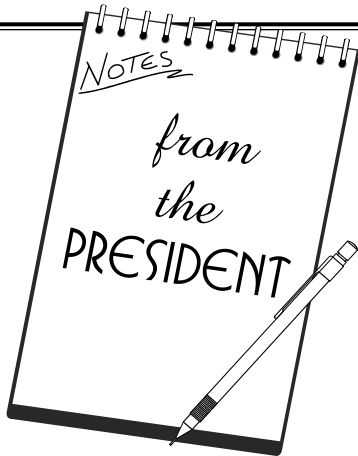
that day).

6. Restricted times of play:
Thursdays from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. is Ladies priority times and men may not tee off during these 2 hours (*Some allowances may be made, please call to inquire*). Saturdays, children under the age of 16 are not allowed to play or be on the golf course before 1 p.m. However, they can use the range and practice greens during this time.
7. Golf Shop hours are: Mondays—closed, Tuesday thru Sunday—6:45 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. April thru October. We close at dark during daylight savings. Our phone number is 967-5324.

Jeff Copeland

PGA Golf Professional

- in Club events. Bring your current GHIN number, if you have one, and we can easily pull your scores into our system. If you don't currently have a handicap then we can get you in our system and your handicap will be established after ten scores. A \$25 yearly fee is applied to maintain this.
5. A.V.C.C. has a Hole-in-One Club that currently has over 100 members participating in it. The way it works is an \$8 charge goes to every member of it only when a member has a hole-in-one at A.V.C.C. The lucky member gets \$700 to \$800 in Golf Shop Credit with this amount depending on the number of members signed up at the time. The 19th Hole bar bill for the day is deducted from this first (*usually around \$100 depending on how many are here*



We dodged another bullet last week, with all of the rain...we did not flood. Mickey has raised the front part of #1 green to prevent standing water in the low place and stop it from killing the grass. There are a few other greens that have low spots that may have to be raised also.

We should keep trying to get new members because that is the secret to our Club's success.

Please come out to our Friday night specials on the second and fourth Friday nights and try the excellent food Chef Toney is cooking up for us. The swimming season is right around the corner. If you have children, get them in the swim programs. If they like competitive swimming, (4228) the swim team is a great program.

Until next month, be happy, hit them straight, long, and in bounds.

Terry Dison



The Senior monthly tournament on April 12th had 20 golfers who enjoyed a good breakfast before golf and great weather to boot. The format was 2-man alternate shot with 50% of handicap. And the winners were:

First Place

Ray Davis & Steve Cragon
Score—59

Second Place

Ron English & Tom Moore
Score—59.5

Third Place

Karl Pugh & Bill Hannigan
Score—60

One of our former senior golfers, Peter Smith, joined us for breakfast. It was great to see Peter and to visit (5072) with him for a while. Thanks to Don Young for arranging to have Peter join us.

Tom Moore



PRO SHOP

We still have a great assortment of strings, shoes, and grips, etc. that are priced right. If we don't have what you're looking for—no problem. Special orders are welcome and the turn-around time is (5103) usually five days.

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT

Since February, our program has produced and won four Southern tournaments. Along with the titles, we now have the top two ranked players in the south in Boy's 12s and they have broken into the Top 50 in the nation. On the State level, we have six other players that are ranked in the Top Ten, with two #1's. Good job to all of you and keep up the great attitude!

Summer Camps begin the week of June 5th. Call Pam at 914-0078 with any questions or to register. Also, you can find more information about our Junior Development Program through our web-site at www.academytennis.com.

ADULT CORNER

Spring tennis is in full swing....all teams seem to be playing well. We're winning some and losing some. However, it's nice to see the continued enthusiasm from all the members. Each league team has a few more matches before we start moving into the summer USTA leagues. If anyone is interested in playing on a USTA team, please contact Pam at 914-0078. The participation is still on the rise with clinics. So, if you haven't joined in on a clinics and would like to, please call Pam.

Jack & Pam

ON THE COURSE

May is usually a transition month from Spring to Summer weather. This month we plan to repair the bare spots on the Greens left by rains this past winter. We have recently repaired the front of #1 Green. We hope that this will help the Green to surface drain, improving the overall quality of the putting surface. On May 1st, we plan to aerify all of the Greens. Weather permitting, we (4315) plan to start aggressively verti-cutting the Greens on a weekly basis. This should help reduce the grain on the Greens, improving putting quality. Your comments and suggests help us do a better job.

Mickey Hughes



Altadena Valley Golf & Country Club MAY 2006 ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Club CLOSED	2	3 Honors Club 11:00-12:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	4 D. Lowery Breakfast 7:00-9:00 AM Ladies Day	5 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM Goforth Luncheon SEAFood Night 6:00-9:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	6
7 Brunch 10:30-1:30	8 Club CLOSED	9 M.Miranda Luncheon 11:00-1:00 PM Aspe Dinner 5:00-8:00 PM	10 Honors Club 11:00-12:00 Senior Monthly High School Banquet LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	11 D. Lowery Breakfast 7:00-9:00 AM Ladies Day	12 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM Goforth Luncheon NO Dinner LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	13 Swim Team Banquet 5:00 - 8:00 PM
14 Mother's Day BRUNCH Two Seatings: 11-12:30 / 1:00-2:30 Reservations Only	15 Club CLOSED	16 Board Meeting	17 Honors Club 11:00-12:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	18 D. Lowery Breakfast 7:00-9:00 AM Ladies Team Play	19 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM NO Dinner CALCUTTA LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	20 2-Man Member/Member Tournament
21 Brunch 10:30-1:30 2-Man Member/Member Tournament	22 Club CLOSED	23 Cosmopolitan 9:00-3:00 PM	24 BNI Breakfast Honors Club 11:00-12:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	25 D. Lowery Breakfast 7:00-9:00 AM Ladies Day	26 Sertoma 12:00-1:00 PM CATFISH Dinner 6:00-8:00 PM LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30	27 <i>Opening Day</i> for Swimming Pool
28 Brunch 10:30-1:30	29 Club OPEN BBQ at the 19th Hole	30	31 Honors Club 11:00-12:00 PM <i>Pro-Jr. Qualifier</i> 9:00 AM Tee Times #1 Tee Closed LUNCH BUFFET 11:00-1:30			