

The Villages Men's Golf Club members, 2017 Home & Home Team Sign-up

It is once again time to set up our team for this season. Last season was a great success. We had 30 members and a full season of playing at various venues around the bay area.

The 2017 program will be much the same as last season with our team being able to play some great venues away from our home course as well as host some great competitions here at The Villages. We will also continue the weekly and season long Villages side competitions and prizes. The season will start with a Home & Home Team meeting in early March (see schedule on second page).

For those of you that are interested or contemplating joining the team but have little knowledge of how the team works, here are the basics:

1. We play in Home & Home matches against other golf club teams. One match at our club and one match at their club. The matches are usually held on Tuesday's or Thursday's. It is a 'social competition' with mixed foursomes playing two best balls. The day generally includes lunch, range balls, golf and cart, dinner and drinks. Last year the event tee fee was \$85.00 per round played. We are hoping to keep the close if not the same this year. Your Villages account will be billed each time you play.
2. We also play a separate 'cash match' against ourselves. The entry fee for this match is \$175 per player, payable in advance. \$130 of your entry fee breaks down to \$10 per match and a remainder of \$40 for the season ending prizes at our awards banquet. (All entry fees will be deposited into the Men's Club Home & Home Team checking account).
3. Each member will be responsible to play in a minimum number of matches to qualify for the year end awards. That number still is to be determined, however it was seven matches of the 12 total matches last year. So far, this year season tentatively has 11 matches. The breakdown presently is 5 home matches and 6 away matches.
4. Points and cash will be awarded at each match for the following categories:
 - a. Low net.
 - b. Award for 'Blind Skins', final number still be determined.
5. A team scorekeeper will record scores (not post) on an accumulating score sheet that will indicate the winners of each match and keep a running total of points earned by each player. This score sheet will be emailed to all team members and will also be posted in the posting room.
6. Winnings will be distributed at our season ending team party. The party this year is scheduled for October 24 and will include dinner, drinks and the awarding of the prize money.

Our tentative schedule for the season is:

Thursday, April 6th

At Almaden, with San Jose CC & The Villages

Thursday, April 13th	At The Villages with San Jose CC & Almaden
Tuesday April 18th	At San Jose CC with Almaden & The Villages
Wednesday, June 7th	At The Villages with Half Moon Bay (?) & Crazy Horse
Tuesday, June 27th	At The Villages with Silver Creek
Tuesday, July 18th	At Crazy Horse with Bayonet & The Villages
Wednesday, July 26th	At The Villages with La Rinconada
Tuesday August 1st	At La Rinconada with The Villages
Thursday, August 17th	At The Villages with Bayonet
Thursday, September 28th	At Silver Creek with Half Moon Bay(?) & The Villages
Thursday October 12th	At Bayonet with Crazy Horse and The Villages

That's the Home & Home Team concept in a nutshell. It proved to be a very popular program for the last three seasons. Let me know if you have interest or questions about joining. I do need to point out that the final team members will be selected after we have had a chance to review all those Men's Club Members that have shown interest in joining. We are hoping to have about 48 members. We will review all and determine the final team members.

Let me know about your interest and let me know if you have any questions. You can contact me via email at mccarthydesign@yahoo.com or call me at 408 239-0626.

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