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To: SCGA Member Clubs  
From: SCGA Team Play Staff  
Re: 2010 SCGA Team Play Season

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Welcome to the 2010 Team Play Season! We would like to extend an invitation to all eligible clubs to participate. Enclosed in this packet are the following:

- 2010 Team Play Information
- Thursday (yellow) and Saturday (blue) Entry Forms
- Group Selection Form

Please read the enclosed Information Sheet carefully to ensure that your club can fulfill its commitment to the 2010 Team Play Season prior to submitting your entry. A separate entry form must be submitted for each team if your club plans to enter both the Thursday and Saturday competitions.

Please note a few important changes for the 2010 season:

- Do **NOT** submit a check with your entry. The \$150 entry fee will be added to your club's monthly statement at the start of the year.

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- The SCGA will be using GHIN as its handicap provider starting January 1, 2010. To assist with this transition, the Team Play Season will start two weeks later than normal (Thursday, January 21 and Saturday, January 23). GHIN is provided through 62 State, Regional or National Golf Associations to over 10,000 clubs and approximately 1.9 million golfers, and is maintained by the United States Golf Association.

- GHIN will update the Handicap Index on the first and fifteenth of the month and accordingly, a new "low Handicap Index" (LHI, formerly "low index" or LI) will be issued twice a month. Course handicaps for Team Play will be based on the player's LHI over the last 12 months.

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- A new Team Play software program will be used in conjunction with the transition to GHIN. Currently this software program is under construction but we are looking forward to presenting Team Captains with a more user-friendly interface and added features.

- Each player must be a member of the club he wishes to represent as of January 1, 2010.

- As an additional requirement for eligibility during the 2010 Team Play Season, players must have at least 20 scores posted from 2009. Players who have been unable to meet this requirement due to injury or another legitimate reason will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

We are looking forward to another exciting Team Play season. If you should have any questions feel free to contact the SCGA Office for additional information.

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cc: Golf Professional; 2009 Team Play Captain; Delegate

## **2010 TEAM PLAY INFORMATION SHEET**

All clubs submitting an application must be identified as the "club of record" and must maintain at least one 18-hole regulation length (5,000 yards or more) golf course. Each team is expected to field a team and compete as scheduled in accordance with established SCGA Team Play Rules. Withdrawal at any time after entry deadline may result in ineligibility for team play until the second year following the year of withdrawal.

All clubs entering Team Play are required to make available such services as the use of carts, and food & beverage facilities to the visiting teams (16 players plus two alternates).

Clubs are limited to entering only one team in Thursday play and one team in Saturday play unless the club maintains two 18-hole courses (a club may enter two teams on each day if two 18-hole regulation length courses are maintained). If a club is entering two teams, a separate application must be submitted for each team.

All teams must have a Certified Handicap Chair representing the club. Certification can be obtained by completing an SCGA Handicap Certification class, offered monthly. Additionally, all clubs must be in compliance with the USGA License Agreement. Without a certified Handicap Chair and updated license, your club will not be eligible to participate in the 2010 Team Play season. To ensure that your club meets these criteria, you may call the SCGA Office.

**ENTRY FEE:** \$150.00 per team. **This fee will be added to the club's monthly statement at the start of the year. Do NOT send a check to the SCGA Office.**

**ENTRY DEADLINE:** Entries must be received by the SCGA no later than **12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 3, 2009.** The SCGA is not responsible for errors in transmissions.

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3740 Cahuenga Blvd.  
Studio City, CA 91604

**GROUP SELECTION:** The SCGA encourages teams to form their own groups for the regular season. The Group Selection Form should be submitted with the team's entry form. If a team is not part of a group, the SCGA will attempt to pair the team with other teams that are similar in type of club and geographically desirable. The possibility exists that some groups will only have three teams, meaning that each team will have two "bye" weeks during the regular season.

**FIRST MATCHES:** Thursday, January 21, 2010  
Saturday, January 23, 2010

**LENGTH OF REGULAR SEASON:** Six weeks of home-and-home matches. Regular season scheduled to end by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 8, 2010. This includes time allotted for rescheduled matches. Each team must make its golf course available for any make-up matches as needed.

**PLAYOFF SEASON:** Playoffs will begin on Thursday, March 25, 2010 and Saturday, March 27, 2010. The playoff season is four weeks of split-field matches. Teams which make the playoffs must be able to make their facilities available for playoff matches.

**CHAMPIONSHIP:** The Thursday Team Championships will be held at The SCGA Golf Course on Friday, April 30, 2010, and the Saturday Team Championships will be held at The SCGA Golf Course on Saturday, May 1, 2010.

**CLUB ELIGIBILITY:** Each Club must maintain at least one 18-hole regulation length golf course (5,000 yards or more).

**PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:** Each player must have an LHI (lowest Handicap Index) of 18.4 or less and must be a member of the club he wishes to compete for as of January 1, 2010. Each player **must have 20 scores posted in 2009** to be eligible for the 2010 Team Play Season.

**TEAM:** Consists of 16 players plus two alternates.

**TYPE OF COMPETITION:** A team of two players plays the opposing team of two players in a four-ball match (better-ball of partners) and each partner will play one individual match.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ENTRY:** Upon receipt of entry, an acknowledgement will be sent to the Team Play Captain at each club. If you do not receive an acknowledgement, you should contact the SCGA Rules and Competitions Department to ensure an entry is received prior to the deadline date.

**PAIRINGS AND RULES OF PLAY:** All information will be released by email to participating clubs.

***The Southern California Golf Association reserves the right to accept or reject any entry at any time. Reason for refusal may include unbecoming behavior.***

## 2010 TEAM PLAY GROUP SELECTION FORM

The following clubs have formed a group that will compete together for the 2010 Team Play Season. This letter must be signed by all four Team Captains.

You may designate one Team Captain as the Group's Captain. If you do not do this, the SCGA will assign a Group Captain.

**CLUB #1:** \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUB #2:** \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUB #3:** \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**CLUB #4:** \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Captain Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please see the reverse of this page for scheduling information.**



## 2010 THURSDAY TEAM PLAY ENTRY FORM

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out contact information for the Team Captain (and Assistant Captain, if applicable). The Team Captain will receive all correspondence from the SCGA Office. All fields in bold must be completed.

**Team Captain:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Assistant Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

We will adhere to all 2010 Team Play rules and regulations. Our club has reviewed the enclosed Information Sheet and we understand that the SCGA is the final authority on matters relating to Team Play. The SCGA reserves the right to refuse any entry.

Entry submitted by (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail entry to:

SCGA  
3740 Cahuenga Blvd.  
Studio City, CA 91604

Deadline: Tuesday, November 3, 2009

**\*\*Do NOT send a check with your entry. The Team Play entry fee of \$150 will be added to the club's monthly statement at the start of the year.\*\***

## 2010 SATURDAY TEAM PLAY ENTRY FORM

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill out contact information for the Team Captain (and Assistant Captain, if applicable). The Team Captain will receive all correspondence from the SCGA Office. All fields in bold must be completed.

**Team Captain:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Assistant Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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