

# PLAYER INFORMATION 2015 SCGA SCRATCH LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

Industry Hills Golf Club (Eisenhower Course) Friday, November 20, 2015

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

# 1. TEAM ROSTER:

Team Captains must email Linda Kueny, <u>lkueny@scga.org</u>, at the SCGA their line-ups by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. Rosters will consist of 7 players. If a club professional or club staff is not able to participate, the highest handicap player on that team's submitted roster will play in the club professional's position.

# 2. **REGISTRATION:**

All captains must check in at the pro shop upon arrival where SCGA staff will have range tickets to be distributed to their team members.

## 3. **STARTING TIMES:**

Starting times and pairings will be e-mailed to captains and posted online at <u>scga.org</u> on the afternoon of November 18<sup>th</sup>. Starting times will range from 7:00 a.m. to 9:10 a.m. All players should be at their assigned tee at least five to seven minutes in advance of their starting time. The SCGA starter will have information to discuss and distribute to each player in the group.

Players are encouraged to arrive at their assigned tee well in advance of their starting time, as the SCGA starter will have information to discuss and distribute to each player in the group. Furthermore, players arriving late will be penalized under Rule 6-3a of the *Rules of Golf*. For example, the 9:00 a.m. starting time is defined as 9:00:00, and players arriving after that time are considered late. Lead groups should plan to be at their assigned tee 10 minutes in advance of their starting time. Subsequent groups are encouraged to arrive in time to watch the group in front of them tee off.

## 4. FORMAT:

All participants will compete in an 18-hole, stroke play championship. Two separate playoff matches will take place with the high scoring club in each match advancing to the California Scratch League Finals at Poppy Hills Golf Club on December 7<sup>th</sup>. The nine group winners are listed below into two groups for the playoff (16 point game within each pairing group of four players and a 25 point game within each pairing group of five players). Total point ties will be calculated with the same structure as a point total tie for each hole.

Playoff Group #1	Playoff Group #2
Bear Creek Golf Club	Hillcrest Country Club
Hacienda Golf Club	Redlands Country Club
Santa Ana Country Club	Saticoy Country Club
Yorba Linda Country Club	Sierra La Verne Golf Club
	Sundale Country Club

All play is without handicaps except for seeding the pairing order from low current handicap index to high index as of the November 1<sup>st</sup> revision. Stroke Play rules apply.

5. **TEES AND HOLE YARDAGES:** All play will be from the Black yardages CR: 75.1 / Slope: 142 / 7,121 yards. Female participants will play in the matches from one tee up from the men (Blue tees).

# 6. **PRACTICE ROUNDS:**

Players may make arrangements for practice rounds at their own expense. Call Industry Hills Golf Club (626-810-4653) up to two weeks prior of the date you wish to play. Green Fee for amateurs will be issued at the Industry Hills member rates. Green fees for club professionals will be complimentary but must be made directly through Director of Golf, Dave Youpa.

# 7. DRIVING RANGE:

The driving range will be open by 6:30 a.m. A shuttle service will be provided between the SCGA registration area and the driving range. Range balls will be provided compliments of the SCGA however each captain must pick up and distribute range tickets from the SCGA registration table to their team members.

## 8. LOCKER ROOM:

There will be no locker room available. Players are advised to arrive dressed and ready to play.

## 9. FOOD SERVICE:

The snack bar will be open by 6:00 a.m. Cima Restaurant will open at 6:30 a.m. Players will be on their own for breakfast as well as any other miscellaneous food and beverage purchases. The SCGA will host a player's lunch immediately following play near the Eisenhower trellis near the 18<sup>th</sup> green.

## 10. PURCHASES:

Cash and major credit cards will be accepted for all purchases.

## 11. LODGING OPTIONS:

\*Pacific Palms Resort One Industry Hills Parkway City of Industry, CA 91744 (800) 524-4557 pacificpalmsresort.com

\*Pacific Palms Resort is the hotel affiliated with Industry Hills Golf Club and is located on site. A rate of \$145 per night is available for tournament participants. When calling to make reservations, players must identify themselves as a participant in the SCGA tournament to secure this rate.

# 12. DIRECTIONS TO CLUB:

Industry Hills Golf Club One Industry Hills Parkway City of Industry, CA 91744 (626) 810-4653 ihgolfclub.com

# **CONDITIONS OF THE COMPETITION**

# 1. RULES OF PLAY:

Play is governed by the USGA Rules of Golf and the SCGA Scratch League Rules. Local Rules in effect will be found on the enclosed SCGA Local Rules Hard Card and the Notice to Players addendum distributed at the site. Disregard all other club posted local rules including those on the back of the club scorecard.

# 2. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES AND CELL PHONES:

Distance measuring devices (without the capability of measuring slope, wind, etc.) are permitted. Players should be cautioned that some smart phones with a distance measuring application do not qualify for use due to other non-conforming applications on the phone (such as an altimeter or anemometer). The mere presence of a non-conforming feature or application disqualifies the device, even if these other features or applications are not being used. Beginning in 2014, the use of a compass is no longer a breach of the *Rules of Golf.* Any questions about such devices should be resolved before the start of the stipulated round. Otherwise, cell phone use is not permitted during the stipulated round.

## 3. AWARDS AND TIES:

If there is a tie between two clubs, the teams tied will select two players to play a sudden victory aggregate playoff immediately following the conclusion of play. Play will be in one group of four with the 16 point game format. After completion of the first playoff hole, the highest point total of both teammates will determine who moves on. If still tied, all players will continue on to additional sudden death playoff holes. In the case of a tie between more than two clubs refer to the tiebreakers section of the Scratch League Rules.

In case of a tie between three clubs at the end of the playoff match, the teams tied will select three players to play a sudden victory aggregate playoff immediately following the conclusion of play. Play will be in three groups of three using a 9 point game format, possible point combinations are: 5-3-1, 5-2-2, 4-4-1, 3-3-3. After completion of the first playoff hole, the highest point total of all three teammates will determine who moves on. If all teams are still tied after the first playoff (or additional playoff holes), all players from those teams will continue on to an additional sudden death playoff hole(s). If two teams are still tied after the first playoff holes), the teams tied will select two players to play the next playoff hole in the 16 point game format.

In case of a tie between four clubs at the end of the playoff match, the teams tied will select two players to play a sudden victory aggregate playoff immediately following the conclusion of play. Play will be in two groups of four with the 16 point game format. After completion of the first playoff hole, the highest point total of both teammates will determine who moves on. If all teams are still tied after the first playoff (or additional playoff holes), all players from those teams will continue on to an additional sudden death playoff hole(s). If three teams are still tied after the first playoff hole (or

additional playoff holes), the teams tied will select three players to play the next playoff hole in two groups in the 9 point game format. If two teams are still tied after the first playoff hole (or additional playoff holes), the teams tied will select two players to play the next playoff hole in the 16 point game format. *Two clubs from the SCGA League playoff will advance into the California Scratch League Championship on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at Poppy Hills Golf Course where awards will be issued the overall 1st place team and members.* 

# 4. **AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION:**

Golf carts are included as part of the entry fee. The Southern California playoff will be cart path only.

# 5. PULL CARTS:

Pull or push carts are permitted however, the club does not rent them.

# 6. CADDIES:

Caddies are not permitted.

# 7. SPECTATORS:

Spectators are permitted but are not allowed in carts. Spectators must remain on cart paths at all times adhere to all policies set forth by the club.

# 8. DRESS CODE:

Players and caddies must be properly attired in golf shirts, slacks, Bermuda-length dress or golf shorts and soft spike shoes. Jeans (any color or any kind), T-shirts and tank tops will not be permitted. Shirts must be tucked in and hats are to be worn forward at all times.

# 9. PLAYER CODE OF CONDUCT:

By submitting an entry for any SCGA-administered competition, the contestant understands that his/her participation is at the sole discretion of the SCGA. A contestant may be removed from any competition at the discretion of the SCGA staff or Rules and Competitions Committee at any time before or during the competition. Incidents of unbecoming conduct or actions deemed to be detrimental to the image of the SCGA or the "Spirit of the Game" are grounds for such removal and suspension from future SCGA-administered competitions. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Willful damage of the golf course or golf course property
- Club throwing or unnecessary club tossing
- Offensive or unbecoming language
- Public criticism of golf course or verbal abuse of SCGA staff, officials, volunteers, host club staff or other contestants
- Potential endangerment of others
- Conduct deemed unbecoming
- Failure to post scores for handicapping purposes
- Manipulation of scores posted for handicapping purposes