



NIBLICK NEWS

sepulveda seniors' golf club january 2025

leaders of the pack

First December Monthly--Four-Player-1-2-3--December 2

A-Flight

Player Low Gross--Anthony Benenati and Teddy Difilippo--70--\$24

Player Low Net--Teddy Difilippo--68--\$35

Team Low Gross--Anthony Benenati/ Brian Coats/Dave Woody Wood/Jason Montgomery--135--\$41

Team Low Net--Brian Mason/John Lara/Shahen Ahmed/Victor Schwartz--127--\$41

B-Flight

Player Low Gross--Joe Ozuna--83--\$25

Player Low Net--Leonard Zambito--69--\$40

Teams Low Gross--Edwin Gooze/Leonard Zambito/Steve Greenbaum/Vaughn Archer-A and

Carla Loomis/Dean Abston/Midge McChristy/Miles Lee--155--\$38

Team Low Net--Arthurx Schonfeld/Jane Stanton/Jeffrey Markle/Tom Hudson--122--\$41

deep pockets

A-Flight--Teddy Defilippo--\$129; B-Flight--Leonard Zambito--\$154; C-Flight--Michael Russo--\$140

2024 Shotgun Two-Player Scramble--Awards Luncheon--December 11--Balboa

A-Flight

Team Low Gross--Anthony Benenati/Dave Woody Wood--64--\$41

Team Low Net--John Platt/Richard Willits--61--\$41

B-Flight

Team Low Gross--Timothy Page/Vern Cote--71--\$41

Team Low Net--De Ron Jones/Steven Skinner and Dean Abston/Jan Bernard--67--\$36

C-Flight

Team Low Gross--Robert Bailey/Steve Greenbaum--77--\$41

Team Low Net--Art Martinez/Don Kihara--67--\$36

deep pockets

A-Flight--Anthony Benenati/Dave Woody Wood/Timothy Page/Vern Cote--\$41; B-Flight--De Ron Jones/Steven Skinner/Dean Abston--\$76; C-Flight--Robert Bailey/Steve Greenbaum--\$79

and now a word from...our members

This section is for golf-related memories, creativity, humor, inspiration, tips: something that is not on our website.

FAREWELL

Bob Lieb



First I want to thank Marvin Brown, with whom I had been playing golf on Monday's at Penmar for a few years before leaving Westwood after thirty-four years, and moving to the S.F Valley and here in Tarzana in 2021. He suggested that I join the SSGC, and I am so glad that I did and joined as a member on 05/08/2021.

Right away I started playing in the monthly tournaments and by October I had qualified to participate in the 2021 "Club Championships." To my amazement I shot 88-87(175) over the two-day event and won the "B" Flight Low Net Champion my first year in the club.

The next thing I knew I was being cornered by the then-president Saul Isler and was immediately talked into being on the board of directors. The past two years have been a totally rewarding period of my retired life, meeting the greatest group of people.

The rest is history....I became the president of the board for the two-year term 2023-2024

I have watched a continual growth of the membership of the club and full fields of golfers for almost every of the monthly tournaments. I am happy to see the return in 2025 of the "MGA" monthly competition between the various clubs in the Park and Recreations division here in the Valley and City (Rancho-Griffith Park-Woodley Lakes) I look forward to taking over as the team captain on the MGA competition team of golfers who will compete once a month on Thursdays between March and October in 2025...I hope you will all reach out to me to let me know of your desire to be part of that team and play for SSGC.

I am also excited to see that the SSGC is working to make the needed upgrade from Mulligan to Genius in the format of our tournaments and scoring.

Saul Isler



So Long, It's Been Good to Know You...

Hate to say it but it looks like I'm hanging up my "spikes" and stowing away my clubs for good. Damned arthritis won't let me swing without pain. I'll return if I can reverse its effects but, at 90, I've had a good run at the game I've been loving while playing for over seventy-five years. For these past twelve years, I've been playing it with a great bunch of SSGC linksmen and linksladies I discovered since moving back to LA from the Bay Area. I've golfed at plenty of clubs in my time but never with a group as welcoming and congenial as ours. I want to give a special shout-out to Jan Bernard for being the good guy he is and for being the guy without whom there would be no club. And also to Dindo Puno for being such a pleasure to partner with these past few years. And to the dozens of others with whom it's always been a pleasure to know and to play with. Thanks for being who you are. So long, it's been good to know yuh...and I've got to be driftin' along.*

* (And thank you, Woody Guthrie.)

Don Kihara



As I prepared for the 2025-2026 Board Election my commitment to providing support for my family in San Diego created a dilemma. If my time spent out of town were to increase, could I serve the full 2 year term? The answer came when a recruiting effort by the board to find new members resulted in Anthony Benenati and Michael Camp agreeing to be on the ballot, This allowed me to step down from the board after 4 years as a member. I am proud of the accomplishments of the board to increase club membership, tournament participation and most recently the success of the year end banquet. I will continue to support the club by playing in tournaments and helping whenever I'm needed. It's been my pleasure to get to know the diverse members from all walks of life with the common thread of enjoying the game of golf.

WELCOME

Michael Camp



I spent forty years in the film business, creating trailers and TV spots for films and TV shows. I was an Exec VP at Paramount for 10 years and also spent time at Fox. The rest of the time was spent at outside agencies and production companies, including my own from 2008-2018. “Titanic” and “Forrest Gump” were among the biggest films, but there were many hits and a lot of misses too. I was in the DGA and I’m a member of the Academy, so right now I have to watch a lot of movies and get ready to vote. I retired in 2019 mainly to play golf, and our Seniors club has become a big part of that. Unfortunately, I broke my hand earlier this year, hard to imagine that on the smooth fairways of Encino, but it killed my game for the year, and I’m still recovering. I’ve joined the board to help keep the club growing, and I’m specifically working on the transition of our club website and tournament software to Golf Genius, which will hopefully make things easier for all of us, especially Jan.

Anthony Benenati



Thank you all for the wonderful and warm welcomes to the board of this great club. I wanted to join the board to become more involved in the evolution of this club. It’s no secret that our great leaders are aging out and it is time for the younger generation to take the reins and infuse some new ideas and continue the legacy of SSGC. As a young parent I volunteered for the PTA board and served six years, two as treasurer, two as vp and two as prez. It was a wonderful experience being a part of the decisions that affected the school where I sent my children. I hope to serve this club with the same enthusiasm. 2025 is going to be a great year for us with a new tournament schedule, Golf Genius being added and the return of the MGA! I encourage anyone who would like to help give back to this great club that we all get so much from.

I look forward to seeing you all in the New Year. Until then, enjoy your holidays and be safe!

Golfer of the Year--11/1/24-12/2/24

Zambito 36.50
Montgomery 31.50
Nguyen 30.50
Berkowitz 29.50
Zoida 27.50
Wong 27.00
Benenati 26.00
Schwartz 26.00
Jones 25.50
Ozuna 25.00
Khara 24.00
Thomas 23.50
Cote 22.50
McGaha 22.50
Abston 22.00
Cowan 22.00
Lara 22.00
Morris 21.00
Sowa 20.00
Page 18.00

Most Improved--11/1/24-10/31/25

Jason Montgomery 7.9 6.7
Kenny Merchant 9.3 8.3
Steven Skinner 18.4 17.0
Brian Coats 8.0 7.2
Satur Duenas 21.0 20.2
Conal O'Herlihy 14.2 13.6
John Lara 6.9 6.5
Vern Cote 23.1 22.5
Warren Friedman 19.1 18.6
Susana Andongo 20.8 20.3
Michael Russo 21.8 21.3
Andrew Rudnicki 17.0 16.6
Jeffrey Markle 25.7 25.3
Michael Bochenek 23.4 23.0
Robert Shuttleworth 19.5 19.2
Victor Schwartz 9.1 9.0
Carla Loomis 12.8 12.7
Shaheen Ahmed 12.8 12.7
Randy Oppenheimer 17.4 17.3
Art Martinez

get ready!

January

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Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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January 13 --First January Monthly-- Two-Player-Better Ball,

January 20--Board Meeting--1:00

January 27--Second January Monthly--Individual--Balboa



membership summary

The Club has 249 member--200 Full and 49 Associate*

***An Associate Member pays reduced dues, is entitled to a handicap, can play in six Club tournaments--excluding the three majors--but is ineligible to be Golfer of the Year and Most Improved**

Welcome to Full Members: Bill Lehr, Leonard Levine, Richard Kay

Refer a potential member to Dean Abston--DeanAbston@bhhsca.com--(818) 439-4490 for membership applications--and receive one free green fee at an SSGC event at a City course upon that person's joining--(entry fee, prize money, golf cart excluded).



Dean Abston--Membership



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Club Championship—Steve Skinner & DeRon Jones;

President's Cup--

Founders' Cup--Steve Skinner

First Monthly--Jan Bernard

Second Monthly--Jan Bernard

One-Day-Away--Steve Skinner

MGA--Bob Lieb

GAC--Bob Lieb/Blane Goldwater

Website--Jan Bernard

Niblick Editor--Steve Greenbaum

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ssgc board 2025-- officers will be chosen at january meeting



Michael Camp



Ed Gooze
Vice President



Steve Greenbaum
Secretary/Niblick



Harvey Goldsmith
Treasurer



Jan Bernard
Tournament Dir./Website



Dean Abston
Membership/Banquet



Larry Tash
Handicap/Asst. Secretary



Blane Goldwater
Sunshine/Banquet Dir.



Anthony Benenati



Steve Skinner
Club Championship
Founders' Cup/Away



De Ron Jones
Club Championship



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**Bob Lieb--Immediate Past
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MGA**

