

# Sudden Valley Golf Club News

## Message from our Club President

This year we had another great season. The course was in tip-top shape for most of the summer with fast fairways and nice greens. Trees were trimmed up to enhance air flow in some areas and to help play in other areas. The chipping green and the hole nine green received new sod. The golf club helped to purchase the sod on hole nine.

The club held two new events, the one-person scramble and the SV Ryder Cup. The ladies had a couple of events that raised \$3,700.00 for two charities. The men's invite was bigger than ever.

I want to thank those who served on the golf board during my tenure. Your service has helped to strengthen our club. Special kudos to John Fuchs for improving the look of the golf course. Because of his efforts we have a new clock and flowers on hole one, a refreshed starter's shack and new directional signs. He and Linda Card are currently refreshing the hole signs. John has more improvements planned for next year. Please consider helping him as he comes up with new projects to better our course.

I am stepping down as president. It has been a pleasure to serve on the board and to serve this club. Over the last few years, I have enjoyed meeting many of you either on the course, the range or while walking my dog. The people of this club have big hearts.

I have a couple parting thoughts. First, please consider serving on the golf club board. The existence of an active board gives the club legitimacy and will help influence the direction of the club. An active board can help improve the course and the events. An active board with the support of the Director of Golf can advocate to the Sudden Valley Board of Directors for items the course needs.

Second, if you are resident of Sudden Valley, consider running for the Sudden Valley Board of Directors. In addition to being a voice for the golf club, you will help to set the direction of the Valley. The success of the golf course is dependent on the Sudden Valley Board of Directors. It is the board that determines how much money the Director of Golf receives for salaries. It is the board that determines what equipment will be purchased or not. It is the board that determines if bridges are rebuilt and streams shored up. It is important to have a representative on the board to advocate for the golf club and golf course and to communicate to the golf club members why certain items are approved or not approved. It is important to be active on these two boards to have a healthy and robust golf course and golf club.

Thank you, it's been a pleasure,

Jean

**The SVGC Board appreciates your support. We hope to continue to bring many more fun events throughout the year.**

<i>President:</i>	Jean Maixner	<i>Men's Captain:</i>	Connor Swift
<i>VP:</i>	Guy Calb	<i>Greens Chair:</i>	John (Fuzzy) Fuchs
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Dave Strauss	<i>Social Chair:</i>	Open
<i>Club Captain:</i>	Kelly Devlin	<i>Handicap Chair:</i>	Rick Larrabee
<i>Secretary:</i>	Leslie McRoberts	<i>Membership/</i>	
<i>Ladies Captain:</i>	Melissa Reece	<i>Nominations Chair:</i>	Guy Calb

To contact SVGC board members, please email: Jean Maixner at [jmmaixner@comcast.net](mailto:jmmaixner@comcast.net).

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## Congratulations to our September 2025 Tournament Winners\*

### Tuesday Couple's Scramble Tournament – September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025

<u>Gross</u>	<u>Score</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> ..... John & Kristin Fuchs .....	32
<u>Net</u>	
1 <sup>st</sup> ..... Michael & Melissa Linville .....	32
2 <sup>nd</sup> ..... Michael & Jeri Moore .....	32.5
3 <sup>rd</sup> ..... Jon & Jeanne Joslin .....	34

### Ladies Fall Wind Up - September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025\*

	<u>Score</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> (tied) ..... Catherine Allen, Barbara Reece, Nancy Berg.....	-5
..... Kristin Fuchs, Shari Pfeil, Jeri Moore .....	-5
3 <sup>rd</sup> ..... Tricia Callahan, Lorna Lane, Linda Card .....	-4

### Fall Wind-Up – September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025\*

1 <sup>st</sup> ..... John Fuchs, Marty Jeide, Mary Bradford .....	57
2 <sup>nd</sup> ..... Carson Linville, Collin Morrow, Steve Teske .....	58
3 <sup>rd</sup> (tied) ..... Steve Card, Melissa Linville, Rick Larrabee, Tony Lousao .....	61
..... Steve Neely, Jon Joslin, Lorna Lane, Irv Boschman .....	61
..... Kristin Fuchs, John Maurer, Mike Moore, Jake Weinstein .....	61

### Men's Club Championship Results

#### Match Play

#### Championship Flight

Winner .....	Steve Kaestner
Runner Up .....	Steve Card
Semi Finals.....	Bill Hager

#### Flight 1

Winner .....	Lucas Leiberman
Runner Up .....	Dave Ralston
Semi Finals (tied) .....	Les Topp
	Joh Joslin

\* See SVGC Website for complete results of tournaments.

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## September 2025 Tournament Winners

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### Men's Club Championship Results

#### Match Play

#### Senior Gross

Winner .....	Steve Pake
Runner Up .....	John Maurer
Semi Finals (tied) .....	Marty Loberg
.....	Mike Wienkers

#### Senior Net

Winner .....	Steve Pake
Runner Up .....	Marty Jeide
Semi Finals (tied) .....	Dave Ralston
.....	Darryl Warner

#### Best Ball Club Championship

Winner .....	Brian Kruhlak/Collin Morrow
Runner Up .....	David Dunham/Mike Wienkers
Semi Finals (tied) .....	Rick Gray/Tony Lousao
.....	Sean Oliver/Les Topp

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## Report from Green's Chair

by John "Fuzzy" Fuchs

- Six of the hole signs have been repainted. Thanks to Linda Card's artistry.
- The Tom Frank starter shed has been given much needed paint and siding.
- Thanks to those who participated in the split the pot raffle at the Fall Wind Up dinner. Beautification netted \$300.

Please consider getting on the beautification board in the pro shop. We will keep it open until it is filled. All materials used for this year's projects came from our fundraisers.

Also: looking for a person/group to restore the wagon near the putting green..

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## 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Bellingham Amateur – September 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025

		<u>Score</u>
Champion .....	Dan Perrino .....	148
Senior Champion .....	Cris Bae .....	148
Ladies Champion .....	Holly Hilton .....	180

### Championship Flight

#### Gross

1 <sup>st</sup> .....	Adam Kagen .....	149
2 <sup>nd</sup> .....	Steve Kaestner .....	154

#### Net

1 <sup>st</sup> .....	John Fuchs .....	139
2 <sup>nd</sup> .....	Connor Swift .....	140

### Senior Flight

#### Gross

1 <sup>st</sup> (tied) .....	Kelly Devlin .....	153
	Les Topp .....	153

#### Net

1 <sup>st</sup> .....	David Dunham .....	143
2 <sup>nd</sup> (tied) .....	Mark Johnson .....	148
	Ron Kenny .....	148



Dan Perrino, Champion & Cris Bae, Sr. Champion



Darren Chapman, SV Head Pro & Holly Hilton, Ladies Champion

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## Mark Your Calendars

### Upcoming Events in October 2025

Saturday, October 25 <sup>th</sup>	SV Golf Club Annual General Meeting - 4:00 pm in backroom of El Agave Restaurant
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Please see page 6 of this newsletter for the 2025/2026 Winter Series Schedule.

## Do You Know? Rules and Etiquette

*by Darren Chapman*

### Rule 16.1c – Abnormal Course Condition in a Bunker (e.g., temporary water)

If your ball is in a bunker and there's **casual water (temporary water)**:

1. **Free Relief (still in the bunker):**

- You may take relief without penalty by dropping your ball within **one club-length** of the nearest point of complete relief, no nearer the hole.
- The drop must stay **inside the bunker**.

2. **Relief Outside the Bunker (penalty option):**

- If there's no reasonable relief inside the bunker, you may take the ball **outside the bunker**, keeping the point where the ball lies directly between the hole and the spot where you drop.
- This comes with a **one-stroke penalty**.

So, in short:



Free relief inside the bunker.



Or, for one penalty stroke, you can drop outside the bunker.

### Last Day to Post Scores

In Washington State, you stop posting scores at the beginning of the Inactive Score Posting Season on November 15<sup>th</sup> and resume posting scores on March 1<sup>st</sup>. During the winter months, from November 15<sup>th</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup>, Washington Golf observes this inactive season, as course conditions are generally different from the mid-season conditions used to rate the courses.

### Signs of Fall on No. 11





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## WINTER SERIES 2025/2026

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OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup> - Two Person Scramble

OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup> - Big Cup Shamble  
Four Player Teams

NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> - One Person Scramble

DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> - Ball Buster  
Four Person Scramble

JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> - How Low Can Go?  
Two Player Scramble

FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> (SUNDAY) - Die Hard Open  
Two Player Teams

FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> - 5 Person Superbowl Shamble  
5-Person Teams

FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup> - Three Tee Scramble  
4-Person Teams

MARCH 21<sup>ST</sup> - WINTER SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP  
How low Buster - 4 Person Scramble

