

Welcome to



Shandin Hills Men's Golf Club

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| Back | 0-14 M 0-3 W | 490 | 385 | 147 | 363 | 385 | 350 | 178 | 556 | 390 | 5254 | | 425 | 190 | 373 | 338 | 514 | 165 | 408 | 530 | 340 | 3283 | 6517 | 70.6/127 |
| Middle | 15-24 M 4-10 W | 467 | 370 | 135 | 345 | 376 | 341 | 166 | 530 | 360 | 3090 | | 400 | 171 | 360 | 320 | 490 | 145 | 396 | 500 | 320 | 3102 | 6192 | 68.9/124 M 74.9/129 W |
| Handicap | | 17 | 3 | 11 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 15 | 7 | 13 | | | 4 | 10 | 18 | 16 | 12 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 14 | | | |
| Par | | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 36 | | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 36 | 72 | HCP/NET/ADJ |
| Forward | 25+ M 11+ W | 420 | 336 | 126 | 325 | 353 | 320 | 105 | 501 | 296 | 2782 | | 380 | 125 | 350 | 306 | 433 | 115 | 375 | 480 | 248 | 2810 | 5592 | 71.6/122 |
| Handicap | | 11 | 7 | 13 | 9 | 1 | 3 | 17 | 5 | 15 | | | 6 | 18 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 16 | 4 | 2 | 14 | | | |
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Welcome to the Shandin Hills Men's Golf Club

The Club is a member of the Southern California Golf Association, and all tournament play is sanctioned by that Association.

Name and Purpose of the Club

The name of the golf club shall be the Shandin Hills Men's Golf Club.

The purpose of the Club shall be:

Stimulate interest in golf by bringing together a group of golfers who are desirous of forming a golf association.

Promote and foster among the members a closer bond and fraternity for their joint and mutual benefit, and to promote and conserve the best interests and true spirit of the game of golf as embodied in its ancient and honorable traditions.

Encourage conformance to the USGA Rules of Golf by creating a representative authority.

Maintain a uniform system of handicapping and issue SCGA handicap indexes to the members.

Provide an authoritative body to govern and conduct club competitions.

History of the Shandin Hills Golf Club

The Shandin Hills Golf Course opened in 1985 and was designed Cary Bickler. However the present Men's Club had its origins elsewhere.

When Norton Air Force Base in San Bernardino was converted to civilian control and designated as the San Bernardino International Airport, the Base course previously restricted to the military was opened to the public. The Palm Meadows Golf Course was closed by the governing Inland Valley Development Agency in March 2005. The Palm Meadows Men's Golf Club, rather than disband, started looking for a new home.

With the combined efforts of President John Kelly and Board Members Jim Morris and Bill Schellenberger, and the cooperation of the management of the Shandin Hills Golf Course, that new home was found.

The Club continued to function as the Palm Meadows Golf Club for several years. In 2008, the decision was made to change the name of the club to reflect allegiance to our home course.

The Shandin Hills Men's Golf club was a member of the Southern California Public Links Golf Association until 2010 when that Association merged with the Southern California Golf Association. The Club is now associated with the SCGA.

Board of Directors

Your Board of Directors is elected annually. Their term extends for the calendar year. The Board consists of the following officers:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Handicap Chairman
Tournament Chairman
Membership Chairman

Meetings of the Board are open to all members with the exception of Executive Sessions. General meetings are held following the play on the third week of each month.

Tournament Guidelines:

The Club conducts Club tournaments every week. During registration you are entered into several contests, among those are daily net score, daily net skins, closest to the pin on holes #3 and #15.

In addition, you may choose to enter competition for gross skins, gross score (Sunday only) and closest to the pin on #7 and #11. (Optional 7 & 11 are winner-take-all) Payouts are usually made at the check-in table on the following week; just ask if you have an envelope.

Tournament play is governed by the USGA Rules of Golf. Please keep in mind, the following:

There are NO GIMMIE putts. Every hole must be holed out, which means that the ball must come to rest in the cup. The penalty for failure to hole out is disqualification.

Southern California Golf Association

Shandin Hills Men's Club is a member of the SCGA, one of the oldest and largest regional golf associations. The association provides many services and benefits for its members.

Shandin Hills with its membership in SCGA provides handicap certification nationwide through the computerized Golf Handicap and Information Network (GHIN).

SCGA also provides outings, special tournaments and many other benefits for members. Visit their website for more information at www.scga.org.

GHIN – Golf Handicap and Information Network

GHIN is the computerized network system for posting scores and retrieving your current handicap index. The SCGA is the local body licensed by the USGA to use its handicap system. Your current handicap index and its history are maintained by the SCGA.

It is the member's responsibility to post all scores for any rounds of golf played other than during the Club's sanctioned weekly tournaments.

The Club will post your score for all Wednesday and Sunday tournaments. You must turn your completed scorecard into the responsible Board member on those days. Scores for the second week of each month are posted as "tournament" scores.

Please be sure that the card includes your complete name, date of the round, and is signed by the scorer.

To post a score for rounds other than those described above, locate the GHIN computer at the course you are playing, and follow the instructions on the screen.

Remember that your course handicap will not be the same on all golf courses. Your handicap will vary according to the rating of each individual course. Most courses carry an index-to-handicap conversion chart posted in their clubhouse.

Your golf handicap index is computed twice a month on the 1st and the 15th. Register with SCGA to have your index sent to you automatically by e-mail.

Club and Tournament Play

The Club plays on Wednesday and Sunday mornings year round. Exceptions occur only for extreme conditions or some holidays. Check in is open from 6:30 to 7:15 and the close of check-in is strictly enforced.

During check-in players are given tee assignments and entered into the tournament play for the day. The Club awards weekly challenges for low net score, net skins, and closest to the pin on two of the par 3 holes.

There are also optional tournaments for gross skins, low gross score, and the other two par 3 holes.

Hole – In – One

Any member who scores a Hole in One during regular tournament play receives \$50.00 from the Club.

Golf tradition says that anyone scoring a hole-in-one buys drinks for the members in clubhouse. The origins and logic for this tradition is debatable. However, the \$50 that the Club pays rarely covers the tab for those “traditional” drinks. So the Club has an optional voluntary Hole-In-One insurance fund.

The insurance fund guidelines:

Members wishing to participate in the fund shall pay a fee of \$ 2. Participation is not mandatory.

Any participating Club member who shoots a Hole-in-one during a club sanctioned tournament shall be awarded the total amount in the fund.

In the event that there is more than a single winner on the same day, the award shall be divided equally among the winners.

To be eligible for an award the player must:

1. Be a member in good standing with the Shandin Hills Men’s Golf Club.
2. Be current with membership dues.
3. Have paid into the current fund.

When the fund is depleted due to an award, a new fund and membership list shall be started on the first competition day following the award.

Club Newsletter

The Club publishes a newsletter. The newsletter is distributed electronically via e-mail. Club news, upcoming events and items of interest along with photos from Club events are included.

Be sure your membership application includes your e-mail address and update it if you make changes to your contact information.

If you do not have an internet e-mail account, a copy of the newsletter is posted on the Club bulletin board located in the pro shop. Costs prohibit us from mailing individual copies to members.

Local Rules:

All local rules specified on the official Shandin Hills score card shall apply to all competitions of the Shandin Hills Men's Club.

The Committee designates the following local rules to apply in addition to those mentioned above. All local rules are temporary and shall be reviewed, and may modified or revoked by the Committee as conditions change.

Local Rule:

Winter Rules may temporarily apply during times when weather has an adverse effect on fair and pleasant play.

The Committee will notify members when winter rules apply. During that time, through the green, the player may mark, lift, clean, and place the ball.

When winter rules are not specifically in effect, the player must play the ball as it lies. Refer to the Rules of Golf for relief from obstructions, etc.

Local Rule:

The area to the right of the fairway of hole #1 and to the right of the tee area of hole #2 that is covered with wood chippings is through the green and designated as ground-under-repair. Rule 25-1 (i) applies.

Local Rule:

Members may use a device that measures or gauges distance only. Rule 14-3

Local Rule:

The area on the left of the fairway of hole # 8 that is a damaged fairway bunker is through the green and designated as ground-under-repair. Rule 25-1 (i) applies.

Local Rule:

A drop zone has been designated for hole #15,

If a ball is or it is known or virtually certain that a ball has not been found in the water hazard on hole #15, the player may:

1. Proceed under rule 26: or
2. As an additional option, drop a ball under penalty of one stroke, in the dropping zone.

Penalty for breach of local rules:

Match play – Loss of hole

Stroke play – Two strokes

Note:

The installation of the long-overdue protective fencing around the driving range may cause some questions regarding how it is to be played.

There white stakes on the fairway side of the range fence. Any ball beyond those stakes **are out of bounds**. Stroke and distance penalty applies.

Any guy wires used to support the poles that are inbounds are treated as an immovable obstruction and the player is allowed relief under rule 24. However, a ball in flight that is deflected by such wire is considered rub of the green and must be played where it lies.

The distance markers that appear in some fairways are considered movable obstructions under rule 24.

FAQ

These are the some frequently asked questions:

Q. Do I have to pay into the weekly tournaments?

A. Yes, you must participate in the Low Net, Net Skins, and closest to pin on two par 3's. You may also pay a small additional fee to enter the optional games for Gross Skins, and winner-take-all for the other two par 3 holes. On Sundays only there is also a game for Low Gross Score.

Q. Are these the only tournaments?

A. Every third Wednesday there is a special club tournament. The formats vary and may include a four-man scramble, a two-man Pinehurst, best ball, etc. There is an additional charge of \$5.00 to cover the extra payouts on tournament Wednesdays.

Q. How do I check in ?

A. The check-in table is located inside the clubhouse. You can check in for Club play starting at 6:30 am. The table closes promptly at 7:15 am. If you haven't checked in before the table closes, you will not be able to participate in Club play.

There are no exceptions to the 7:15 deadline. The Board has tried to make accommodations in the past, and unfortunately it was abused. Therefore the No Exception Rule was put into effect. Your alternative is to pay the daily fee at the front desk and see in the starter can fit you in.

Handicap Information

The USGA (United States Golf Association) introduced a handicap system in the early 20th Century.

The purpose of the system has always been to attempt to level the playing field for golfers of differing abilities, so that those golfers can compete equally. For example, imagine someone whose average score is 92 trying to compete against someone whose average score is 72. Without a handicapping system, it can't be done. At least not fairly.

With a handicapping system, the weaker player is given strokes on certain holes on a golf course. That is, on a particular hole the weaker player may be allowed to "take a stroke" - deduct a stroke - from his or her score for that hole. At the end of the round, the two players of differing abilities can figure their "net score" - their gross scores minus the strokes they were allowed to take on certain holes.

A player's official USGA Handicap Index is derived from a complicated formula that, (thankfully, players themselves do not have to figure) takes into account adjusted gross score, course rating and slope rating.

With as few as five rounds, a player can get a handicap index. Eventually, handicap index is calculated using the 10 best of a golfer's 20 most recent rounds.

Once a USGA Handicap Index is issued - say, 14.8 - the golfer uses that to determine his or her course handicap.

Course handicap - not handicap index - is what actually tells a golfer how many strokes they are allowed on a particular course. Most golf courses have charts golfers can consult to get their course handicap. Once armed with course handicap, a golfer is ready to play on an equal basis with any other golfer in the world.

Are Handicap and Handicap Index the same thing ?

The two terms are often used interchangeably, but "handicap index" technically refers only to those established through the auspices of the USGA (or other governing body) Handicap System.

How Do I Know on Which Holes to Take Strokes?

Determine your course handicap, then compare your course handicap to the "handicap" line on the scorecard.

There should be a row (usually two rows, actually, one for men and one for women) on the scorecard labeled "Handicap" (or abbreviated "HCP"), and the numbers on that row represent the ranking of the holes for handicap purposes.

If your course handicap is "1," then you get a stroke only on the No. 1 handicap hole. If your course handicap is "2," then you get strokes on handicap holes Nos. 1 and 2, and so on.

So if your course handicap is 18, you get a stroke on every hole. If it's 9, you get a stroke on the top 9 handicap holes, but not on the bottom nine. If it's 27, you get one stroke on every hole, plus a second stroke on each of the top nine handicap holes.