



NCGA Quarterly Update, June 2010

Membership Doesn't End at the 18th Hole

NCGA Club Officer: Welcome to a new service that will reach out to you four times a year with news and updates. Please forward or print for your members.

Free Lessons and Clinics

NCGA members can take advantage of group lessons with golf professionals for free. The lessons take place from now through Labor Day at numerous facilities throughout the region including Poppy Hills, Poppy Ridge and the participating courses of the NCGA Member Advantage. Visit ncga.org for details.

Member Advantage

The NCGA launched the NCGA Member Advantage in 2009; the program entitles all members to benefits and discounts at more than 90 facilities throughout the region. Present your membership card to receive benefits such as discounts on green fees and merchandise, preferred tee times, free lessons and clinics and much more.

Poppy Hills and Ridge Discounts

NCGA members receive heavily discounted green fees at Poppy Hills in Pebble Beach and Poppy Ridge in Livermore. Member rates at Poppy Hills are nearly 75% less than the public green fee (which is already the lowest public green fee of any course in the Del Monte Forest). Poppy Ridge's member green fees are 45% lower than the public rate. Also save 20% in the pro shops and 10% in the two golf-course restaurants.

Poppy Hills has undergone an aggressive maintenance plan that has the layout in its best shape in years. Smooth greens and widened fairways have been met with rave reviews. The fescue removal project was just completed at Poppy Ridge also, improving playability on the 27-hole layout. Take advantage of the \$39 senior rate at Poppy Ridge.

NCGA Foundation Honored

The NCGA Foundation was recently honored by a concurrent resolution from the legislature of the State of California for its work encouraging and developing core values in kids through golf. The Foundation invested more than \$1,000,000 in deserving youth in 2009. The resolution cited the Foundation's work in "supporting a continuum that extends a wholesome success oriented life through scholarships, internships, career opportunities, and a wholesome life," and acknowledged Foundation efforts that "funded scholarships, grants for youth programs, subsidized 90,000 experiences on driving ranges, and 60,000 rounds of golf for the young people of Northern California."

NBC recently taped a segment on the Foundation's success that will air during the U.S. Open telecast Sunday, June 20.



NCGA RECEIPT

POPPY HILLS
THURSDAY

DESCRIPTION	NON-MEMBER	MEMBER	SAVINGS
Round of golf with cart	\$218.00	\$73.00	\$145.00
Shirt from pro shop	\$29.95	\$23.96	\$5.99
Lunch at restaurant	\$12.95	\$10.36	\$2.59
		SUBTOTAL	\$154.00
Club fittings NCGA sponsored free clinics/lessons	\$50.00	Free	\$50.00
		SUBTOTAL	\$140.00

TOTAL SAVINGS \$294.00

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U.S. Open

Check ncga.org for previews, updates, videos and live scoring for the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach June 14-20. Staff writers will provide behind-the-scenes information and photo galleries on the national championship.

Register Your E-mail

With two handicap revisions per month (on the 1st and 15th), and special offers from course such as Pebble Beach or Pasatiempo, it's important to ensure your e-mail address is registered and up-to-date so that all the benefits of NCGA membership are available. In 2009, nearly 30 special offers were sent to members along with monthly handicap revision newsletters. Register your e-mail at ncga.org.

Discounts off the Course

As part of an expanding list of member benefits, discounts to select Golden State Warriors and San Jose Sharks' games as well as a Dell Computer markdown and ski packages have joined hotel packages at 15 properties up and down the coast.

Member Outings

Discounted golf at courses not normally available to the public has become an added member benefit. Member outings at facilities such as Pasatiempo, Morgan Creek, Almaden, Granite Bay or El Macero are offered at a reasonable cost. Registration fees will typically include range balls, golf with a cart, prizes and lunch.

Tournaments and Rules Schools

Registration is available for the 2010 schedule of NCGA championships and rules schools. Five rules seminars are held throughout the year around the region, and the tournament schedule continues to offer events for men, women and juniors of all abilities. Register online at ncga.org.

Foundation YOC

More than 115 facilities offer rates averaging \$5 or less as part of the NCGA Foundation's groundbreaking Youth on Course program. To qualify, kids must be certified by a Youth on Course certified program such as the First Tee or through the Foundation's new online curriculum. Visit ncgafoundation.org.

Point-to-Point Driving Directions

One of the best aspects of the NCGA's course directory is the option for creating point-to-point directions to every course in the region. The most comprehensive and accurate directory of courses available is especially useful when visited from a smart phone, and is easily accessed from the home screen of mobile.ncga.org.



Replacement Membership Card

Members misplacing or losing their NCGA member card can order a replacement through the NCGA membership department at (831) 625-4653. After address verification, the card will arrive in four-six weeks.

