

# VGA

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The VGA offers prearranged golf events on Wednesdays and Saturdays at courses in the greater Phoenix area. Come join in. Let VGA introduce you to a golf opportunity that has been a valley tradition since 1978. The thing here is enjoying yourself. No pressure to play when you don't want to and available twice a week at convenient times and courses when you do. One of our players said it best, *"It is great to have prearranged events every Saturday or Wednesday with friends. I have to do nothing but show up and play. Best deal in town"*.

Wednesday Events coordinators are Neal Fisel at (623) 363-6658 and Doug Rankin at (480) 223-8705. You must sign up no later than the Sunday prior to the event.

Saturday Events coordinators are Fred Baldwin at (480) 282-3207 and Dan Christiansen (602) 481-0811. You must sign up no later than the Wednesday prior to the event. Call them for any questions you have about entering or most anything you need to know about the events we run.

For general information about the club or scheduled events, contact [vgaweb@outlook.com](mailto:vgaweb@outlook.com). The Valley Golfers Association (VGA) is a long standing membership golf association offering handicap play to its membership every Saturday and Wednesday morning throughout the year with over 100 events per year. VGA is a member of the Arizona Golf Association and adheres to the principles and rules of golf established by the United States Golf Association (USGA). The World Handicap System is used by VGA to determine event winners. VGA arranges events at reasonably priced, but challenging, courses throughout

the greater Phoenix area, and occasionally in other areas around Arizona. If you would like to experience a round of golf with VGA, come out and play as a guest. **[Click on the Online Entry page on this link.](#)** Let VGA know when you want to play. Someone will contact you to make final arrangements. Bring a friend...bring two friends...bring your favorite foursome...come and enjoy the day. If you decide to join the VGA, You should contact Arizona Golf Association **[Click for AGA Signup info here.](#)** If you are comfortable signing up online without assistance go online and sign up. If not go to the link above find the Join button click on it and follow the directions or call AGA and they will help you thru it. Don't forget to tell them you wish to join the Valley Golfers Association too. Your membership fee will be \$65.00. The fee entitles you to an Arizona Golf Association membership (AGA \$35), a VGA membership (\$30), a World handicap, participation in all VGA events, and an invitation to compete for prizes.

To view any Pairing (Tee sheets) or Handicap or results, **[VGA-USGA-Golf Genius Portal Click here anytime.](#)** *As a general rule tee sheets are published 1 to 2 days in advance of the event and sent only to those that signed up. If you do not find your name on the T sheet then you must call the event coordinator immediately if you wish to play. Do not be left out always make sure your name is on the T-Sheet. Results for the VGA events will be published immediately after the closing of the event paperwork usually at the course. Past and present events can be retrieved to see results.*

### **Golf Genius Sign up and confirmation.**

You will be signed up for the event that you've chosen. The form automatically sends you a confirmation of your entry or declining entry. You will be given an opportunity to send a message back to the coordinator after you have declared Playing or Not Playing on the confirmation you get. Or you should go to the VGA website; **[www.valleygolfers.com](http://www.valleygolfers.com)** and sign up for the event you want to play on the online entry page. At that time you can not only sign up yourself, but sign up any guests you would like to introduce to VGA play or ask to play in any group you would like. Of course it is impossible to guarantee that can happen but the event coordinators try to accommodate. Please be advised that members will take precedence over non-members, so it is not always possible to get non-member

guests into the event. Golf Course usually restricts us to a certain number of players. The signup policy is on the website. Please take time to read it. Please arrive one half hour in advance of the 1<sup>st</sup> tee time. Usually range balls are provided, so you can warm up on the driving and putting and chipping ranges. Arriving early allows the coordinators a chance to warm up too. When you arrive at the course, go to the pro shop and pay your green fees. Then find the coordinator and if you are participating in all the player prize pots, the coordinator will sign you up and collect a fee of \$10.00 to cover all the prize pots. Guests and non-Members are charged \$5 which also covers your CTP entry. Birdie prize each hole on the course, there can be only one birdie paid on each hole. That means if there are two or more birdies made on the same hole no one is paid as one cancels the other. For each hole on the course, you must be the only one to have made a birdie in order to get the birdie prize. The (CTP) closest to the pin fee is \$1.00. Everyone including non-members must pay this fee. *This is the only pot that non-members are eligible to participate in.* The money payout is based on the number of entries and number of par three holes that have one or more players that reach the hole in one stroke. There can be only one winner on each par 3 hole and that is the closest to the pin ball in case two or more players arrive on the green in one stroke. That's how it works. Please remember all player prize pots are voluntary except the CTP \$1 fee for everyone. So have fun, that's the main thing and good luck to all the players. See you at the next VGA golf experience.

Signup Policy: [Click here for complete sign up rules.](#)