VGA

(Valley Golfers Association, Inc.) Revised 5/16/2023.

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 do not 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 must do nothing but show up and play. Best deal in town".

Wednesday's Events coordinator is **Jim Cox at (480) 221-7492 or by <u>Email</u>. You must sign up no later than the Sunday prior to the event**.

Saturday Events coordinators are Dan Campos at (602) 481–5560) or Email and Dan Christiansen at (602) 481–0811 or Email. You must sign up no later than the Wednesday prior to the event.

For general information about the club or scheduled events, contact <u>vgaweb@outlook.com</u>. 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 one hundred 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). VGA uses the World Handicap System to determine event winners. VGA

arranges events at 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. <u>Click on the Online Entry</u> <u>page on this link</u>. Let VGA know when you want to play. Someone will contact you to make Please make your final arrangements and feel free to bring along some friends. You are welcome to bring one or two friends or even your favorite foursome...enjoy the day. If you decide to join the VGA, you should contact Arizona Golf Association <u>Click for AGA Signup info here</u>. If you are comfortable signing up online without help, go online and sign up. If not, go to the link above and find the Join button click on it, and follow the directions or call AGA and they will help you through it, do not forget to tell them you wish to join the Valley Golfers Association too.

Your membership fee will be \$75.00. The fee entitles you to an Arizona Golf Association membership (AGA \$45), 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. As a rule, tee sheets are published 1 to 2 days before the event and sent only to those who signed up. If you do not find your name on the T sheet, you must immediately call the event coordinator if you wish to play. Do not be left out, always make sure your name is on the Tee 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.

VGA sends every member an invitation for each event played via email. 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. At that time, you have not only signed yourself in but can request 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 getting nonmembers' guests into the event is not always possible. 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 hours in advance of the last 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 for the course. 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. The \$10 fee is mandatory and can no longer be separated into individual 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 to get the birdie prize. This is the only prize that non-members are eligible to participate in. The money payout is based on the number of entries and the 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 three hole and that is the closest to the pin or ball in case two or more players arrive on the green in one stroke. So have fun, that is the main thing, and good luck to all the players. See you at the next VGA golf experience.