

From the 19th Hole

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Welcome to All Torrey Pines Men's Club members! Here are some Club updates...

Our club's annual meeting and election of board members was held on November 19th at **Ale Smith Brewery**. As always it was well attended by over 125 members. We want to give a big shout out thanks to our Club members – Brandon Richards and Zach Borba **for hosting us at their location!**

Your Board and officers for 2025 are as follows – Larry Prosi/President; Stephen Lee/Vice President, Marc Couillard/Treasurer, Brian Dresser/Secretary, Roy Burchill, Jim Hartigan, Bob Hood, Ruben Huerta, Jim Lackritz, Jamie Ogle, Frank Rashid, Stephen Shushan, Sean Tucker and Mike Zucchet. Additional special thanks to these Club officials – Ed Carter/IT, Michael Berg/CoC and Al Allison/Volunteering.

CONGRATULATIONS and a BIG THANK YOU to all of these hard-working Board members, Club Officials and our Volunteers!

Your Board had some significant accomplishments during 2024 including – 1) managing over 65+ tournaments, 2) strengthening our relationship with the Torrey Pines GC Administration team and the City Park and Rec Dept., 3) managing our finances within our budget, 4) adding new tournament formats including a "Tournament of Champions" (more info follows on that event); 5) we had also raised the tournament fee to \$20 in anticipation of paying the City an additional \$2 per player per round; we successfully had that fee eliminated, thus the entire \$20 goes to tournament payouts, and finally 6) negotiating the discontinuance of our sending TP member winnings to the pro shop. All funds credited there are now back into your TPMGC member account! **Quite a year indeed!**



And now on to 2025 – your Board is considering many new ideas to enhance your member experience...stay tuned!

Sean Tucker and Frank Rashid were named our "Rules" gurus! They will be communicating on a regular basis to membership various rules, both local and USGA. We find that many members do not adhere to or understand many of the rules of golf, so this is designed to assist all when playing.

From Roy Burchill/TPMGC Tournament Chair -

1) Last year, the club announced a new major tournament: *The Tournament of Champions*. This is a major tournament where the overall champion will receive a classy plaque recognizing his achievement. This year's winner will also always have the honor of being the very first winner of this prestigious event.

Our inaugural event takes place at Torrey North on March 19th and 20th 2025.

To qualify, members had to finish first in their flight in a 2024 individual format tournament. 133 members qualified to play and will automatically be entered to play. They will be contacted about the day and time they prefer to play. The tournament will be flighted. If there is a tie for the overall winner, the SCGA tiebreaking process will be used to identify our first champion.

If you didn't qualify this year, there's always next year. Win a flight in an individually formatted tournament and you'll qualify for the March 2026 TOC.

2) A couple of additional changes for 2025 - For weekday events at Torrey, we will be paying CTPs for only two par 3s. For all tournaments, we will continue to pay the top 40% of the field, but when there are ties that would result us in paying more than 40%, the USGA tiebreaker will be used to pay prize money only to the top 40% and not more.



Congratulations to our 2024 Major Tournament Winners

2024 MAJOR CHAMPIONS

Nic Neal
Daniel Baek
Juan Romo
Matt Regan
Michael Durrant
John Hoffman
David Korb / Chen Lin Li
Francis Adams / Kyle Haas

Here's our lucky Hole-in-One Guys this Year

2024 ACES AT TORREY PINES

Dick Wank	Torrey Pines South #8
Jason Gallagher	Torrey Pines North #3
Frank Rashid	Torrey Pines North #8
Richard Vidal	Torrey Pines North #8

From Al Allison, Jim Hartigan and Ruben Huerta

(Volunteer Coordinators) – TPMGC's Special Use Permit to operate our golf tournaments at the Torrey Pines courses requires the Club to provide a significant volunteer effort to maintain the courses' pristine condition, maintain an acceptable pace of play, and support events that the City runs on the Torrey courses. In 2024 you, our valued Club members, logged over 2,500 hours as volunteers in support of TPMGC's Volunteer Program.

You logged over 400 shifts in the following areas:

- 365 hours for the Divot Patrol
- 631 hours to support special tournaments that included the Adaptive Golf Championship, APGA, City Amateur, Boys & Girls CIF, and Junior World Championship
- 223 hours as Public Play Marshals on non-TPMGC tournament days
- 248 hours as TPMGC course Marshals for our tournaments

We also report our volunteer efforts at the Farmers Insurance Open that included 1,117 hours by 51 club members.

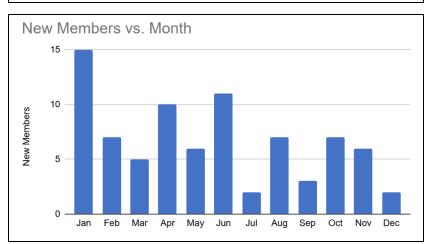
Huge thanks to all. We need your help in sustaining this effort for 2025 to ensure that we have continued access to the Torrey Pines Golf Course.

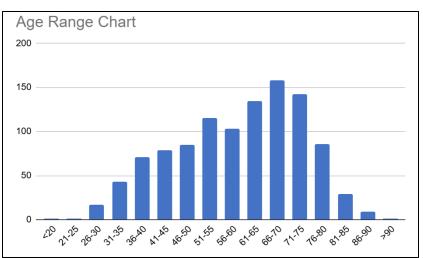


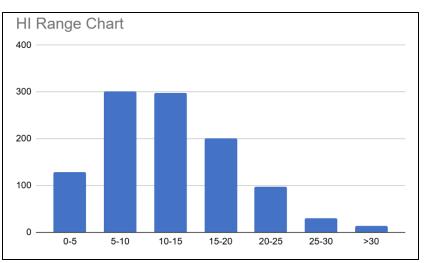
From Frank Rashid/Membership Chair – our membership breakdown!

Year to Date:

New Memberships - 81 (68 in 2023) Active Members - 1078 (1114 in 2023) Lapsed Memberships - 72 (105 in 2023)









Also, from Frank – Frequently Asked Questions on membership

Is my renewal due soon?

Answer: Log on to the TPMGC our website and view your Membership Anniversary at MY ACCOUNT/MY INFO. This date is your membership renewal deadline.

How do I not miss my auto-renewal?

Answer: SCGA will send you emails before your membership anniversary date informing you of your upcoming membership AUTO-renewal. If you don't receive these emails check your email spam folder.

How do I update my credit card on file?

Answer: You may only update your credit card on file with the SCGA via a manual membership renewal beginning 60 days before your Membership Anniversary date.

Where do I renew my membership (manually)?

Answer: Go to our website <u>https://tpmgc.org/about-the-club/membership/</u> and click on Renew Your Membership. Log onto it with your GHIN and it will allow you to review, renew and update your credit card information (be sure to check the auto-renew box there).

On behalf of your entire Board, we wish all our members a

HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND A JOYOUS HEALTHY 2025! HIT 'EM STRAIGHT!