

Dear Saints Golf Team Boosters,

The Saints golf season will begin with 30 team members qualifying beginning on Tuesday February 16th. Non-league matches begin the following week (see our schedule, posted on the Saints website).

As the defending Western League Champions, we should again have a strong team, led by returning lettermen Teddy Oitzman (senior, committed to be on the Oregon golf team next fall), Robert Case (senior, future college golf plans to be announced soon), Haytham Yousif (junior), Tyler Whittaker (junior), and Aidan Clement (junior). After graduating 8 varsity seniors off of last season's team, there will be opportunities for new players to break into the varsity team this year.

There are a few notes of interest:

1. If you are planning on going to the Farmers Insurance Open at Torrey Pines this week, we still have some tickets left. While you would pay \$50 per adult at the gates, if you purchase them through the golf team, they cost you only \$35 per day and help to raise funds for our upcoming season. Our tickets are good for any day from Wednesday – Sunday. Contact me directly if you want tickets and we can make arrangements to pick them up;

2. Robert Case continues his hard work at his golf game: he recently stepped up and competed to earn a spot in the qualifying event to play the Farmers Open. Though he shot a 76 and missed qualifying, his continued hard work and improvement bodes well for our upcoming high school season. Also, while not finalized at this moment, an announcement will soon be made about his continuing to play golf in college;

3. Tyler Torano, Saints grad (2010) and Loyola Marymount University (2014) recently earned full time status on the PGA Latino American Tour. This tour has an affiliation with the US PGA Tour in that the top finishers on the Latin American Tour earn status in the United States for the following year. [Saints grad Armando Favela (2005) earned his own conditional status on the Web.com Tour in 2015 through his top finish on the PGA Latin American Tour in 2014]. Tyler won multiple events while in college at LMU as well as played in the NCAA Championship and finished in 3rd place in the Southern Californian Golf Association Amateur Championship in 2014 at San Diego Country Club. A tournament will be held for him on Saturday February 20th at Salt Creek Golf Club to help raise the funds he will need on the Latin American Tour. See the attached flyer for information about playing in the event to support his effort. You can also contact Tyler directly at: Toranogolf@gmail.com if you are unable to participate in the event, any support is greatly appreciated.

Thank you again for the support of our team.

Sincerely
Tom Isaak