JOIN US FOR OUR 36th ANNUAL TURKEY TROT AND A TRIBUTE TO JACK WARNEKE ON NOVEMBER 23, 2024

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Valley-Wide Recreation

and



Upcoming Events:

November 6th, 13th, 20th **Mom & Me** Michael Paul Gymnasium

November 2nd **Autumn Elegance** Soboba Casino & Resort

November 23rd **Turkey Trot** Diamond Valley Lake Park

> December 4-14 Holiday Events

District wide See last page for details



Valley-Wide's 36th annual Turkey Trot Family Fun Run on Saturday, Nov. 23 will be dedicated to Jack Warneke. Jack, who passed away in March, ran in all 35 of the previous races, as well as all of our Bunny Hop runs and he participated in the OLDlympics. Jack ran more than 25,000 miles in his 92 years, and ran into our hearts. The morning will include a short ceremony to honor Jack. We encourage everyone to attend, whether or not you run. The Turkey Trot will take place at Diamond Valley Lake Community Park. It begins at 9 a.m. with a toddlers' Gobble Trot, with the IK at 9:15, 5K walk at 9:30 and 5K at 10 a.m. Medals and prizes will be awarded in nine age groups. Early registration fees range from \$7 to \$10. Fees increase on race day.

#### **EVENT INFO & TIMES:**

DATE: Saturday, Nov 23, 2024 LOCATION: Diamond Valley Lake 1801 Angler Ave., Hemet CONTACT: (951) 654-1505 ENTRY FEE: \$5 - Gobble Trot (Until Nov. 21) \$10 - 1K \$10 - 5K run/walk

- 9:00 a.m. Gobble Trot
- 9:15 a.m. 1K
- 10:00 a.m. 5K







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Over-seeding is a maintenance project where fresh grass seed is laid over existing beds to reinvigorate and restructure our greens, fairways, and rough to ensure a smooth and consistent playing field. In order to reawaken the beauty that lies within Echo Hills, annually, our staff of nine operates a wide array of equipment to ensure fantastic quality.

We use a tractor, green's aerator, and sanders to make this happen. To start, the tractor is used to drag a till-style punch tool that helps open up overly compacted pockets or malnourished patches that aren't thriving. "Plugs" are then left behind from these holes that the machine rips from the ground. This process is done on the fairways and the greens. Afterwards, a seeder machine is used to evenly distribute and throw a seed blanket throughout. Winter rye is our ideal choice for our fairways and roughs. The idea is that the seed will grow in these places it wouldn't before because it now has the proper conditions required for it to grow. The tractor is also used to fix cart paths, fill low spots and fill the sanders.

Another aspect of the over-seeding process is using the green's aerator to take smaller sized plugs off of the greens in a similar process to the fairways. Instead of using the tractor to drag the large roller style machine, a much more miniature engine-driven walk behind style machine is used so that the greens aren't damaged in the process. The grass seed used on our greens, poa trivia, is a short rooted small grass that needs less depth in order to establish thoroughly. Using the green's aerator, which creates much smaller plugs with its tines, ensures a smooth, even, established blanket suitable for putting atop. Once the plugs are pulled and blown off and seed is laid in and atop the freshly aerated greens, sander machines are used to evenly distribute the top dress sand. The top dress significantly helps to ensure that the fresh seed is not blown around or run off from the sprinklers. A blanket of moisture and protection is exactly what fresh seed needs, especially poa due to its extremely small seed size. After around seven to 0 days, the seed should finish germination and begin to establish itself. Once we have established our fresh grass beds, then we will have to mow the grass at a slower rate, gradually lowering the mowing reals to ensure an even tight cut.

Naturally, on any golf course, the traffic, whether it be walking or driving golf carts on the grass, will cause undesirable conditions to arise such as dead patches of grass causing inconsistencies to the golfer's play. Over-seeding is an efficient process that helps counteract a course's aging process and gives way to reinvigorating the structure of play.









## ECHO HILLS SCHEDULE

With the end of Daylight Savings time, hours will be adjusted at

Echo Hills Golf Course. Effective Sunday, Nov. 3, tee times will be 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and twilight discounts will begin at 11 a.m. Rate will remain: General \$14; Seniors and Veterans \$12; Twilight (after 11 a.m.) \$8; Juniors (17 and younger) \$5. Carts cost \$5 per person per round. The course is at 545. E. Thornton Ave., Hemet. To reserve tee times, call 951-652-2203.





**Gingerbread House Nights** Dec 4th - French Valley Dec 5th - Marion V. Ashley Dec 10th - Valle Vista

# Free Lighting

**Tree Lighting** Dec 6th Regional Park



**Breakfast With Santa** Dec 14th Regional Park



**OLDIympics** 



Dog Daze



Halloween Block Party



**Trunk or Treat** 



### UPCOMING SPORTS SEASONS



Youth Baseball/ Girls Softball Ages: 5-14 Season: April to June Registration begins in January

# Valley-Wide Recreation & Park District DECEMBER EVENTS \*

- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4TH GINGERBREAD HOUSE NIGHT AT FRENCH VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, 5 – 7PM
- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5TH GINGERBREAD HOUSE NIGHT AT MARION V. ASHLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, 5 - 7PM
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING AT REGIONAL PARK, 5:30 - 7:30PM
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, GINGERBREAD HOUSE
   NIGHT AT VALLE VISTA COMMUNITY CENTER, 6 8PM
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH GRINCH CHRISTMAS AT FRANCIS DOMENIGONI COMMUNITY CENTER; 5:30 – 7:30PM
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT REGIONAL PARK, 8 - 11:30AM