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NINTH ANNUAL BAY AREA SENIOR GAMES TO BE HELD MAY 2 – MAY 24, 2015

Athletes Will Compete in Nineteen Sports at Stanford, Palo Alto and Bay Area

PALO ALTO – April 22, 2015 – Over 1300 athletes are now registered for the Ninth Annual Bay Area Senior Games to be held May 2 – May 24, 2015 at venues in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties, organizers announced today. The Bay Area Senior Games, first held in 2006 as test events for the 2009 Summer National Senior Games, held at Stanford, are for athletes – men and women, age 50 and older.

“We are delighted to be able to continue the tradition of the Bay Area Senior Games – now in our ninth year. These men and women are shining examples of the benefits of an active, competitive lifestyle that embraces vitality and exemplifies our slogan - “Long Live the Challenge,” explained Anne Warner Cribbs, 1960 Olympian, Chair of the California Senior Games Association and chair of the 2015 Bay Area Senior Games.

The Games will feature nineteen competitions including: Archery, Badminton, Basketball, Cycling, Feats of Strength, Golf, Lawn Bowling, Pickleball, Race Walk, Racquetball, Road Race, Soccer, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis, Track & Field, Triathlon, Volleyball and Water Polo. Water Polo, Soccer and Lawn Bowling were demonstration sports at the 2009 National Senior Games and due to their popularity are now a permanent part of the Bay Area Senior Games. A Bay Area Senior Games Golf Tournament will be played at Shoreline Golf Links on May 15.

The core of the 2015 Bay Area Senior Games will be centered at the world-class athletic facilities at Stanford University – Swimming, Soccer, Water Polo. The remainder of the sports are spread through out the Bay Area: Archery (Black Mountain Bowman Range, San Jose), Badminton (Fremont), Cycling (Ft. Ord, Monterey County), Feats of Strength (Castro Valley), Golf (Mountain View), Racquetball (Palo Alto Elks Club) Table Tennis (ICC Community Center, Milpitas), Track & Field (College of San Mateo, San Mateo), Triathlon (Redwood Shores), Volleyball (Palo Alto), and Lawn Bowling (Palo Alto Lawn Bowls).

“We are very happy to continue to host the Bay Area Senior Games as part of Stanford Athletic’s support of the senior community and senior athletes”, said Deputy Athletic



Director Ray Purpur. "This event encourages Californians over 50 to keep fit and live healthy, a message the University wholeheartedly supports."

Three highlights of the Games this year include:

- 41 Soccer Teams registered to date, with 7 teams of 70 and older players - some coming from Los Angeles and Palm Desert to play.
- 12 Water Polo Teams, 3 women's teams and 9 men's team - who look forward to the tournament each year
- A (closed to cars) two day cycling event - (course is closed to cars) - both 5K and 10K time trials, and 20K and 40K Road races, at beautiful Ft. Ord, especially for senior cyclists.

In 2015, six regional Senior Games competitions take place around the state. Sites for regional Senior Games include San Diego, Palm Desert, Pasadena, San Francisco Bay Area, Sonoma and San Bernardino. A complete list with contact information for all the Senior Games in California may be found at www.californiaseniorgames.org The State Championships will be held in Pasadena. And this year, over 1500 California Senior Athletes, have qualified to date to compete in the 2015 Summer National Senior Games in Minneapolis, where 10,000 senior athletes are expected.

The Bay Area Senior Games are conducted under the auspices of the Bay Area Sports Organizing Committee (BASOC). The Bay Area Senior Games were held in 2006, 2007 and 2008 as "test events" for the 2009 Summer National Senior Games and in 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014, continuing the tradition as a "legacy" event in 2014.

On line registration, for the 2015 Bay Area Senior Games is open for a few more days at www.bayareaseeniorgames.org. Entry blanks are available by calling 650.323.9400 or to download at www.bayareaseeniorgames.org. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up at www.bayareaseeniorgames.org

Critical sponsorship and support comes from the City of Palo Alto, Sports Basement and Lincoln Financial. The cost of producing the Games comes from entry fees paid by Senior athletes, with sponsorship and individual contributions helping to fill the cost gap.

The CSGA's mission is to promote healthy lifestyles for seniors through education, fitness and the spirited competition of sports, while inspiring everyone to embrace health and appreciate and enjoy the value of sports related exercise.



2015 Bay Area Senior Games Schedule of Events

Sunday, March 8, 2015

Triathlon part of the Stanford Treeathlon, Redwood Shores register at: <http://www.active.com/redwood-city-ca/triathlon/races/stanford-treeathlon-2015>

Friday, May 1, 2015

Pickleball- Milpitas Sport Center- 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas 10:00 am start time

Saturday, May 2, 2015

Badminton- California Badminton Academy 46049 Warm Springs Blvd. Fremont 8:30am start

Cycling- Fort Ord, Monterey 10:00 a.m. start (check in 9:00)

Pickleball- Milpitas Sport Center- 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas 10:00 am start time

Racquetball- Elks Club 4249 El Camino Real Palo Alto 94306 9:00 am start

Sunday, May 3, 2015

Cycling -Fort Ord, Monterey 9:00 am start (check in 8:00 am)

Pickleball- Milpitas Sport Center- 1325 E. Calaveras Blvd. Milpitas 10:00 am start time

Monday, May 4 through Thursday May 7

Lawn Bowling- Palo Alto Lawn Bowls 747 Embarcadero Road Palo Alto 9:00 am start

Saturday, May 9, 2015

Archery – Double 900 Round Black Mountain Bowman Range Ave. Espana, San Jose 95139 Check in 8:00 a.m. 9:00 shoot

Table Tennis- ICC Table Tennis Center - 1507 N. Milpitas Blvd. Milpitas 95035 12:30 pm start

Tennis- Rinconada Park, Palo Alto 9:00 am start

Volleyball- 4000 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto Cubberley Community Center 9:00 am start

Sunday, May 10, 2015

Archery – Double 300 Round Black Mountain Bowman Range Ave. Espana, San Jose check in 8:00 a.m. shoot 9:00 am

Friday, May 15, 2015

Golf - Shorelink Golf Links -2940 North Shoreline Blvd. Mt. View 8:00 a.m. - Check in Tee off 8:30 am includes box lunch



Pasta Feed Stanford 6:00 p.m. (Jimmy's Sport Café)

Saturday, May 16, 2015

Basketball – Men's (3 x 3) at Cubberley Center Palo Alto– 9:00 am start; Free Throw Contest directly following games (approx. 2pm)

Basketball- Women's (3 x 3) at Cubberley Center, Palo Alto – 9:00 am start; Free Throw Contest directly following games (approx. 2pm)

Soccer at El Camino Fields, Stanford, 9:00 am start

Water Polo at Avery Aquatic Center, 8:00 am start

Sunday, May 17, 2015

Soccer at El Camino Fields, Stanford, 9:00 am start

Swimming at Avery Aquatic Center, Stanford 8:00 am start

Water Polo at Avery Aquatic Center, 8:00 am start

Saturday, May 23, 2015

Feats of Strength at Harder Arena 18584 Carlwyn Drive, Castro Valley, 10:00 am start

Sunday, May 24, 2015

5K Road Race (on track)- College of San Mateo Track 1700 West Hillsdale, San Mateo 8:00 AM start

Rick Milam Memorial Track & Field Meet –College of San Mateo, 1700 West Hillsdale, San Mateo 8:00am start

Race Walk- College of San Mateo Track 1700 West Hillsdale, San Mateo, 1500 Meters- 9:40 am start 5K on track - 12:30 p.m. start.

Admission to watch all sports is **free and open to the public.**

Schedule is subject to change based on venue availability.

Some event start times have not yet been determined, depending on number of entries.

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