

SUN CITY FESTIVAL SOFTBALL CLUB

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OVERVIEW

The Sun City Festival Softball Club's (Club) purpose is to provide an organized framework under which residents may engage in the game of softball. It is open to all SCF Association residents (owners or renters). At this point in time, the Club has 3 different skill levels of players. Teams play year around: winter season (Nov.-Mar.) and summer season (May-Sept.). Detailed information is available on the Club website: <https://www.scfsoftballclub.com>.

NEW MEMBERS

New members complete a membership registration form (on website) and pay dues. Currently, annual membership dues are \$30. After the form is submitted, the new member will be informed by the Club Rating Committee Chairman as to the next scheduled rating session. At that session, the new member will be evaluated on fielding, throwing, hitting & running. Based on this rating, the member will be assigned as a player to 1 of the 3 skill levels. Player ratings are utilized to place players onto teams that are of similar skill levels and attempt to balance team competitiveness. The Rating Committee Chairman will notify the Community League (CL) Commissioner & West Valley (WVSSL) Commissioner of new player's rating. After the Rating Committee Chairman notifies the new player of his/her rating, the new player needs to choose which league (or both leagues) he/she wishes to play in. Once new player (member) has selected a league or leagues, the player should contact the CL Commissioner &/or WVSSL Commissioner who will assign the player to an available league and/or team. The Club provides ~~xxx~~ balls and uniform jerseys.

VOLUNTEERING

As in any successful organization, the Club needs volunteers. New members are expected to volunteer for at least one of three duties: field maintenance, score keep games, or umpire games. Additionally, it is expected to volunteer for other positions, such as, managers/coaches, Committee chair, League Commissioners, &/or Club officer. Each year every member is given the opportunity to continue with same volunteer activity or change activity. If a new member knows nothing about specific activity, don't worry, the Chairman of each category will provide "on the job training".

LEAGUES

SCF Club offers three leagues: Community League (CL), West Valley Senior Softball League (WVSSL), and Women's League (WL). Members may participate in one or more leagues.

WINTER SEASON

COMMUNITY LEAGUE (CL): is open to all Club members. The teams play against other SCF in-house teams. Today, CL plays on Tuesdays & Fridays (usually 9, 10:30, Noon). As more teams are added each year, the days and times may change. CL teams are composed of players from all 3 skill levels. There is a limit of 15 players per team. During defensive play, there are 11 players on field: 4 outfielders, 5 infielders, pitcher, and catcher. In September, the Club secretary will email the membership about participation in CL. Those members who respond that they wish to participate will be drafted by Club board approved coaches (managers). Coaches will notify players and schedule practices before the season starts. If you are a new player mid season, the CL Commissioner will assign you to one of the available teams when possible. If teams' rosters are full, the player may be assigned as sub. The Club provides a uniform jersey.

WEST VALLEY (WVSSL): is open to all Club members but is a more competitive league where SCF teams play against other senior community teams. Today, WVSSL plays on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday (usually mornings). These teams are composed of players specific to individual skill levels (not mixed skill levels). In September, the Club secretary will send out email to the membership about participating in West Valley. Those members who respond that they wish to participate will be drafted by Club board approved coaches (managers). Coaches will notify players and schedule practices before the season starts. If you are new member mid season, you will be put on a sub list by the WVSSL Commissioner which means that when a team has an absent player then the coach may contact a player from the sub list,