

Golden Seniors Softball Club of Sacramento

2024 Membership Renewal Letter

Dear Golden Seniors Softball Club Member,

The 2023 softball season has just ended. If you missed playing in 2023 we hope you will return now that our general health situation is more stable. Now it is time to think about the 2024 season as it will be here before you know it. Attached is the Application for the 2024 season. Look it over closely as it includes some changes. In the recent past we have lowered League Fees below operating cost to reduce reserves. We have now accomplished that goal and need to increase Club Dues by \$5 and League Fees by \$10 per league for all Leagues to insure a sustainable financial posture as we move forward. **Please note that all Leagues will play at the Sacramento Softball Complex in 2024.**

The membership renewal process will be much the same as last year. The Board has confirmed the Club Dues will be \$25 for the 2024 season for all Members, including non-playing Members. The Club Dues are a once per year fee regardless of how many leagues you play in. Life Members will continue to have their Club Dues waived. Non-Playing Life Members are requested to still return a completed application to confirm all contact information and that you would like to continue to receive communications from the Club.

The league fees for each league are as shown on the application. The difference in League Fees is based upon the cost to the Club in making those leagues available. All playing Members will pay the listed league fee for each league played regardless of how many leagues you play.

All renewing Club members must include their Club Dues and all League Fees, including any outstanding balance, with the application. If the application, all dues and fees are received by **December 31, 2023**, you will be guaranteed a place in the draft for each League selected. Applications received after that date will be added to draft lists on a first come first served basis once full fees are received. If submitting the total amount of dues, along with the application creates a hardship, contact the Player Agent to attempt to make other arrangements. In the past some Club members have been able to pay through installments and occasionally a scholarship has been awarded by the Board. All dues and fees must be paid, or a schedule arranged, before you are eligible for a League draft or to play in any league.

If you decide to play in an additional league after you have submitted your application, call the Player Agent so you can change your application and be placed in that additional league. Additional league fees must be paid before you are eligible for the draft and/or begin play in that additional league. If the leagues have already started playing the Player Agent can advise you of the prorated league fees owed at that time.

Refunds have created confusion in the past. The Board has simplified the process to avoid the confusion. ***All requests for refunds must be submitted by May 15, 2024***, or four weeks after the member begins play, whichever is later. If a Club member requests a refund of league fee(s) prior to the 1st game of the season, the member will receive a full refund. If a member is injured or decides to no longer play prior to May 15, they may request a prorated refund which will be based on the league's scheduled games not yet played. Refund requests must be communicated to the Player Agent **in writing**. The Player Agent will arrange for the Club Treasurer to refund your money as appropriate.

Please forward your application and fees to me as soon as possible. League draft lists will be formed after the first of the year. The address of the Player Agent is on the back page of the application. Should you have any questions you may email, text or call me, in that order of preference using the contact info below.

Please also complete the Volunteer Information form. It will be separated from the application upon receipt and will be used to assist in managing the Club. If you are volunteering to serve the Club you must include your name so that we may contact you.

Looking forward to a fun and safe 2024 season.

Dave Tanner
2024 Player Agent

Text and Voice Mail: 916-216-1941
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GOLDEN SENIORS SOFTBALL CLUB OF SACRAMENTO

2024 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Application Due Date: December 31, 2023 (Guaranteed placement in draft if application and full payment received by this date)

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Please complete the following to ensure club records are updated and complete. Check the appropriate box for which phone number to show on team roster:

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Address: _____ **City/State/Zip:** _____

E-Mail: _____ **Gender:** M _____ F _____

Spouse/Significant Other Name: _____ **Phone #:** _____

CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES: I am renewing my membership as a:

Life Member (No Club Dues Owed) (If non-playing life member, check the box, go to page 2 and sign)

Regular Member: Club Dues \$25

Club Membership Dues \$ _____

LEAGUE FEE(S): Place an "X" in the for each league you intend to play.

NOTE: Leagues marked with "" will be allowed to use SSUSA approved Senior Bats. Players 80 years of age and older in Leagues 1 and 8 may also use those bats.*

League	Age Requirement	Location	Fee
League 1 – 9:30am Monday	(M 70+ / W 60+)	Sac Softball Complex	<input type="checkbox"/> \$110
*League 7 – 11:00am Monday	(M 70+ / W 60+)	Sac Softball Complex	<input type="checkbox"/> \$110
League 8 – 9:30 and 11:00 am Tuesday (Half games at each time)	(M 75+ / W 60+)	Sac Softball Complex	<input type="checkbox"/> \$90
*League 2 – 9:00am Tuesday	(M 60+ / W 55+)	Sac Softball Complex	<input type="checkbox"/> \$120
*League 6 – 10:30am Tuesday	(M 60+ / W 55+)	Sac Softball Complex	<input type="checkbox"/> \$120
*League 3 – Tuesday Night	(M 50+ / W 40+)	Sac Softball Complex	<input type="checkbox"/> \$135
*League 4 – Wednesday Night	(M 55+ / W 40+)	Sac Softball Complex	<input type="checkbox"/> \$135

Total League Fees \$ _____

Grand Total of Club Dues and League Fees \$ _____

How many games do you expect to miss due to game time, vacations, work, or elective surgery?	_____
Are you still recovering from an injury, a surgery or an illness?	Yes ____ No ____ (If Yes, please explain) _____

Please complete and sign the reverse side of this form

Membership Dues and Fees: Membership dues are established each year by the Board of Directors. The dues and fees cover the costs associated with the fields, the scorekeepers and the umpires as well as uniforms, equipment, printing, postage, newsletter and Club supplies. The 2024 season dues and fees are as shown on page 1. They are a slight increase over the 2023 Club Dues and League Fees.

Membership Application: Each year, a renewal application must be received from each Club Member to continue as a Golden Senior. A check for the full amount of membership dues and league fees, plus any past due amounts, must accompany the renewal application unless prior arrangements are made with the Club's Player Agent. Installment payments on the full amount may be arranged. *All refund requests must be made in writing to the Player Agent by May 15, 2024 or four weeks after the first game played, whichever is later.*

Make checks payable to G.S.S.C.S. and send the application with check to the Club's Player Agent:

Dave Tanner, P.O. Box 1178

Elk Grove, CA 95759-1178

To guarantee inclusion in the draft for each League, the application and dues must be received by DECEMBER 31, 2023. If the application is received after this date no priority will be given.

RELEASE AND WAIVER

I, hereby, assume full responsibility for the risk of injury and/or consequences for participating in games of the Golden Seniors Softball Club of Sacramento.

I hold harmless the GSSCS officers, directors, commissioners, managers and all members and sponsors in the event of any injury or illness I may incur while participating in Golden Senior Club games and activities.

CODE OF ETHICS

As a member of the Golden Seniors Softball Club, I agree that I will conduct myself as a gentleman/lady at all times and when participating in Club activities, I will:

1. Abide by the Rules and By-Laws of the Club as well as the decisions of Club Officials.
2. Accept the decisions of the umpires and my team manager.
3. Avoid bodily contact that may cause injury to myself or others.
4. Refrain from publicly degrading fellow Club members and umpires.
5. Never direct abusive or profane language at an official or fellow Club members.
6. Always act in the best interest of my team and teammates.
7. Control the use of alcoholic beverages so as not to offend anyone or to cause adverse criticism of the club.

Signature of Club Member: _____ Date: _____

Will you need a substitute runner when on base? Positions you are unable to play for health reasons:

I request to play with: (This request will generally only be honored for significant others or carpools)

I do not wish to play for or to play with:

Please complete both sides of this form

MEMBER VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Club Member's Name: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

Golden Senior Softball Club Sacramento is dependent on the contribution of volunteers to be able to operate efficiently. Please indicate if you are willing to be considered to serve the Club in one or more of the capacities indicated below.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Team Manager, League _____
<input type="checkbox"/> League Commissioner, League _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Umpire
<input type="checkbox"/> Scorekeeper | <input type="checkbox"/> Photographer
<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity / Communications
<input type="checkbox"/> Website Management |
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Committee(s)	General Duties
<input type="checkbox"/> Picnic	Coordinates end-of year picnic for club members and guests.
<input type="checkbox"/> Rules	Establishes league playing rules subject to Board of Director's approval.
<input type="checkbox"/> Safety	Coordinates Red Cross training for club members and ensures club's AED equipment is operating correctly.

Board of Director Positions	General Responsibilities (Review Club's Governing Rule Book for more detail information)
<input type="checkbox"/> President	As Chief Executive Officer, supervises and controls all business affairs for the club. Serves as presiding officer for Board of Director's (BOD) or General Membership meetings and ex-officio member of all committees. Signs contracts on behalf of the club.
<input type="checkbox"/> 1st VP	Responsible for overseeing and directing the solicitations of sponsors and collection of sponsor contributions. In absence of President, assume those duties.
<input type="checkbox"/> 2nd VP	Responsible for purchase of uniforms and equipment. Assume any other duties assigned by the board. In absence of Club President and 1 st VP assume duties of Club President.
<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer	Custodian of all Club funds. Issue and co-signs all checks, prepares banking deposits, financial statements; ensure tax return and regulatory requirements are prepared and filed in a timely fashion. Maintains adequate records of all income and disbursements, keeps file receipts for all transactions.
<input type="checkbox"/> Club Commissioner	Appoints and oversee all league commissioners. Responsible for regular season league and playoff schedules for all leagues. Acts a liaison to head umpire and all scorekeepers (unless otherwise re-delegated). Supervise and coordinate their activities to ensure adherence to club policy and rules.
<input type="checkbox"/> Player Agent	Responsible for club membership matters including new and late sign-ups. Custodian of Club Membership database. Identifies Life Members at the beginning of new season. Runs membership reports for BOD as requested. Provides club commissioner and league commissioners with official draft list.
<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary	Records minutes from BOD and Membership meetings. Conducts official correspondence of the Club and performs any other duties assigned by the BOD. Keeps on file the Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Standing Rules and minutes of meetings.

Other Capacity _____

Are you currently certified in any of the following?

- First Aid
 CPR
 AED