

# Rainbow Challenge Extravaganza

## Palm Springs, California



Dear Golfer,

We would like to let you know about golf and social events available to you around the 2018 Rainbow Challenge.

### **Play Lots of Golf with Stonewall Golfers**

We have arranged golf events that you can sign up for at our website, [www.stonewallgolfers.com](http://www.stonewallgolfers.com). If you do not have a Stonewall account, it takes about 30 seconds to make yourself a guest account, then you can sign up for events. If you have any trouble just respond to this email and we will help. Here are the golf outings we have arranged:

Day	Date	Event	Cost	Starting Time
Monday	April 2	Heritage Palms – Canadian Open	\$80	1:00 PM Shotgun
Tuesday	April 3	Cimarron Pebble – Practice your short game for the tournament on this par 55 course.	\$25	2:00 PM
Wednesday	April 4	Desert Willow Mountain View Practice Round	\$100	9:15 AM
Thursday	April 5	Classic Club Practice Round (includes a \$15 food voucher – have lunch before your round or eat dinner there – great bar and restaurant)	\$111	1:00 PM
Friday	April 6	Escena 9 & Pairings Party	\$25	4:00 PM Shotgun
Saturday	April 7	Rainbow Challenge Desert Willow Mountain View		8:00 AM
Sunday	April 8	Rainbow Challenge Classic Club		8:00 AM
Monday	April 9	Cimarron Boulder – a fun links course always in great condition	\$69	12:00 Noon

### **Stonewall Golfers Social Events**

Stonewall will be hosting three social events during Rainbow Challenge Week. We hope you will get here in time to join us.

## **Wednesday, April 4, 2018**

After your practice round at Desert Willow, please join the Stonewall Board and members in Rancho Mirage for cocktails and light hors d'oeuvres. This welcome event will be a great way to meet Rainbow Challenge participants from around the country and Stonewall Members who live in the desert.



Details:

42490 Dunes View Road  
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270  
Date: April 4, 2018  
Time: 5-7 pm  
Host: Darryl Daniels

## **Friday April 6, 2018**

We'll see you at the official Rainbow Challenge Pairings Party, at the Escena Lounge and Grill. This beautiful new century modern Palm Springs venue is the perfect setting for cocktails, dinner, and golf. You can sign up to play 9 holes of golf at 4 PM. Afterwards, we will retreat to a private terrace in front of the restaurant for the pairings party. Pick up your goodies bag. Meet the players. Have some hors d'oeuvres and drinks. Buy some raffle tickets to benefit The LGBT Community Center of the Desert. Stay for dinner on your own if you like.



**Saturday April 7, 2018**

On Saturday after the first round of the tournament, join Stonewall for a Taco Party at Sol Palm Springs. Two of our members happen to live next to each other near downtown Palms Springs. Tacos in one house and drinks in the other.



We're at the corner of Caballeros and Amado, just across from the Convention Center. You can park on Amado and we will let you into our little village via the pedestrian gate. Continue the party at gay bar central in Palm Springs, at Arenas and S. Indian Canyon, just a 20 minute walk from Sol.

414 and 406 Suave Lane  
Palm Springs CA 92262  
April 7, 2018  
Time: 4-7 pm  
Hosts: Scott Mason and Charlie Griffin

## **Enjoy Palm Springs**

### **Check out Visit Palm Springs**

(<https://www.visitgreaterpalmsprings.com>) – This website gives you all

kinds of options. Be sure to click on LGBT under the Special Interest tab to get an up-to-date list of LGBT activities during your stay. Talk to Stonewall members about their favorite places to eat, drink, and

engage in questionable activities. By the way, Arrive Hotels has a handy downloadable guide to their favorite hangouts in Palm Springs

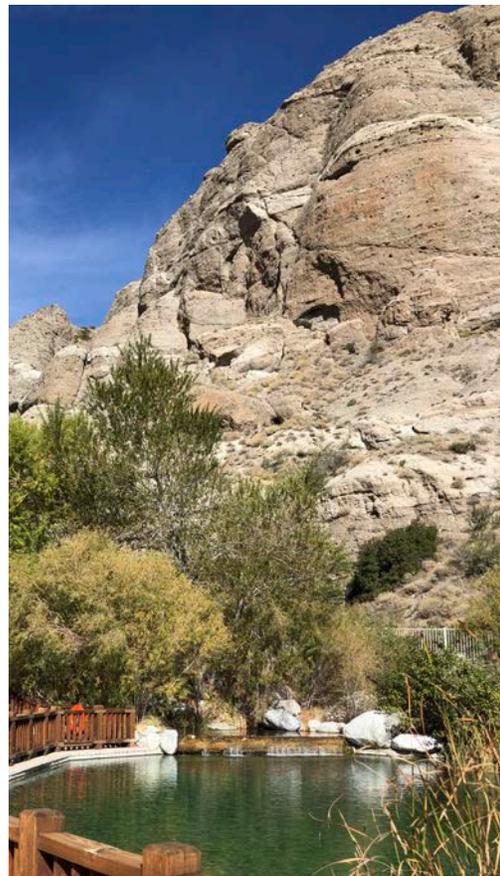
(<https://arrivehotels.com/fieldguide>).



Palm Springs is a vacation paradise. There are thousands of ways to entertain yourself off the golf course. Here are just a few of our favorite nearby options. The only ones on this list that will cost you anything are the

tour of Sunnylands and the Tram. You can also hike to your heart's content all over the Coachella Valley.

- **Villagefest** (<http://villagefest.org>) – Every Thursday, from 6 to 10 PM, Palm Springs closes Palm Canyon Drive and vendors set up in the street. Palm Springs Art Museum and its separate Design Center, both gems in the desert, have free admission from 4-8 PM. It's also well worth the \$5 admission at other times, which gets you into both. They are about a 20 minute walk from each other.
- **Sunnylands** (<https://sunnylands.org>) has a beautiful, free visitor's center and garden where you can meet friends for coffee or snacks. If you can plan ahead and are lucky enough to buy a ticket, take a tour of the house and grounds. House tour tickets may be purchased online only and are released in monthly blocks at 9 AM Pacific time on the 15th of the preceding month. So for April, tickets will be released March 15 at 9 AM Pacific time – and they will sell out by approximately 9:03 AM!
- **Backstreet Art Walk** (<http://www.backstreetartdistrict.com>) – this is small art gallery collective. They guarantee all galleries will be open at the same time on the first Wednesday of every month, which would be for us April 4, from 5 PM to 8 PM. You could go to the Rancho Mirage cocktail party, leave a little early, and stop by on the way back to Palm Springs.
- **The Palm Springs Aerial Tramway** (<https://www.pstramway.com>) – the world's largest rotating tram car. It rises from almost sea level along the breathtaking cliffs of Chino Canyon to the Mountain Station, elevation 8,516 feet. There you can enjoy restaurants, observation decks, a natural history museum, documentary theaters, a gift shop and over 50 miles of hiking trails in the pristine wilderness of the Mt. San Jacinto State Park. Typically it's 30-40 degrees (F) cooler up there.
- **Whitewater Preserve** –These scenic 291 acres lie at the end of Whitewater Canyon Road, north of Palm Springs off Interstate 10. See the picture on the right. It's just a



20-30 drive, and the landscape and cascading waters from Mount San Gorgonio are a spectacular desert experience. You will need at least 2-3 hours to drive there, have a little hike, and drive back. If you have time, stop off at the Whitewater Rock & Supply Co – a veritable emporium of rock. Be sure to take I-10 back to Palm Springs so you can drive through thousands of wind turbines.



- **Thousand Palms Oasis Preserve in the Coachella Valley Preserve**

(<https://coachellavalleypreserve.org>) –

Have you ever been to a natural Oasis? There is one just 20 minutes from Palm Springs at the end of Ramon Road, where the San Andreas Fault allows water to seep to the surface. See a virgin forest of native Washingtonia Palms and take an



easy hike to visit some natural desert lakes. This is another 2-3 hour commitment.

- **Joshua Tree** – If you have a full day, don't miss Joshua Tree National Park, which is about an hour's drive from Palm Springs. And a world away.
- **Other Items Too Numerous to Fully Describe** – The unbelievable Salton Sea, date farms where you can sample 20 varieties of dates and drink a date shake, the G-scale model train at the Living Desert, the shops at Cabazon Outlets, Casinos, house tours, bike tours, 130 golf courses, tennis clubs, ... you get the idea.

## **LPGA Tournament**



**ANA Inspiration Tournament (March 26-April 1)** – It’s probably the best value in professional golf. Inspire yourself for the Rainbow Tournament! Inexpensive, accessible, easy parking, minimal crowds, gorgeous golf course, incredibly skilled players. Tickets are now available here:

<https://www.anainspiration.com/tickets-1>

## **The Dinah**

If you’re so inclined, take part in the “largest girl party music festival in the world.” March 28-April 1.

<https://thedinah.com>

We are hoping to see you in a few weeks!

Rainbow Challenge Committee  
The Stonewall Golfers