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Ah....."Those were the days my friend, we thought they'd never end"....but, of course, they did!

I was an original member of the San Diego Junior Golf Association at Presidio Hills Golf Course. Many in that group grew up to be successful people with names that are familiar in the community. One is a Federal Court judge, one made a surfing movie that is now a cult classic, and a couple, including myself, went on to play professional golf.

Looking back, one of the most helpful things about Junior Golf was that we learned how to lose with grace and good sportsmanship. Also, we maintained relationships through the years. A group of us still get together once a year to play a round at Presidio and reminisce as well as catch up on our present lives.

Six of my eight grandchildren have played the course and seem to enjoy hearing stories about my youthful days there. I hope Presidio Hills never changes as it is surely an icon in San Diego!

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