



Riverbend Ladies Golf Association

"A Force on the Course"

RIVERBEND LADIES' GOLF ASSOCIATION

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From your Captain

April is the month when the golf season really shifts into high gear and there are several opportunities for play coming up... the most notable (of course!) being our own Invitational Scramble tournament (Sunday, April 27). This tournament is our best opportunity of the year to introduce potential members to the RLGA and a fun time is always had by all. No handicap is required to compete, so invite your friends and sign up by Friday April 18th.

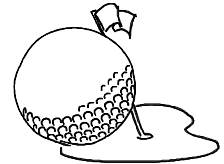
April is also the month when City (GSWPGA), State (WSWPLA) and Tacoma (TWGA) events begin. The full-season schedules for these associations are posted on our website (follow the General

Information link), along with instructions on how to sign up for events. If you have any questions about the City or State events, please get in touch with our Trustee—Betty Arendall (trustee@rlga.org). For information about TWGA events, contact Tina Villines or Betty McCarter (twga@rlga.org).

I'm looking forward to a great year—see you on the course!

Elana Bryan

Captain



Handicap System Deadline Approaches



We pay a fee to the WSGA which is based on the number of active members in the handicap system as of May 16. For this reason it is in our best interest to keep the list to those members that have renewed their membership. We have set the cut off date as May 6 for moving non-renewed members to the inactive list. It's important that membership renewals are received by May 1st to keep your record active. After that date, those who have not renewed will be moved to the

inactive list and will not be able to enter scores into the handicap system.

Names and handicap numbers remain in the system as inactive for up to two years. If you renew within a two year period, your GHIN number and scores entered will remain the same and all that is needed is to move your name to the active list.

Heather Cooper

Handicap Chair

Player Recognition Corner

Submit a pink recognition form to see your name here:

Personal Best: Betsy Birdie

Broke 100, 90, 80, 70: Bonnie Bogey

Birdie Race: Currently a three-way tie with one each—Jennifer Greeley, Linda R. Pearson and Min Song.

Chip-Ins: Charlotte Chipper

Let's start using those RLGA tee-times to get the competition rolling for the most rounds played at Riverbend and the Lowest average score. Monthly updates will be published in the FORE!

Esther Gladson

Player Recognition Chair



Rules by Sharma



From time to time we have all determined our only option is to take a drop. The first thing to remember is your ball must be marked before lifting. When taking a drop stand straight, hold your ball at shoulder height and at arm's length, and drop it. If your ball touches you, another player, a caddie or equipment, before or after it strikes a part of the course, you will need to re-drop without penalty. There is no limit to the number of times a ball shall be re-dropped under such circumstances.

Rules 20-2 and 20-3 explain dropping and placing your ball. One of the most important sections covers when a ball must be re-dropped. There are seven instances when a re-drop is required, one of the most common being when the ball rolls and comes to rest more than two club-lengths from where it first struck the course after being dropped. Another is if the ball ends up nearer the hole than a particular reference point, depending on the Rule being used. The other 5 instances requiring a re-drop if the ball: (1) rolls into and comes to rest in a hazard; (2) rolls out of and comes to rest outside a hazard; (3) rolls onto and comes to rest on a putting green; (4) rolls and comes to rest out of bounds;

and (5) rolls to and comes to rest in a position where there is interference by the condition from which relief was taken under Rule 24-2 (immovable obstruction), Rule 25-1 (abnormal ground conditions), Rule 25-3 (wrong putting green) or a Local Rule (Rule 33-8a), or rolls back into the pitch-mark from which it was lifted under Rule 25-2 (embedded ball). After a re-dropping if your ball again rolls into any of the seven positions, it is then placed as near as possible to the spot where it first struck the course when it was re-dropped.

Once a ball has been dropped or placed it is in play. However, Rule 20-6, sometimes referred to as the "Eraser Rule", offers an out. If a player dropped or placed a ball in a wrong place or otherwise not in accordance with the Rules, but has not yet played the she may lift the ball without penalty and proceed correctly.

Sharma Shamblin

Rules Chair

News from The Golf Shop



Welcome, Ladies Club Members, to the year 2003. This year is going to be a great year at *Riverbend*. With April just around the corner it's time to get your game in shape!! *Riverbend* is one of the Northwest's busiest golf courses, also if you were not aware, *Riverbend* Golf Complex & Learning Center does more lessons than any other facility in the Puget Sound area.

If you are looking for instruction look no further than the staff right here at *Riverbend*, myself, Charles Waggoner, PGA Professional would love to help anyone that has the desire to learn and improve their golf game.

So if you need help with your woods, irons, chipping, or putting get in touch with me or any of the other PGA certified instructors at the Complex, by calling the Learning Center (253)859-4000.

Taking Lessons will make you a strong "A Force on the Course"

Charles R. Waggoner

Assistant PGA Professional

Learning opportunities coming to *Riverbend* Soon...

Free Junior Clinics	2nd Sat. of the Month 2PM -3:30PM
Spring Break Junior Golf Camp	April 16, 17 & 18
Adult Short Game Clinic	May 4, 2 PM—4 PM
Group Lessons—Monthly	Tues & Wed Evenings 6 PM, Sat. AM
Individual Lessons	Every Day
Your Own Group Lessons	Any Day

TWGA Play Schedule 2003

Date	Place	Time
April 7th	Nisqualley Valley T times	8:00 AM
May 5th	Lipoma Firs T times	8:00 AM
June 3rd	Ft Lewis Shot Gun?	8:00 AM
July 7th	Whispering Firs Shot Gun	8:00 AM
August 4th & 5th	Allenmore T times	8:00 AM
September 8th	High Cedars T Times	8:00 AM
October 6th	North Shore Shotgun	8:00 AM

Tournaments & Competitions

Spring Fling Results

Player	Score	Finish Place
Fran Zickes & Mary Powers	198	1st Place Gross
Betty Arendall & Kathy Provazek	157	1st Place Net
Patti Willis & Kimmy Devino	208	2nd Place Gross
Mary Ryan & Julie Mohn	172	2nd Place Net
Kimmy Devino	38'	Closest to the Pin
Mary Powers	24'6"	Closest to the Pin

"The Wind & Rain couldn't keep the Ladies from having a good time in this 2 person, blind draw Tournament"



14th Annual Invitational

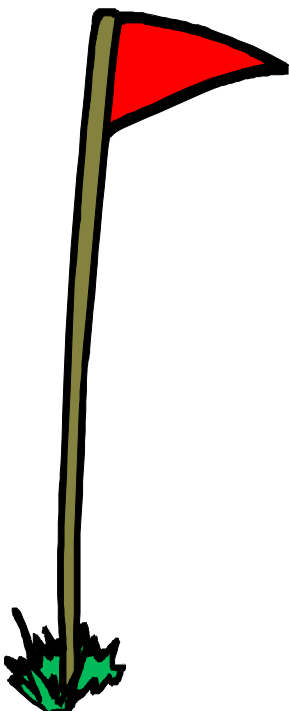
Once a year Members take this opportunity to invite non-member women golfers to play this Four Women Scramble with the hopes that they may be encouraged to join our club.

This event has always been great fun and gives everyone a chance to meet new people and socialize after golf.

Please see the attached entry form for details.

Reminder....

You will be notified of your tournament tee time via the RLGA web site (www.rlga.org) or you can contact the Pro shop after 4 PM on the Thursday before the tournament.



April & May Competitions

Date	Name of Competition	Format
3/31 - 4/13	9 Easiest Holes	Use holes rated 10 through 18 in difficulty. Subtract 1/2 your handicap.
4/14 - 4/27	Even Holes	Add score on even-numbered holes. Subtract 1/2 your handicap.
4/28 - 5/11	Three Blind Mice	Choose the 3 best par 3's, 3 best par 4's, and 3 best par 5's. Add together and subtract 1/2 your handicap.
5/12 - 5/25	Least Putts	Add your putts Low number wins.
5/26 - 6/8	Most net pars or better	Using full handicap, count the number of net pars or better.

April							Competitions
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1	2 8:30 Tee Times (5) 6:30 PM Board Meeting	3	4	5 8:30 Tee Times (4)	3/31 - 4/13 9 Easiest Holes
6 8:30 Tee Times (4)	7 TWGA Sweeps - Nisqually Valley	8	9 8:30 Tee Times (5)	10 GSWPGA Sweeps	11	12 8:30 Tee Times (4)	
13 8:30 Tee Times (4)	14	15	16 8:30 Tee Times (5)	17	18 Deadline for entry to RLGA Tournament	19 No Tee Times Available	4/14 - 4/27 Even Holes
20 8:30 Tee Times (4)	21 TWGA Meeting	22	23 8:30 Tee Times (5)	24 Tee Times for RLGA Tournament posted on website and pro shop	25	26 8:30 Tee Times (4) WSWPLA Sweeps at Kayak Point	
27 RLGA Tournament 8:30 Tee Times (15)	28	29	30 8:30 Tee Times (5)				4/28 - 5/11 Three Blind Mice

Call the Pro Shop for tee time reservations (253) 854-3673. Be sure to call by Wednesday for weekend reservations.

May							Competitions
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				1	2	3 8:30 Tee Times (4)	4/28 - 5/11 Three Blind Mice
4 8:30 Tee Times (4)	5 TWGA Sweeps Lipoma Firs	6 5:30 Tee Times (2)	7 8:30 Tee Times (5) 6:30 PM Board Meeting	8	9 Deadline for entry to RLGA Tournament	10 8:30 Tee Times (4)	
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