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Captain's Footnotes by Phyllis Ellermeier

Now that our seemingly endless summer of golf is threatened by the return of chilly wet weather, I am able to sit back and reflect on our RLGA's 2007 Board accomplishments.

Our membership is up, the implementation of the "Player Appreciation Card" was a big hit as a benefit of membership. Although we had some rainouts for our earliest tournaments, participation in the Player Recognition (the Pink Sheets) increased slightly. This year's Club Championship had fewer players than in the past, but everyone raved about our continental breakfast choices and the fabulous lunch we provided the second day.

And we still have more! Be sure to sign up for the Chapman coming up quickly October 6th. Don't forget the excitement and difficulty in November's "BIG BREAK SKILLS CHALLENGE"! So put it on your calendar. It is held after the posting scores deadline and is truly a different way of playing the Riverbend you know. November is also when your Board's nominating committee selects and conducts inquiries and requests for those of you among our members who would be interested in filling a potentially vacant position. This year and in 2008 we hope to remain in our positions in order to pursue and complete some of our goals.

Negotiations are under way to get our calendar of events set early. We have learned that for the 2008 season outside tournaments won't start until after our traditionally reserved tee times on Saturdays and Sundays. This will keep our times available and everyone will have the chance to get in as many rounds as needed to play in our Championship.

We would like to thank Janet Best for a uniquely spectacular job as tournament chair in 2007. That job requires a great deal of organizing, e-mailing and making it click each tournament. Janet's skills and experience with RLGA made it all work very smoothly. Janet, I am thanking you here on behalf of not just the RLGA 2007 Board but also on behalf of all our members. Our yet to be named 2008 Tournament Director has some big shoes to fill.

If you are interested in a Board position please e-mail me at pellermeier@puyallup.k12.wa.us. Tell me your interests and I will gladly forward it to our nominating committee. Many of us sometimes have great expectations about what the RLGA can do for us. We can sit back and criticize or we can ask "what can I do to help?" There may be one or two of you reading this right now who have observed there may be a better way to accomplish a task and never made a single complaint or suggestion. Volunteer and bring us your perspective and energy and help us promote RLGA 2008 as the best women's golf association ever.

The FORE!

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The official Newsletter of your Riverbend Ladies Golf Association chartered since 1989 with reserved Saturday and Sunday morning tee times for our members.

Results From Your Rally Chairman, Betty McCarter

Special thanks to Pete Peterson for donating eight rounds of golf which were awarded to the winning teams. Pete also donated free power carts to the participants.

Total Entry and Tournament Fee	\$2,935.00
Separate donations	\$100.00
Boomer Hole	\$235.00
Mulligan	\$342.00
Raffles	\$515.00
Less Green Fees	(\$1,650.00)
Total money raised	\$2,477.00

From Your Tournament Chairman, Janet Best

Next Events:

Sat Oct 6th 8:33 AM Scramble/Chapman

Sat Nov 17 9:30 AM Big Break III 2007 will likely have a larger field than 2006. Tournament flyers are being distributed to other ladies clubs.

Health and happiness, Janet Best

One last thank you to Betty McCarter for her work in planning the Rally event where the proceeds were donated to the Koman Foundation. Your RLGA board is looking for volunteers to man a committee to plan the 2008 rally. Planning a 144 player event is too much work for one person.

Thanks,
 Phyllis Ellermeier
 RLGA 2007 Captain
 & nominee as Captain for 2008



See you on
 the course. OF COURSE! Phyllis

Riverbend Ladies Golf Association 2007 Tournament Schedule:

Date	1st Tee Time	Tournament
Saturday October 6	8:33 AM	Scramble/Chapman
Saturday November 17	9:27 AM	Big Break III Skills Challenge

Greater Seattle Womens Public Links Association
<http://www.gswpga.com/> To enter these events see entry forms in RLGA corner at Pro shop and/or contact Fran Zickes 206-938-1081 bzickes@quidnunc.net Handicap Limit 40.
 Oct 11 Twin Rivers, Fall Sweeps Deadline passed 9/22

GSWPLA 2007 Team Schedule
 Sign up for team in 2008. It is fun and these events help you become a better golfer.

October State and City Events

Deadlines past.
 This page is getting mighty thin!

Washington State Womens Public Links Association
<http://www.wswpla.com/> To enter these events see entry forms in RLGA corner at Pro shop and/or contact Fran Zickes 206-938-1081 bzickes@quidnunc.net Handicap Limit 40.
 Oct 13 Trilogy Redmond Deadline passed 9/12

Trilogy had a full field of 144 plus another 75 entires. WSPLA and Trilogy went above and beyond and added a Sunday tournament to accomodate the additional 75 players. Lots of extra work for this volunteer staff. Cudos to WSPLA.

Pacific Northwest Golf Association 2007 Schedule. To enter these events go to <http://www.thepnga.org>
 Senior Women's Amateur Oct 8,9 Manito CC Spokane Handicap Limit 27.1

Invitational Events:

RLGA members are officially invited to all of these events: Look for more info in the black invitational binder in the RLGA corner at ProShop. (When you are out and about and see invitational flyers, pick one up and insert into black book.)

Oct 5, Wayne Turkey Shoot \$40 entry fee, make up your own foursomes or we can put you in a group.

This schedule displays events for both men and women by National Golf Tours on local private courses. For tee times E-mail agagolfer@yahoo.com or Fax (206) 634 0818 or call (206) 226 5332. Rates include 1/2 cart. No membership required. These events are not on our calendar. Many 2007 events completed and are off the schedule and there is now room on this page. If some of us play these events this year you could report back if you want the 2008 National Golf Tour in the Fore.

Monday	8-Oct-07	Fircrest CC	\$64	Spectacular 1923 Tacoma Course
Monday	15-Oct-07	Everett CC	\$75	Tight, challenging, built 1910

Your 2008 RLGA Officers

The RLGA's 2008 Nominating Committee have selected the following for captain, co-captain, secretary, treasurer and trustee. All other board positions are appointed by the captain through collaborative decision making with the Board. If you are interested in volunteering to serve as chair or co-chair in any of these appointed positions please tell a board member of your availability. Board members enjoy a small discount in their RLGA dues.

Position	Type	2007	2008 Nominees
Captain	Elected by Board	Phyllis Ellermeier	Phyllis Ellermeier
Co-Captain	Elected by Board	Mary Ryan	Mary Ryan
Secretary	Elected by Board	Cathy Rosa	Cathy Rosa
Treasurer	Elected by Board	Teresa Le	Teresa Le
WSPLA & GSWPGA Trustee	Elected by Board	Fran Zickes	Fran Zickes
Tournament Chairman	Appointed	Janet Best	
Competition Chairman	Appointed	Susan Stahl	
Handicap Chairman	Appointed	Jerri Proszek	
Historian & Social Chairman	Appointed	Mary Ann Hobson	
Membership Chairman	Appointed	June Secreto	
Player Recognition Chairman	Appointed	Peggy Haugan	
PNGA Representative	Appointed	Lynne Crandall	
Rules & By-laws Chairman	Appointed	Anne Tuttle	
Team Co-Captain	Appointed	Gerri Johnson	
Team Co-Captain	Appointed	June Secreto	
Past Captain	Appointed	Betty McCarter	

Embedded Ball Rule 25-2

by Anne Tuttle, Rules and Bylaws

Rule 25-2, covering a ball embedded in its own pitch mark, may seem like a “winter rules” type of situation. In fact, any time of year, a ball embedded in its own pitch mark can be lifted cleaned and dropped when it occurs in a “closely mown area” (fairway height or less). The “closely mown area” may include a path with grass cut fairway length or shorter through the rough but does not include hazards or areas off the course and/or out of bounds.

The ball should be dropped as close to its mark as possible, as usual the ball can go no closer to the hole. The pitch mark cannot be repaired. If the ball returns to its pitch mark, it is dropped again.

Do you like to use your web browser for member phone numbers?

Membership Directory is on the website. Password: rlg2007

Board meetings are open to all members. Please come if you have issues you want addressed. Your board of directors invite you to contact them for questions, suggestions and even complaints.

What Can Riverbend do for the RLGA?

Pete Peterson asked this question of the Board at a spring meeting. In 2010, Riverbend will have money to make course improvements. Rbend management wants to know what YOU most want! The November issue of the Fore will have a questionnaire where you place a priority ranking on some suggestions, leaving lots of room for your ideas. We will collect the questionnaires and forward to Pete. Be thinking about your wishlist. Please consider it your responsibility to respond to the survey. Maybe one or two of the most pressing issues can be addressed prior to 2010.

Meet two more members of the Riverbend's Class A PGA Teaching Professional Staff

Marti O'Neill, PGA Class "A" Member Teaching Professional

Marti O'Neill has been a teaching professional at Riverbend for 12 years and a lifelong protégé of the Northwest's leading golf instructors and club designers. His teaching background was greatly enhanced while working as a junior at the city of Seattle's golf courses under the supervision of Tom Sovay, Western Washington PGA's Five Time Teacher of the Year. As a result of his experience and devotion, Marty attained his Class "A" certification from the PGA in an unprecedented 9 months, graduating in the top five percent of his class and obtaining scholarship honors from Titleist-Footjoy Worldwide. His ability to distinguish the strengths and weaknesses of each individual and to create an instructional regimen accordingly is second to none. Marty's personality, teaching diversity and patience has helped elevate the game of golf to students of all abilities with an accumulated 11,000 lessons to his credit. Last year, his student, Amy Dalzell, a Foster High School golfer, won the 2A State High School Girls Individual Title. By the way, Marti also operates the Riverbend's on site Discount Golf Shop and is the complex's launch monitor/club fitting expert – two more reasons to hire not only on the region's top golf professionals, but one of the most knowledgeable as well.

David Gibson, PGA Class "A" Member Teaching Professional

David Gibson has been a PGA member since 1971. Spending over 25 years as a Head Golf Professional at Butte, Twin Lakes and Meridian Valley Country clubs, he developed an outstanding reputation as a player and teacher. His eight years of full-time teaching at Riverbend has brought his lesson total to some 30,000 instructional sessions. David emphasizes a simplified approach to learning the fundamentals of the golf swing and the short game. As a former PGA Tour Player and PNW Section Major Title Winner, he understands what it takes to accomplish the goals of all golfers. His ability to “Coach” students sets him apart from other professionals in the industry. A master at determining swing flaws and breakdowns, David coordinates an approach unique to each golfer leading to a successful resolution to their ailments. Whether it is work on the range, putting green or on the course, “the crafty senior” is available to do whatever it takes to help you enjoy the game.

Player Recognition by Peggy Haugan

Have the birds already started going south? There were only two sightings in July.

Birdies: Ok Lim still leads with 8 birdies;

Kellie Molzhon is still in 2nd place with 4.

Chip-Ins: Peggy Haugan remains with 3.

Most rounds played are 21, 17 and 14

two ladies at twelve each.

Congratulations to Julie Codd for winning the champion of Champions tournament held at Mount Si GC on July 17th. Julie shot 74 which included an eagle on a par 5. Way to go Julie.

Very impressive!

Peggy

Hawaii Feb 1st thru Feb 8- Book your airfare.

Dates firm for the Hawaii trip, Feb 1, 2008. We are staying on Oahu and golfing at some of the military golf courses with discounted rates. Email or call marypatryan@comcast.net 425 271 8800 if you think you want to go and we'll keep you updated on progress of travel plans. Your arrival times should be about 1PM Friday 2/1/08 if you want to coordinate transportation. Who is going to Hawaii so far? Mary Ann Hobson, Mary Ryan, Amy Nikaitani, Jana Tipton, Teresa Lee says yes too.



Sea to HonolAlaska Fl# 851 8:40 AM Fri Feb 1

Arr Hawaii 1:PM Feb 1

Honol to Sea Alaska Fl #852 2:30 PM Fri Feb 8

Arr Sea 10:10 PM Feb 8

Results, PNGA Women's Senior Team

Place	Team	Overall	Day Day Day All			
			1	2	3	Days
1	Nancy Eglin / Rachel Whittington	-7	73	63	72	208
2	Cathy Uptain / Sue Wilcox	-3	72	69	71	212
3	Marcy Holt / Penny Jacks	Even	75	68	72	215
4	Jeanne Link / Carol West	6	80	69	72	221
5	Ann Swanson / Sue Ursino	9	79	71	74	224
T6	Linda Pearson / Carolyn Nelson	10	79	69	77	225
T6	Mary O'Donnell / Claudia Robbs	10	76	73	76	225
T6	Sue Hubbard / Ok Yun Lim	10	79	72	74	225

Ok Yun Lim and Linda Pearson had excellent scores in the 25th Annual Senior Team event which attracted 120 of some of the best senior women golfers in the Pacific Northwest, 10 of whom were from out of state and four more from British Columbia. Look at Ok and Linda's gross scores, just ten over, count them, only 10 mistakes over three days. Linda Pearson's team took home a 3rd place trophy for a net score of 198 just two strokes behind the first place net winner. We RLGA members are in good company, don't you think? You must be 50 years plus to enter this event and the handicap limit is 40. Sign up early if you a senior and want to play with the best next year, the field is always full.

From the PNGA press release: The PNGA Women's Senior Team consisted of 54-holes of stroke play, gross and net competitions, two-person teams (Chapman, Scramble, and Four-ball formats used one round each). In the Chapman (round one), both players on the team tee off, then they switch balls. Player A plays Player B's drive, and vice-versa. Each player plays her second shot, then select the best of the second shots, and from that point until the ball is holed they play only one ball into the hole. In the Scramble (round two), each partner tees off from the teeing ground. Then, the best shot is selected and each partner plays from that spot. This is continued until the ball is holed out. In the Four-ball (round three), each partner plays their own ball. The lower of the partners' scores is the score for the hole.

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What should you do if you post the wrong score?
 E-mail your Handicap chairman, Jerri Proszek
 chandje@comcast.net and she will fix it!

Next RLGA Tournaments:

Sat Oct 6th 8:33 AM Scramble/Chapman
 Sat Nov 17 9:30 AM Big Break III

RLGA Board meeting

November 8th 6:00 PM. This meeting is tentative and
 will be held only if agenda demands.
 December 5th, 6:00 PM at Peggy Haugan's home

Other Dates:

November 15th is last day to post.

From Your State and City Rep Fran Zickes

GSWPGA Results Auburn Sept 13th

2 Lady Best Ball

Mary Ryan/Laura Risher Net 64 2nd Place Flight 1

WSWPLA Dungeness Sept 9,10

2 day Eccsi

Mary Ryan Flight 1 4th Place Net 65
 Laura Risher Flight 2 2nd Place Net 61

GSWPGA Team Standings

Team Standings as of			9/26/2007		
Handicap			Scratch		
	Jefferson	Total		Jefferson	Total
Maplewood	Bye	53	Maplewood	bye	64.5
Bellevue	9	52.5	Riverbend	7.5	51.5
Wayne	8	40.5	Bellevue	9	45
West Seattle	4	38.5	Jackson Jill	7.5	42
Riverbend	6.5	36	Mount Si	0	29.5
Jackson Jill	5	34	Jefferson	1.5	28
Jefferson	2.5	31	West Seattle	1.5	28
Mount Si	0	22.5	Wayne	6	24
Foster	1	16	Foster	3	11.5

2007 Year End Standings

Handicap			Scratch		
Year End	Total	Place	Year End	Total	Place
Maplewood	53	1	Maplewood	64.5	1
Bellevue	52.5	2	Riverbend	51.5	2
Wayne	40.5	3	Bellevue	45	3
West Seattle	38.5	4	Jackson Jill	42	4
Riverbend	36	5	Mount Si	29.5	5
Jackson Jill	34	6	Jefferson	28	6
Jefferson	31	7	West Seattle	28	7
Mount Si	22.5	8	Wayne	24	8
Foster	16	9	Foster	11.5	9