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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.

Captain's Corner by Phyllis Ellermeier

“What a fabulous day for golf! Everyone enjoyed the weather, meeting new members, playing with old friends and sitting in the sun on the patio of the Firecreek. The 18th Annual Spring Invitational was a great success. I don't know if you have the same awe and admiration for our RLGA, but just writing “18th Annual” gives me a thrill that this established tradition continues with such enthusiasm and broad participation. Our next tournament, on May 19th, is going to be a real challenge for some of us. Three clubs and a putter+ Flags. I can never figure out which 3 club will work best? How do the really good golfers pick them? Maybe I will use my putter as a sand wedge? How about a driver for everything outside of 100 yards? Can I just take the woods and forget the rest? Suffering sandtraps! THIS choosing is a lot of brain work! However you select your 3 clubs, this is one of our most difficult and interesting games, with skill and tenacity being the watch words of the day. Please plan to join us, just the stories we tell after such a round are worth you and another member signing up for it. For those of you who missed the Invitational on Saturday and would still like to get a brand new USGA Rules of Golf Book, please contact Anne Tuttle our Rules and Bylaws chair, we have plenty more to give away. Remember to sign up for the bi-monthly competitions and our cherished reserved times each weekend. When there is something else going on at Riverbend, we can easily get tee time elsewhere. On April 22, a few of us braved iffy weather and played a great, dry round at Foster. When the calendar is blocked out . . . PLEASE contact Mary Ann Hobson, Social/Historian to see where we are planning to play. You can also check our board at the pro shop. See you on the course - - of course! ”
 Phyllis

From Your Membership Chairman June Secret

The following is a list of new RLGA Members for 2007

Cindy Banks	Megan Manning
Tina Barry	Beth Mayovsky
Shari Boggs	Susan Palmer
Katherine Cha	Katie Potter
Jane Chong	Laura Risher
Tuyen Dang	Linda Scholl
Sun Douthit	Kathy Seba
Connie Henke	Stacy Cohen-Toman
Vicky Hopp	Pauline White
Ann Jung	Darlene Wilczynski
Kandi Kimberling	Beth Wilson
Sheila Locke	

From your newsletter editor, Mary Ryan: If you are one of the new members listed above and you have a photo handy that you can email to me, the Fore would like to put a face with your name. marypatryan@comcast.net.

From Your

Tournament Chairman, Janet Best

Results from April 28th Invitational Scramble: Forty-seven golfers competed in the 3rd scheduled 2007 tournament, (first two were rained out.) There was a tie for 5th place decided on the 18th hole. Next tournament will be on May 19th and is a combined formation of Flags, with 3 Clubs and a Putter. If you have any questions please call and “hope you had fun”. Health and happiness, Janet Best.

Julie Codd	69/27	\$30.00
Karen Hendrickson		\$30.00
Marion Reed		\$30.00
Pam Baum		\$30.00
Gerri Johnson	72/28	\$22.50
Kathy Provasek		\$22.50
Sue Davis		\$22.50
Deb Ewing		\$22.50
Katie Kennedy	73/26	\$20.00
Kellie Molzhon		\$20.00
Terri Fritschle		\$20.00
Linda Pearson		\$20.00
Janet Best	74/27	\$17.50
Nancy George		\$17.50
Patty Willis		\$17.50
Carol Hinrichs		\$17.50
Betty McCarter	79/29	\$15.00
Vicki Erichson		\$15.00
Laurie Briggs		\$15.00
Leslie Savisky		\$15.00

Other Winners:

Putts 25	Cindy Banks		
	Betty Kramer		
	Esther Gladson		
	Amy Nikaitani		
KP 5	Kathy Provasek	10' 10"	\$12.50
KP 8	Paum Baum	39'	\$12.50
KP 13	Joan Malone	7'6"	\$12.50
KP 16	Mary Powers	29'	\$12.50
Long/Straight Drive: Kelli Molzhon			

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.

June 28th Ladies 4 Ball Best Ball Gold Mountain Ladies Club 26th Invitational.

July 13th 14th TPC at Snoqualmie Ridge Invitational.

July 17,18 Sudden Valley, Bellingham; 2 woman team invitational.

July 18,19 Cowlitz Bank Women's Invitational (2 lady scramble event) 3 Rivers golf Course, Kelso 360-423 -4653 <http://www.3rivers.us/>

July 26 32nd Annual Camalock Ladies Invitational, Camano Island

July 26, 27, 28 The Plateau Club 2007 Women's Invitational, Sammamish

August 8,9,10 60th Anniversary Women's Lower Columbia Tournament. Individual Stroke Play, Suzolds@earthlink.net or boystun@rmtw.com

Sept 13th, 37th Annual Ladies Invitational, Lake Chelan Muni Golf Course

Riverbend Ladies Golf Association 2007 Tournament Schedule:

Date	1st Tee Time	Tournament
Saturday May 19	9:00 AM	Flags and Three Clubs and a Putter (Revised)
Sunday June 17th	8:33 AM	2 person Better Ball
Saturday July 7	8:30 AM	Riverbend Cup Day 1 Team Competition
Wednesday July 11	8:15 AM	Wednesday Invitational
Sunday July 15	12:27 PM	Riverbend Cup Day 2 Team Competition
Sunday July 22	8:33 AM	Chapman (Mixed with Riverbend Mens Club?)
Saturday August 18	7:30 AM	Club Championship Day 1 Great fun!
Sunday August 19	7:30 AM	Club Championship Day 2 Great fun!
Saturday September 15	1:30 PM	Rally for a Cure
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.

May 10	Foster, President's Cup Deadline Passed
Jun 14	Riverbend, Pro Am
Jul 12	Mt Si, Sweeps & Champion of Champions
Aug 6,7,8	Maplewood, City Championship
Sep 13	Auburn 2 Lady Best Ball
Oct 11	Twin Rivers, Fall Sweeps

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.

May 14,15	Apple Tree, Deadline Passed	Yakima
Jun 21	Hawks Prairie	Lacey
Jul 16,17,18	Championship, Highlander	Wenatchee
Aug 23	Auburn	Auburn
Sep 10,11	Dungeness	Bellingham
Oct 13	Trilogy	Redmond

GSWPLA 2007 Team Schedule
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 June Secreto (253) 661-1499
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	Date	Location
Friday	11-May	Jackson Park
Monday	21-May	Riverbend
Monday	11-Jun	Bellevue
Friday	29-Jun	Foster
Monday	9-Jul	West Seattle
Friday	17-Aug	Wayne
Friday	7-Sep	Jefferson Park
Monday	24-Sep	Maplewood

June State and City Tournaments

June 14 Riverbend, Deadline May 18

June 21, Hawks Prairie, Lacey, Deadline May 29th

Please send your checks payable to Fran Zickes, 5947 46th Av SW, Seattle WA 98136.

Pacific Northwest Golf Association 2007 Schedule. To enter these events go to <http://www.thepnga.org>

Women's Amateur	July 9-13	Wenatchee G&CC	Wenatchee WA	Handicap Limit 12.4
Women's Mid Amateur	July 9-13	Wenatchee G&CC	Wenatchee WA	Handicap Limit 16.4
Women's Amateur Public Links	Aug 25-26	Banbury GC	Eagle, ID	Handicap Limit 40.4
Women's Senior Team	Sept 17-19	Gold Mountain GC	Bremerton, WA	Handicap Limit 40.4
Senior Women's Amateur	Oct 1-2	Hayden Lake CC	Hayden Lake, ID	Handicap Limit 27.1

Washington State Golf Association 2007 Schedule. To enter these events go to <http://www.thewsga.org>

Women's Best-Ball	May 21-22	Fairwood G&CC	Renton, WA	Deadline Passed
Men's & Women's Team	May 30-31	Suncadia Resort	Roslyn, WA	Field Full
Women's Amateur	June 25-27	Wing Point CC	Bainbridge Island	Amateur Div 20.4 Senior Amateur 26.4

Rules Article Rules and By-laws chairman, Ann Tuttle

Taking Relief May Not Feel Like Relief

The Rules of Golf provide for relief without penalty from *abnormal ground conditions* (*casual water, ground under repair, burrowing animal hole, cast or runway*) from *immoveable obstructions* (cart paths, control boxes, sprinkler heads) and from a *wrong putting green*.

Let's take as an example that the *ball in play* has come to rest on a cart path.

The Process Of Taking Relief-

Step 1: Determine your *nearest point of relief*.

The *nearest point of relief* is the nearest point on the course where if the ball were so positioned:

-The ball is no closer to the *hole*.

-You are no longer interfered with by the cart path (including your stance, your swing and lie of the ball, using the club you would have used if the condition was not there, for that *stroke*).

Step 2: Mark your *nearest point of relief*.

From the marked *nearest point of relief*, measure one club length, in any direction, so long as it is not nearer the hole, (for this you can use any club in your bag) and drop the ball (make sure that the first contact with the ground is not any closer to the hole and is within that one club length).

Step 3: Where did the ball end up?

The ball must come to rest no closer to the hole than the *nearest point of relief* (it can't roll forward of it). Or if it rolls more than two club lengths in any direction from where it first touched the ground, the ball must be redropped once. There are actually 7 circumstances that require a redrop. See rule 20-2c on page 57.

Step 4: Drop, Redrop, Place

If the ball rolls more than two club lengths after the second drop (the redrop), it must be placed on the spot where it first touched the course when you redropped it.

Once your ball is in place, your feet cannot still be on the cart path or touching it otherwise you have not obtained complete relief.

The above process may land you under a shrub or behind a tree. You do not get the free relief from these. The relief was only for cart path. continued, column 2

You are required to take the nearest point of relief from the cart path, not the point of relief that yields the best shot potential.

If your *nearest point of relief* puts you in another situation from which relief is provided, repeat the process. For example, if your *nearest point of relief* from the cart path is in *casual water*, you can take relief from that. If that puts you back on the cart path, you need to determine the *nearest point of relief* from the two conditions together. It is required that you first treat the two conditions separately before you come to the conclusion that you need relief from both of them together.

It is strongly recommended to determine your *nearest point of relief* and evaluate the situation before you move your ball because you are not required to take relief but if you lift your ball and then decide not to take relief, you incur a one stroke penalty. Ann Tuttle

Sweeps Results GSWPGA Snoqualmie Falls:

Five RLGA members competed at the first 2007 event at Snoqualmie Falls. The overall low gross winner was a new RLGA member Laura Risher, scoring an impressive 84. Mary Ryan and Fran Zickes also competed in flight 1 finishing third and fifth respectively. Sharma Shamblin just missed being in the money by two strokes and Betty Arendall placed fourth in the Flight 3. Good weather too.

Sweeps Results WSWPLA Sudden Valley April 28th:

Fran Zickes and Mary Ryan, competed at the first state tournament for 2007 near Bellingham. This event was held the same day as the RLGA Invitational Scramble. Results not yet available. If you are interested results may be by the time you are reading this: go to <http://www.wswpla.com>

From Your

State and City Representative Fran Zickes

Every year the GSWPGA schedules a PRO-AM tournament. This year Riverbend has been selected as the host site for this event. The team consists of three women together with a professional. The best two out of the four balls are used to determine the winners. We want to encourage our members to sign up for this event if they are free on June 14th. It is a 7:30 AM shotgun start and the cost is \$43 dollars for regulars and \$36 for Seniors [55+]. You can sign up on the sheet provided on our bulletin board in the Pro Shop or call me, Fran Zickes at 206 938 1081 and let me know. I will assemble your team and locate a Pro for you as Pete has assured me there are enough to play. All you have to do is mail me your entry fee before the deadline date of May 19th. Hope to see a few people show some interest; this is always one of the more popular GSWPGA events. Thanks, Fran Zickes

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Your board of directors invite you to contact them for questions, suggestions and even complaints.

From Your

Team Co-Captains

June Secreto and Gerri Johnson

First team event was held April 27th at Mount Si. The team members for the day were Mary Ryan, Fran Zickes, June Secreto, Janet Best, Teresa Le and Linda Pearson. Out of a possible 18 points, 10.5 points were earned. Unofficial results puts Riverbend team in 2nd place for scratch competition. Good job team!

From your Travel Committee

Date is set for the Hawaii trip, first week in February 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

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progress of travel plans. Your self appointed travel committee is Betty McCotter, Teresa Le, Janet Best, Mary Ryan and of course the social gadabout Mary Ann Hobson.

Instructor Biography

Pete Peterson PGA Apprentice
Teaching Professional

Pete Petersen is in his 13th year as Riverbend Golf Complex's General Manager and Head Golf Superintendent. A fixture on the local



golf scene for three decades, Pete spent time at Maplewood Golf course, Glen Acres country Club and then later ran Lake Wilderness golf Course. Pete also devoted three

years working for Overdorf Golf helping design several prominent tracks in the Northwest. Nearly a twenty-year member of the Golf Course superintendents Association, he is setting his eye on PGA membership as well. A solid player and competent golf instructor, Pete is well versed in all phases of the swing. Whether in a private or group setting, Pete is dedicated and eager to help improve your golf swing.

Riverbend Learning Center
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Golf Etiquette

copy pasted from <http://www.usga.org/playing/etiquette/etiquette.html>

Preventing Unnecessary Damage

Players should avoid causing damage to the course by removing divots when taking practice swings or by hitting the head of a club into the ground, whether in anger or for any other reason. Players should ensure that no damage is done to the putting green when putting down bags or the flagstick. In order to avoid damaging the hole, players and caddies should not stand too close to the hole and should take care during the handling of the flagstick and the removal of a ball from the hole. The head of a club should not be used to remove a ball from the hole. Players should not lean on their clubs when on the putting green, particularly when removing the ball from the hole. The flagstick should be properly replaced in the hole before players leave the putting green. Local notices regulating the movement of golf carts should be strictly observed.

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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 Tournaments:

Thurs, May 10, Foster GSWPGA
Mon, Tues May 14, 15 Apple Tree, Yakima, WSWPLA
Sat, May 19th, Flags, 3 Clubs and a Putter, RLGA
Monday May 21st Best Ball, Fairwood, WSGA
Wed, Thur, 4 Woman Team Suncadia, WSGA

Other Dates:

Last day to sign up for PRO Am at Riverbend is May 19th
November 15th is last day to post.