



# ARIZONA WOMEN'S GOLF NEWS

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## State Representative Information and Training Meeting

As part of the requirement for forming an AWGA women's golf club, each club is requested to appoint a volunteer member each year to act as a liaison between the association and the club. This person, the State Representative, works within her club to insure that the lines of communication stay open. In 2001, the AWGA introduced the first AWGA State Representative Information and Training meetings. These sessions are designed to educate and inform State Representatives on matters pertinent to membership in the AWGA and women's golf in Arizona in general. The meetings also provide a comfortable environment in which the club representatives can offer feedback to help the board and staff continue to direct the growth of the AWGA to meet the needs of Arizona's women golfers.

The 2002 meetings are scheduled for Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, at Moon Valley Country Club in Phoenix, and Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, at Randolph North Golf Complex in Tucson. State Representatives and club Presidents have been mailed details on the meetings. The 2001 meetings received a very positive response,

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## Must You Be A Rules Expert to Play State Tournaments?

Have you thought that you would enjoy playing in a state tournament, but have not because you are afraid that you don't know the rules well enough? While it is necessary that you know the basic rules before you can play even in your own club's play days, you needn't wait until you are a rules expert to play in invitationals and state tournaments. We think that one of the reasons that male participation in tournament golf so far outstrips the participation of women is that women tend to be a little more intimidated by their lack of knowledge of the intricacies of the rules.

A wise old golfer once told me, you only need to know two rules to play golf. Hit the ball straight down the middle, and don't touch it until it goes in the hole! IF ONLY!!! Since most of us can't even come close to following those rules, here are some hints for being comfortable in a tournament setting, even if you have only passable Rules knowledge.

1. Read your notice to competitors. The AWGA, and any other serious tournament committee, will provide you with a notice to competitors and conditions of competition before you begin play. This one page

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## Your AWGA Staff Members

The Arizona Women's Golf Association is directed by an elected volunteer board. These women work very hard to insure the successful operation of the organization, but they could not do it without the help of an equally dedicated and hardworking staff. You have met our board members, either in person or in one of the last two newsletters. We would now like to take the opportunity to familiarize you with the AWGA staff.

First, the newest addition to our staff is Kathryn (Kat) Zatzke, our new Administrative Assistant. Kat's is the first voice you hear when calling the AWGA. She will be happy to assist you in any way she can, or she will direct you to the appropriate person to do so.

Julie Stechenfinger is this year's USGA P.J. Boatwright Jr. Intern. Julie is getting great exposure to all facets of golf administration, including Rules of golf and tournament operations, but is primarily focused on assisting the Course Rating Committee.

Chris Ogle is the AWGA Golf Coordinator. Chris works with the tournament director to help with the organization and operation of AWGA tournaments. A graphic artist, Chris is also responsible for creating and maintaining the information on our web page, at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org).

Maureen O'Shea is the Executive Assistant. She will answer your handicap questions, as well as assist with any questions or concerns you may have regarding membership fee billings or information for the newsletter. Mary Long is the AWGA's Executive Director.

The Staff is happy to assist you in anyway they can. They welcome all questions and comments from our members and encourage you to contact them by phone or email.



Mary Long center, left to right Kathryn, Chris, Julie & Maureen.

## Frequently Asked Questions

1. What does the "R" behind my handicap index mean?

When you have an R behind your index it means that your index has been reduced due to exceptional tournament scores. If two or more tournament scores are three strokes better than your current index it will automatically reduce your index. (USGA Handicap System Manual refer to sec. 10-3)

2. Can I post my Arizona scores and have them routed to my club in another state?

Yes, but you need to set up your record in the AZHN computer prior to posting your scores. In addition, the state association to which you wish to route your scores must belong to the IGN network. If both these conditions are met, your Arizona scores will automatically post to your other club. Ask your Handicap Chairman how to go about setting up your record.

3. How do I post a score through IGN to be routed back to Arizona?

First post your score to your handicap record in your other state association. Then check that computer to see if there is an International Golf Network (IGN) symbol on the opening screen. Click on the IGN icon and highlight the "Arizona Women's Golf Association" bar. Enter your AWGA member number. Continue through the screens to post your score. If your course does not have a computer with the IGN selection, bring your scores back to your AWGA club to be posted to your club. (This procedure will vary somewhat depending on the out-of-state association's handicap provider. Consult with the handicap chairman of your out-of-state club.)

4. If I do not finish a hole, do I post my score?  
Yes. You post the score you most likely would have made. There is no limit to the number of unfinished holes for score posting purposes, provided that the failure to finish is not for the purpose of handicap manipulation. (USGA Handicap System Manual refer to sec. 4-1)

## CONGRATULATIONS To The Following Ladies On Their HOLES IN ONE!!

| DATE     | NAME                    | CLUB AFFILIATION             |
|----------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 10/30/01 | Helen Pike .....        | Deer Valley Women's Golf SCW |
| 11/15/01 | Millie Homan .....      | Rolling Hills Women (Tempe)  |
| 11/23/01 | Carolee Vinson .....    | Desert Hills Golf Club       |
| 11/28/01 | Marcelle A. ZoZom ..... | Cottonwood Country Club      |
| 12/03/01 | Carol Ewy .....         | Oakwood Country Club         |
| 12/05/01 | Jacque Twitty .....     | Ventana Canyon Golf Club     |
| 12/07/01 | Lillie Marquis .....    | Desert Sands WGA             |
| 12/13/01 | Shirley Donatt .....    | Ironwood Golf Club           |
| 12/14/01 | Rose McDonnell .....    | Westbrook Village Lakes      |
| 12/18/01 | JoAnn Kies .....        | Oakwood Country Club         |
| 12/19/01 | Joyce Kuehl .....       | Oakwood Country Club         |
| 12/20/01 | Nancy Dinkelman .....   | Ironwood Golf Club           |
| 12/23/01 | Keiko Vleming .....     | Granite Falls South Course   |
| 12/27/01 | Grace Kilbury .....     | Continental Golf Course      |
| 12/28/01 | Jo Ann Crook .....      | Cottonwood Ladies Golf Club  |
| 01/03/02 | Lonni Hocker .....      | Ironwood Golf Club           |

Please report all holes-in-one as they occur. Holes-in-one occurring prior to the previous newsletter publication date may be excluded from publication.

## Spotlight

In the spotlight this month is one of the many AWGA volunteers without whom this organization could not function. For the last six years **Teddi Lewis** has served as a member of the board of directors, first as Director of Sites and the last four years as Director of Tournaments.

A woman of seemingly endless energy, Teddi is able to balance a husband, children, grandchildren, the duties of an AWGA board member, Handicap Chairmanship of the Northern Arizona Women's Golf Association, and still keep her handicap down around a 5. She has been Club Champion many times at her home course of Antelope Hills in Prescott as well as Stroke and Senior Champion of the Northern District. Her duties as AWGA



Tournament Director have kept her from playing in most of the state events, but her term on the board will conclude at the end of this month and we can expect to see her at many of the upcoming AWGA championships. We wish her well, and thank her for the outstanding job she has done for the AWGA the last 6 years.

(In the **Spotlight** will be a regular feature in future AWGA newsletters. If there is someone you would like to see acknowledged, please contact Maureen at the AWGA.)

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*State Reps Continued.....*

with over 60 % of clubs represented. This year, we are hoping for an even higher attendance rate. We have updated the format of the meetings to address the interests of the returning State Rep as well as the brand new first timer. If you are a State Representative or a club President and have not received your registration materials, please contact our office.

### Course Rating Volunteers Needed

The AWGA is the organization licensed by the USGA to issue USGA Course Rating and Slope Ratings for women in Arizona. As I'm sure you know, the USGA Course and Slope Rating is what enables your scoring record to generate a USGA Handicap Index. Our rating teams are staffed entirely by highly trained and dedicated volunteers. In 2001, these women rated and re-rated nearly 60 golf courses through out Arizona, and they need your help!

We are in need of additional raters, especially in the Northern and Southern Regions. If you have experience rating in another state, or just have a keen interest in golf, math and are detail oriented, think about offering your services to your association as a Course Rater. Contact Barbara Simmons, the AWGA Course Rating Administrator, through the office, or visit our web page at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org) and print out a volunteer registration form.

#### NEW AWGA CLUBS

##### WELCOME

to our new AWGA Member Clubs:  
**Grande Valley WGA**

##### WELCOME

to our new AWGA Associate Clubs:  
**Wild Fire Golf Club**

(An Associate Club is one that has not yet established an AWGA Women's Club, but wishes to maintain a USGA course rating for play by women.)

*Rules continued....*

document will give you details on the format and scoring requirements of the event, course markings, hazard markings, ground under repair, and any Local Rules adopted for the competition. The conditions of competition will tell you any special conditions invoked, such as the one ball rule. Reading this information will answer many of your questions and perhaps spur you to ask for clarification of other aspects of the competition before you begin play, thus avoiding obvious errors and unnecessary penalty strokes.

2. For Stroke Play competitions; become intimately familiar with Rule 3-3, which allows you to play a second ball when you are in doubt as to your rights or the proper procedure to follow.

3. Find out who the rules officials are and where they will be stationed on the course. Use Rule 3-3 to keep play moving and ask an official for a ruling as soon as you see one.

The AWGA conducts **Rules of Golf workshops** throughout the state for member clubs at no charge. We encourage clubs to request a workshop and we encourage all members to attend one as often as possible to continue to increase their knowledge of the Rules of Golf. The following workshops are already scheduled for 2002. You may sign up for any one of them by logging on to our web page at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org) click on News to print out a workshop registration form.

- March 11, 2002** ..... **Bullhead City**
- May 13, 2002** ..... **Prescott**
- July 22, 2002** ..... **Payson**

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

### – 2002 TOURNAMENTS –

#### WEEKEND CLASIC

Apache Creek Golf Club  
February 24, 2002 • Apache Junct.

#### SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Ironwood Golf Club  
March 24, 2002 • Chandler

#### STATE FOUR-BALL TOURNAMENT

San Ignacio Golf Club  
April 15-16, 2002 • Green Valley

#### STATE MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Club West Golf Course  
May 20-23, 2002 • Phoenix

#### STATE PARTNERS TOURNAMENT

Hassayampa Golf Club  
June 10-11, 2002  
Prescott

#### DAY IN HADES TOURNAMENT

Ancala Country Club  
August 6, 2002 • Scottsdale

#### STATE STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Terravita Golf Club  
August 26-28, 2002 • Scottsdale

#### STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP

White Mountain Country Club  
September 17-19, 2002 • Pinetop

#### 9-HOLE TOURNAMENT

Prescott Country Club  
October 7, 2002 • Prescott

#### STATE SCOTCH CHAMPIONSHIP

La Paloma Country Club  
November 17 -18, 2002 • Tucson

#### STATE MEDALLION TEAM TOURNAMENT

Whirlwind Golf Club  
December 2, 2002 • Chandler



# Short Course Championship Sunday, March 24, 2002

OPENING DATE: JANUARY 27, 2002

CLOSING DATE: MARCH 14, 2002

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

PLAYER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ AWGA# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB REPRESENTED \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

I am age to 14-17 \_\_\_\_\_ I am a past board member \_\_\_\_\_ I am a past Champion of this tournament \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and agree to abide by the Conditions for AWGA Competitions as published in the current AWGA Directory and at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org)

Enclosed is my check or money order for **\$65.00** payable to the AWGA. SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

Mail entry and fee to: **Arizona Women's Golf Association** 141 E. Palm Lane, Suite #210, Phoenix, AZ 85004-1555

**ONE ENTRY PER ENVELOPE PLEASE ALL ENTRIES WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED IN WRITING. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING REGISTRATION AND CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION WILL BE PROVIDED AT THAT TIME**

### 3rd ANNUAL SHORT COURSE CHAMPIONSHIP

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2002

## Ironwood Golf Club

550 West Champagne Drive, Chandler, AZ 85248 (480) 895-0614

The tournament shall consist of 18 holes of individual stroke play. The champions shall be the low gross and low net scorers over the field. Flights will be determined by handicap index. Maximum handicap index, 40.4. The field is limited to the first 100 entries. Play will begin with a **12:30 p.m. Shotgun Start**.

**Entry fee of \$65.00** per entrant will include green fees, cart fees, \$5 food ticket, prizes and awards. Entrants must use an official entry form available in this newsletter, in the 2002 Tournament Calendar and Directory or on the AWGA web page at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org).

Make checks payable to: AWGA, and mail to:  
141 E. Palm Lane, #210, Phoenix, Arizona, 85004-1555.

**OPENING DATE: JANUARY 27, 2002 CLOSING DATE: MARCH 14, 2002**

**Only one entry per envelope is permitted.**

Juniors 14-17 years of age must have a  
USGA handicap index of 12.0 or less to participate.

The Short Course Championship is an AWGA 2002 Player of the Year point tournament

**Ironwood** is one of the top short courses in the Valley. For those of you who have never played in one of our state tournaments, this one would be a great place to start. There is some water and plenty of bunkers. You should find it a very well designed course that is a delight to play. We will be playing it at just over 4200 yards. The handicaps in our tournaments generally run from the scratch player right up to the USGA maximum. Being a short course, the maximum allowable handicap index will be 40.4. It will be flighted, of course. And we will keep the flights to 10 strokes or less from the low to the high handicap, whenever possible, thereby giving everybody a shot at winning their flight. There will be equal prizes for both the gross and net winners in each flight. That's the standard practice for all of our tournaments.

We try to make our tournaments a fun occasion. Come on out, play some golf and meet some new friends. No pressure, just a day of golf and fun.

Betsy Paul, Tournament Director

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