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ARIZONA WOMEN'S OPEN Thunderbird Golf Club Phoenix, AZ June 1 & 2, 2002

The best local professional and amateur women golfers along with many from other areas of the nation, will compete on June 1 & 2, 2002 in the 2nd Arizona Women's Open. Arizona's top women players are always looking for additional high level competitions, and were the main impetus for the formation of the committee which now produces the Arizona Women's Open. This

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WHAT'S ON THE WEB?

The Arizona Women's Golf Association has an outstanding web page with great information, opportunities, and links to related golf sites. Have you visited our web page lately? Do you know what is available? Visit us at www.awga.org for great information regarding our association.

- Go to our "News" section to find our "Headlines", which is full of exciting articles about what is happening within the association and the state. You will see a list of upcoming events as well as tournaments, seminars, and workshops. Also available in this section is our rebate policy form that can be easily printed from any computer.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

In the spotlight this month is a volunteer who is not only an asset to the Arizona Women's Golf Association, she is a friend as well. Linda Dalsin was elected to the Board of Directors in 2000, beginning her term in 2001 as our Vice President. At the end of 2001 Linda stepped in as President Pro-tem and took the reigns with both hands. She completed the arrangements for the 2002 Annual Meeting with wonderful enthusiasm and efficiency. Linda is an exceptionally fun person, often taking a comical stance in everyday

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REBATE POLICY RECAP

The Arizona Women's Golf Association offers a rebate for members who pay duplicate fees through more than one member club. There appears to be some confusion as to how this policy

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OOP'S

In last month's issue we announced that her father, sister, and fiancé accompanied Tui Selvaratnam at the Annual Meeting. We apologize for the error, but it was her father, sister and sister's boyfriend who accompanied Tui. Tui has gotten several congratulatory calls regarding her fictitious wedding plans and we would like to apologize to Tui and her family and let everyone know that it appears she is still only engaged in golf at this time. Sorry Tui!

RULE 7 - PRACTICE

Rule # 7 in the Rules of Golf covers the subject of practice. Rule 7-1 is one of the several Rules of Golf where there is a significant difference between match play and stroke play. In a match play format, the players may practice on the competition course before a round. In stroke play, the players shall not practice on the course, before, during or between rounds in a competition. For example, this means that if you are playing in a 36 hole stroke play event, you shall not practice on the course between play of the first and second rounds, where as in a match play event, you may. Rule 7-2 does not make this distinction between the two forms of play. This rule covers practice during a stipulated round and states that you shall not play a practice stroke during the play of a hole or between the play of two holes. You may, however, practice putting or chipping on or near the putting green of the hole last played. You may also practice putting or chipping on any practice putting green or the teeing ground of the next hole to be played in the round, provided that such practice stroke is not played from a hazard and does not unduly delay play.

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What's on the Web?

- If you're considering becoming a member of the AWGA or just want to become more familiar with our association you'll want to check out the section "About AWGA". This portion of our web site has a list of our board of directors and committee members. This section also has detailed information on what we provide to our members. There are links in this section to our annual directory information and newsletter.

- There is a section called "Tournaments" complete with all information regarding upcoming tournaments as well as results of completed AWGA tournaments. You have the ability to print a tournament entry form complete with the registration information such as dates and locations, entry amount, eligibility and conditions of play. In this section you will also find our Points Qualification Program which will give detailed information on how the player of the year is chosen.

- Looking to join a club? Look under our "Find Courses and Clubs" section to locate one in your area. This can also assist you in finding addresses for courses you may want to play. Information on how to join the AWGA is also available and titled as "Join the AWGA" when going to this portion of our web page you will find detailed information on eligibility, classifications, and standing rules. You can even print off an application to volunteer.

- Click on our "Calendar of Events" section to see what is available from month to month. This calendar includes AWGA events as well as other competitions conducted within our state, such as USGA Qualifiers and other significant locally held amateur competitions.

- Post an Internet score from our front page or enter your Association number for your current USGA Handicap Index under our "Handicap" section. You can also get your scores, or link to the USGA Handicap System. This is a great way to do peer review or learn more about handicapping.

- You can find excellent information on the Rules of Golf when you click on our "Rules" section. This too will link you to the USGA's web page and offers specific rules information, decisions, and has a frequently asked questions section. You can even test your Rules knowledge by taking a USGA Rules Quiz.

Please visit our web site and see all of the above and more. We have so much information to share that will benefit you and your club. We are committed to the use of our web page, one of the easiest ways to reach our members. Again, our address is www.awga.org. Information is updated frequently so check back often.

Arizona Women's Golf Association Board of Directors Election Rotation Schedule

2002	2003	2004
Central	Northern	Northern
Central	Central	Central
Southern	Southern	Southern

Any member may nominate any other member to run for election to the Board of Directors. A member may also nominate herself. Nominating forms are mailed to each club's State Representative in March of each year. All nominees must complete an application for nomination and submit it to the Nominating Committee, which is appointed by the board Vice President each year. Applications must be submitted through the AWGA office and must be received by June 20th to be considered for nomination. For more information regarding elections please contact your State Representative.

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Rebate Policy Recap

works. Rebates will be processed in one of two ways.

- Each member club will be billed once each calendar year for each individual listed as an active member of that club. If the member has paid duplicate memberships she may submit a request for rebate. The AWGA will verify that more than one AWGA membership fee has been received for that member and reimburse any fees paid in that calendar year in excess of \$20.00. The rebate will be sent as soon as practicable to the individual.

OR

- The Handicap Chair or other authorized individual of a club may request a "Club Credit". This means they have compiled a list of their members who have paid a fee through another club. After successful verification by the AWGA of the receipt of membership fees from the other club, the AWGA will credit the requesting club for the \$20.00 for each verified paid multiple member.

One of the most common misconceptions is that members who belong to two clubs receive a rebate regardless of whether they have the same scoring record or not. This is false. Rebates are paid to members when more than one club uses the same association number. This means that if a member belongs to both an 18-hole and a 9-hole club she will not receive a rebate because she will have two separate association numbers and two separate scoring records.

Members are also confused as to why there has been a delay in receiving their rebates. This stems from the fact that clubs collect their fees at the beginning of their season, which seldom coincides with the beginning of the AWGA's annual billing cycle each January. If you paid your membership at your club in October, those fees were not paid to the AWGA until your club was billed in January. Another reason you may not have received your rebate to date is that one or more of your clubs may have an outstanding invoice. If this is true a rebate will not be issued until payment is made in full.

Rebates of the prior year's fees cannot be issued. Rebates are only issued for the current year. We will not issue rebates to any new requests for the year 2001 or any year prior at this time. If you sent a rebate request before December 31, 2001 and have not received a rebate for the year 2001 it may be that there is an unpaid invoice.

Hopefully this clears up all confusion and will help you understand the policy better. The AWGA Finance Committee is reviewing the process to find a simpler way to deal with multiple membership fees. If you still have questions please contact us by phone or via email.

(Rebate request forms are available on our website at www.awga.org).

USGA CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIERS

USGA Committee members conduct local qualifiers each year to select entrants into US Women's Championships conducted by the USGA. Each national championship has different eligibility criteria. All of the eligibility requirements are available on the USGA website at www.usga.org. The USGA allows entry into all of their championships online. Entry Forms will also be available through the AWGA or through the USGA website beginning in March. While these are national championships and only the best make it to the top, if you are a competitive golfer with a single digit handicap, you may qualify to compete in several of these USGA Qualifiers. This is a great opportunity to participate in a USGA Tournament and perhaps proceed to the national championship. The entry fees start at \$80.00.

Local Qualifier	USGA Committee Member in charge of Local Qualifier	Championship
US Women's Open Qualifier May 11, 2002 Thunderbird Golf Club, Phoenix	Christi Dickinson	US Women's Open July 4-7, 2002 Hutchinson, KS
US Women's Amateur Public Links Qualifier May 29, 2002 Legacy Golf Club, Phoenix	Ellen O'Hara	US Women's Amateur Public Links June 18-23, 2002 Sunriver, OR
US Girls Junior Qualifier June 25, 2002 Tucson Country Club	Barbara Burton	US Girls Junior July 22-27, 2002 Westfield, N.J.
US Women's Amateur Qualifier July 16, 2002 Superstition Mountain Golf Club	Christi Dickinson	US Women's Amateur August 12-17, 2002 Scarborough, N.Y.
US Women's Mid-Amateur August 25, 2002 Desert Forest Golf Club	Linda Moses	US Women's Mid-Amateur September 21-25, 2002 Eugene, OR
US Senior Women's Amateur Closest Local Qualifiers - Colorado Southern California	Holly Russell Rita Jacobs	US Seniors Women's Amateur October 5-10, 2002 Southern Pines, N.C.

Exit Letter from Teddi Lewis

To all the members, board and staff of the AWGA:

I would like to take this time to thank everyone associated with this great organization for the opportunity to serve you, the members, for the last 6 years as a member of the Board of Directors. I would also like to thank every member of the Board and the staff past and present that I had the opportunity to work with, for helping me and keeping me in line. I had a lot of fun and learned a lot from all of you.

The expertise of these women is pretty phenomenal when you look at their resumes. They all have different ideas and points of view but still manage to run a very efficient and fun organization dedicated to making all of your experiences with them pleasant and rewarding. I would urge everyone to consider being part of this Board should the opportunity arise.

It has been a wonderful experience for me. I was able to meet many new players in all handicap ranges. I have loved working as the Tournament Director for the last 4 years. It was a big job and I hope you all enjoyed the tournaments as much as I did. We tried to make them fair for **all** handicaps by making the flights closer in handicap ranges and giving both gross and net prizes in all tournaments. I'm looking forward to being able to play in many of the events this year. I hope to see many of my old friends and look forward to meeting new ones.

Thank you everyone, for 6 really wonderful years. Good luck to the new Board and staff.

Sincerely, Teddi Lewis

Rule 7 Continued ...

Rule 7 - Practice

- Here are some may's and shall not's pertaining to this rule.
- You may casually flick practice balls from the fairway back to the driving range for the purpose of tidying up the course, but be careful. In some circumstances, such as when you address the ball rather than flicking it, you may be in breach of Rule 7-2.
- You shall not practice on the competition course after the completion of a stroke play qualifying round for a match play event in which you subsequently compete in a sudden death playoff to settle a tie.
- You shall not practice putting on the fairway of the hole being played while waiting for the green to clear.

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In the Spotlight

situations, which makes working with her quite an entertaining and enjoyable experience.

In addition to her sense of humor, Linda is a hard worker and extremely dedicated to her duties. Linda was very active in her Association in Minnesota prior to moving to Arizona in 1991. She has remained just as active here in Arizona. Not only is Linda the 2002 Board of Directors Secretary, she is currently the State Representative at Elden Hills Golf Club and also belongs to Aspen Valley Golf Club, where she has served in nearly every position available, including Rules Chairman. Linda is a past

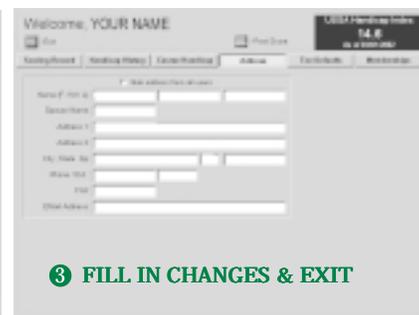
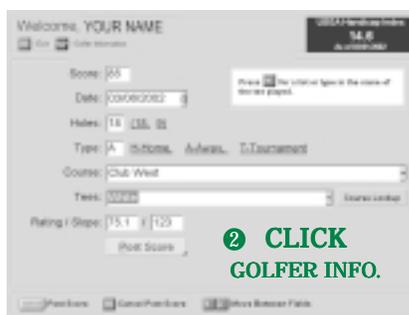
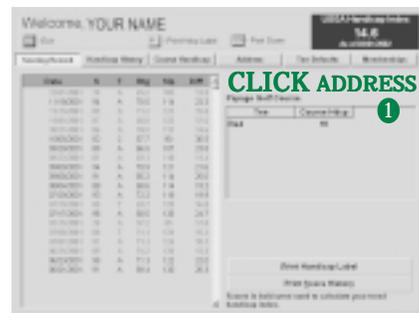


president of the Northern Arizona Women's Golf Association, and a past volunteer at the US Open and the US Senior Open, when each was held at Hazeltine National Golf Course in Minnesota.

In December of 2001 Linda became a first time grandmother to her grandson Jeremiah, or as Linda calls him "Little J". We appreciate her enthusiastic outlook and all of her hard work and want to take this opportunity to say thank you Linda!

Going Somewhere? Who's Getting Your Mail?

If you are leaving for an extended period of time, and would like to continue receiving correspondence from the AWGA, it is essential that you change your address not only with the postal service but with your club as well. Here are some screen shots from the AZHN score posting software showing exact information that will help you in maintaining your correct mailing address. The person authorized by your club may also edit your address information. Don't forget, when you return from your travels, change your address back or your mailings will continue to go to the other address. Your address information is protected and will not be sold or used for any purpose other than communications between your golf association and you.



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

DATE	NAME	CLUB AFFILIATION
01/03/02	Ellen Strong	Ahwatukee CC
01/04/02	Nadine Paulson	Leisure World GR
01/08/02	Arlene Reeves	Prescott G & CC
01/09/02	Jeri Lyon	Rancho Manana CC
01/29/02	Beverly Bearns	Sun City West - Echo Mesa GC
01/29/02	Bev Prosniewski	Willowbrook Golf Club
02/02/02	Ruth Sieve	Sun City Lakes G C - W. Course
02/05/02	JoAnn Kemper	Heritage Highlands GC
02/05/02	Yvonne Streight	Granite Falls GC - N. Course
02/07/02	Nancy Hicks	Ironwood GC
02/07/02	Marion Koedyker	Dorado CC
02/09/02	Sandra Lawson	Encanto CC
02/12/02	Elaine Mannino	Troon North GC
02/13/02	Marilyn Burton	Terravita G & CC
02/19/02	Pat Keating	Sun City West - Echo Mesa GC
02/20/02	Marilyn Carey	Continental Wednesday Ladies
02/21/02	Maryann L. Coates	Desert Trails GC
02/25/02	Mary Gabrich	Westbrook Village Vistas GC
02/28/02	LaVerne Becker	Cottonwood Ladies GC
03/01/02	Lili Marquis	Show Low CC
03/02/02	Meg Quarrie	El Caro GC

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.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Our club recently received a mailing from the AWGA requesting information on whether or not our club will adopt the new Internet score posting policy. Do we have to make a decision immediately or can we answer at a later time?

Your club can adopt the policy at any time. There is no immediate response needed, unless you wish to allow Internetscore posting.

2. A player with a USGA Handicap Index of 14.2 does not play due to a temporary injury. She begins playing again but because she has not fully recovered, her scores are significantly higher than they were prior to the injury. Should the player receive any special adjustments?

Under Section 8-4b(iii) in the USGA 2002-2005 Handicap System Manual, the player is entitled to a special adjustment. The Club Handicap Committee may assign a temporary local Handicap Index that reflects her current scoring potential. The temporary Index is effective for the length of time determined by the Handicap Committee.

3. How often should our golf club have our courses rated?

When it is new, a course should be re-rated every three years for the first nine years, courses tend to change dramatically over a much shorter term when they are new. After the first ten years, courses should be re-rated every ten years unless the course has undergone any major changes. USGA Course Rating, Bogey Rating, and Slope Rating are no longer valid if they are more than 10 years old. The AWGA strives to complete re-ratings every 7 years.

AZ Womens's Open Continued ...

Arizon Women's Open

committee consists of Mary Long, executive director of the Arizona Women's Golf Association, Lorraine Thies, assistant executive director of the Arizona Golf Association, Kathy Wilkes, executive director of the Southwest Section PGA, several of Arizona's top amateur players, and local LPGA and PGA professionals.

The Competition is open to all female professionals and amateurs with USGA Handicap Indexes of 8.5 or less at the time of entry. The Thunderbirds are the Title Sponsor, guaranteeing a purse of \$5,000 and providing the new Thunderbirds Golf Club as the venue for the event. The entry fee is \$200 for professionals and \$125 for amateurs. Entries close May 24, 2002. Entry Forms are available on the AWGA web page at www.awga.org, by calling the AWGA office at 602-253-5655 or 1-800-442-2942, the AGA office at 602-944-3035 or 1-800-458-8484, or the Southwest Section PGA at 480-443-9002 or 1-800-688-0742.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Weekend Classic Tournament

February 24, 2002

Apache Creek Golf course

GROSS		OVERALL WINNERS	NET	
Eileen Vargas Encanto GC		71	Mary Byrd EWGA 64	
GROSS		FIRST FLIGHT	NET	
1 ST	Tui Selvaratnam 73 ASU Karsten GC	1 ST	Cheryl Jones 70 Papago CC	
2 ND	Missy Farr-Kaye 75 Camelback GC	(Tie)	Micki Howard 70 Orange Tree GC	
(Tie)	Kris Montplaisir 75 Riverview GC			
GROSS		SECOND FLIGHT	NET	
1 ST	Tina Huiskamp 72 Papago GC	1 ST	Becky Sun 70 Paradise Valley CC	
2 ND	Barbara Byrnes 77 Red Mountain Ranch CC	(Tie)	Helen Grassbaugh 70 Cave Creek CC	
GROSS		THIRD FLIGHT	NET	
1 ST	Rita Porthan 83 Papago GC	1 ST	Linda Newman 71 Riverview GC	
(Tie)	Pam Goodeyon 83 Cottonwood CC	(Tie)	Janet Reiner 71 Papago GC	
3 RD	Cheryl LaMotta 86 Eagle's Nest CC	3 RD	Bonnie Whittier 73 Eagle's Nest CC	
GROSS		FORTH FLIGHT	NET	
1 ST	Sandra Patton 82 Sun Lakes CC	1 ST	Carol Higgins 67 EWGA	
2 ND	Jan Dietrich 88 Prescott CC	2 ND	Joann Wecker 73 Sun Lakes CC	
3 RD	Margaret Quarrie 91 WWGA	3 RD	Cookie Kaplan 74 Mountain View GC	
4 TH	Pat Clarke 92 Ken McDonald GC	4 TH	Nonda Frey 75 Cave Creek GC	
(Tie)	Jean Piscatella 92 Eagle's Nest CC			
GROSS		FIFTH FLIGHT	NET	
1 ST	Teri Marcarello 88 Eagle's Nest CC	1 ST	Karen Savoy 71 Ancala CC	
2 ND	Carole Matijevich 92 Ancala CC	2 ND	Jan Kellar 73 Ironwood CC	
3 RD	Sharon Graham 94 El Caro GC	3 RD	Jan Spilde 74 Queen Valley GC	
(Tie)	Connie Comer 94 Ken McDonald GC			
GROSS		SIXTH FLIGHT	NET	
1 ST	Sybil Peters 90 Ancala CC	1 ST	Lupe Schultz 67 LEGS	
2 ND	Jean Barry 93 Ironwood CC	2 ND	Bonnie Marsilio 75 Saddlebrooke CC	
GROSS		SEVENTH FLIGHT	NET	
1 ST	Trude Quantrone 98 Willowcreek GC	1 ST	Linda McDonald 67 Queen Valley GC	
2 ND	Alice Watkins 100 Mountain Book GC	2 ND	Rose Kondur 71 Torres Blancas GC	
3 RD	Gloria Gowan 101 Riverview GC	3 RD	Jo Taylor 72 Bellair GC	



Match Play Championship May 20 - 23, 2002



OPENING DATE: March 25

CLOSING DATE: May 10

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____ AWGA# _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/ZIP _____

CLUB REPRESENTED _____ I am age to 14-17 _____ I am a past board member _____

I am age to 14-17 _____ I am a past board member _____ year _____ I am a past 2000- 2001 Champion _____

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

SIGNATURE _____

Enclosed is my check or money order for \$165 per player payable to the AWGA.

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



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There will be a stroke play qualifying round for the entire field. The balance of the competition shall be match play at scratch within flights. The field will be limited to multiples of 8 with a maximum of 80 players. The maximum handicap index allowed will be 35.8.

The Match Play Championship is an AWGA 2002 Player of the Year point tournament.

Match Play, golf in its purest form. A tournament rich in tradition, the Arizona Women's Golf Association Match Play Championship, is the way the Arizona Women's Golf Association started, in 1924, with our first State Amateur Championship. Just you and your opponent, one on one until there is a winner.

Club West is a perfect spot for that kind of tournament. The beauty and serenity of the area put your mind at ease. Located on the sunny side of South Mountain, the beautiful Sonoran Desert surrounds you. Each hole is distinctive with some dramatic elevation changes.

The qualifying round will be played at 5518 yards. Then the low 16 qualifiers will move back to 6191 yards for the balance of the tournament. The rest of the field will go forward to tees set at 5334 yards and will be flighted according to handicap index and will play at scratch within their flight. Position in each flight will be determined by qualifying scores. Consolation flights and a fun "Never Say Die" tournament is offered on the last day. The handicaps in our tournaments generally run from the scratch player right up to the USGA maximum of 36. For those of you who have never played match play, come play this tournament to see how the game of golf started.

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

Betsy Paul, Tournament Director

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