



# ARIZONA WOMEN'S GOLF NEWS

A PUBLICATION OF THE ARIZONA WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

2002 ISSUE 8



Tui Selvaratnam

## 2002 Arizona Women's Amateur Stroke Play Championship

Terravita Golf & Country Club in Scottsdale, site of the 2002 AWGA State Amateur Stroke Play Championship, August 26-28, 2002, showed itself to be quite a challenge for even the strongest of competitors. Thuhashini Selvaratnam successfully defended her title, winning the championship for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in a row. The winner of the overall net prize was Laura Moore.

Congratulations Tui, Laura, and all the flight winners.

### Over All Champions

Low Gross – Thuhashini Selvaratnam – 70-73-76 = 219

Low Net – Laura Moore - 74-72-75 = 221

### In This Issue:

- Stroke Play Results
- Membership fees for 2003
- Planning for Success
- Arizona Golf Hall of Fame
- Phoenix Golf Show
- Medallion Team Championship
- Junior Girls America's Cup
- Wanted: Email Addresses
- Rules Of Amateur Status
- Handicaps
- Been to the web lately?
- Holes in One
- Membership Update Request
- Tournament Schedule
- Scotch Entry Form

#### Flight 1

Low Gross  
Missy Farr-Kaye 77-72-77 = 226

#### Flight 2

Low Gross  
1<sup>st</sup> Pat Park 82-81-87 = 250  
1<sup>st</sup> Tina Huiskamp 88-84-78 = 250

#### Flight 3

Low Gross  
1<sup>st</sup> Helen Grassbaugh 85-86-81 = 252  
2<sup>nd</sup> Paula Page 88-85-88 = 261

#### Flight 4

Low Gross  
1<sup>st</sup> Mary Long 95-91-95 = 281  
2<sup>nd</sup> Veronica Matthews 98-97-92 = 287  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jann Jemsek 91-93-103 = 287

#### Flight 5

Low Gross  
1<sup>st</sup> Judy Sommerhalter 94-88-93 = 275  
2<sup>nd</sup> Louise Blomberg 94-99-97 = 290  
3<sup>rd</sup> April Riggins 99-91-102 = 292

#### Flight 6

Low Gross  
1<sup>st</sup> Terry Greenslade 100-102-103 = 305  
2<sup>nd</sup> Robin Hooker 98-104-104 = 306

#### Flight 1

Low Net  
Etsu Suzuki 75-79-73 = 227

#### Flight 2

Low Net  
1<sup>st</sup> Mary Lou Plagmann 77-76-77 = 230  
2<sup>nd</sup> Nancy Hewes 74-74-85 = 233

#### Flight 3

Low Net  
1<sup>st</sup> Maddie Levy 78-70-80 = 228  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Falso 81-75-76 = 232

#### Flight 4

Low Net  
1<sup>st</sup> Sandra Patton 79-80-75 = 234  
2<sup>nd</sup> Donna Patek 79-80-80 = 239  
3<sup>rd</sup> Janet Gast 88-77-81 = 246

#### Flight 5

Low Net  
1<sup>st</sup> Rosalie Dressler 72-81-77 = 230  
2<sup>nd</sup> Carol Peterson 81-76-74 = 231  
3<sup>rd</sup> Teri Marcarello 71-79-85 = 235

#### Flight 6

Low Net  
1<sup>st</sup> Mary Byrd 72-75-77 = 224  
2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Wendt 76-86-83 = 245

## Membership Fee for 2003

Now is the time many clubs begin doing their budgeting for the up coming year. As promised, after the late announcement of last year's fee increase caused so many of you difficulty in your budgeting process, we have reviewed the AWGA Budget for 2003 earlier in our season. There will be **NO AWGA MEMBERSHIP FEE INCREASE FOR 2003.**

## REMINDER

Don't forget to get your entry in for the AWGA 9-Hole Tournament on October 7 @ Prescott Country Club. Closing date for all entries is September 27. Entry forms can be found in the AWGA Directory or on the AWGA website @ [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org).

# Planning for Success

## — A 5 Year Plan —

One of the AWGA's primary goals for 2002 is to complete a written five-year plan. This strategic plan will tell why we exist, what we are trying to accomplish, and how we will go about achieving our goals. We believe this document, when reviewed and updated on a regular basis, and continually utilized as the foundation for our goals and objectives, will be an effective guide to the future for the Arizona Women's Golf Association.

At this exciting time in the development of the AWGA, new opportunities for growth present themselves on a daily basis. Our Board of Directors wants to make sure that we are prepared to embrace those opportunities in alignment with our purpose and mission. We want to see that the AWGA of the year 2010 continues to meet the needs of Arizona's women golfers, hopefully performing in a leadership role for other women's associations across the nation.

The Strategic Planning project is being completed by a Steering Committee consisting of AWGA Board members and members at large, under the guidance of a volunteer facilitator from Service Corp of Retired Executives (SCORE). SCORE is a resource partner to the Small Business Administration (SBA), designed to assist small businesses in their development.

As part of this project, we will be conducting "Focus Groups", consisting of representatives from member clubs and other stakeholders in the success of the AWGA. The focus groups will review and give feedback to the Steering Committee on our mission, vision, values, internal and external forces, and strengths and weaknesses. In order to gain insight from all segments of our population, those chosen for the focus groups will represent a broad cross section of our membership. The initial focus group will meet in September to begin the process. When that initial focus group is complete, other focus groups will meet in other regions of the state to consider the same issues. Clubs will be invited to participate through their Presidents.

Look for more information on the plan through the next several months.

## PHOENIX GOLF SHOW

Think you must give up golf during October because of over seeding? Not if you are willing to adjust your thinking a little. What if you spent time in October practicing instead of playing? Or what if you spent a weekend immersed in "all things golf" at the Phoenix Golf Show? The Arizona Women's Golf Association will join exhibitors from nearly every segment of the golf industry when the Phoenix Golf Show makes its debut on Saturday and Sunday, October 12-13, 2002 at the Phoenix Civic Plaza, Hall E, 3rd St. & Jefferson (next to Bank One Ball Park) downtown Phoenix. We hope you'll come on out and say hi. We will have staff and volunteers on hand with information on rules, handicapping, tournaments, membership and much more. Or just stop by to say hello! Check out the link on our web page!



## Arizona Golf Hall of Fame

The Arizona Golf Hall of Fame Committee has announced its selections for 2002. Since its inception in 1968, The Arizona Golf Hall of Fame has inducted such notables as Willie Low, Red Allen, Dell Ulrich, Bob Goldwater, Karsten Solheim, Joanne Winter and Dorothy Pease. This year, two women and five men will be inducted. Inductees include Linda Vollstedt and the late Heather Farr.

Anyone who follows college golf knows the name Linda Vollstedt. Vollstedt retired in 2001, after 21 years at the helm of the ASU women's golf program. She began her relationship with Arizona golf as a student athlete at ASU. As head coach at ASU, she led the Sun Devils to 6 NCAA championships in the 1990's, producing 20 student-athletes who went on to play on the LPGA Tour, including the late Heather Farr. Linda has collected many awards and honors during her career, including most recently being honored as an inductee into the ASU Hall of Fame, an honor also shared with Heather Farr.

Heather was a young woman who truly embodied "the spirit of the game". Her untimely death at the age of 28 ended contributions to our sport that can now only be imagined. By the age of 24, when she was diagnosed with breast cancer, Heather had won 3 Arizona State High School championships, held 10 Arizona State Women's titles, 2 USGA National titles, and had played on the Curtis Cup and World Amateur teams. She turned professional at the age of 24, and competed successfully on the LPGA Tour.

An induction ceremony and golf outing is being scheduled for this fall at Camelback Golf Club. If you are interested in receiving information about the ceremony, please send requests to [awga@usga.org](mailto:awga@usga.org), or call the office at 602-253-5655.

For more detailed information on all 7 of the 2002 inductees, visit our web page at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org).

## Arizona Golf Hall of Fame 2002 Inductees

**Heather Farr**  
**Robert Hunsick**  
**WR Kneebone**  
**Al Potts**  
**John Reuter**  
**Arthur Jack Snyder**  
**Linda Vollstedt**

## 2002 STATE MEDALLION TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2002 State Medallion Team Championship is scheduled for Monday, December 2, 2002 at beautiful Whirlwind Golf Club in Chandler. The course is currently an 18-hole championship layout, with a second 18-holes scheduled to open in mid-October. This will allow us to conduct the 18-hole tournament on one course simultaneously with the 9-hole tournament on the other course. We hope to see more representatives from our 9-hole clubs at Whirlwind this year.

Teams invited to compete in this tournament will be winners of the low gross and low net prizes at the club State Medallion Tournaments. Invitations will be provided through the club State Representatives in October. The team's gross player shall play at gross, the net player shall play at net, each playing her own ball. The team score shall be the total of the gross player's gross ball and the net player's net ball.

If your club has not yet held its State Medallion Tournament, speak to your State Representative to find out when it will be conducted. It should be scheduled over 4 regular play days, making it easy for all club members to participate, with the winners being the players with the best two rounds out of four.

Catch the spirit, and compete to represent your club at this state tournament!

### 2001 Winners Papago Golf Course

Cheryl Jones (left) & Mary Plagmann (right)  
Past President Florence Koch (center) also pictured



### WELCOME

To our newest AWGA Member Club  
without Real Estate:

Sunland Village East Ladies

### WELCOME

To our 2 newest AWGA Associate Clubs:  
(An Associate Club is one that doesn't have an established  
AWGA Women's Club, but wishes to maintain a  
USGA course rating for play by women)

Estrella Mountain Ranch GC  
Kino Springs CC

## Junior Girls America's Cup

Each year, a portion of your AWGA membership fee is used, along with donations from individual member clubs, to sponsor a team of four young women to compete in the Junior Girls America's Cup Team Matches. The Arizona team is selected using a point system based on performance in selected Junior Golf Association of Arizona tournaments. Teams of four high school aged girls representing 18 western states, Mexico and Canada compete in this 54-hole stroke play event. The team score consists of the low three scores in each round. The 2002 competition was played at Crane Creek Country Club, Boise, Idaho, July 28 - August 1.

The 2002 Arizona team consisted of Alana Johnson, 17 of Litchfield Park, Katy Heffel, 17 of Mesa, Christina Scham, 17 of Chandler, and Nicole de Gennaro, 17 of Tucson. The girls finished tied for 9<sup>th</sup> place. To have the opportunity to represent their state in a competition of this nature is such an enriching experience for these girls. We would like to thank each of you for enabling us to afford them this experience.

The matches are hosted by a different participating state each year. Arizona will host the event in 2006 for the first time. The AWGA has agreed to be involved in the presentation of this tournament in a big way, including assisting in fundraising. 2006 may seem far in the future, but not when you think about raising the funds required to present an event of this nature.

Look for more information in the near future on your club bulletin board, in AWGA newsletters, and on our web site at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org).

### WANTED:

Your e-mail address! The AWGA has introduced a bi-weekly e-mail "newsflash" which we would like to make sure you receive. Every two weeks, we will be e-mailing everyone on our e-mail address list valuable information such as tournament announcements and entry forms, seminar information and registration forms, fun and interesting golf articles and jokes, rules and handicap questions, and other newsworthy events in Arizona golf. We have a considerable e-mail address book but want to make sure yours is included. The easiest way to make sure you are on the list is to send us a note asking to be included. Please send e-mails to [awga@awga.org](mailto:awga@awga.org).

**Title your e-mail: newsflash.**

## RULES OF AMATEUR STATUS

The Rules of Amateur Status are probably the least understood of all of the Rules of Golf. That may be because most golfers play at a level where they believe that there is no question as to whether or not they are an amateur. What they may fail to recognize is that the rules are broad enough that an individual can violate them whether she is a 36 handicap or a 0 handicap. It is the action you take that makes the determination as to whether you have violated the Rules of Amateur Status, not how well you play, or even necessarily whether you won anything in a tournament. If the prizes in a tournament are paid in cash, the act of playing for those prizes is a violation of the rule.

The basic premise of the Rules of Amateur Status is that an amateur golfer plays and competes without making any kind of financial income or profit. It may seem trivial that a 36 handicap player accepts \$10 in cash for winning the 6<sup>th</sup> flight in the annual club eclectic tournament, but it may also seem trivial that you hit your ball and it now lies 1 inch out of bounds. Out of bounds is out of bounds, and playing for cash prizes is definitely out of bounds!

As with all of the Rules of Golf, the player is solely responsible for her own actions. Your best protection against unintended violations is to know the rule. The rule is quite lengthy and includes exceptions. After you have read the entire rule, if you are still in doubt as to whether or not you are taking actions contrary to the Rules of Amateur Status, contact the AWGA or the USGA for a ruling.

### ARIZONA WOMEN'S GOLF NEWS

*is an official publication of the  
Arizona Women's Golf Association*

141 E. Palm Lane, Suite 210, Phoenix, AZ 85004-1555  
(602) 253-5655 • 800-442-AWGA • Fax: (602) 253-6210  
E-mail: [awga@usga.org](mailto:awga@usga.org) • Website: [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org)

#### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CAROLE EWY ..... President  
LINDA DALVIN ..... Vice President  
KATHERINE OLSON ..... Secretary  
JULIANNE DODDS ..... Treasurer  
ELAINE PARKINSON ..... Director of Awards/Prizes  
VACANT ..... Director of Communications  
PATRICIA TRIMBELL ..... Director of Rules  
BETSY PAUL ..... Director of Tournaments  
DONA DUNOVANT ..... Director of Sites

#### APPOINTED OFFICES

BARBARA SIMMONS ..... Course Rating Administrator  
MARY LONG ..... Junior Golf Administrator  
KAY ANDREWS ..... Parliamentarian

#### STAFF

MARY LONG ..... Executive Director  
ANNETTE WURGLER ..... Golf Coordinator  
KATHRYN ZATZKE ..... Operations Coordinator  
HARLENE BOWMAN ..... Communications Coordinator  
MOLLY COOPER ..... Administrative Assistant

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

Date .....	Name .....	Club Affiliation
04/07/02 .....	Bea Turner .....	Bellair Ladies Golf Club
04/29/02 .....	Pam Deusterman .....	Lake Havasu WGA
05/02/02 .....	Joanne Roepke .....	The Legend Ladies
06/04/02 .....	Hilma Knoblauch .....	Bellair Ladies Golf Club
06/05/02 .....	Holly Ward .....	Desert Hills GC WGA
06/11/02 .....	Justine Manning .....	Coyote Lakes WGA
06/22/02 .....	Willie Reich .....	SaddleBrooke WGA
07/04/02 .....	Martha Mulholland .....	Palo Verde CC WGA
07/07/02 .....	Bonnie Williams .....	Desert Hills GC WGA
07/12/02 .....	Janice McKee .....	Pueblo Del Sol Women
07/16/02 .....	Rita Schmidt .....	Sunbird Womens 9
07/20/02 .....	Kathy Ball .....	Silverbell Ladies GC
07/23/02 .....	Esther Probst .....	Palo Verde CC WGA
07/25/02 .....	Sharon Ann Johnson .....	Pebblecreek Ladies Niners
07/25/02 .....	Helen Grassbaugh .....	Ladies Exec.Golf Society
08/05/02 .....	Elaine Dornan .....	Palo Verde CC WGA
08/06/02 .....	Rosemarie Espinola .....	Palo Verde CC WGA

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.

## Handicaps

Why do people have handicaps? To keep track of how their game is progressing? To compete against their friends in a friendly Saturday match? To enable them to enter and win the State Amateur Championship? The answer is “yes” to all of those reasons, and probably many more.

The purpose of the USGA Handicap System is to make the game of golf more enjoyable by enabling golfers of differing abilities to compete on an equitable basis. It's kind of a complicated mathematical formula, based on an even more complicated mathematical evaluation of golf course difficulty. Most golfers, understandably, don't want to know all the details of the system. While it is not important to understand the formulas and how they work to generate an equitable handicap, it is important for all golfers who maintain a USGA Handicap Index to follow the procedures of posting all of their acceptable scores. It is the only way to have an accurate Handicap Index.

If you do not know the requirements of posting scores, visit our web site at [www.awga.org](http://www.awga.org). Click on “Handicaps”, and review section 5 of the USGA Handicap System manual.

Here are some of the “musts” for an accurate Handicap Index:

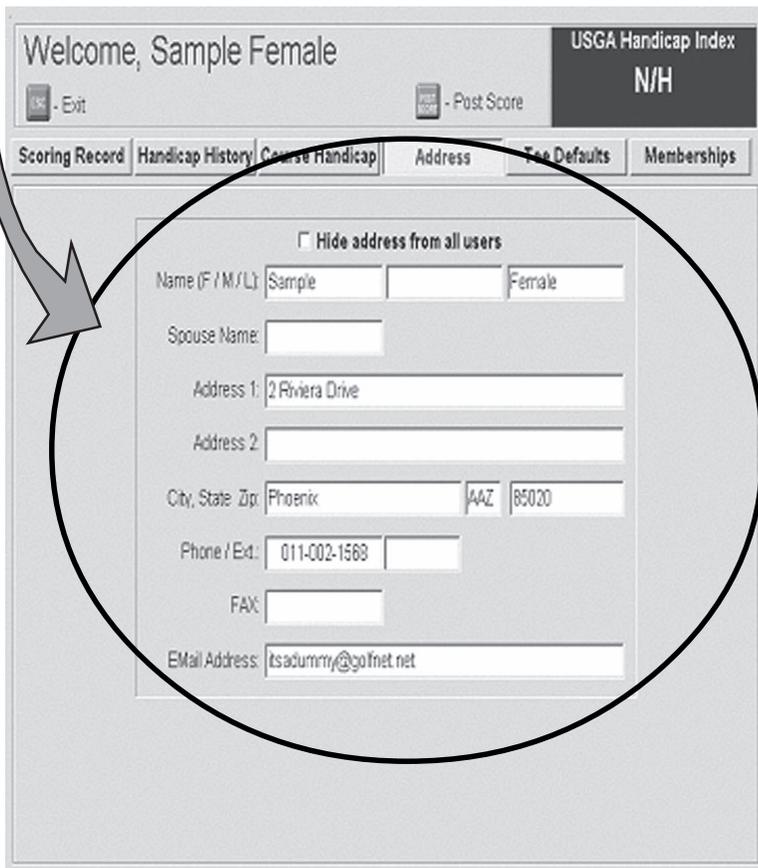
- Post your score if you have played 7 or more holes. If 7 to 12 holes are played, post a 9 hole score. If 13 or more holes are played, post an 18 hole score.
- Adjust your score in accordance with equitable stroke control requirements.
- Post your tournament scores as “T” scores.
- Post your score if you play in a partner event where you pick up if you are out of the hole.
- Post your score in match play where you pick up if you have lost a hole.

## HAVE YOU UPDATED YOUR INFORMATION LATELY?

One of the significant advantages we achieved by converting our handicap calculation software back in 2000 from GHIN to AZHN was the ability to more fully utilize our member club database. Not only are you, the player, able to review your records more readily and perform peer review more easily, but we, the AWGA, are able to more fully utilize the information you provide us in your member records to enhance our service to the women golfers of Arizona.

Here are a few ways we utilize your data:

- The address information in your handicap record is used to distribute mailings to individual members including monthly newsletters. If you are not receiving your newsletter, check your address in the handicap computer. It is either missing or incomplete. Help us better communicate with you by providing a complete mailing address in the computer. If you do not wish to receive a newsletter, please enter "None" in the address field. That will signal us that you have chosen not to receive mailings, and we will not attempt to obtain that information in the future.
- We have begun a bi-weekly e-mail newsflash. The address portion of your handicap record has a field for your e-mail address. We want to include all members in this information service. Please provide your e-mail address as well as your mailing address.
- Your member club rosters are used to create billings for your membership fee. If the person at your club responsible for maintaining your rosters is on top of her job, your ability to post a score will be activated immediately when you pay your fees to your club.
- We compile geographical and handicap statistics on Arizona's women golfers for our own use, as well as an information source for others in the golf industry interested in such information.



The screenshot shows a software window titled "Welcome, Sample Female" with a "USGA Handicap Index" of "N/H". The window has several tabs: "Scoring Record", "Handicap History", "Course Handicap", "Address", "Fee Defaults", and "Memberships". The "Address" tab is selected. A checkbox labeled "Hide address from all users" is checked. The form contains the following fields:

- Name (F / M / L): Sample Female
- Spouse Name: (empty)
- Address 1: 2 Riviera Drive
- Address 2: (empty)
- City, State, Zip: Phoenix AZ 85020
- Phone / Ext.: 011-002-1569
- FAX: (empty)
- E-Mail Address: tsadummy@gofnet.net

A large black circle highlights the address fields, with an arrow pointing from the text above to it.

## TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

### 2002

#### 9-HOLE TOURNAMENT

Prescott Country Club - Prescott  
October 7, 2002

#### SCOTCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

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

#### STATE MEDALLION TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

(18 Hole & 9 Hole)

Whirlwind Golf Club - Chandler  
December 2, 2002

### 2003

#### FOUR BALL STROKE PLAY TOURNAMENT

Gold Canyon Golf Resort - Gold Canyon  
April 14-15, 2003

#### STATE AMATEUR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Heritage Highlands G & CC - Marana  
May 6-9, 2003

#### DAY IN HADES TOURNAMENT

Legacy Golf Resort - Phoenix  
August 4, 2003

#### STATE AMATEUR STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Quintero Golf & Country Club - Peoria  
September 8-10, 2003

#### STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP

Oakcreek Country Club - Sedona  
September 26-28, 2003

#### STATE MEDALLION TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

(18 Hole & 9 Hole)

Scottsdale Country Club - Scottsdale  
December 1, 2003



## Take a Look!

Have you visited the Calendar on our web page lately? If not, there's something new for you. Click on "Calendar", Click on "Club Events", and see a list of all guest days and invitationals, to the extent that this information has been provided to us. Hopefully this information will be valuable in planning your own events.



# State Scotch Play Championship

November 17-18, 2002

OPENING DATE: September 23, 2002 CLOSING DATE: November 10, 2002

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

PLAYER #1 NAME _____	TELEPHONE _____	AWGA# _____
ADDRESS _____	CITY _____	ZIP _____
CLUB REPRESENTED _____	I am age 14-17 _____ I am a past board member _____	
PLAYER #2 NAME _____	TELEPHONE _____	AWGA# _____
ADDRESS _____	CITY _____	ZIP _____
CLUB REPRESENTED _____	I am age 14-17 _____ I am a past board member _____	

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 PLAYER #1 \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE PLAYER #2 \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check or money order for **\$125 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 - PARTNER ENTRIES ARE CONSIDERED AS ONE (1) ENTRY**

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

### La Paloma Country Club, Tucson, AZ

This tournament shall consist of 36 holes of stroke play conducted in accordance with the Chapman system and with Rule 29, USGA Rules of Golf. The partners both drive from the tee, each partner plays a second shot with the other's ball, after which a choice is made as to the ball with which the hole is to be completed, continuing with alternate shots until the ball is holed.

**Entry fee of \$125.00** per player will include green fees, cart fees, lunch, 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.

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

**OPENING DATE: September 23, 2002**

**CLOSING DATE: November 10, 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.

**La Paloma** is one of the most beautiful golf courses in the southern part of Arizona. Nestled into the natural contours of the rugged high Sonoran Desert, La Paloma's 27 hole, Jack Nicklaus designed course is a golfer's oasis. Great care has been taken to preserve the indigenous vegetation and natural wildlife habitats.

The course will play to just under 5200 yards with plenty of challenges for all golfers. We think you will really enjoy this course.

The handicaps in our tournaments generally run from the scratch player right up to the AWGA maximum of 36. We try to make our tournaments a fun occasion. Come on out, play some golf and meet some new friends. No pressure, just a couple of days of golf and fun.

*Betsy Paul*, Tournament Director

PHOENIX, AZ  
PERMIT #744  
**PAID**  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PRSRST STD

ARIZONA WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION  
141 EAST PALM LANE, SUITE 210  
PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85004

