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2003 Arizona Women's State Team

Your Arizona Women's State Team has been selected! Tui Selvaratnam, Lynn Simmons and Laura Moore will travel to Wellesley Hills, MA representing the state of Arizona where they will compete in the USGA Women's State Team Championship on September 16-18, 2003. Chris Giza, who earned the first alternate position, will accompany them as Team Captain.



(l to r) Tui, Lynn, Laura, Chris

Mountain Ranch Country Club August 17 and 18, the course proved to be very challenging. Set at 6193 yards with difficult hole locations, Selvaratnam was still able to shoot a 3 over par 76 in round one to take a 4 shot lead over Chris Giza who shot 80 and Lynn Simmons with an 83. The order changed, however, after round two. Laura Moore shot lights out, coming back to post a second round score of 75. Moore, who was one under par coming into the final hole, took a triple on 18 for a 75, good enough to earn her the final spot on the team.

In the 36-hole stroke-play qualifier at Red

The two-day individual totals were:

2003 Team	
Tui Selvaratnam, Tempe	76-77-153
Lynn Simmons, Phoenix	83-77-160

lui Selvaratnam, Iempe	(0-77-153	Chris Giza, Mesa	80-83-103
Lynn Simmons, Phoenix	83-77-160	Wallace Hamerton, Prescott	87-81-168
Laura Moore, Scottsdale	86-75-161	Nancy Hewes, Sun City West	91-83-174

Alternates:

Congratulations to all of you! We hope experience will prove to be advantageous, as all three team members have represented Arizona in prior years in the USGA State Team Championship. Laura Moore was on the 1999 team with Cheryl Jones and Kay Daley. Tui Selvaratnam and Lynn Simmons were on the 2001 team with Missy Farr-Kaye. The 2001 team placed third in the nation behind only the home team from Minnesota and the team from Maryland.

Help us wish the best of luck to our team of Tui, Lynn and Laura, and Team Captain Chris as they travel to Wellesley CC in Wellesley Hills, MA representing Arizona women September 16-18, 2003 in the USGA Women's State Team Championship!!

2003 ARIZONA GOLF HALL OF FAME

The Arizona Golf Hall of Fame Committee is hard at work selecting the 2003 nominees. In 2002, Linda Vollstedt and the late Heather Farr were inducted. The induction ceremony and golf outing has been scheduled for November 24 at Camelback Golf Club. If you are interested in receiving information about the ceremony, please send requests to (awga@awga.org), or call the office at 602-253-5655.

2002 Arizona Golf Hall of Fame Inductees: Heather Farr, Robert Hunsick, WR Kneebone, Al Potts, John Reuter, Arthur Jack Snyder, Linda Vollstedt.

MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

Check out our Membership Demographic Survey on our web site (www.awga.org) under the News Section. We are collecting this information to kick off our new Sponsorship program. Please complete on-line or print out your answers and mail or fax to the AWGA office ASAP.

Have you visited our web site lately?

Check out all the latest changes at www.awga.org

Interested in improving your game? On vacation and looking for a teaching pro in that area? Looking for a clinic? Be sure to check out the newest addition to the web site "Improve Your Game." You will find a listing of teaching professionals who specialize in instruction for women. Listings include locations, rates, specialties, etc... Keep an eye on this section as we expand it to include golf tips, equipment, fitness, and clinics.

The web is sporting a lot of photos in the Tournament & News Sections.

We need your help in keeping the calendar section current. Let us know of your club invitationals. If you are aware of a charity event, we will gladly add this to the calendar. Please email us at (comm@awga.org) or mail to the AWGA office.



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YOUR VOICE

We want to hear from you, our members. In each newsletter we will publish letters from our members. If you have a question, a praise, a criticism, or something on your mind, email to (comm@awga.org) or mail to the AWGA office. We do ask that you put your name on your letter so that we may contact you to make sure the article was written by you before we publish it. We will also ask if you wish your name to be published with the article.

Here is a note from a Fountain Of The Sun member.

"Thanks for the comment/correction in the last newsletter about the color of tee box markers. It irritates me to hear supposedly 'good' golfers refer to them as men's or women's tee boxes. I love to play the game, don't really care about the score, but I do believe in playing by the rules, whether or not it's league or casual. Other things that bother me are dawdling, not being ready to play when it's your turn, dragging the ball to the cup, lengthy debate over what club to use, not marking your ball immediately, not carrying 2 balls, talking too much, not knowing what ball was struck, etc. I'm not even a good golfer!

In the Spotlight

This month's spotlight is on Chris Giza, a 2003 addition to the AWGA Board of Directors. Chris currently serves as the Association's Treasurer.

Chris is quite an accomplished woman. She was the 1993 Louisiana State Amateur Champion. She then served 22 years in the US Navy and was



the seventh female Navy pilot in history. During her Navy career, Chris won five All Navy Championships and two Armed Forces Inter-Services. She is certified to fly the MD80, 737, Lear 25, and Citation 5. After retirement from the Navy in 1996, Chris went to work for the US Department of Justice, flying foreign prisoners who have served their time and are being returned to their home countries. Sounds like Chris is no one to mess with! That's true on the golf course too!

In her spare time, Chris works hard enough at her game to carry a Handicap Index of 4.8. Chris regularly competes in National Championships such as the South Atlantic Amateur, the TransNational, as well as in the Arizona State Women's Championships. Most recently, Chris earned the First Alternate position on the team which will represent Arizona at the US Women's State Team Championship in September in Wellesley, MA. She is also the Team Captain.

In addition to her duties on the AWGA Board of Directors, Chris is finishing up a two year commitment to the Executive Women's Golf Association's National Championship Committee, on which she served as Rules Committee Chairman.

We are very fortunate indeed to have Chris on our Board. She brings with her an unsurpassed love for the game and a tremendous amount of knowledge and experience, along with a true commitment to women's golf.

CONGRATULATIONS

To The Following Ladies On Their HOLES IN ONE!!

DATE	NAME	CLUB AFFILIATION
6/03/03	Laura Moore	CC at DC Ranch Women's Club
6/05/03	Kay Wyckoff	Oakcreek CC WGA
6/25/03	Sharol Shepherd	Papago WGA
6/26/03	Betty O'Brien	Torreon Golf Club WGA
7/7/03	Margaret Zinky	Palm Valley Ladies GC
7/12/03	Nancy Baxter	Mountainview Ladies GC
7/13/03	Linda Lanham	Dove Valley Ranch Ladies
7/18/03	Donna Peasley	Arizona Traditions Women
7/20/03	Lori Prescott	Ken McDonald Ladies GC
7/22/03	Marti Clifford	White Mountain CC WGA
7/24/03	Betty Ackerman	Beaver Creek Golf Resort WGA
7/25/03	Lori Zaun	Oakcreek CC WGA
7/27/03	Sandy Snyder	Torreon Golf Club WGA
7/29/03	Wilma Bolton	Lake Havasu WGA
7/29/03	Pat Wolfe	SCW - Stardust Ladies
8/10/03	Kay Herby	SaddleBrooke WGA
8/19/03	Jeannie Katerba	Verde Santa Fe WGA



Please report all holes-in-one as they occur. Email to comm@awga.org or contact the office at 602-253-5655. Holes-in-one occurring prior to the previous newsletter publication date may be excluded from publication.

AWGA MEMBERS TO RECEIVE 50% DISCOUNT ON TICKETS TO THE 2003 PHOENIX GOLF SHOW

Attending the Phoenix Golf Show, Arizona's largest consumer golf expo, just got a whole lot easier for members of the Arizona Women's Golf Association. All AWGA members will receive 50% off the price of their tickets, just by displaying their AWGA membership card (this is your plastic handicap card) at the Rawhide Sports Pavilion in north Scottsdale on October 18-19, 2003.

The Phoenix Golf Show will feature some of the industry's top golf club manufacturers in numerous hitting bays where consumers can test the newest equipment lines for 2004. Additionally, numerous putting greens from local manufacturers will be on display and will host contests with some spectacular prizes up for grabs. Prizes will include a golf vacation getaway to Myrtle Beach, PING irons and putters, free rounds of golf at some of the Valley's top golf courses, Phoenix Open and Safeway LPGA tickets among many other great items. Additionally, Hall of Fame Collectibles will be among the 100+ exhibitors at The Phoenix Golf Show and will offer autographed memorabilia by Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer. Many other exhibitors, including golf courses, golf apparel, real estate and resorts, fitness and exercise systems, golf carts, clubs, healthcare products, scoring and video systems, and golf instruction will be featured.

"We fully appreciate what the Arizona Women's Golf Association does for the sport of golf in the state and greatly appreciate their support of the Phoenix Golf Show," said Drew Wathey, President and Owner of The Phoenix Golf Show.

The AWGA will be among the many exhibitors. Be sure to come by to say hello! Show hours: Saturday and Sunday, October 18th and 19th, from 10 AM to 6 PM.

For more information on the Phoenix Golf Show, visit the event's web site at www.phoenixgolfshow.com or call (602) 482-2738.

Girls Junior America's Cup

by Rose Nehring

Each year, along with donations from individual member clubs, a portion of your AWGA membership dues is used to sponsor a team of four young women to compete in the Girls Junior 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 lowest three scores in each round. The 2003 competition was played at Whitefish Lake Golf Club, Whitefish, Montana July 28-31, 2003.

The 2003 Arizona team consisted of Morgan Granthan, 16, of Kingman, Andrea Ratigan, 15, of Tucson, Sophia Choi, 16, of Chandler and LaRae Smith, 16, of Sierra Vista. The girls finished in 11th place. This is the first year in recent memory that all regions of the state have been represented. Having the opportunity to represent their state in a competition of this nature is 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 at Oro Valley Country Club. The AWGA has begun a statewide campaign to raise awareness of this competition and to promote girls' junior golf in the state. We hope to make the Girls Junior America's Cup Matches a showcase event for Arizona in 2006

Look for more information on your club bulletin board, in AWGA newsletters, and on our website at www.awga.org.



Pictured L to R: Pat Trimbell, Andrea Ratigan, Sophia Choi, LaRae Smith, Morgan Grantham, Rose Nehring.

WELCOME

To our newest AWGA Member Club: Silverleaf WGA

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

2003 Day In Hades
August 4, 2003 • Legacy Golf Resort





1st Flight - Low Gross



Barbara McKinney 2003 Net Champion

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1st - Chris Giza
1st Flight - Low Net
1st - Louise Simpson
2nd Flight - Low Gross
1st - Diana Mayben81
2nd - Sallie McCutcheon
2nd Flight - Low Net
1st - Leslie Harbison
2nd - Jeanne Osborn
3rd Flight - Low Gross
1st - Katherine Olson84
2nd - Ginny Favier
3rd - Jean Piscatella89
3rd Flight - Low Net
1st - Carole Matijevich71
2nd - Enid Spear
3rd - Rosemary Beale
4th Flight - Low Gross
1st - Christiane Friedel
2nd - Vivian Pattison
3rd - Ginny Husted93
4th Flight - Low Net
1st - Anna Mascho
2nd - Brigitte Thompson
3rd - Teri Marcarello
5th Flight - Low Gross
1st - Colleen Ritter
2nd - Barbara Berry
5th Flight - Low Net
1st - Elaine Oursland
2nd - Shirley Sanekoff
6th Flight - Low Gross
1st - Pam Wendt
2nd - Sandra Anderson
6th Flight - Low Net
1st - Sue McConnell
2nd - Marilyn Koory

REMAINING 2003 Tournament Schedule

STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP

Oakcreek Country Club - Sedona, AZ September 26-28, 2003

SCOTCH PLAY TOURNAMENT

Pueblo Del Sol CC - Sierra Vista, AZ November 4-5, 2003

STATE MEDALLION CLUB TEAM TOURNAMENT

Starfire GC at Scottsdale CC - Scottsdale, AZ December 1, 2003

2003 SEMINARS

RULE #25

- Q: A player's ball is in an indentation at the base of a tree in such a position that it is clearly unreasonable for her to play a stroke. Despite this, the player claims relief without penalty under Rule 25-1 because her stance for a stroke would be on a burrowing animal hole. The question is whether the player is entitled to relief without penalty under Rule 25-1b.
- A: Under the Exception to Rule 25-1b, a player may not obtain relief from an abnormal ground condition if it is clearly unreasonable for her to play a stroke due to interference by something other than such a condition. In the

circumstances described above, the player's ball is unplayable as it lies in an indentation at the base of a tree. Therefore, the player is not entitled to relief under Rule 25-1 from the burrowing animal hole. (Decision 25-1b/20).





Junior Golf Association of Arizona

2003 100 Hole MARATHON

Where: Villa Monterey GC When: Saturday, November 15, 2003

AWGA member club donations this year have made a tremendous difference for junior golf in our state. Your support has enabled the AWGA junior golf fund to donate \$10,000 to various junior programs so far in 2003. Here's another way you can help.

The marathon needs golfers to play 100 holes of golf. The 2002 JGAA 100 hole Marathon raised over \$80,000 for junior golf in the first year of this event. Each golfer is asked to get pledges from friends and family, based on the number of holes completed. Donations can be made per hole, or a one time amount. Playing 100 holes of golf in one day can be quite a challenge, but it is also a lot of fun. Any AWGA member who would like to become involved as a playing participant or to get a group together to participate in this event, please contact Kerry Graham at kerry@grahamadvisors.com.

Molly Cooper from the AWGA staff will be participating again this year. Molly, a former junior and ASU golfer recognizes the importance of such a valuable organization for young athletes. If you want to support this event, but do not wish to participate as a player, you may make a pledge to support Molly by emailing her at molly@awga.org, or call her at the AWGA office.

The JGAA governs and promotes junior golf in the State of Arizona. It introduces non-golfing juniors to the game, establishes golf programs at schools, assists golf courses with their junior programs, conducts major junior golf tournaments in the state and administers the *Tres Arnold Scholarship Fund*.

It's Never Too Late

By Kathryn Ridlehoover

When we were children, many of us dreamed of being a movie star or a star athlete. As young adults, many of us continued to wish that we could



have had the opportunity to play on a college golf team. Well here's proof that it's never too late. Peg Hunter, a 50+ physical therapy major from Sun City, recently made it happen, not just playing golf on a college team but was named Most Valuable Player as well as being #1 in the conference. Peggy did it at GateWay Community College in Arizona and it is happening all over the country.

Most of the news coverage we see

is concerning the golf programs of ASU and the UofA where such players as Brandi Burton, Wendy Ward, and Annika Sorenstam have been produced. But did you know that there are many opportunities for women golfers of all ages in the Arizona community colleges? Peg Hunter decided to get a degree in physical therapy on an athletic scholarship. She had the better of two worlds She earned her degree by doing something she truly enjoyed, she played golf. The community college is a great place to continue playing sports while gaining an education. This past year, teams from Phoenix, Paradise Valley, GateWay, Pima, Mesa and Scottsdale colleges competed in the ACCAC (The Arizona Community College Athletic Conference).

ACCAC is in Region 1 of the National Junior College Athletic Association. GateWay, Mesa and Scottsdale qualified for the NJCAA National Tournament, and players traveled to Daytona Beach for four rounds at the LPGA International Course. What an exciting experience to have!

For those of you who are beginning your higher education, like Shana Sisler, a 17 year old business major from Queen Creek, perhaps the community college can prepare you for the step up to taking classes and playing golf at a four-year college. Coaches report that several hundred golf scholarships for women went unclaimed in the four-year institutions due to a lack of qualified players. The community college athletic program can help one become qualified academically and athletically to claim these unfilled spots.

Why choose the community college route? Very simple. The community colleges have a variety of vocational and academic programs including certificates and associate degrees. They have lower tuition rates than the state universities and usually smaller class sizes. Day, evening, weekend and /or distance Ed courses are available. Many players qualify for partial athletic scholarships and some may qualify for additional scholarships, grants and other financial aid.

So age is not an issue. Whether you are young or old, or some where in the middle, you can work on a college education while improving your golf game. You can make a dream come true.

It's Never Too Late!

SCOTCH PLAY TOURNAMENT - OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

November 4-5, 2003

OPENING DATE: September 9, 2003

CLOSING DATE: October 27, 2003

No entries will be accepted with a postmark date prior to the opening date.

PLAYER #1 NAME	TELEPHONE	AWGA#
ADDRESS	CITY	ST/ZIP
CLUB REPRESENTED	EMAIL ADDRESS:	
PLAYER #2 NAME	TELEPHONE	AWGA#
ADDRESS	CITY	ST/ZIP
CLUB REPRESENTED	EMAIL ADDRESS:	
We have read and agree to abide by the Updated 2003 Conditions for AWGA Cor	npetitions as published in the	current AWGA Directory and at www.awga.org
SIGNATURE PLAYER #1	SIGNATURE PLAYER #2_	
I am age 14-17 Past board member Years?	I am age 14-17	Past board member Years?
2001 Or 2002 Overall Gross or Net Winners?		

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

One team entry per envelope. All entries will be acknowledged in writing via email, if provided. Additional information regarding registration and conditions of competition will be provided at that time.

PUEBLO DEL SOL COUNTRY CLUB

2700 St. Andrews Dr, Sierra Vista AZ 85635 (520) 378-6444

The site of the final 2003 competition open to all members of AWGA will be at the beautiful Pueblo del Sol Golf Course in Sierra Vista. Located 70 miles southeast of Tucson, one can find golfing at its best. At this time of year, expect a crisp fall season, cloudless blue skies and foliage in its full color.

Surrounded by spectacular panoramic views of the Huachuca, Mule, Whetstone, Dragoon and Chiricahua Mountains, this traditional course will challenge any golfer with its bent grass fairways and greens. Its signature 15th hole will test one's skill in avoiding a tree studded arroyo which crosses the fairway and runs down the entire right side of the fairway to the green. Opened in 1976, Pueblo del Sol has been rated as one of the best courses in the state year after year. It is the home of the Pueblo del Sol Pro-Am and co-hosts the Southeastern Arizona Women's Amateur.

While golfing in the area, entertain yourself at the nearby

Kartchner Caverns, visit historic Bisbee, home of the Copper Queen Mine and Lavender Pit, or Tombstone, home of Wyatt Erp and the OK Corral. Select your partner and visit the "best kept secret" of Cochise County, where you have a guarantee of never having a dull moment.

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. Partners may have no more than ten (10) strokes difference in handicap on the competition course and will be allowed 60% of the lower handicapped player's index plus 40% of the higher handicapped player's index, rounding the total. The Champions shall be the low gross scorers over the field. Flight prizes shall be awarded on the basis of both gross and net scores. Perpetual plaques are awarded to the gross and net Champion teams.

The field will be limited to 64 teams.

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