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Don't Miss the AWGA Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet

The AWGA kicks off 2004 at the annual membership meeting and awards banquet at the Phoenix Country Club on Wednesday, January 14, 2004. The business meeting will start promptly at 4:30 p.m., with officers, committee directors and the Executive Director presenting their annual reports for 2003. Any other business which may arise will be addressed, ending with the new officers and committee directors assuming their new positions.

At 5:30, the festivities of the Awards Banquet begin with a no-host cocktail party followed by dinner at 6:30. During the cocktail party and dinner, members will be entertained by Beverly Chesterby and Evelyn Parker with flute duets.

Following dinner, guest speaker Kendra Graham, retired Director, Women's Competitions – USGA Women's Open Championship – will inform and entertain us with her adventures as an instructor at PGA/USGA Rules of Golf workshops, as the overseer of the U. S. Women's Open Championship, and as a rules official at the Masters, U. S. Open and British Open.

The grande finale of the evening will be the 2003 AWGA awards. It is apropos that the day ends with such sweet rewards. The persons and clubs receiving these awards are outstanding individuals and clubs across the state.

- **Player of the Year Thuhashini Selvaratnam**
- **Senior Player of the Year Rita Albertson**
- **Volunteer of the Year Dee Hornbake**
- **Committee Volunteer of the Year Jan Keller**
- **State Representative of the Year . Lois Berg**
- **Host Club of the Year .. Heritage Highlands**

We hope that those who want to give special wishes and congratulations to the winners of these awards will attend the function and cheer these deserving persons on to higher achievements. The annual meeting and awards banquet is open to the interested public. AWGA members will be charged a fee of \$15.00, and for any non-member the charge is \$25.00. If you are interested in attending, please call Kathryn Zatzke at 602-253-5655 or 1-800-442-2942 .

Happy New Year!! Three Great things about 2004

1. It's a Rules of Golf change year!

The USGA and the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews spent the last four years reviewing and agreeing upon changes to be made to the Rules of Golf. This year's changes represent the most comprehensive revision of the Rules of Golf for twenty years. The well established numbering system and the fundamentals of how the game is played were not affected. So what has changed? A linguistic review of the entire book was completed, and for the first time a definite connection has been established between the etiquette of the game and Rules themselves. Other changes were made to clarify and simplify the Rules, with the intention of promoting understanding, respect for, and adherence to the Rules, preserving the integrity of golf at all levels. Order new Rules books for yourself or your club directly from the AWGA, or through the USGA's web page at www.usga.org, where you can also read the details of all of the changes.

2. It's NOT a Handicap System change year!

The Handicap System Manual is also revised every four years, but this is not the year. Everything you learned about the USGA Handicap System last year is still true this year, and will be through the end of 2005.

3. The AWGA continues to evolve.

Just like people, organizations have to continue to grow and develop, or they begin to shrivel and die. In 2004, the staff, board, and other volunteers who are the heart of the AWGA, will continue to strive to grow the services we offer to you, our members. We strive to develop our goals, methods, and skills to fulfill our mission to promote and maintain the best interests and true spirit of the game of golf among women in Arizona, and achieve our vision, to be the premiere women's golf association in Arizona, recognized nationally and locally as effective agents and advocates for women's golf.

RULE #27

Q. A player's provisional ball comes to rest short of where the original ball is likely to be. After a two-minute search for the original ball, the player goes back, plays a second stroke with the provisional ball and then her original ball is found within the five-minute time limit. Which ball is in play?

A. The player must continue play with the original ball. Play of a provisional ball does not render the original ball lost until it has been played from the place where the original ball is likely to be or from a point nearer the hole than that place. (Decision 27-2b/3)

Golf Joke from Tale From The Ladies' Tee

"I play golf in the low 80s," the old woman was telling one of the youngsters at her club.

"Wow," said the young woman, "that's pretty impressive."

The old lady replied, "Not really. Any hotter and I'd probably have a stroke."



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CONGRATULATIONS To The Following Ladies On Their

HOLES-IN-ONE!!

DATE	NAME	CLUB AFFILIATION
3/06/03	Shirley Anderson	Terravita Golf & CC WGA
6/15/03	Shirley Mitten	Palmbrook CC Ladies
7/09/03	Sue Meliza	Pueblo El Mirage Womens
9/24/03	Norma Wright	Wigwam Ladies Golf Club
10/10/03	Sally Gant	CC of Green Valley Women
10/12/03	Judy Berry	Hassayampa Gof Club Women
10/13/03	Regina Kong	The Legend Ladies
10/15/03	Sharon Hill	Pueblo Del Sol Womens
10/29/03	Ida Breitenberger	Desert Trails Ladies
11/02/03	Victoria Smith	Ladies Exec. Golf Society (LEGS)
11/04/03	Sandy Janke	Ladies Grand Niners
11/05/03	Sybil Peters	Ancala CC WGA 18
11/08/03	Donna Smalldon	Briarwood CC WGA 9ers
11/09/03	Carol Russell	Oakwood CC WGA
11/10/03	Elouise Perrin	Desert Hills CC WGA
11/10/03	Etsu Suzuki	Ventana Canyon CC Women
11/11/03	Ruth Aucott	Papago WGA
11/18/03	Dotie Wilson	Palo Verde CC WGA
11/22/03	Heloise Plazek	Tonto Verde WGA
11/30/03	LouAnn Moczarski	Prescott Lakes Womens
12/03/03	Joddy Linscott	Skyline CC WGA
12/04/03	Rea Hanning	Sun City Willowcreek WGA
12/06/03	Dorothy Bentz	Sun City Vistoso
12/06/03	Barbara McKinney	PebbleCreek LGA
12/10/03	Dessa Hutchins	Ironwood Golf Club



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.

WELCOME

To our 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)

Greenfield Lakes Golf Course

Ocotillo Golf Club

Francisco Grande Golf Resort

STATE SCOTCH PLAY TOURNAMENT RESULTS
Pueblo del Sol Golf Course - Sierra Vista, Arizona
November 4-5, 2003



2003 Scotch Play Champions
Donna Marden & Barbara Byrnes - 151
Overall Low net winners
Laura Duncan & Ginny Husted - 136

Flight 1 Low Gross	Flight 1 Low Net
1st Chris Giza 155	1st Susan Basso 143
Lynn Simmons	Joanne Travis
2nd Cheryl Jones 156	2nd Patty Williams 144
Vivian Noble	Pam Treece
Flight 2 Low Gross	Flight 2 Low Net
1st Kathie Bannister 167	1st Nancy Falconer 150
Kay Phillips	Sharon Dickerson
2nd Patti Wertzberger 171	2nd Kathleen Rizzi 152
Betsy Lewin	Carl Howe
Flight 3 Low Gross	Flight 3 Low Net
1st Bev Root 176	1st Judy Ivan 148
Kathy Bland	Karen Heckhaus
2nd Janet Cirone 178	2nd Linda Clark 148
Terri Leckey	Barbara Zimmermann
Flight 4 Low Gross	Flight 4 Low Net
1st Eila Sallaberry 172	1st Jann Jemsek 142
Mel Engel	Sharon Gibson
Flight 5 Low Gross	Flight 5 Low Net
1st Bonnie Stoeckel 185	1st Trish Henry 149
Mirella Botts	Robin Eveland
2nd Leigh Parkin 189	2nd Jeanne Lentz 151
Sandy Jacobson	Sandralee Myers
Flight 6 Low Gross	Flight 6 Low Net
1st Julia Bryan 193	1st Dot Forshee 151
Kathryn Ridlehoover	Shirley Shortlidge
2nd Carolee Kershner 199	2nd Fran Rayhawk 152
Jean Toone	Mary Byrd

In the Spotlight

Previously we have reserved the spotlight for members of our association, but this month, we wanted to do something a little different.

The spotlight this month shines on someone who con-tributes like a member, but from a little different perspective. Warren



Simmons has two passions in life. One is golf; the other is his wife Barbara, who happens to also be the AWGA's Course Rating Administrator. The AWGA is the grateful beneficiary of this most fortunate convergence of passions. Since moving to Arizona following his retirement from the Colorado Golf Association, where he served first as President, then as Executive Director, Warren has been volunteering his time and expertise for golf in Arizona. Warren serves on the AWGA Course Rating Committee, the AWGA State Rules Committee, and recently completed serving on the Volunteer Development Planning Committee, an ad hoc committee formed as part of the association's long range planning project to make recommendations to our Board of Directors on ways in which we can better recruit, train and utilize our volunteers.

Warren has had a significant impact on golf and golf administration throughout his life. He was instrumental in developing and testing the United States Golf Association's Course Rating process in Colorado. He still serves as Chair of the USGA Course Rating Committee, and is a member of the USGA Handicap Procedures Committee and the Handicap Research team.

His impact on the sport can be traced to his days as an amateur golfer in western New York State. His accomplished amateur career includes winning the 1955 New York State Junior title, and playing in the 1956 U.S. Open at Oak Hill Country Club at the age of 18. He was a first team All-American in golf at Syracuse University, served as United States Air Force Academy Cadet Golf Coach from 1964 to 1970, where he was appointed to the Dean of Faculty's staff to teach physics. Warren was recently honored by the International Association of Golf Administrators as the recipient of that organization's 2003 Distinguished Service Award.

How wonderful for us that Warren is continuing to make his mark on golf by lending his many years of experience and vast expertise to the Arizona Women's Golf Association.

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.

Following is a letter from one of the AWGA Members:

It is November 19, 2003 and yesterday was November 18, 2003; the day which I received my copy of NEWSLINKS. On page 3... a notice "RULES SEMINAR - LAST CHANCE." The last chance was November 12th, 2003. It is not good if it is a NEWS item that is 6 days late. It is most wasteful of our dues money to assemble, and print this NEWSLINK if it is going to continually be mailed too late for action on some of the items. Heretofore I have not spoken out about this and I am wondering if anyone else actually reads it in its entirety.

As far as the underwriting goes, that is somewhat a farce too since anyone can walk in any wholesale or retail establishment these days and ask for any discount and/or promotion associated with the store. I am grateful to the solicitor for being resourceful and gathering the underwriting; Although it does clutter my NEWSLINK and leaves less area for our purpose; which is: INFORMATION and EDUCATION regarding golf for women in Arizona. This note is not meant to be critical. It is well meaning in so far as I feel we can utilize our resources, be it personnel or materials more frugally and less vain.

AWGA Response:

We always try to be ahead of the calendar enough to make sure all information included is timely. This is no easy task. The newsletters are sent by bulk mail because the cost is so much less than regular mail. Unfortunately bulk mail can take from 2 to 10 days for post office delivery, depending on the individual post office branch mail volume. As a result, not everyone gets their newsletter at the same time. In addition, we have other considerations to deal with, such as the holiday schedule. We often have to make a judgment call as to whether to include a particular item or not, knowing that there is a possibility that some members will receive the information late. Our communications committee feels that if a reminder is on time to most, it is worth the effort. There are several other sources where we remind you of different schedules of events. Our seminar schedule is posted on the AWGA website (www.awga.org on the "News" page). We also use our NewsBlast emails sent every 3 weeks to our members who have furnished us with their email addresses. The NewsBlast was designed to inform our members of current events that did not make the newsletter deadlines or that have approaching deadlines. Please take note of these dates when they arrive as emails.

The Mikasa ad was run as part of an agreement for Mikasa's sponsorship of our State Medallion Club Team Tournament, which took place December 1st here in Phoenix. Teams of players representing 90 clubs from all around the state were present. Mikasa donated a beautiful crystal gift for each participant in the tournament. This helped to defray some of the cost of an outstanding tournament, which rewards each of our clubs through their gross and net State Medallion winners. Our Board has agreed that this type of advertisement is a good way to keep costs for our tournaments and other events down. In this way, we can keep entry fees in line even as other costs go up. We want to continue to provide good venues and nice rewards for participation as well as more and better member services for our clubs and individual members. Our Board feels that soliciting companies like Mikasa to utilize their advertising dollars with us can help us accomplish this.

We also had a wonderful card from Joanne Schreiber

Thank you so much for the gift certificate at Gold Canyon Golf Resort as my reward for your selection of my title of the newsletter. It was a very nice day, the casita, food and golf course plus personnel were "par" excellent.

Joanne won this trip by submitting the winning entry in our "Name the Newsletter Contest" held earlier this year. Joanne's suggestion "AWGA NewsLinks" was selected out of 168 entries. We're glad you had a great time at Gold Canyon Joanne.

2004 TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

WEEKEND CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

The Duke @ Rancho El Dorado - Maricopa
February 22, 2004

SHORT COURSE TOURNAMENT

Palm Valley Exec. GC - Goodyear
March 28, 2004

FOUR BALL STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Emerald Canyon Golf Course - Parker
April 26-27, 2004

STATE AMATEUR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Red Mountain Ranch CC - Mesa
May 18-21, 2004

PARTNERS TOURNAMENT

Canoa Ranch GC - Green Valley
June 7-8, 2004

DAY IN HADES TOURNAMENT

Moon Valley CC - Phoenix
August 2, 2004

STATE AMATEUR STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Prescott Golf and Country Club - Prescott
August 21-23, 2004

STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP

Tubac Golf Resort - Tubac
September 12-14, 2004

SCOTCH PLAY TOURNAMENT

Apache Stronghold GC - San Carlos
October 25-26, 2004

STATE MEDALLION CLUB TEAM TOURNAMENT

Desert Springs/Granite Falls So - Surprise
December 6, 2004

Rule #14

Q. A booklet containing illustrations of the holes on a course, including isolated trees, bunkers, etc; and superimposed on each illustration is a yardage scale in increments of ten yards. From this, a player using such a booklet can determine how far her ball lies from a putting green or a tee. The question has been asked whether such a booklet during a round is contrary to Rule 14-3.

A. No, it is not contrary to Rule 14-3 and may be used. (Decision 14-3/5)

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

State Medallion Club Team Tournament

18 Hole Clubs

December 1, 2003

Starfire GC @ Scottsdale CC

OVERALL WINNERS



Roberta Cross & Pat Park
Scottsdale Silverado WGA - 140

1st Flight

- 1st Jocelyn Borden & Judy Hawk - Red Mountain Ranch CC WGA - 143
- 2nd Azucena Garcia & Donna Marden - WWGL - 144
- 3rd Thelma Andersen & Carmen Eriksen - Granite Falls Ladies 18 - 147
- 4th Marion Maby & Leeann Morgan - Oakcreek CC WGA - 149

2nd Flight

- 1st Sharon Garner & Charlene Petragallo - Oakwood CC WGA - 149
- 2nd Janie Denmark & June Shackleton - Cave Creek Women - 151
- 3rd Charlotte Kirchner & Theresa Masterman - Skyline CC WGA - 155
- 4th Kathy Barrett & Helen Grassbaugh - LEGS - 155

3rd Flight

- 1st Leslie Harbison & Maggie Lambert - Ahwatukee CC WGA - 153
- 2nd Sharon Anderson & Polly Angeli - Pinewood CC WGA - 160
- 3rd Phyllis Chase & Mary Beth Maddox - El Caro Women's Club - 161
- 4th Fran Hill & Ellen Morgan - Sahuaro Golf Club WGA - 162

4th Flight

- 1st Dorothy Hinton & Sheila Koch - Desert Hills Municipal WGA - 157
- 2nd Joyce Switzky & Joann Wecker - Sun Lakes CC WGA - 158
- 3rd Lynne Martin & Peggy Milbrandt - El Conquistador CC - 159
- 4th Kay Bourg & Ann Warren - Rio Verde CC WGA - 162

5th Flight

- 1st Sue Janney & Linda Watson - Yuma Golf & CC WGA - 163
- 2nd Jeanne Lentz & Minnielee Shank - Fred Enke Women's Golf Assn - 166
- 3rd Vickie Bricker & Lollie Tuttle - Coyote Lakes WGA - 168

6th Flight

- 1st Doris Pruitt & Pat Garrity - Cactus WGA - 171
- 2nd Bev Farris & Barbara Lail - Snowflake GC WGA - 172
- 3rd Geraldine Gregory & Geraldine Mills - Rolling Hills Women Tempe - 174

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

State Medallion Club Team Tournament

9 Hole Clubs

December 1, 2003

Starfire GC @ Scottsdale CC

OVERALL WINNERS



Dorothy Bentz & Betty Bittle
Sun City Vistoso GC 9'ers WGA - 68

1st Flight

- 1st Marilyn Kirkey & Patti McCullom
Quailwood Ladies Golf Club - 68
- 2nd Ellen Corti & Jean Ramsey
Skyline CC 9'ers - Tucson - 74

2nd Flight

- 1st Barbara Chilton & Maggi Maas
PebbleCreek Ladies Niner's - 79
- 2nd Doris Bahrs & Pat Riley
Antelope Hills WGA Niners - 85

Golf Joke from Tale From The Ladies' Tee

Blanche teed up her ball and hit a horrible slice. The ball sailed onto the adjoining fairway and hit a man, knocking him out. He lay motionless on the ground with the ball right next to him. "Good heavens!" exclaimed Blanche. "What shall I do?"

Her partner replied, "Don't move him. If we leave him here he becomes an immovable obstruction and you can either play the ball as it lies or drop it within one club length."

WEEKEND CLASSIC TOURNAMENT - OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

FEBRUARY 22, 2004

OPENING DATE: December 29, 2003

CLOSING DATE: February 12, 2004

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

PLAYER NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____ AWGA# _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST/ZIP _____

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

2002 Or 2003 Overall Gross or Net Winner? _____

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 _____ Email _____

Enclosed is my check or money order for **\$75 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 entry per envelope please. 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.

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The first golfing adventure for the 2004 AWGA tournament players' season will be The Duke at Rancho El Dorado. The Duke, a challenging name for a par 72 championship golf course which opened for play on January 31, 2003, has quickly become a favorite with golfers who have a passion for the game. Located 10 minutes west of I-10 on Queen Creek Road one can easily enjoy a club with the feel of a Scottsdale country club atmosphere without the hassle of the Metro Phoenix traffic.

The course is highlighted by expansive bermuda fairways and challenging bermuda greens that complement the wide open spaces. Depending on the tee selection, one needs to know how to negotiate the 70 to 80 bunkers that carefully guard the fairways and greens. The Santa Rita wash which snakes through the property, enhancing risk and reward decisions one must

make, entices the golfer to become a gambler like so many in the Old West who won or lost the game by the roll of the dice.

So hitch up ole Nellie on a lazy Sunday in February and make this trek back into the Old West. See if you have the true grit to become AWGA's first winner of 2004.

The tournament shall consist of 18 holes of individual stroke play. The champion shall be the low gross scorer over the field. Play will begin with a 11:00 a.m. Shotgun Start.

Entry fee of \$75.00 per entrant will include green fees, cart fees, practice balls, prizes and awards. Entrants must use an official entry form available in this newsletter, in the 2004 Tournament Calendar and Directory or on the AWGA web page at www.awga.org.

Only one entry per envelope is permitted..

OPENING DATE: December 29, 2003

CLOSING DATE: February 12, 2004

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