



2021 SPRING NEWSLETTER

WMGA Board: Your WMGA Board is comprised of full and ten-week members. We are here to serve you and our organization. Feel free to ask us if you have any questions or suggestions.

2021 WMGA Board Positions

- Barbara Porter President
- Joan Cleland Vice President
- Arezell Brown Secretary
- Liz Cantu Treasurer
- Shirley McClain Membership Chair
- Sue Madej Handicap Chair
- Carolyn Byl Course Coordinator
- Judy Lazarro Competitions Chair
- Ellen Jean Pravato Events Chair
- Kathleen Taylor Newsletter Chair

New to the WMGA Board in 2021 is Shirley McClain who is serving as our Membership Chair. Although new to our Board, Shirley has served on the MWGA Board for several years so she brings plenty of experience. We know Shirley will be an asset. On a sad note, Angie Cook has “retired” from our Board after several years of service. Angie diligently coordinated the Match Play Event. Thank you to Angie for all the time and effort you have given this organization. We will always be grateful for your professionalism and leadership.

As Vice President, Joan Cleland will be the Match Play Leader. There may be some openings so please reach out to Joan if you are interested in joining the Match Play Event.



Shirley McClain

2021 Schedule

- May 5 Tanglewood
- May 12 Pontiac CC
- May 19 Coyote GC
- May 26 Fieldstone GC
- June 2 Kensington Metropark GC
- June 9 Twin Lake GC
- June 16 Pheasant Run GC
- June 23 Boulder Pointe GC
- June 30 Heather Hills GC
- July 7 Golden Fox (Shades of Pink)
- July 14 Cattails GC
- July 21 Bay Pointe GC
- July 28 Cherry Creek GC
- August 4 Indian Springs Metropark GC
- August 11 Links at Gateway GC
- August 18 The Orchards GC
- August 25 Huron Meadows Metropark GC
- Sept. 8 Eagle Crest GC
- Sept. 15 Indianwood CC (Doe Day)

Normally, WMGA starts our season with a Rules / Handicap Clinic taught by a GAM/USGA qualified instructor. With COVID being prevalent the last two Springs, we have not been able to hold this session. Hopefully, this informative seminar will return Spring of 2022.

MAXIMUM SCORE OPTION FOR WMGA COMPETITIONS

The New Rules of Golf have introduced a format called “Maximum Score.” Its definition, listed as Rule 21.2, is: “A form of stroke play where your score or your side’s score for a hole is capped at a maximum number of strokes set by the Committee, such as two times par, a fixed number or net double bogey.” This rule is intended to help with pace of play. Rules language on this format actually includes the following: “To help pace of play, players are encouraged to stop playing a hole when their score has reached the maximum.” There can be times when a player can get in a predicament where recovery seems near impossible and disqualification is the only option. It can take forever to get to that point. Now, if

playing under this format, the player can simply pickup once the maximum score has been reached. This format allows for the Rules of Golf to be followed and encourages improved pace of play and eliminates disqualifications.

To that end, your Board has adopted a Maximum Score format for WMGA competitions. The Maximum Score is set at 10 strokes for WMGA competitions. The player would indicate that the maximum score of 10 was reached by putting a 10M after the score on the card to differentiate from someone who actually scored a 10. If a player picks up and takes a maximum score, she is not eligible for low net or low gross for the day but is eligible for skins, CFT and chip-ins and the score should be posted as usual.

REVISIONS TO VOLUNTARY GAMES PROCEDURES FOR COMPETITIONS

Our weekly games are back this year and they include skins, closest to flagstick (CTF) and chip-ins. New for 2021, all skins and CTF are by flights so each week there will be 4 separate “money pots”. - You will need to be mindful of your flight designation in any given week. Chip-ins are not flighted.

Let’s thank the following members who have agreed to collect for the respective flights: Kim Miettinen - Champ Flight, Julie Williams-1st Flight, Kathleen Taylor-2nd Flight, Angie Cook-3rd Flight and Olivia Bayagich - chip-ins. Currently, the cost for the games is \$2.00 skins, \$1.00 CTF and \$2.00 chip-ins. The games are strictly voluntary and you do not need to contribute to all the games. For example, if you are comfortable with only CTF, then you would wager \$1.00. The money must be paid prior to golf. All members are asked to bring singles. Keep a separate scorecard for skins and turn in that scorecard to your volunteer to record your score for the skins game in your flight.



50/50

As long as we are talking about MONEY, Terry MacPherson will be collecting for the 50/50 jackpot after golf. – 50% will go back to the winner or winners (depending on the monies collected) and 50% will go back to WMGA. This money helps defray the costs of our DOE DAY luncheon so we may provide our members a first-class event at a reasonable price. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.



As we start our 86th year, your Board is still striving to offer our members the best in amateur competition. However, we cannot plan for our future without examining our past. Consequently, your Board is actively developing a “historian” team to archive and organize records. So, we are asking if any members have any minutes, pictures, or other past memorabilia and/or records, please email to Kathleen Taylor at Kathleenloves2golf@gmail.com. Also, let Kathleen know if you would like to be a part of this team to preserve our rich history. Your participation will be greatly appreciated and, we feel you will find your efforts rewarding.



WMGA WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS: This season we are delighted to have a 13 new members and several members returning from a 2020 COVID hiatus making a total 2021 membership of 76 players! A great number thanks to all of you! Our new members are Kathleen Arrowsmith, Linda Belleau, Rachel Bender, Pam Benfield, Jackie Bracken, Kathleen Brown, Susan Donaldson, Sheryl Garrett, Yvette Johnson, Bonnie McWilliams, Deborah Montgomery, Brenda Pescia, and Ellen Tencer.

2021 New Members



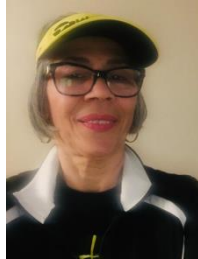
Rachel Bender



Pam Benfield



Kathleen Brown



Susan Donaldson



Sheryl Garrett



Brenda Pescia



Deborah Montgomery



Ellen Tencer



Yvette Johnson



Bonnie McWilliams



Kathy Arrowsmith

Please welcome our new members and assist them with any questions concerning our organization.

Not shown: Linda Belleau and Jackie Bracken

DOE DAY 2020 HIGHLIGHTS EDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB



Katy, Tanya and Julie before their round



Carol, Kathleen, Amy, Geri and Yvette



Anne & Shirley



Shelly & Sue enjoying an “après” golf cocktail



Teri, Vicki and Lynne



Cindy, Denise, Theresa and Liz



Would you like to assist our organization by becoming our Newsletter Aficionado? WMGA is seeking an enthusiastic, creative volunteer with computer skills to publish a Newsletter a total of 3-4 times. Content would come from the Board and format would be at your discretion with Board approval. - Show us your “wow” factor. Interested? Please contact Kathleen Taylor kathleenloves2golf@gmail.com 248-802-6117 or Barbara Porter ultrablp@aol.com 248-231-4221 for additional information or if you have any questions. Our organization survives on our volunteers. - We need YOU!



Under the “Big Tent” following COVID Guidelines

For the most current news and information, check out our website at www.womensmetgolf.org

