



# Fore Our Members

NEWS AND EVENTS FROM THE

CHICAGO WOMEN'S DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION

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## Message from the President



Spring! At last! Let the golf season begin! Hopefully we have only beautiful, sun-filled days from now until the end of October. 2010 marks the **eightieth** year that the CWDGA has provided competitive golf opportunities and services to its member clubs in and around the Chicago area. Founded in 1930 it continues to be a strong and vital association dedicated to advancing the best interests of women's golf. Happy Anniversary CWDGA!

The members of the CWDGA Board of Directors have been working diligently to assure a successful season for our members. We are here to assist you in any way we can.

Sectional Team Chairs and Sectional Handicap Chairs have Four-Ball Match play organized and ready to go. We thank the clubs who are hosting this year.

The CWDGA Championship Tournament is in July at Elgin Country Club. Alison Salzman, Vice-President and Championship Chair, is in charge of this exciting event. Please contact Alison if you have any questions.

Diane Mazurczak, Tournament Chair, is the person to contact if you have questions about our three one-day tournaments. We thank Westmoreland Country Club, Wynstone Golf Club, and Calumet Country Club for hosting these very popular events.

I encourage all member club Golf Chairs to provide the email addresses for their women golfers so that all can become better acquainted with the services and events offered by the CWDGA. Most of the low handicappers at a club, and the officers running the leagues, are very familiar with our activities as they attend our seminars, tournaments, and annual meetings, but we would like to make our events and services more readily available to all of our members.

As we move more and more of our functions onto our website [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org) a comprehensive and up-to-date database is critical. Please read further in this newsletter about how we are moving forward with e-services.

Most Sincerely,

*Cyndee Prisby*

CWDGA President



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*Golf gives you an insight into human nature, your own as well as your opponent's.*  
~Grantland Rice

## Rules of Golf Seminar ~ April 7, 2010



The Chicago Women's District Golf Association is pleased to present its Ninth Annual Rules of Golf Seminar. We will be offering one session to be held on April 7, 2010, from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon at:

Itasca Country Club  
400 East Orchard Street  
Itasca, Illinois 60143  
630-773-1800

The seminar will include review of the Rules changes since 2008/2009 as well as a discussion of the principal change (Impact Area Markings (5c)) in Appendix II of the Rules of Golf which became effective January 1, 2010. As in past years, the Rules that apply to match play will be reviewed. Rules relating to stroke play will be covered based on input from attendees. This session will include instruction from CDGA and USGA Rules Officials and staff.

The seminar is open to all women golfers at your club. While this session will particularly benefit Golf Chairs, Rules Chairs, Handicap Chairs, Team Captains and team players, it is also a wonderful opportunity for other interested members to become more informed and knowledgeable about the Rules of Golf.

We look forward to seeing you there. The seminar is free of charge to CWDGA members. *The Rules of Golf* books and *The Decisions on the Rules of Golf* books will be available for purchase. Thank you for your continued support of CWDGA education activities and have a great golf season!

Enjoy the Season,

*Charlene Parhad*

CWDGA Rules Chair



You can register online at our website [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org) by clicking on the Rules Seminar link on the home page

## Spring Meeting ~ April 21, 2010



You are cordially invited to attend the Chicago Women's District Golf Association Annual Spring Meeting and Breakfast on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at:

Itasca Country Club  
400 East Orchard Street  
Itasca, Illinois 60143  
630-773-1800

The meeting is open to all the members of CWDGA clubs and especially to women serving on their Women's Golf Committee. It is most important that a representative of your Women's Golf Committee attend. The CWDGA also looks forward to welcoming the Golf Chair, Team Captain, Handicap Chair, and Rules Chair to this event.

Information about the services offered by the CWDGA will be presented along with the announcement of our 74th member club. Golf Chair kits, the Handicap kit with the *2010-2011 USGA Handicap System* manual, and the *CWDGA 2010 Handbook for Members* will be distributed. The *2010-2011 Rules of Golf* book and the *2010-2011 Decisions on the Rules of Golf* book will be available for sale. Pertinent information regarding team play will be presented along with details about the CWDGA tournaments.

To make a reservation to attend the Spring Meeting please email the CWDGA Secretary, Julia Faust at: [faustj2@comcast.net](mailto:faustj2@comcast.net)

The cost to members is \$22.00 per person (inclusive) with checks made payable to CWDGA. Reservations close Friday, April 16, 2010. No refunds for cancellations after Friday, April 16, 2010.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, April 21 at Itasca Country Club.

Sincerely yours,

*Julia Faust*

CWDGA Secretary



Itasca Country Club

*I'm hitting the woods just great, but I'm having a terrible time getting out of them.*

*~Harry Toscano*

## Message from the Handicap Chair



Welcome to a new season of golf in the Chicago District! I know everyone has been busy this winter improving their golf games and hopefully improving their Handicap Indexes! Just a reminder that those of you who play golf in an area observing an active season (i.e., Florida, Arizona, California, etc.) must post those scores for handicap

purposes. This is true even if the golf club from which you receive your Handicap Index (your Chicago-area club) is observing an inactive season – as we are here in Chicago!

You may have heard that the Chicago District Golf Association (CDGA) has a new handicap system – it is called the CDGA Handicap Information System. I have been told that the program at the club level will have a new look, but most of the changes are behind the screens where you the member won't see much change. The "My CDGA Caddie" will look and operate the same as it has in the past.

Handicaps for the Chicago Women's District Golf Association are kept in accordance with the USGA Handicap System, administered through the CDGA. All CWDGA member clubs must use the handicap information service through associate membership with the CDGA. This assures uniformity in handicaps throughout the district.

Starting in 2010, in line with a new national handicap calendar presented by the USGA, the CDGA will begin updating handicaps on the 1st and 15th of every month throughout the calendar year. However, we will still observe an active season – and the first day for posting scores will be April 1, 2010 and the final day for posting scores will be October 31, 2010.

If you should have any questions throughout the season regarding handicap matters, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your help in assuring our Handicap System is properly administered!

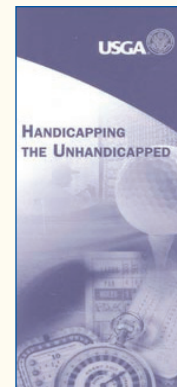
Fairways and greens,

*Linda Weinstein*

CWDGA Handicap Chair

The following publications are available at [USGA.org](http://USGA.org) to add to your handicap library:

- Handicap System Manual 2008-2011
- Handicap System Manual in Brief
- USGA Handicap Reference Guide
- Handicapping the Unhandicapped
- How to Conduct a Tournament





## CHAMPIONSHIP NEWS



Elgin Country Club is pleased to be hosting its first CWDGA Championship Tournament on July 27, 28, and 29 of 2010. The golf club was established in 1901, and its beautiful and challenging tree-lined course is nestled among rolling hills west of the Fox River in Kane County. The Elgin area offers a wide selection of hotel accommodations (look for the CWDGA group rate at specific hotels in your acceptance packet) and restaurant choices, particularly around the Randall Road and Route 31 interchanges along the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90). All are within a 10 to 15 minute drive from Elgin Country Club.

Mark your calendars, register early and join friends and fellow competitors at this outstanding venue. We are delighted to add Elgin Country Club to the list of



Elgin Country Club

distinguished clubs that have hosted the CWDGA Championship Tournament and we are all looking forward to welcoming you to three days of great golf and vigorous competition.

I look forward to seeing everyone in July.

*Alison Salzman*

CWDGA Vice-President and Championship Chair



Rebecca Lederhausen,  
Winner of the 78th Annual  
Championship at McHenry Country Club – 2009

### 2010 CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, July 27, 28, 29, 2010**

#### **Elgin Country Club**

2575 Weld Road  
Elgin, IL 60124  
847-741-1716

#### **Eligibility:**

Amateur member of a CWDGA club  
Handicap Index: 26.0 or lower  
Field limited to 80 lowest entrants  
Handicaps frozen: July 15, 2010

#### **Format:**

Match play in flights by handicap  
Championship flight of 16; other flights of 8  
Play at scratch within each flight  
Entire field plays 1st & 2nd day

#### **Prizes:**

Championship: winner, runner-up, consolation winner & consolation runner-up  
Other flights: winner, runner-up & consolation winner  
Ann Zeddies Trophy – Junior Champion (17 years and under) Entrant must have a current Handicap Index

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00 per person  
(Includes play dates, awards  
reception & prizes)  
Check payable to CWDGA

#### **Send Check and Entry Form to:**

Alison Salzman  
130 Sheridan Road  
Highland Park, IL 60035  
Tel: 847-433-1766, Fax: 847-433-1845  
email: [asalzman.cwdga@sbcglobal.net](mailto:asalzman.cwdga@sbcglobal.net)

#### **Tournament Verification:**

Email (or U.S. mail) to insure receipt of  
email add to your contacts:  
[asalzman.cwdga@sbcglobal.net](mailto:asalzman.cwdga@sbcglobal.net)

**Entries accepted: January 1 - July 6, 2010 (NO REFUNDS AFTER July 6, 2010)**

If host-club caddies are available, a contestant must: 1. use a caddie or 2. take a cart with a caddie.  
A reserved caddie must be used.

Entry form available at our website [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org)

## TOURNAMENT NEWS



Our tournament schedule this year promises to be a good one with play at prominent clubs that have a great deal of historical significance. To start off the season we will be holding our **One-Day Stroke** tournament at **Westmoreland Country Club** on **Wednesday, May 26, 2010**. Founded in 1911, Westmoreland

has hosted many prestigious golf tournaments in the past, including the 42nd annual U.S.G.A. Women's Amateur Championship in 1938. This was Miss Patty Berg's first National Championship victory. She was 20 years old at that time.

Our **Better-Ball of Pairs** Tournament will be held at **Wynstone Golf Club** on **Thursday, August 5, 2010**.

Golf legend Jack Nicklaus crafted Wynstone as a beautiful and challenging course among the rolling hills and wetlands of Northern Illinois. His vision and respect for the topography generated a championship golf course that was immediately recognized among the "top one hundred" golf courses in the United States.

On **Thursday, September 16, 2010**, our **Senior Better-Ball of Pairs** tournament will be held at **Calumet Country Club**. In existence since 1901, Calumet features an 18-hole championship golf course designed by the legendary Donald Ross.

**Entry forms for all tournaments are available at our website [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org)**. We believe that our CWDGA members will enjoy competing at these unique and interesting clubs.

With best wishes for a great year,

*Diane Mazurczak*

CWDGA Tournament Chair

### Tee Time Trivia

- The CWDGA was organized in 1930
- The first CWDGA Annual Championship was played at the Illinois Golf Club
- LPGA player Carol Mann won the Ann Zeddies Junior Trophy in 1955 and the CWDGA Annual Championship in 1960
- The CWDGA is recognized as one of the oldest and most respected golf associations in Illinois

## ONE-DAY STROKE PLAY TOURNAMENT

**Wednesday, May 26, 2010**

**8:30 a.m. Shotgun**



### Westmoreland Country Club

2601 Old Glenview Rd.

Wilmette, IL 60091

Phone: 847/251-4600

Website: [www.westmorelandcc.org](http://www.westmorelandcc.org)

### Eligibility:

Amateur member of a CWDGA club

Handicap Index: **28.0 or lower**

Field limited to 100 lowest entrants

**Entry Fee:** \$50.00

(Includes prizes and lunch)

Check payable to CWDGA

Entry form available at our website [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org)

### Send Check and Entry Form to:

Diane Mazurczak

7845 Forest Hill Rd.

Burr Ridge, IL 60527

Phone: 630/662-5703

Fax: 630/662-3969

Email: [cwgatourn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cwdgatourn@sbcglobal.net)

### Entries accepted:

**April 1 through May 19**

**NO REFUND AFTER MAY 19**

**Handicaps are frozen May 15**

If host-club caddies are available, a contestant must:

1. use a caddie or 2. take a cart with a caddie.



Tanya Olson, Winner of the One-Day Stroke Play Tournament, Idlewild Country Club – 2009

## BETTER-BALL OF PAIRS TOURNAMENT

Thursday, August 5, 2010  
8:30 a.m. Shotgun



### Wynstone Country Club

One Wynstone Drive, N. Barrington, IL 60010  
Phone: 847/304-2800  
Website: [www.wynstone.org](http://www.wynstone.org)

#### Eligibility:

Amateur member of a CWDGA club  
Handicap Index: **33.0 or lower**  
Field limited to 56 two-woman teams.  
Blind draw if over-subscribed.

**Entry Fee:** \$50.00 per person  
(Includes prizes and lunch)  
Check payable to CWDGA

Entry form available at our website [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org)

#### Send Check and Entry Form to:

Diane Mazurczak  
7845 Forest Hill Rd., Burr Ridge, IL 60527  
Phone: 630/662-5703 Fax: 630/662-3969  
E-mail: [cwgatourn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cwdgatourn@sbcglobal.net)

#### Entries accepted:

**June 1 through July 29**

**NO REFUNDS AFTER JULY 29**

No substitutes after July 29 –  
alternate team will fill the spot.

Handicaps are frozen August 1  
Players play to 95% of full host-club handicap.

If host-club caddies are available, a contestant must:  
1. use a caddie or 2. take a cart with a caddie.



Cara Kieilty and Erin Kieilty, Overall Winners of the  
Better-Ball of Pairs Tournament at Joliet Country Club – 2009

## SENIOR BETTER-BALL OF PAIRS TOURNAMENT

Thursday, September 16, 2010  
8:30 a.m. Shotgun



### Calumet Country Club

175th & Western Avenue, Homewood, IL 60430  
Phone: 708/799-5050  
Website: [www.calumetcc.com](http://www.calumetcc.com)

#### Eligibility:

Amateur member of a CWDGA club  
Handicap Index: **33.0 or lower**  
Must be 50 years of age or older.  
Field limited to 56 two-woman teams.  
Blind draw if oversubscribed.

**Entry Fee:** \$50.00 per person  
(Includes prizes and lunch)  
Check payable to CWDGA

Entry form available at our website [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org)

#### Send Check and Entry Form to:

Diane Mazurczak  
7845 Forest Hill Rd., Burr Ridge, IL 60527  
Phone: 630/662-5703 Fax: 630/662-3969  
E-mail: [cwgatourn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cwdgatourn@sbcglobal.net)

#### Entries accepted:

**August 1 through September 9**

**NO REFUNDS AFTER SEPTEMBER 9**

No substitutes after September 9 –  
alternate team will fill the spot.

Handicaps are frozen September 1  
Players play to 95% of full host-club handicap.

If host-club caddies are available, a contestant must:  
1. use a caddie or 2. take a cart with a caddie.



Joan Wert and Nancy Sullivan, Overall Winners of the Senior  
Better-Ball of Pairs Tournament at Royal Fox Country Club – 2009



## Message from the Team Match Chair



We are looking forward to another wonderful year of match play. There will be 504 players from the five

sections of the CWDGA competing in 25 days of Four-Ball Match Play. This is a challenging format that provides for quality competition, and is a terrific opportunity for golfers to share their love of the game with women from other clubs. We are grateful to the host-clubs for providing their courses so that so many women can participate in match play in 2010.

Best Wishes for a great season

*Sandy Becker*

CWDGA Team Match Chair

*I'm not saying my golf game went bad, but if I grew tomatoes, they'd come up sliced.*

*~Attributed to both Miller Barber and Lee Trevino*

## 2010 FOUR-BALL MATCH PLAY TEAM SCHEDULE

### CENTRAL

Thursday, May 13	River Forest	8:00 Shotgun
Thursday, May 20	Evanston	8:00 Shotgun
Thursday, May 27	Park Ridge	8:00 Shotgun
Thursday, June 3	Hinsdale	8:00 Shotgun
Monday, June 7	Bryn Mawr	8:00 Shotgun

### NORTHEAST

Thursday, May 20	Conway Farms	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, May 27	Briarwood	8:30 Shotgun
Tuesday, June 1	Exmoor	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, June 10	Indian Hill	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, June 24	Lake Shore	8:00 Shotgun

### NORTHWEST

Thursday, May 13	Hawthorn Woods	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, May 20	Barrington Hills	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, May 27	Big Foot	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, June 3	Boulder Ridge	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, June 10	Ivanhoe	8:00 Shotgun

### SOUTH

Wednesday, May 19	Midlothian	8:30 Shotgun
Wednesday, June 2	Olympia Fields	8:30 Shotgun
Wednesday, June 23	Briar Ridge	8:30 Shotgun
Monday, June 28	Lincolnshire	8:30 Shotgun
Wednesday, July 14	Flossmoor	8:30 Shotgun

### WEST

Tuesday, May 11	Stonebridge	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, May 20	St. Charles	8:30 Shotgun
Thursday, May 27	White Eagle	8:30 Shotgun
Wednesday, June 2	Royal Hawk	8:30 Shotgun
Wednesday, June 9	Naperville	8:30 Shotgun

### TOURNAMENT DATES

Wednesday, May 26	Westmoreland	One-Day Stroke
Thursday, August 5	Wynstone	Better-Ball of Pairs
Tues.-Thurs., July 27-29	Elgin	Championship
Thursday, September 16	Calumet	Senior Better-Ball of Pairs
Wednesday, September 22	Glen Oak	Tournament of Team Champions



## Message from the Communications Chair



### KEEPING UP WITH THE TIMES

In her remarks Cyndee Prisby, President of the CWDGA,

commented on the association's efforts to expand e-services to its members and as the Communications Chair for the CWDGA I want to provide a brief overview of what we have accomplished and where we want to go.

### Background

Even though the CWDGA successfully organizes and conducts competitive playing opportunities for its members, develops educational opportunities such as the yearly Rules Seminars and provides other services including course ratings, hole-in-one awards, and assistance to member clubs in organizing their women's golf programs, it also periodically examines its procedures to assess its effectiveness in meeting the needs of its members. As a result of a recent self-study the board has decided to make greater use of online information technology.

### CWDGA Website

Today our comprehensive website, [www.cwdga.org](http://www.cwdga.org), contains up-to-date information on tournament and four-ball match play events and their results, the rules and regulations governing these events, a directory of member clubs, the latest updates from the USGA and CDGA on handicap and Rules information, and online forms that can be downloaded to register for competitive events and other activities. All CWDGA publications such as the *Handbook for Members*, the *Annual Report*, and the *CWDGA Brochure* are available online as well.

### Self-Study Results

While we have accomplished much in the last several years, the board knows that it needs to continue to stay current with the advances in information technology. As a result, and in partnership with the Chicago District Golf Association we are exploring new avenues and opportunities designed to allow us to reach a much broader segment of the CWDGA membership than we have been able to do in the past. All women golfers at member clubs are also members of the CWDGA, but until now we have lacked the capability of communicating directly with this larger constituency.

### Comprehensive Database

One of our first initiatives is to develop an up-to-date and comprehensive email database of women golfers at member clubs. Through this database we can send online notices of upcoming competitions, rules seminars, annual meetings and the spring and fall newsletters.

Developing this database is an ongoing project that will require yearly management and maintenance but it is critical if the CWDGA is to fulfill its obligations to all of its members.

To accomplish this goal we need the help and cooperation of each of our member clubs. In January I sent to each Golf Chair a list of their members with their email addresses asking for updates and corrections. The information I receive will be maintained on one database server at the Chicago District Golf Association. When we began this project last year we only had current information for less than one-third of our members. Today we are approaching half.

Please join me in encouraging your Golf Chairs and Team Captains to update the email list that they have received. They can send corrections to me at any time during the year at [yandlema@gmail.com](mailto:yandlema@gmail.com).

### Continuing Work

We are working towards developing registration forms that can be filled in online and submitted with an e-payment for tournaments and other activities. These fillable online forms can also be used by Team Captains to submit their Four-Ball Match Play teams and permanent substitutes, and by our Assistant Communications Chair to do the yearly revisions for the *CWDGA Handbook for Members*. We would like to send targeted emails to individuals such as players whose Handicap Index makes them eligible for tournament play, but who have not played in tournaments in the past to encourage them to participate. We would also like to be in closer touch with the Golf Chairs at member clubs to help support their women's golf programs, and finally we want our members to know that the CWDGA mission is not to serve a small portion of our membership, but to fulfill our mission statement:

*"The advancement of the best interests of women's golf at its member clubs, located in and around the Chicago area."*

Have a wonderful 2010 season!

Best regards,

*Martha Anne Yandle*

CWDGA Communications Chair





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*The ardent golfer would  
play Mount Everest if  
somebody put a  
flagstick on top.*

*~Pete Dy*