



Executive Links

A newsletter of the Executive Women's Golf Association – Seattle Chapter
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Before You Know It – Chapter Championship Is Just Around the Corner

By Tricia Deering, Championship Director

Before you know it, July 20 will be here—the deadline for registering for the EWGA Seattle's Chapter Championship. This year, the Chapter Championship, considered the Chapter's Premier Event, will be held on July 31 at the Gold Mountain Golf Course in Bremerton, Washington.

2010 is the 15th Anniversary of the EWGA Championship. As a member of EWGA, we would like to encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity to participate in the largest female amateur competition in the world. The EWGA Championship starts with the local Chapter Championship, progresses to a Regional (Northwest) Semi-finals, and then to the 2010 National Championship.

The Championship program gives you an opportunity to participate in competitive golf. You will be paired with and compete against women who are in the same handicap bracket as you are. It gives you the opportunity to become more familiar with the rules of golf. You'll play really great golf courses, and share the experience with women who share your passion for the game.

You also have the opportunity to compete as a group (Scramble Team) or as an individual (Stroke Play).

Playing competitive golf with other women in the same handicap/ability range makes the experience more enjoyable since you will be on a level playing field with the women you are playing with. It's fun, it's exciting, and you learn a lot about yourself, your golf game, and the overall game of golf.

Here are the specifics about the event:

- The Championship is Saturday, July 31, at Gold Mountain Golf Club in Bremerton, Washington
- Tee times begin at 10:00 a.m. However, there will be a Rules meeting at 8:30 a.m., and we recommend that all players attend the meeting
- Your registration will include range balls
- There will be an Awards Banquet immediately following the tournament
- There will be a "Practice Round" scheduled at Gold Mountain on Sunday, July 25. You can register for this through the Events section of the EWGA Seattle Website.

Registration information was sent out the week of June 1, so if you are a EWGA Seattle member and did not receive your packet, please send an e-mail to championship@ewgaseattle.org and the information will be emailed to you. Registration information is also available on the Seattle Chapter website.

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Hotline: (206) 781-5813
www.ewgaseattle.org
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For those of you who are ready to send in your registration forms, you can mail them to:

EWGA Chapter Championship
c/o 6617 198 Place SW
Lynnwood, WA 98036

Call for Nominations

By Sally Dixon, Chair, Nominating Committee

Wouldn't it be nice if it only took one woman to make a difference? We join this great women's golf organization to participate in golf and social activities; all we have to do is sign up and show up. But EWGA is about so much more and it takes a team of leaders to put it all together and make it happen. I invite any member who would like to experience the excitement of participating in the success of the Seattle Chapter now and for the future to consider volunteering for one of the open Board positions.

It's Your Turn to Get Involved! I encourage you to offer your skills, talent and desire to provide support in a leadership position of our Chapter. This is your opportunity to make a positive difference -- do it now! Our Chapter Bylaws call for the membership to elect the Chapter Officers (President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary), and for the Officers to appoint the Committee Chairs.

This year we will be electing officers for the following terms of office:

- President: 1 year term
- Vice President: 1 year term
- Secretary: 2 year term

See the attached link to find an overview of the duties of each office and a nominating form. **You can nominate yourself or someone else from the membership** who you feel would be a great asset to our leadership and foster the growth of our Chapter. Our mission is to provide opportunities for women to learn, play and enjoy the game of golf for business and for life. Being a Chapter Board member or committee volunteer is a meaningful way to contribute to the Chapter decisions and operations and help carry out our mission. Yes, it takes a commitment, but the reward is tremendous! Please consider making a leadership commitment and complete and return the attached nomination form to Leadership@ewgaseattle.org by August 15, 2010.

Many of us joined the organization without knowing anyone in EWGA. The friendships we have made and the lives we have touched have been amazing rewards for such a minimal contribution. I encourage you to join us in sharing that experience. We encourage golfers of all abilities so that we can **connect, learn, play, belong** and enjoy the game of golf. It takes volunteers to make that happen...and to help this chapter remain one of the top in the country. Please consider being a part of the new ideas and commitments for our future. No one can do everything ... but everyone can do something!!!

Events Update

By Debby Andresen

Our 2010 events are well underway. June brought the much-anticipated four-day weekend with the Spokane Chapter held June 10-13. A big thank you to Ronna and the Spokane EWGA Chapter for being such gracious hostesses! We started the weekend at Palouse Ridge (home of the Cougars) under stormy skies; the weather was damp but spirits remained high. Friday we played the picturesque and challenging Circling Raven; trees, sand bunkers and elevated greens proved for a challenging but fun day. Saturday and Sunday brought SUN, near 80-degree weather, a very large SNAKE, some "fat-cats" and lots of laughs. You can view pictures of all the shenanigans at "Spokane INW EWGA" on Facebook.

Below are descriptions of some of the near-term good times to be had - please pay close attention to deadlines!

Mark Your Calendars!

July 3
Stars and Stripes
Tourney
Walter Hall, Everett

July 10
Weekend Fun Play at
Riverbend, Kent

July 14
Board Meeting

July 17
Weekend Fun Play at
Newcastle/China Creek

July 20
League Session #20
Registration Deadline

July 25
Chapter Championship
Practice Round
Gold Mountain, Gorst

July 31
Chapter Championship
Gold Mountain, Gorst

July 25 – Gold Mountain Golf Club, Bremerton: A warm up for those playing in the Chapter Championship and fun play for everyone. Sign up deadline is July 14.

July 31- Gold Mountain Golf Club, Bremerton: The Seattle EWGA Chapter Championship - this is a great tournament for players at all levels and is open to individuals and scramble teams. Sign up deadline is July 20. See related article for more information.

August 8 – Jefferson Park, Seattle: The much-anticipated Blue Angels Weekend event. Held during SeaFair, the Blue Angels perform right overhead as we enjoy a day on the links! Sign up deadline is July 21.

August 20 - 22 – Olympic Peninsula member and guest 3-day golf weekend: Join us for all or some of the three days of great golf at Port Ludlow, Dungeness, and White Horse golf courses. Sign up deadline is August 9.

Get Your Daughters in on the Game

Bond with your kids while you work on your short game with Play Golf America's "*Take Your Daughter to the Course Week.*" From July 5-11, thousands of clubs across the country will offer free clinics and complimentary greens fees for girls under age 18 who are accompanied by an adult. EWGA is a national partner in this effort, and a few Seattle-area courses do have activities planned. To find a participating club near you, visit the Play Golf America website, <http://www.playgolfamerica.com/index.cfm?action=tyd>

Membership Matters

By Kathy Anderson, Membership Chair

Keep Your Contact Information Current

With the second half of the golf season under way, it's a good time to verify your contact information is up to date. We don't want you missing any communications from either EWGA HQ or the Seattle Chapter. If you have recently moved, are planning to move, or have changed your phone number or email address, we want to know about it.

There are several ways to update your contact information:

1. Go to www.ewga.com; log into your account, click on My Information, then Edit Information
2. You can contact EWGA HQ by phone (561-691-0096); by fax (561-691-0012); or by email at info@myewga.com. Please have your membership number available for reference.
3. Send an email to membership@ewgaseattle.org so we can update our local database. EWGA does not notify us of the changes they receive, so it's important to update BOTH the national and the local databases.

Refer A Friend

- Are you using the feature on the EWGA website where you can easily send an email to a friend and share your passion for EWGA and golf?
- In the Members area under "My Profile" you will find the link to "Refer A Friend."
- You just enter your friend's name and email, and then your name and email, and send them a quick message.
- What a convenient way to tell others about your EWGA experience!

Social Activities Update

By Ria Emsley, Social Chair

Save the Date – Year End Celebration!

Summer is here and our golf season is in full swing but please mark your calendars for Wednesday, October 20! That is the date of our EWGA Year-end Celebration. It will be held at the Seattle Tennis Club in the evening. Start thinking of your league baskets now! It is going to be a great time.

Future Social Events

Watch your email for upcoming events at Sturtevant's (July) and GolfTec (August).

Welcome New Members!

**Marisa Bier
Suzy Cummins
Whitney Niesz
Suzanne Cuthbert
T.K. Ryan
Lucy Masai
Maricia Alforque
Mary Anne Garrich
Kim Shek
Peggy Thiel
Carole Montague**

Volunteering Opportunities

Interested in volunteering to help with the Year-end Celebration or other social activities? Please let Ria know at social@ewgaseattle.org.

Sponsorship Spotlight

Check Out the New Arrivals at Sturtevant's

New arrivals at Sturtevant's Golf include the latest collections from Jamie Sadock, DKNY and Sport Haley. We also have a great selection of clearance golf apparel at 20-70% off. Please stop in and take a look, we look forward to seeing you. Sturtevant's is in downtown Bellevue at 1100 Bellevue Way NE, 425-454-6465. www.Sturtevants.com.

President's Corner

By Dee Johnson

*Rain, rain, go away;
My golfing buddies are rusting away!
The fairways are rutty,
The greens are muddy,
And we have limited summer days!*

As you can tell, I've had it with the rain. Unlike some of our members, I am a fair weather golfer, so these gray, drizzly days have not brought out the inner golfer in me. I understand (via our Facebook page) that there is a hardy contingent that continues to get out and enjoy all the outings and leagues. To those doing that I say thanks for being my inspiration!

Speaking of inspiration, I want to tell all those members who have family members, friends, or acquaintances in the armed services how much we appreciate their sacrifices for our freedoms. We will be thinking of them once again on Independence Day. Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable 4th of July!

