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Top 10 Reasons to Attend the AWGA 2003 Annual Meeting

10. Fine Dining – The Phoenix Country Club will again be the venue for the Annual Meeting. Dinner there will be a real treat.
9. Excellent Entertainment – If you came last year, you will remember the delightful “Starlight Serenade” violin troupe that entertained us during cocktails. This year’s entertainment will be Arboreal Verdance, a saxophone quartet consisting of teenagers from Northern Arizona.
8. Catch Up With Old Friends – Most of the attendees are committed tournament players and committee people who have been with the organization for years. You may be surprised to see someone there you haven’t seen in years.
7. Meet New Friends – The membership of the AWGA is populated by some of the nicest people in the world. If you don’t know any members outside your own club, you are missing out.
6. Meet the AWGA Board and Staff – Put some faces with the names and voices you hear throughout the year. Thank the outgoing Board Members and welcome the incoming Board Members.
5. Congratulate the 2002 Tournament Champions & Player of the Year – Both Gross and Net Champions from each AWGA 2002 tournament will be recognized.
4. Congratulate the 2002 Volunteer of the Year – An outstanding volunteer for 2002 will be recognized.
3. Congratulate others who contributed significantly in 2002 – It may surprise you who the people are that make a difference to the women golfers of Arizona.
2. Find out what your Directors feel were their most significant accomplishments in 2002 – They’ve been pretty busy!
1. Show your support for the AWGA – Help celebrate a successful year and encourage more growth and success in 2003.

Phoenix Country Club - January 21, 2003

Registration:	3:30-4:30 PM
Annual Meeting:	4:30-5:15 PM
No Host Cocktails:	5:30-6:30 PM
Recognition & Awards Dinner:	6:30-8:30 PM

All AWGA Members are invited to attend. Look for information posted at your club.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

What a great time of year this is, not just because of Christmas, but because the end of one year and the beginning of a new year gives us an opportunity to pause. We can look at where we are, who we are and decide anew if we are happy with ourselves. It’s like getting to start over each and every year. It can keep us on track with how we want our life to be. It can keep us from being discouraged if we have made some mistakes during the past year, by taking the mistakes to heart so that we won’t make the same ones in the next year.

It’s very analogous to a golf tournament. The first day you spend just learning the course, hopefully you can do this in a practice round so it doesn’t hurt so much. Its kind of like when you were a teenager. Hopefully your parents helped this time to be a “practice round”. The second day, you know where the trouble spots are, what clubs to hit, how the greens are holding. You’ve made some adjustments for your mistakes the first day and are approaching the course with a little more confidence. Sound familiar to anyone? Like when you were in your thirties? By the third day, you really know where the trouble is and where your opportunities are. You have your game plan figured out. You know your limitations in relation to the golf course and when to charge and when to lay up.

The great thing about life is that it doesn’t end in three days. Most of us have 70, 80, 90 years to get it right. If we take life a little piece at a time, and just like in a round of golf, keep adjusting our game to fit the course and the goal, and most of all, never give up, how can we ever truly lose?

Here’s to 2003, and to life and golf, little pieces at a time!

COURSE CHANGES

Are there changes or renovations being made to your course? If so, we'd like to know about them. If the changes being made are significant enough to require a re-rate, we'd like to know in advance, rather than find out at the last minute. Most of the time, we get very short notice. The changes have been completed, and then we get the call requesting that we re-rate the course "as soon as possible".

Our course rating captains work very hard at setting their rating schedules and putting together their teams to fit into those schedules. It's sometimes difficult to alter the schedule; however, if they know in advance, they can be prepared.

We're simply asking that you please have your Golf Professional notify us if you're aware of significant changes being made to your course which may require a re-rate. That way, we can contact our rating captain in charge of that course, and she can get it onto her schedule.

Thanks for your help!!



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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

2002 State Scotch Play Tournament

November 17-18, 2002

La Paloma Country Club, Tucson, AZ

Overall Gross Winners

Ellen O'Hara 146
Lynn Zmistowski

Flight 1

1st Tie Becky Sun 155
Tina Huiskamp

1st Tie Cyndi Kapci 155
Laura Moore

Flight 2

1st Judy Browning 159
Diane Klein

2nd Mary Fisher 166
Linda Moses

Flight 3

1st Peggy Carolan 171
Jacque Twitty

2nd Yvonne Brooks 172
Debra Schweizer

Flight 4

1st Norma Scuri 171
Linda Stewart

2nd Claudia Doffing 180
Pat Sterns

Flight 5

1st Lea Fagerud 180
Gayle Johnson

2nd Linda Shaheen 191
Judi Wolfswinkel

Flight 6

1st Julie Dodds 193
Dorothy Swehla

2nd Tie Maria Delongy 195
Marilyn Koory

2nd Tie Gail Ledward 195
Paula Smith

Overall Low Net

Bonnie Harding 135
Tami Wilson

Flight 1

1st Tie Nicole Tombs 140
Ann Warren

1st Tie Carole Ewy 140
Sharon Garner

Flight 2

1st Rebecca Crisp 138
Barb Schutz

2nd Judy Gayok 141
Kelly Paterson

Flight 3

1st Tie Bette Logefeil 140
Kelly Lozier

1st Tie Carolyn Cortez 140
Diana Stanton

Flight 4

1st Julia Bryan 142
Kathryn Ridlehoover

2nd Sue Kanger 147
Nancy Lehman

Flight 5

1st Jackie Reeve 145
Nancy Smith

2nd Elouise Perrin 148
Carolyn Ryder

Flight 6

1st Mary Eicken 140
Doris Norris

2nd Lani Grone 144
Sandra Watkins



TOURNAMENT RESULTS

State Medallion Club Team Tournament
 9 Hole Clubs
 December 2, 2002
 Whirlwind Golf Course, Chandler, Az



1st Place

Sharon Luebber
 Evey Trangsrud 81
 Rolling Hills Women 9ers

2nd Place

Jeanne Osborn
 Ginny Rote 82
 Roadrunner 9-Hole LGA

3rd Place Tie

Gail Bavis
 Kathy Atkins 85
 Oakwood CC WGA 9ers

3rd Place Tie

Betty Bittle
 Elke Oldenburg 85
 Sun City Vistoso 9ers

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

State Medallion Club Team Tournament
 18 Hole Clubs
 December 2, 2002
 Whirlwind Golf Course, Chandler, Az

OVERALL WINNERS



Barbara Byrnes & Sandy Waxman 151
 Red Mountain Ranch CC WGA

FIRST FLIGHT

1 ST Tina Huiskamp	2 ND Nancy Hewes
Sandra Taylor 156	Norma Hill 157
Papago WGA	Sun City West Grandview

SECOND FLIGHT

1 ST Donna Marden	2 ND Ellen O'Hara
Ann Radloff 158	Helen O'Donnal 159
Silverbell Ladies GC	Mesa CC WGA

THIRD FLIGHT

1 ST Julie Marsland	2 ND Karen Gerhart
Debra Rogers 157	Ruthie Morgan 169
Torreon GC WGA	La Paloma CC Women

FOURTH FLIGHT

1 ST Maria Sorce	2 ND Helen Grassbaugh
Mary Madsen 167	Carol Quackenbush 168
Hillcrest GC WGA	LEGS

FIFTH FLIGHT

1 ST Barbara Gordon	2 ND Jan Kleinman
Maris Duggan 163	Margorie Abbott-Smith 164
Legend Trail Women	Phoenix CC

SIXTH FLIGHT

1 ST Dawnielle Baca	2 ND Elena Mahoney
Bernice Scott 154	Nancy Flesher 171
EWGA Old Pueblo	Davis Monthan Ladies GC

SEVENTH FLIGHT

1 ST Carole Matijevich	2 ND Cheryl LaMotta
Sue McConnell 166	Sue Harrison 168
Ancala CC WGA	Pebblecreek LGA



**Still Looking
 For Your
 E-mail Addresses:**

The AWGA has introduced a bi-weekly e-mail "newsflash" which we would like to make sure you receive. Every two weeks, we will be e-mailing everyone on our e-mail address list valuable information such as tournament announcements and entry forms, seminar information and registration forms, fun and interesting golf articles and jokes, rules and handicap questions, and other newsworthy events in Arizona golf. We have a considerable e-mail address book but want to make sure yours is included. The easiest way to make sure we get you on the list is to send us a note asking to be included. Please give us your name, club affiliation and email address and send to awga@awga.org.

Title your e-mail: newsflash.

TOURNAMENT CHANGES

Big changes are in store for the 2003 season. The Board of Directors has recently approved an almost entirely new set of Conditions of Competition. Starting this year, when the Championship tournaments (Seniors, Stroke Play, Match Play and 4 Ball) have more entries than spots available, they will be filled by the lowest handicappers first. For the other tournaments (Weekend Classic, Short Course, Partners, One Day in Hades, and Scotch), if more entries are received than there are places available, those accepted will be based on the number of AWGA tournaments they have entered during the past 12 months. Points will be awarded depending on the length of the tournament (i.e., one point for a one day tournament, two points for a two day tournament, etc.) Points will also be awarded for tournaments that a player entered, but did not get in (provided the entry was postmarked on the opening day of entries). Points will not be given if the player withdraws from a tournament for any reason. For a full field, the draw will be made two weeks after the opening day of entries.

For all the details, please check your 2003 Directory or on our web page at www.awga.org/main_tournaments.htm and click on Conditions of play.

CONGRATULATIONS

To The Following Ladies On Their HOLES IN ONE!!

DATE	NAME	CLUB AFFILIATION
02/18/02	Dolores McKay	Rolling Hills Women 9ers (Tucson)
04/29/02	Sally Clarke	La Paloma CC Women
07/20/02	J.C. Burleigh	WWGL
07/22/02	Barbara Walker	Antelope Hills WGA
09/25/02	Eva Hermacinski	SaddleBrooke WGA
10/10/02	Harriet McDonald	Wigwam Ladies G C
10/11/02	Rosalind Bence	La Paloma CC Women
10/16/02	Dixie Baranko	Cave Creek Women
10/16/02	Orca Galloway	Granite Falls Ladies 18
10/17/02	Nancy Lancaster	SaddleBrooke WGA
11/05/02	Elaine Bailey	Briarwood CC WGA
11/05/02	Barbara Rumburg	Rio Rico CC Women
11/05/02	Jennifer Sun	Paradise Valley CC WGA
11/07/02	Carole Prucha	Antelope Hills WGA
11/16/02	Shirley Leitheiser	Country Meadows Ladies Golf
11/16/02	Betty Welch	Sun City South Women
11/17/02	Ann Mrazek	Stone Canyon Club
11/17/02	Carolyn Waits	Sun City Lakes West Women
11/19/02	Mildred Phelps	Desert Trails Ladies G C
11/21/02	Candy Matsukado	El Conquistador CC Women
11/21/02	Gayle McMullen	Oro Valley CC Women
11/22/02	Rachel Carrillo	WWGL
12/02/02	Karen Welker	Ironwood G C WGA

Please report all holes-in-one as they occur. Holes-in-one occurring prior to the previous newsletter publication date may be excluded from publication.

SOME RULES ARE CONFUSING!

Having the opportunity to get out of the office to play golf with our members is a really good thing!! Not just because I get the chance to play golf and meet more AWGA members, it also gives me the opportunity to learn what rules and their application our players find confusing. Here is a situation that arose recently and the correct ruling.

SCENARIO:

I hit my ball onto the green. When I approached it to mark it, Sally told me that my marker would be in her line of putt, and asked me to please span my ball-marker to the right of where the ball lay. I placed my putter on the ground, using the heel of my putter to mark the position of the ball, and then placed my ball marker at the toe of my putter. Sally challenged me, telling me that I **MUST** first place my ball marker behind my ball, then use my putter to span the ball marker to the right. Is Sally right and if so, what is the penalty for the procedure I have followed?

ANSWER:

The note under Rule 20-1. Lifting, Dropping and Placing; Playing from Wrong Place, states: "The position of a ball to be lifted **should** be marked by placing a ball-marker, a small coin or other similar object immediately behind the ball. If the ball-marker interferes with the play, stance or stroke of another player, it **should** be placed one or more club-head lengths to one side."

The rule does not give me a specific step by step procedure to follow. The key word here is "**should**". Not "shall", not "must", but "should". As long as the procedure I followed enabled me to replace the ball on the exact spot from which I lifted it, there is no penalty for not following this recommended procedure. On the other hand, Sally is correct that this is the recommended procedure to follow. If her club has an agreement that they will follow this procedure when spanning their ball marker, I may not be invited back if I refuse to comply with the recommended procedure.

ROOKIE ON THE AWGA BOARD

By Katherine A. Olson

I think there is a myth “out there” which says, “commitment to an organization is limiting.” Truthfully, I have held a similar belief myself. I’m here to tell you my experience, to counteract the myth that could prevent you from having one of the best experiences of your life.

Some years back, I had thoughts of giving back something to the golfing community, but also thought I would wait until I was older, when I couldn’t play golf as frequently. Then I was offered the opportunity to accept an appointment to the AWGA Board and decided if I didn’t embrace this opportunity, my life would just repeat (to some degree) my golf experiences of the previous year.

Since I became a member of the AWGA Board of Directors, many of my golfing friends have approached me with congratulations for having made the decision to accept the appointment to the Board, but usually follow that up with an expression of sympathy for the loss of my opportunities to play golf.

I have not experienced any loss. In fact, I have gained far more than I could have imagined. My life is being enriched with new challenges as a result of my position with the AWGA Board of Directors. During my first four months with the AWGA, I have had a lot of fun meeting new people, learning new skills, experiencing the organizational side of golf, and meeting new personal challenges which have given me more confidence and respect for myself. Of course, I have to be honest and admit there is a small downside to this new aspect of my life—hazing. “Rookies” are teased by the “older” members. So, if you feel you have something to contribute, remember...commitment to this organization is not limiting. We can have a lot of fun together, and the *BENEFITS* will surprise you and enrich you! I promise!

State Medallion Club Team Tournament

The second annual State Medallion Club Team Tournament was conducted December 2, 2002 at Whirlwind Golf Club in Chandler, (results enclosed in this newsletter). The participants in this event are invited to compete on the basis of their victories as the low gross and low net winners of their club’s State Medallion Tournaments during the current season. Invitations are sent to the State Representative of each club, each of whom is responsible for having conducted the event at her respective club. The winning team is the team with the lowest combined score, using the gross score of the gross player and the net score of the net player.

This one day, stroke play event is meeting with very wide acceptance among AWGA clubs, attracting a full field in only its second year. Our hope is that one day, every club in the state will send their team to compete. As the field continues to grow, we will make appropriate adjustments in the presentation to make sure that all who enter are able to compete.

The tournament is open to all 9 and 18 Hole clubs who conduct the State Medallion Tournament during their playing season. A separate competition is held for 9 hole clubs and 18 hole clubs. Individuals who represent their clubs at the State Medallion Club Team Tournament **must** appear in the handicap roster of the club they represent, meaning an eligible player must have paid an AWGA membership fee through the club she wishes to represent. A member who has multiple AWGA memberships is eligible to compete at all of the clubs through which she has paid a membership fee, even if she has requested and received a rebate of multiple membership fees. She is entitled to represent only one of those clubs at the State Medallion Club Team Tournament. If she is the winner at more than one of her clubs, she must choose which she will represent prior to entering the event.

The 2003 State Medallion Club Team Tournament will be conducted at Starfire Golf Club at Scottsdale Country Club. Check with your club’s State Representative to find out when she will be conducting your State Medallion Tournament and compete to represent your club in December at Starfire Golf Club.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

— 2003 TOURNAMENTS —

WEEKEND CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

**Estrella Mountain Ranch Golf Club -
Goodyear, AZ
February 23, 2003**

SHORT COURSE TOURNAMENT

**Ironwood Golf Club - Chandler, AZ
March 23, 2003**

FOUR BALL STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

**Gold Canyon Golf Resort - Gold Canyon, AZ
April 14-15, 2003**

STATE AMATEUR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

**Heritage Highlands Golf & CC - Marana, AZ
May 6-9, 2003**

PARTNERS TOURNAMENT

**Prescott Lakes Golf Club - Prescott, AZ
June 9-10, 2003**

DAY IN HADES TOURNAMENT

**Legacy Golf Resort - Phoenix, AZ
August 4, 2003**

STATE AMATEUR STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

**Quintero Golf & CC - Peoria, AZ
September 8-10, 2003**

STATE SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP

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

SCOTCH PLAY TOURNAMENT

**Pueblo Del Sol Country Club - Sierra Vista, AZ
November 4-5, 2003**

STATE MEDALLION CLUB TEAM TOURNAMENT

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

WEEKEND CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

FEBRUARY 23, 2003

OPENING DATE: December 30, 2002

CLOSING DATE: February 13, 2003

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

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

PLAYER NAME _____ TELEPHONE _____ AWGA# _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST/ZIP _____

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

2001 Or 2002 Gross Overall 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.

ESTRELLA MOUNTAIN RANCH GOLF CLUB

**11800 South Golf Club Drive, Goodyear 85338
(623) 386-2600**

The tournament shall consist of 18 holes of individual stroke play. The champion shall be the low gross scorer over the field. Flights will be determined by handicap index. The field is limited to the first 120 entries. Play will begin with a 1:00 p.m. Shotgun Start.

Entry fee of \$75.00 per entrant will include green fees, cart fees, lunch, practice balls, prizes and awards. Entrants must use an official entry form available in this newsletter, in the 2003 Tournament Calendar and Directory or on the AWGA web page at www.awga.org.

Only one entry per envelope is permitted.

**OPENING DATE: December 30, 2002
CLOSING DATE: February 13, 2003**

If you think North Scottsdale has the corner on beautiful desert golf courses, think again.

Kick off your 2003 AWGA tournament season at Estrella Mountain Ranch Golf Club. Estrella Mountain Ranch offers challenging play in the midst of breathtaking beauty. This dramatic, upscale daily-fee course flows along the contours of the land, allowing washes and hillsides to remain in a pristine state. As Jack Nicklaus II's inaugural Arizona course, Estrella Mountain Ranch is as remarkable as its heritage. Fairways roll across the natural contours, while elevated tees unveil views of the Sierra Estrella Mountains. The signature 17th hole is a par 3 set majestically into the rocky terrain.

This course is well worth the 40-minute drive west of downtown Phoenix. You'll use every club in your bag, and you'll be glad you came. For directions to the course and other course information, visit their website at www.estrellamtnranch.com.

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