Important Reminders

Please remember to tip attendants at host clubs.

Add general@cwga.org noreply@cwga.org and cwgaawards@yahoo.com to your email contacts to receive important updates and prize chits. This will prevent them from going to your junk mail folder.

Please keep your team captain or club rep informed of any change of status for Past Presidents' Cup team matches. You must post 10 rounds (5 at home) to be eligible to play.

CWGA Logo apparel is available at *Stitches by Me* in Granby, CT (860) 653-9701 or www.stitchesbyme.com Purchase an item from them or bring in your own for the CWGA monogram to be added.

The USGA index for eligibility to join CWGA in 2013 is 23.5.

Bulletin of the Connecticut Women's Golf Association

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President's Message

Dear Members.

Happy spring and welcome to the 2013 golf season! Tournament Site Planner Michele Dreiss has organized a wonderful schedule for us to consider as we get our golf calendars in order. It would be great to see more participation in our events this year especially our championships being held at the Hartford Golf Club and The Country Club of Waterbury. They are a great way to test your golf skills in a competitive but friendly environment that often includes a wide range of ability. Keep in mind that our Seniors' and Legends' championships award both gross and net prizes. While you review the contents of this bulletin, be sure to make special note of the changes listed regarding tournament withdrawals, posting scores and the new handicap limits.



EDITOR: BRENDA BASSON

CWGA has built an impeccable reputation with our member clubs over the last 94 years. Our charge as current members is to protect this reputation at all costs and strengthen it for those who will follow us. We are so fortunate that our member clubs continue to honor the tradition of reciprocity with our membership, allowing us to play spectacular venues for the price of a cart fee and lunch. In turn, it is important that WE honor our member clubs by remembering the following: when we take part in an event at a member club, we are there as GUESTS. Please be extremely courteous to all and take a moment to thank all employees who assist you. Should you run into an issue on the golf course or with an employee, we ask that you do not take matters into your own hands, but rather notify Robin Bickerstaff, VP of Competitions or me as soon as possible. We have a system in place to handle problems or complaints that may occur. Finally, for the benefit of our newer members, when visiting a member club for an event, it is a longstanding and greatly appreciated CWGA custom to tip the bag room assistants when they collect your golf bag upon arrival.

In an effort to continue our goal of increasing the ranks of our course raters, plans are now underway to develop our 2013 rating schedule. We will send the schedule to everyone on our list which includes past raters as well as those who attended the "on-course" training session last spring. Please note that it's still not too late to get involved in course rating. If you'd like to observe an actual rating or have questions, please contact Course Rating Chair Jane Witherwax or Norma Noyes.

I am delighted to welcome Brenda Basson (Ellington Ridge) to our Board as our new Bulletin editor. My sincere thanks to Brenda for taking this on and to all of our Board members for their time and devotion to CWGA.

My best wishes to you all for a successful golf season. I will look forward to seeing you on Opening Day at Brownson Country Club!

Carol Galbraith, President



















Email Brenda Basson bhbasson@cox.net if you would like to "opt out" of paper copies of this bulletin (they are available on the CWGA web site).



CWGA is Growing

We are pleased to introduce our newest members.

Aspetuck Valley
Eileen Crowley

Black Hall

Elizabeth David

Brownson

Susan Kiraly

Hop Meadow

Siobhan Stephen

New Haven

Mary Pagnam

Old Lyme

Joanne Lauder

Oronoque

Valorie McMillan

Shuttle Meadow

Mairead Forde Elizabeth Weinberg

Silvermine CC

Beverly Griffith Kathy Swedock

Torrington CC

Karen Gerum Gloria Greenwald Jennifer Paul

Wallingford

Nancy Esposito

Waterbury

Patricia Dunn



What's New in 2013?

Handicap Limit (USGA Index)

Class A—15.9 or lower

Class B—16.0 or greater

Posting Scores

- Players are responsible for correct and TIMELY posting of scores from any and all CWGA tournaments, including best-ball events and Presidents' Cup team matches. Scores shall be posted as tournament (T) scores.
- At certain events, the tournament committee may post scores automatically AND players will be notified if this is the case.
- CWGA reserves the right to post for individuals who do not comply with the requirement. A
 warning will be issued before a player is restricted from participating in future events.

<u>Cancellation Policy</u> (Please note that the registration closing dates for 2013 events are approximately one week prior to the date of the tournament!)

- Substitutions, changes of entries or withdrawals can be made by a player prior to the "registration closing date". The player should contact the One-day Coordinator or Tournament Chair (in the case of a Major event). Any changes or withdrawals after the closing date may NOT be made without prior clearance from the One-day Coordinator or Tournament Chair.
- Withdrawals made prior to the "registration closing date" are subject to a \$5 cancellation fee or other non-refundable fee, if so stated. WITHDRAWALS AFTER THE CLOSING DATE WILL RESULT IN FORFEITURE OF ALL ENTRY FEES.



















Junior News

- Junior tournament dates have been set. The Junior Championship will again be held in conjunction with the CWGA Seniors' and Legends' Championship July 25-26 at Waterbury CC. Other key dates are NEWGA July 7-9 at Renaissance, MA and CT Women's Amateur Aug 8-12 at Rockledge.
- Applications for the Priscilla Maxwell Endicott/CWGA and Patricia Creed/CWGA scholarships will
 be accepted between Jan 1, 2013 and Apr 20, 2013. Information and applications are available
 at www.cwga.org under the Jr Golf tab.

2013 CWGA Reps Meeting Scheduled

Phyllis Kindelan, Reps coordinator, has slated this year's meeting for Thursday, April 11th at Shuttle Meadow CC. Breakfast and registration at 9:30 a.m. Weather permitting, there will be an optional 9 hole scramble/boxed lunch following the meeting and like last year - great RAFFLE PRIZES! Invitations with complete details will be emailed to all reps.

Phyllis Kindelan

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Cup Coordinator, Terri Forde, reports that the CWGA Past Presidents' Cup is currently positioned for another great season. We are fortunate to have six full cups this year including a new combined team and a couple of new stand alone teams. She will be in contact with team captains throughout the season. The cups and competing clubs for 2013 are:

Past Presidents' Cup Interclub Matches

Karen Bunting Cup:

Oronoque, Heritage Village, New Haven, Race Brook, The Farms, Yale

Nicki Cobb Cup:

Wethersfield, Farmington Woods, Watertown, Wallingford, TPC-River Highlands, Waterbury

Carolyn Creed Second Cup:

Farmington CC, Hop Meadow, Manchester, Shuttle Meadow II, Tumble Brook, Glastonbury Hills

Dr. Roberta Massey Cup:

Redding, Silvermine, Ridgewood, Silver Spring, Rolling Hills/Highfield, Aspetuck Valley

Jeanine Marcucci Cup:

Hartford, Wampanoag, Ellington Ridge, Shuttle Meadow I, Avon, Chippanee/ Woodbridge

Penny Jones Cup:

Clinton, Black Hall, Madison/Pine Orchard, Mohegan Sun at Pautipaug, Stonington, Great Neck CC

CWGA Team Events 2013

- CT/RI match at Warwick, RI CC on Tues June 4 (entries accepted May 1 –May 25). Chosen team notified by email May 28.
- CWGA/SNEWGA matches at Manchester CC on Thurs Aug 1 (entries accepted Jul 1—Jul 23). Chosen team notified by email Jul 25.
- Endicott/Tri-State at Ellington Ridge CC on Mon Sept 30 through Wed Oct 2 (entries accepted Aug 30—Sep 15). Entry fee is \$75. Chosen team notified by email Sep 22.

Entries for these events will be by mail. Applications will be in the 2013 CWGA Handbook along with eligibility requirements.

Cobra Puma Girl's Golf Fair Hosted by Suzy Whaley **Volunteers Needed**



Suzy Whaley, LPGA teaching professional, has organized a day of golf activities for girls, ages 5-18. The event will take place on Saturday, May 11th at TPC at River Highlands. A link for event registration will be available on Suzy's website: www.suzywhaleygolf.com. Mark your calendars and stay tuned to Suzy's web site for more information.

Volunteers are needed! High School students can also volunteer for community service hours.

















Course Rating

Beginning this year, CWGA will partner with the CSGA and SNEWGA to rate courses in Connecticut as a team. The goal is to get all courses and all tees on those courses rated in the same time frame which will enable a 10-year rating cycle to be established. (This is the USGA requirement for course ratings.)

CSGA has taken the lead to get this process going and will maintain the overall schedule. The plan is to send out a team of raters to a specific course and rate all tees on that day. Throughout this season, emails from CSGA will be sent to our "course raters" with a list of courses and dates approximately 2-3 weeks prior to the rating dates. If the rater is available she will contact CSGA to be a member of the "team".

If you are still thinking about becoming a course rater, now is the time to volunteer. Please contact Jane Witherwax or Norma Noyes. We do need your help!



2013 Tournament Schedule—Get out and play!



Grab a friend and participate in the exciting events we have planned this season. They are spread throughout the state and are open to all members. Visit our website www.cwga.org for details.



Date	Day	Course	Event/Format
Apr 30	Tues	Brownson	Opening Mixer, Best Ball of 4
May 14	Tues	Redding	Best Ball of 2
May 20	Mon	Great Neck	Summer Special
Jun 4	Tues	Warwick (RI)	CT-RI Matches
Jun 11-14	Tues-Fri	Hartford	94th CWGA Championship
Jun 20	Thurs	Shuttle Meadow	Stroke Play
Jul 9-11	Tues-Thurs	Renaissance (MA)	57th NEWGA Championship
Jul 16	Tues	Old Lyme	Stroke Play
Jul 25-26	Thurs-Fri	Waterbury	Seniors/Juniors
Jul 26	Fri	Waterbury	Legends
Jul 29	Mon	Simsbury Farms	Tournament of Champions
Aug 1	Thurs	Manchester	CWGA/SNEWGA Team Matches
Aug 5	Mon	CC of Farmington	Mixed Foursomes
Aug 12-14	Mon-Wed	Rockledge	CT Women's Amateur
Aug 19	Mon	TPC River Highlands	1st Tee Charity Mixer
Aug 26	Mon	Yale	Best ball of 2
Sep 16	Mon	Club at River Oaks	AB, Best 2 of 4
Sep 26	Thurs	Rockrimmon	Presidents' Cup
Sep 30-Oct 2	Mon-Wed	Ellington Ridge	Endicott
Oct 7	Mon	Black Hall	Medallion
Oct 15	Tues	Hartford	Closing Mixer, 9 Hole Scramble