

TEE TIMES



Sun Lakes Women's Golf Club

President's message

Ellie Allred

The holidays are a special time to spend with friends and family and I hope you all had a joyous Christmas, Hanukah, Kwanza or whatever you celebrate. Thanks to Barbara Smith, Doris Beaudette and Theresa Urquhart for a wonderful Christmas Luncheon. The Broadway singer, Brenda Lucia, was wonderful. And to think she is our own Bev Boatman's daughter! Wasn't Mae Brock cute as the tiny elf? Santa wasn't too bad either – I didn't realize he was such a flirt! The 2012 Membership Books were handed out at the luncheon so if you didn't get yours, check in the Pro Shop or give Jackie Snyder a call.

A big welcome to new Board Members, Marilyn Garn, Treasurer, and new Handicap Director, Marcy Tierney. I know they will be a great addition and I look forward to working with them in their new positions. Be sure to check out all the new Committee members and Weekly Games and Tournament folks for 2012 in the new book. Thanks to all of you for volunteering your time. Last, but not least, welcome to Carla Farley as our new Tee Times Editor.

Periodically, the WSCGA conducts re-rating of members' courses. Sun Lakes

was done in December. As a result, our new course rating/slope has changed, effective 12/22, from 71.4/125 to 71.8/129 for the Red Tees. The women's ratings also changed if playing from the Green or White Tees. See Marcy Tierney's article for more details on this important change.

The 2012 Budget has been approved and posted. Additionally, we are including a copy in this issue of the Tee Times. A couple of noteworthy changes are:

1. Allocation of the club's portion of all 50/50 revenue for 2012 will be for the Christmas Charity. This is in lieu of collecting individual checks at the end of the year. Members will still be asked to vote for the charity;
2. Addition of \$240 for a Closest to the Pin prize per month;
3. Several other line items were increased – some necessitated by cost of doing business, others by a desire to work down our account balance.

See the attached budget for more details. If you have any questions please bring them to the January General Meeting.

Our course is starting to show the effects of Winter (and the ducks) so be sure you fix all those divots and ball marks and drive sensibly, i.e., not too close to the greens. Onward to 2012!

January 2012

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Special points of interest:

- SLWGC 2012 Budget
- WSCGA revises women's slope rating at Sun Lakes
- SLWGC begins 2012 with 127 active members

Sun Lakes Women's Golf Club 2012 Budget

INCOME

Membership	\$ 7,135.00	
Bank Interest	\$ 15.00	
50/50 (Allocated to funding Christmas Charity)	\$ 800.00	
Par Club	\$ 30.00	
From Savings	<u>\$ 5,240.00</u>	

Total Income \$ 13,220.00

EXPENSES

WSCGA	\$ 3,780.00	
WSCGA Annual Club Dues/Seminars	\$ 200.00	
Tee Times	\$ 250.00	>\$50
Historian	\$ 150.00	
Holes-In-One	\$ 400.00	>\$100
Charity Donations	\$ 750.00	>\$125
Sunshine	\$ 250.00	>\$50
Installation	\$ 100.00	
Christmas Luncheon	\$ 3,100.00	>\$200
Christmas Charity (funded by 50/50)	\$ 800.00	
Awards/Medals/Birthday Balls	\$ 150.00	New
Membership Book Printing	\$ 450.00	
Tournaments	\$ 2,340.00	>\$740
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 500.00</u>	

Total Expenses \$ 13,220.00

Tournaments

Guys & Dolls - January 2012	\$ -
Club Championship – April 2012	\$ 400.00
Member/Guest - May 2012	\$ 400.00
18/9ers - June 2012	\$ 300.00
Senior Championship – June 2012	\$ 200.00
Extravaganza - July 2012	\$ -
Sweepstakes - August 2012	\$ 400.00
Eclectic - September 2012	\$ -
Turkey Shoot - November 2012	\$ 400.00
Closest To Pin (1 per month @\$20.00)	<u>\$ 240.00</u>

Total Tournaments \$ 2,340.00

2012 'Spice Girls' Officers Installed

**Georgia
'Sage'
Sobiech**

**Jackie
'Rosemary'
Snyder**

**Marcy
'Basil'
Tierney**

**Marilyn
'GARNish'
Garn**

**Corky 'Red
Pepper'
Evans**

**Ellie
'Paprika'
Allred**



“Marilyn,” proclaimed Gail Miller, “as newly elected Treasurer it will be your duty to pay careful attention to the disbursement and receipt of club funds Therefore I present you in remembrance of your duties and as a great GARNish. Do you promise to fulfill your duties to the best of your ability?”

At the December meeting ‘Gail Miller’s Production Company’ hosted the 2012 Officer installation. This year’s Spice Girls theme was very clever. Each officer was assigned unique spice traits and sworn to uphold the duties of the office as they relate to their particular spice.

A Tribute to Our Tee Times Editor of 12 years - Helen Riggs

As Helen passed the ‘red pencil’ to her successor, Carla Farley, club members paid tribute to Helen’s outstanding contribution of 152 Tee Times issues by giving her a standing ovation and wrapping her in Tee Times.



Most Improved Golfers December 2011

	Old Index	New Index	Factor
Carol Crawford	29.6	25.4	1.112
Jean London	28.1	25.0	1.084
Barbara Luciano	34.9	31.6	1.076
Joan Whittaker	35.6	32.9	1.060
Betty Ferber	40.4	37.9	1.050
Peggy Elgen	28.7	26.8	1.049
Jeanne Burns	31.1	29.2	1.046
Darlene Hamilton	40.4	38.2	1.044
Georgia Sobiech	28.1	26.5	1.042
Jackie Snyder	33.4	31.7	1.039



Handicap News

Marcy Tierney

A big thanks goes out to Kay Rawle and her handicap committee of 2011 – great job!

The 2012 handicap committee consists of eight gals who are ready to take on their duties. I'm pleased to welcome my new committee – they are: Maureen Condon, Willie Dall, Jeanie London, Patti Palmer, Joann Slivkoff, Nancy Stancik, Anita Thacker and Cookie Wolfswinkle. Be gentle with them by providing neat writing, correct additions/subtractions and completing all squares on the scoring line of your scorecards.

We start the year having just learned our slope rating has been reviewed by the WSCGA. All golf courses affiliated with the WSCGA are reviewed every seven years. A group of six people first drive the course and then they play a round of golf. Each of the six are assigned a specific task with relation to the course; i.e., fairways, greens, teeing ground, etc. until all the information has been gathered. Several weeks later the WSCGA notifies the Club Pro and Handicap Director of their finding.

Having visited our course in late fall and crunching the data, the WSCGA adjusted the slope rating upwards from the previous rating (red tees) of 125 to 129. A new chart has been posted on our bulletin board in the Pro Shop. Your handicap could go up one stroke. So, please check both the current handicap sheet for January 1, 2012 and the new chart. Also affected may be your ESC (equitable stroke control). Keep that fact in mind when you need to calculate an adjustment to your score. Otherwise, what you posted will be in error and if that occurs in a tournament you will be disqualified from the tournament.

Rules and Etiquette

Melissa Hoyt

Local Rule:

Pat Rothenberger went over this at our last General Meeting but in case you missed it - During the winter months when we have a lot of ducks and coots leaving their “droppings” and your ball lands on them, you ARE allowed to mark your ball and then you may lift, clean, and place it in between the droppings no closer to the hole. This should be announced and observed by your playing partners.

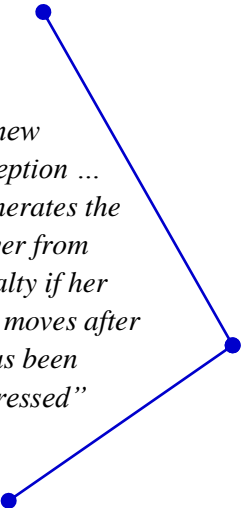
New Rule in 2012

Rule 18-2b: Ball Moving After Address

A new Exception is added that exonerates the player from penalty if her ball moves after it has been addressed when it is known or virtually certain that she did not cause the ball to move. For example, if it is a gust of wind that moves the ball after it has been addressed, there is no penalty and the ball is played from its new position.

Bunkers:

It's bad enough to hit your ball into a bunker – but then when you get up to it and find your ball is sitting in a footprint or in a spot that has been poorly raked it is very frustrating. When you leave a bunker, you should remove all evidence that you were ever there. A few extra careful strokes with the rake to smooth the sand are always required.



“A new Exception ... exonerates the player from penalty if her ball moves after it has been addressed”

Tournament News

Georgia Sobiech

Not much went on in December except the last quarterly Low Gross/Low Net competition and for Melissa Hoyt (Low Gross) and Nancy Stancik (Low Net) there was a lot going on! Congratulations ladies!

Now another year begins! A big thanks to everyone who pitched in and managed all of the Thursday and first Saturday games through 2011. Just a great bunch

doing the work to make our golf games fun. And, of course, special thanks to the gals who chaired the major tournaments of the year. They were all so well done!!

I know we all think time is flying too fast but gotta deal with it and head into 2012! Another great group of gals has volunteered to take on the numerous game and tournament responsibilities. Thanks in advance to all of you!

Blanche Dennis and I will be handling the Thursday games in January and February. Gives both of us something to do while we recover from our surgeries - and gives me time to get the various books all ready for the year. Jackie Teaters and Donna Thomas will handle the first Saturday games for those two months.

Let's hope the January weather is good, eh?

Desert League

Georgia Sobiech

The December Christmas game was held down in the desert at Indian Springs. Six of our members went to play on a fairly cold day but no rain. The format was not the usual individual scoring, as the Christmas event is always different.

Barbara Luciano's foursome won some money. Congratulations Barbara.

January's game is up in Desert Hot Springs at Mission Lakes which is a great favorite of everyone's. As usual, we'll ask who needs a ride at the January General Meeting.

From The Pro's Desk

Eric Charos

Make 2012 a better golfing Year

Start the new 2012 golf season with working on the basics of the golf swing, as simple as heading to the range with clubs for alignment aids to see what the proper ball position is as well as your alignment.

1. **Many swing faults occur from an improper setup.** This can cause unnecessary adjustments during the swing. Taking care to position the ball, feet, hips and shoulders properly ensures building a good swing foundation. Testing has shown golfers with open stances show no more tendencies to slice than golfers with closed stances. The open stance may give the golfers a little more opportunity to slice, because it allows a little more freedom in the downswing and follow-through. The square stance is used by most successful golfers. Beginners should start with a square stance. As you advance, you can experiment with the advantages of other stances. Avoid extreme stances. Experiment to find the stance that works best for you. Take care to set up consistently on all normal shots.
2. **Start with a proven ball position.** Moving a golf ball even two inches forward or back in your stance can make a great deal of difference in shot consistency. Start with the ball a couple of inches inside the left heel. After you master this consistent ball position, you can experiment with other ball positions. However, a ball too far to the front of your stance will increase the chances of a slice by encouraging an outside-to-inside swing. A ball too far back in the stance will make it difficult to get the clubface closed by impact and may cause a push or a push slice.
3. **To achieve the goal of hitting the ball at the bottom of the swing arc,** your drives should be hit slightly on the upswing. Iron shots should be struck slightly on the downswing. Fairway woods should be hit at the bottom of the swing arc.

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Have a good Holiday Season.....Eric

Membership News
Jackie Snyder

We have a total of 127 active members and 7 associates for 2012.

There are three new members joining SLWGC this year. They are:

Lorraine Davis
Leora Pursel
Barbara Reed

Please welcome these ladies to our club and if you play with them help with scoring, rules, etc.

Also, please add to your membership book the following renewal:

Patsy O'Brien
 1746 Masters
 909-702-3356
 mobilehomepro@aol.com
 Birthday: 1/7

Sunshine
Joanne Oliver



Happy Holidays, everyone!

Good news -- nothing new to report this month.

Just a reminder though, we do rely on our membership to keep us informed as to surgeries, illnesses, etc. So please feel free to give me a call at **845-5701** if you hear of a surgery or illness.

Happy Birthday to ...



Marlene Zanders	01-04
Dalene Tappata	01-06
Patsy O'Brien	01-07
Sue Lemon	01-07
Anne Wood	01-11
Jackie Teaters	01-16
Marcy Tierney	01-16
Patti Palmer	01-20
Elaine Abrams	01-25
Corky Evans	01-28
Darlene Hamilton	01-28
Gail Miller	01-28
Diane Vecchione	01-28
Mary Backer	01-29

**Please Note: 2012 Directory
 E-mail Corrections**

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We're on the Web!
www.sunlakesgolf.com

Feel free to send suggestions, ideas, photos, or comments to:
SLWGC@dc.rr.com

January 5th Lunch Menu



Cost \$8.40. Remember to indicate if you want lunch when you sign up for that day's golf.

Christmas 2011



1st QUARTER RINGER ENTRY FORM Jan-Feb-Mar
Due by 15th of January

NAME: _____

Please include \$5.00 **(one check only)**

1st QUARTER PUTT POT ENTRY FORM Jan-Feb-Mar
Due by 15th of January

NAME: _____

Please include \$5.00 **(one check only)**



GUYS AND DOLLS TOURNAMENT



Wednesday, January 25, 2012
12:00 Check-IN
12:30 Shotgun

Members \$24.00
Non Members - \$24.00 Plus green fees
Guest - \$14.00
Fees will be charged to your account

Fee Includes:
Dinner and Prizes

Doors open at 5:00
Dinner served at 6:00

**Deadline:
January 18**

Any questions contact:
Russie Friese 769-0389
Jeanne Burns 845-1029

**pairings done
by pro shop**

NAME: _____ GHIN # _____

GUEST: _____ JANUARY 15th INDEX _____

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