

May 2018

Hi Ladies-

Spring has hit with a vengeance--especially for those of us with allergies. We've had a busy golf season and that's continuing into May.

First off, congrats to Marlyce Mycka for winning our first-ever Senior Club Championship. It was a tight contest after day one, but Marlyce's steady play on the second day allowed her to pull ahead of the field.

The theme for this year's Home and Home events is "Desert Divas – Fun, Friendship, and Fairways across the Brooke". Next week we're hosting the first one of the year and over 100 ladies will be playing. There's still time to sign up for the events at Saddlebrooke 1 (May 29) and at Mountain View (June 19).

As part of our League membership, we're all members of Arizona's Southern District Women's Golf Association (SDWGA). We put on two SDWGA tournaments each year during our regular play days. The first of these, the del Sud tournament, is happening in May. The del Sud is a two-day eclectic or "ringer" tournament. Your score for the tournament is your best net score on each hole from the two rounds, so if you have a bad hole one day, you have a chance to improve on that the second day. Last year Jeanne Jensen won with an amazing score of 56, pretty much lapping the field. The first round of the del Sud was May 1 and the final round is May 15. After day one, Linda Sherfy is in the lead with a net 63--quite an impressive score considering the winds were 20+ mph. You can see where you stand after the first day by looking at the portal in Golf Genius (go to sbrwga.com and click on the link for the portal and look at "weekly scores".) After golf on May 15, Jeanne Jensen will be hosting a pizza lunch at her house--watch for an email to sign up for this. And, not to fear if you missed the first round--last year some of the flight winners only played one round.

Speaking of flights and winners, based on people's suggestions, we're changing the payouts for the weekly games. Previously we'd targeted to pay out at least a third of the field each week. We're changing that to target payouts for half the field each week. When the game for the week requires flights, we split the field into flights by handicap, grouping like handicaps together. This can result in flights of unequal sizes, so the target payout is to half the field in each flight.

After our member meeting on April 17 we voted on two issues. Here are the results which we'll be using when we set up the schedule for next year:

Play day starting time for March 2019

8:00 -- 15 votes

9:00 -- 37 votes

Solheim Cup scheduling for 2019

Two consecutive weeks (on Tuesdays) -- 7 votes

Two consecutive days (Monday/Tuesday) -- 5 votes

Two consecutive days (Tuesday/Wednesday) -- 41 votes

Many thanks to Mike and Ken for holding two clinics for us this past month--one on bunker shots and another on putting. Their instruction and tips are helping a lot of us improve our games.

And finally, the Mixed Sticks tournament, a Ryder Cup style event joint with the Men's Golf Association, will be on June 4. If you haven't already responded, Jeanne Osterlund will be sending out another email to sign up for this event. This should be a fun event and \$15 covers lunch and prizes for everyone.

Happy golfing

Jean