President’s Message
President
Lee Ann Mattison

In thinking about our golfing season, we have just finished the Front Nine! Let us stay committed to finishing STRONG.

ECWGG encourages improving scores and building lasting relationships. Participating in Day’s Play is one way to accomplish those goals. Upcoming events like, Visitations, Member/Guest and Club Championship are great opportunities to improve your golfing experience.

We are adding one additional event to our calendar. Following Day’s Play on August 20th we will have a brown bag luncheon and mid-year meeting at the Pavilion on the Ridge Course. I encourage everyone to participate.

Finish Strong.

Treasurer Report
Treasurer
Jerri Henry

We have 72 members with 61 participating in the Hole-in-One pot. Welcome Judy Farless, Patti Martinson and Marion Stratton as our newest members.

Special Summer Meeting,
August 20 After Golf
Vice President
Marli Perry

The ECWGG Board would like to invite all members to a Summer Update meeting, August 20 after golf. The meeting will be a meet and greet new members who have joined since our Spring meeting. Updates from the following committees: Seniors, Team, Visitation and any new news from Eagle Crest Golf. We are working with the Greenside Cafe to offer a brown bag lunch and have our meeting in the Pavilion. A special email will be sent out prior to the meeting regarding more specifics. See you all on the course.

Margaritas and Mulligans
Chairperson
Sandy Steiger

It’s almost Margaritas and Mulligans Member-Guest time!! Just a reminder that the deadline to get your checks and registrations in is Monday, July 29th. Please send to Sandy Steiger, 2385 Osprey Drive or drop in the ECWGG envelope in the Ridge Pro Shop. The baskets may be brought directly to me. My phone is 831-818-5934.

Wine & Whine
Chairperson
Bobbie Haas

Smack the balls! Whack the balls! Attack’em all the way!

Oh what fun it is to golf with women friends to Day!

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A huge thanks to the 46 ECWGG members who made July 16, 2019 a very fun & memorable Solheim Wine & Whine.

Congratulations to the Pinot Gris team in their win over the Pinot Noir.

From Carole, Sandee and Bobbie we raise our glass of wine and say “Oh what fun it is to gather here & hit the links once more!”

Calling All ECWGG Members!!

Days Play Coordinator
Jeanne Kosanovic

Prepare now for the Club Championship coming September 3rd and 5th (Tuesday and Thursday of the same week.)

Remember, you must play five times during Day’s Play to be eligible for Club Championship and to qualify for special awards – so keep on playing!! The eligibility list is posted on the bulletin board at the Ridge Pro Shop and the most current information is on the ECWGG portal, on the Player League Standings report as participation points (1 point for each eligible day played.)

Also, for the Club Championship, please remember the following, especially for tournament play:

- When scores are verified at the end of play, both marker and competitor must sign to attest that the scores on each hole are correct
- When all this is complete – turn in your official signed cards

Sign up and join the fun.

Pace of Play

Slow play is not a function of handicap BUT, Pace of Play is a function of Knowledge, Desire, Awareness and Etiquette. Everyone is responsible for their own pace of play. And all of us can probably improve. We are not talking about hurrying. We are talking about PLAYING READY and BEING READY.

No one minds playing with a higher handicap golfer. Everyone resents playing with a slow player.

Tips for speeding up play:

- If you hit a ball that might be out of bounds, hit a provisional ball before searching for the first ball.
- If you hit the ball in the woods, only the player who hit the ball should look for her ball. Everyone else should hit their shots. If your partner has hit her ball and returns to help, you probably have 2 minutes left to search for that ball. You only have 3 minutes total for the player who hit it in the woods to either find it or decide to return to the original spot. Don’t be afraid to be that person that says, “time is up”.
- Do not wait to scope the pin after your partner has hit. Scope it as soon as you can and oh by the way maybe scope it for her as she is getting out of the cart. Ask yourself if you really need to know the pin yardage or just hit the center of the green. How many times do the Pros just hit to the center? Many.
- Players in the same cart. If you partner has a ball on one side of the fairway and yours is on the other side, one of you take the club to hit while the other player goes to hit their ball.
- If a player hits from the bunker, and then is raking, players on the green should putt.
- Players on the green who are ready, should putt regardless of who is away.
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- Carts should be parked closer and headed to the next hole.
- Record the scores when you get to the next tee. Not at the green, move on.
- **4:15 to 4:30** is a well-played round. You can use 15 minutes per hole as a guide to pace of play. After 2 hrs. and 15 minutes, you should be done with your 9th hole. Time yourself and you will know where you are.
- Always keep up with the group ahead of you. The course can be like an accordion. Don’t let it get away from you. Don’t let it play “the Tennessee Waltz pace. Settle for a nice jazz trio.
- It’s incumbent on each of us to do our part and make it a pleasure to play fun golf. That is what we are about!

There are other time saving tips as well. These are but a few. Many of the new rules have been changed with pace of play in mind. Let’s all take advantage of them. The bottom line is that golf can be a frustrating game. Let’s not add to it with slow play

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**Central Oregon Senior Women’s Golf Association**

**Co-Chairperson**

**Jeanne Kosanovic**

There were two Senior events in July: Crooked River Ranch and Desert Peaks. Just a few sprinkles of rain at Desert Peaks, otherwise weather was favorable for golfing! Pro shop certificate winners were:

**Crooked River Ranch:** Lael Cooksley, Jeanne Kosanovic, Patti Martinson, Judi Johannesen and Sandy Steiger

**Desert Peaks:** Jeanne Kosanovic, Lael Cooksley and Diane Concannon

If anyone is interested in joining the COSWGA – entry fee is now only $75 to play in the remaining 3 events (see Jerri Henry or Jeanne Kosanovic for an entry form – also available on the bulletin board at the Ridge):

- **Prineville**
  - Meadow Lakes
  - August 5

- **Awbrey Glen**
  - September 17

Don’t forget – that we always make arrangements to carpool together to each event!

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**Playing Wrong Ball**

**Co-Chairpersons**

**Judy Soeten**

**Alice Gommoll**

**Question:** While playing, I accidentally played my competitor’s ball. What procedure should I follow?

**Answer:** **Rule 6.3c** address playing the wrong ball by stating you must not make a stroke at a wrong ball. In stroke play, you must correct the mistake by continuing play with the original ball by playing it as it lies or taking relief under the Rules. The general penalty of **two strokes** will be assessed. The stroke made with the wrong ball and any more strokes before the mistake is corrected do not count. If you do not correct the mistake before making a stroke to begin another hole or, for the final hole of the round, before returning your scorecard, you are disqualified. In this case your competitor must place the ball or a ball on the spot from which the wrong ball was first played. In match play the penalty is loss of hole. If it is not known which wrong ball was played first, there is no penalty and the hole played out with the balls exchanged.

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**Team**

**Co-Captains**

**Judy Soeten**

**Alice Gommoll**

The ECWGG team began the month of July by hosting the Central Oregon Women’s Team Golf matches on the Resort. The ladies played Bend Country Club. The six ladies playing for Eagle Crest were: Gail Steinmetz, Dianne Rogers, Judy Soeten, Patty Scott, Bobbie Haas and Mona Benetti. It was a beautiful, comfortable day and our ladies made a good showing. Those winning birdie balls were: Gail Steinmetz and Dianne Rogers.

To host a tournament requires volunteers. If it wasn’t for these individuals and their teams, the tournament would not have been successful. We thank Kevin Story, his crew for organizing and staging the carts. Vic Phillips, his maintenance crew, for preparing and setting up the course. Rick Kelly for suppling breakfast and lunch, Pati Schmitt and Candy Matsukado for their work on Golf Genius, Dianne Rogers, Bobbie Haas for preparing the carts, Dave Rygh, Ron Haas, Veron Rygh (Continue on Page 4 Column 1)
for schlepping bags, and Veron Rygh for monitoring pace of play and scoring. The team is grateful to all the people for their support and hard work. To all a huge thank you.

The next match was July 22 at Crooked River Ranch. Here the ladies played Sunriver. Representing Eagle Crest were: Gail Steimetz, Candy Matsukado, Diane Baumgartner, Dianne Rogers, Judy Soeten, and Bobbie Haas. The ladies made a good showing, improving with each match. Good work Ladies.

The next match will be August 2 where the ladies play Prineville Country Club at Bend.

Days Play
Days Play Coordinator
Jeanne Kosanovic

Cannot believe that August is here already! We still have a lot of golf days left – so get out and play!

August Golf Schedule:

**August 1** – the final day of the Partners Tournament will be on Thursday on the Ridge Course.
**August 6** – Member/Guest event! The game is 4 person scramble on the Ridge Course with an 8:30 SG start. Come early for breakfast and stay for lunch and a margarita!
**August 13** – Challenge Course with tee times starting at 8:00am. The game is 123 (team game). Team plays at Prineville.
**August 20** – Ridge Course with an 8:00am SG start. The game is Tuffy’s. Team plays at Juniper.
**August 27** – Resort Course with an 8:30 SG start. The game is Mutt & Jeff.

Visitations
Chairperson
Michelle Kelly

August will be our last month of Visitations in 2019. Three clubs are participating: Bend Country Club August 7, Sunriver August 21 and Juniper August 28. You must sign-up for Bend Country Club and Sunriver by August 1st. With the exception of Juniper, invitations with all the details are posted on the bulletin board at the Ridge Pro Shop. At publication we had not received Juniper’s invitation.

Participating in visitations is a great way to meet other women in the Central Oregon golfing community and to play several local courses, at reduced rates! The visitation cost includes green fees, cart, range balls, lunch and often breakfast.

There are nine courses in the 18-hole group in the Central Oregon Golf Visitation Group (COGVG). Each year approximately half of the courses can host a visitation. Any of our members can sign-up to play. If your handicap is over 40 it will be adjusted to 40

When visitation invitations are received from participating clubs, they are posted, along with a sign-up sheet, at the Ridge Pro Shop and an email announcing the invitation is sent to members. Be sure to drop by the Pro Shop and sign-up early! There are usually only 10 – 12 players allowed from each club. Remember, you must sign into the check at the Ridge Pro Shop when you sign-up to play. Have the pro shop staff add it to the ECWGG Visitation envelope.
July Eagles and Birdies
Eclectic
Corinne Mckean

Congratulations to the following members who received eagles and birdies.

Birdies and Eagles for July:

July 2 – Challenge
Bramble – scores not post able.

July 9 – Ridge
Kathleen Mooberry, #4 and #15
Corinne McKean, #16
Janet Owens, #6
Bette Wald, #3
Susan Osborn, #13
Patty Knittel, #2
Pati Schmitt, #5

July 16 – Ridge
Birdies
Kathleen Mooberry, #16
Diane Concannon, #6 and #13
Cheryle Clark, #4
Candy Matsukado, #6
Alice Gommoll, #6
Lee Ann Mattison, #13
Betty Stearns, #3

Eagles
Dianne Rogers, #4
Candy Matsukado, #5

July 23 -- Ridge
Carol Ratzlaff, #3

Reminders:

1) Keep marking those birdies on the scorecards so I don’t miss them.
2) If you pick up your ball on any hole on the Ridge during our regular Day’s Play, the score for that hole cannot be used in the eclectic competition.

New Members
Mentor Coordinator
Jan Romeis

ECWGG welcomes our newest member Patti Martinson. Looking forward to see you on the course.

August Birthdays

Birthday wishes to the following ECWGG members

Aug. 5  Carolyn Curtis
Aug. 8  Marge Rosson
Aug. 19  Betty Stearns
Aug. 21  Pat Porter
Aug. 22  Sandy Stupfel

Quote of the Month: Long ago, when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it’s called golf.  Will Rogers.