



# SHORELINE Women's Golf Club

## March 2008 Newsletter

### FROM THE CAPTAIN

Welcome for the New Year of 2008. We have started out with a few rainout play days and one frost delay. Hopefully, the bad weather is over and the course will soon be dried out and not too soggy. We are all looking forward to getting back into golfing again.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting is coming up this coming Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 1:30. Remember that you are required to attend 2 meetings a year. The other two meetings will be held in June and September for you to meet your requirements. If you have not signed up for this coming Tuesday, please email Paulette and let her know if you want to play.

### PWGA – Messages

The PWGA books for the year 2008 are at the golf course for you to pick up. Be sure to get your book when you are there next.

A REMINDER to the Starters. Please put out the Orange PWGA book out on the desk for the members to look at. It gives all of the tournaments that will be held during the year and how to sign up for them through the PWGA Director, Nancy Humpal, for our club. If you have any questions about the play days or tournaments you can contact Nancy to find out about them.

The PWGA play days are held from May through August and points can be built up when you participate in them. They give out awards for gross and net points to the top winners and you can receive a nice medallion if you win. The events are held at different golf courses throughout the area. This is a good way to meet other players in our Area and make some new friends. The play dates are listed in the back of our Roster Book also.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### MATCH PLAY

Match Play is coming up in April. Patti Hayes will be running this event and will have a sign up sheet out for you to sign up for this tournament. This is a 3 week commitment when you sign up for the tournament.

## SPRING SHOOT

Will be held on May 13<sup>th</sup>. This was a big success last year and members had a great time. Be sure to put it on your calendar.

## PARTNERSHIP ECC

The Partnership ECC will be starting on May 13<sup>th</sup>. You need a partner within 5 strokes of your handicap to play with. This event will be held for 8 weeks and will end on July 1. Once you have completed 5 events you will not be able to improve your score. The sign up sheet for this event will be at the golf course. If you are going to be out of town and need to sign up, contact Nellie Calvo or Cindy Moon.

## STARTER/SCORER DUTIES

Instructions on how to perform your job are in the front of the gray book at the course. If you are not sure of how to do your job, please read the instructions. This will help if you have any questions.

One of the problems of being a Starter is the arrival time of the player. You are required to check in at the desk 30 minutes before your tee time. If you are late in arriving the Starter is to move someone into your tee time and you will lose it. Granted that there are times when traffic is bad or something happens to make you late. The Starter is still required to fill the tee time, so be prepared to go out later if you are late.

Scorers are to mark down the time that you arrive at the desk after the 18<sup>th</sup> hole. This is to be noted from the clock at the restaurant or the scorers watch and not from the player that gives the time off of her own watch. We are once again trying to get the Pace of Play to be better.

## PACE OF PLAY

You are given a time at the 1<sup>st</sup> tee of when you tee off. When you are finished with the 18<sup>th</sup> hole, please go to the desk and let them know that you are in and then do your scorecards. Do not stay at the 18<sup>th</sup> hole to do your scorecards and compare them.

## WAYS TO SPEED UP PLAY & ETIQUETTE

Please play ready golf. If you are on the fairway and you can hit safely, even out of turn, do so. If the next tee is open for play, when two players finish putting, they should proceed to the next tee and hit. Go to the next tee to put down your scores.

Keep up with the foursome ahead of you. Limit practice swings to one in order to keep play moving. If 2 players are in a cart, drop off the player at her ball and go to your ball to be ready to hit. Then you can pick up the player after both have hit their ball.

Do not hit into the group in front of you. If the group in front of you is on the green, pay attention as to not affect their putting. This means hitting your ball up to the green even if you can't reach it. If your ball is close to the green and they are putting, do not go and stand behind your ball while they are putting. Wait until they leave the green.

There is a page on our Web site that has Pace of Play suggestions. Please go and read these and it will help to keep the Pace of Play going well.

## RULES

There have been questions as to the Rule on the 13<sup>th</sup> temporary green with the automatic 2 putts. I asked our Rules Chairman, Sue Kaupp, how we are to play this rule. Here is her version and how to be consistent with the temporary 2 putt rule.

### TWO PUTT RULE

Once your ball is on the green, you may try to sink it with one putt but if you miss that one putt, no matter where the ball comes to rest, pick it up, move on and add/post 2 putts to your score. It is a player friendly option for a scraggly temporary green.

The temporary green on hole #13 makes this a 3 par hole. If you get a 2 it is counted as a birdie, but if you get a 3 it is a par. The new 13<sup>th</sup> green is scheduled to be open around April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### NEAREST POINT OF RELIEF AND ONE CLUB LENGTH

To find the nearest point of relief, we should use the club we want to make the shot with once we get away from the interference. The rules say we "should" use that club, not "must", but they are suggesting if we don't use the club we are subject to penalty because with a different club we may not locate the correct npr. Once we have established that nearest point of relief, using the club we will make the shot with, then we get an additional one club length, in a pie shaped area around that npr, no nearer the hole. To measure that club length, from the established nearest point of relief, we can use any club we have in our own bag...driver, long putter, short putter, whatever we want to use to measure a club length.

So, in summary, first find the npr using the club you plan to make the shot with. Second measure a one club length area from that npr, measuring with any club you choose.

The whole idea is to get free of the interference (obstruction/abnormal ground condition/etc) and get the ball back in play without taking on unfair advantage.

If you have any Rules questions, don't hesitate to email Sue Kaupp and get her to help. The new 2008 Rules of Golf are on sale in the Pro Shop. If you don't have one it is wise to get one and keep it in your bag for questions as to a rule when you are on the course.

Because of damage that the coots have made on the greens a new local rule is in effect. If your line of putt is interfered with by unrepairable damage, you are entitled to relief. Lift your ball and place it, without penalty, at the nearest point of relief, no closer to the hole. Complete relief may not be possible, if so, take maximum available relief. The closest point of relief may be off the putting green.

#### CAPTAIN TROPHY WINNERS

January – Robbie Gray & Karen McFadden – 71  
February – Mi Ja Jang & Karen McFadden - 70

#### NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Cindy Hyeong who qualified with the Club on Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you at the course, and are happy that you joined our Club. Also we welcome back to the Club Audrey Hardy who is a member that is returning to the Club.

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#### OTHER NEWS

Put it on your Calendar. The board approved at the last meeting that we would have the Couples Tournament on the last guest day of the year which will be September 23<sup>rd</sup>. This tournament has been rained out the last 2 years because of it being in December. It has been a lot of work for the Tee Time Director and the Tournament Director and has been cancelled because of inclement weather.

Members with a guest will have top priority. Two members will not be allowed to play together in the tournament but if they don't have a guest and can play at the end of the field **if there is room**. They will not be playing in the Member/Guest tournament. This will be used as a day when sweeps do not have to be paid to the Pro Shop. A \$5 cash fee will be collected for the tournament.

#### NEWS FROM THE SHORELINE GOLF LINKS ADVISORY GREENS COMMITTEE

Jack Smith is the replacement for Paula at the office. There are many things trying to be accomplished about the coot problem. PD Dogs staff has taken a tour of the coot situation. They will be submitting a proposal to bring their dogs to Shoreline for geese and coot control.

Bird balls have been used at the airport to cover a small pond to deter birds from settling there. Last Tuesday it looked as if they are using this approach. We now have swimming lanes in the lakes and I think that these are the bird balls. Will be interesting to see if it works.

Contact was made with the California Fish and Wildlife Commission who met this month to discuss adopting a regulation that would allow for the permitting of agencies to addle geese eggs. The item was pulled from the agenda due to insufficient environmental information provided to the Commission. The Commission will be revisiting the item at a future meeting.

Another possibility is that of reducing the lakes at Shoreline. With a reduction of fresh water, it could deter the big population of coots.

There have been numerous complaints regarding the coot problem at the course. Not only have the women's club lost members, but it is also becoming a problem to get new members to join. The men's club has lost 50 members because of the coot problem.

There have been discussions with the City Manager and Community Services Director to hire a person to oversee the bird issues at the golf course. No decision as been made but might be in March.

Francie Green is representing our Club at these meetings. This has been the biggest problem for Shoreline Golf Links and they are working to try to remedy this problem.

*I look forward to seeing you at the General Meeting and at the course. Being your Captain as been an enjoyment for me.*

Captain, Mary Lu Bishop