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The President's View

by Shawn Kruger

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Connect. Learn. Play. Belong.

The EWGA mission is connecting women to learn, play and enjoy golf for business and for fun.

What have you **LEARNED** as a member of the Dallas EWGA?

The rules of golf? A better short game? All about Match Play? There are really more women interested in golf AND playing golf than you knew? Have you **LEARNED** the game of golf can bring women closer together and can also make climbing the corporate ladder a bit easier? Or, do you know we host social events at interesting venues across the Metroplex? I've **LEARNED** all of this, and so much more since I joined the Dallas EWGA in 2007.



This year's Education & Player Development calendar has a complete range of offerings to expand your knowledge about the rules of golf, or to help you work on specific aspects of your game. On May 1, at Champions Circle we're co-hosting a skills challenge with the Ft. Worth EWGA. Not only will you get help with your short game, since we haven't co-hosted an event with the Ft. Worth EWGA in quite a while, this event provides you an opportunity to **LEARN** about their members, too!

Our Social Events this year are all about **LEARNING** more about each other. May 15 we'll all **LEARN** how to play the ponies during a fun day at Lone Star Park! There will be plenty of time for networking, catching up with old friends and making new ones. We encourage you to bring your friends and family along - we want to **LEARN** about them too!

And... about that corporate ladder I mentioned: Robin Anderson, a member of the Houston EWGA and the EWGA Businesswoman of the Year in 2009, can tell you all about the value of being a golfer. As an executive in the oil industry, she has some great stories to share about how golf's made it easier for her to stand out among her peers, and fit in with the leadership who help open doors. Personally, I've **LEARNED** that no one cheers more loudly when I've shared a positive moment in my career than my golf girlfriends and they're equally supportive when opportunities don't work out.

So this year, let's take advantage of all the benefits our EWGA has to offer us: discounts on golf lessons, equipment, apparel and tee times; opportunities to improve our games; plus amazing friendships to find and develop through social events or group trips like a cruise to Bermuda or planning to go to the 2011 Solheim Cup at Killeen Castle, in Ireland.

Tee 'em high and let 'em fly!

Shawn

Learn to Practice "Smart"

by **K.P. Pieters, Golf Education and Player Development Chair**

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Golf Learning Center

DA's Ladies Nights

start Wednesday, April 28th

Come join us Wednesday anytime between 5-9 PM for the first Ladies Night at DA's of the 2010 season.

There is no need to RSVP, just put in your calendars each Wednesday will be Ladies Night with half price buckets of balls and special event and savings.

Show up anytime between 5-9 PM and identify yourself as an EWGA member.

If the economic incentive is not strong enough to bring you to the range (even though you promised yourself this is the year you would practice more!) how about a range scorecard?

This season we have created a scorecard you can use at the range to help make practice more fun and beneficial. Just grab a scorecard when you arrive and turn it in at the end of your session, the Education and Player Development team will track your scores and award most improved at the end of the season!

Again, no requirement to RSVP, just show up anytime and make practice FUN! Also check the DA's website for more opportunities to learn through specialty clinics and lesson series.

DA's Golf Learning Center

5601 W Spring Creek Parkway
Plano, TX 75024
972-378-6631

Connecting Opportunities | SOCIAL

by **Wendy Welch, Social Events Chair**

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**Join us for
EWGA Happy Hour
at Lone Star Park**

Saturday, May 15th

**G
ates tentatively open at
11:35 am.**

Your \$35 ticket will include:

- General Parking, Admission

- Counter Seat
- Lone Star Today Racing Program
- Buffet

**Click [HERE](#)
RSVP and PAY ONLINE
no later than Saturday, May 1st.**

(Provide your name, total number of tickets for your group.)

Friends, family, and prospective members are welcome!!!

Hope to see you all there!

Lone Star Park

1000 Lone Star Parkway
Grand Prairie, TX 75050972-263-PONY

Connecting Opportunities | GOLF

by Tracy Huber, Golf Events Chair

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Spring is here and hopefully April showers will not linger into May!

I'd like to **THANK** all those who played at Waterview (3/27 Golf Event), Coyote Ridge (4/17 Play Date), and Riverside (4/24 Golf Event). And a special thanks to the following folks who helped pull off those events: Ralynne Kiser, Karen LaCroix, Marie Maness, Tonya Settles and Angela Ellexson.

Congrats to our winners at our March 27th Event at Waterview:

- Scramble team: Karen Allen, Christina Shuffield, Lee Ann Woods, and Audrey Yazby
- First Place, *Flight A*: Heather Beaudoin
- Second Place, *Flight A*: Kathy Bourgeault
- First Place, *Flight B*: Carolyn Manuel
- Second Place, *Flight B*: Jody Locke

My sincerest apologies to those who had tried to RSVP for Coyote Ridge and were 'waitlisted. Unfortunately, Coyote Ridge double booked another event the same time & date as ours, so we were limited to only five tee times. Typically, most courses are able to work with us for any late RSVPs. But as a precautionary measure, I have noted the RSVP deadline at each date for the rest of the year.

If you RSVP by the deadline, then you will be guaranteed a spot. Since Play Dates are reserved tee times, the course will release the open tee times to the general public after our RSVP deadline. So, the earlier you can RSVP, the better chance you have to get your name on the list of players at the time you want (just like if you were calling on your own for a Saturday AM tee time).

UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS & PLAY DATES....

Sunday, May 9th - Event at The Tribute, The Colony TX

- Lunch at 11:30am
- Shotgun at 1:00pm.
- \$85 if you RSVP and Pay On-Line by April 30th. \$95 if you RSVP May 1 - May 5
- If you have never played the courses of Europe, this is about, as close as you can get without a passport - so don't miss out! Please specify stroke play or scramble format. Stroke play game is Two Person Blind Best Ball: Each player records her net score on each hole, then will be paired "blind" post round with a partner. Prizes will be awarded to the best Two Person Blind Teams.
- RSVP & PAY ONLINE [HERE FOR THE TRIBUTE](#)

Saturday, May 22nd - Play Day at WestRidge Golf Course, McKinney TX

- Male and female guests are welcome for 8:00am consecutive tee times
- \$59 + tax.
- FOR A GUARANTEED SPOT, THE RSVP DEADLINE IS 05/12.
- WAITLISTS MAY OCCUR IF YOU RSVP PAST THE 12TH. FINAL RSVP DEADLINE IS 05/17.
- RSVP [HERE FOR WESTRIDGE](#)

Hope to see you on the links soon! ~ Tracy

New Members Orientation

by Patte Lee, Membership Chair
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A warm welcome to all our new members, and a few dual members who've joined us from the Ft. Worth Chapter!

Please contact Patte Lee if you're interested in attending a New Member's Orientation, **Monday, May 3rd**. She'll have all the details! And, we'll post to the Dallas EWGA web site the time and location specifics as they're finalized.

2010 League Play Starting May 5th

By Suzi Bartek, Leagues Chair
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The Wednesday night league at [Indian Creek](#) has a few more openings available.

The league lasts 12 weeks from 5/5 through 7/21.

If you are interested in playing on the league or would like to be placed on the SUB list, please email Suzi Bartek at leagues@dallasewga.com

LEARN about the EWGA by Volunteering

by Angela Ellexson, Leadership Chair
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What a great way to get to know your fellow members and our organization.

Leagues are starting soon, I am certain Suzi Bartek, our League Chair, would welcome the help a League Captain could provide.

Please reach out to me or Suzi if you are interested:

Leadership@dallasEWGA.com
Leagues@dallasEWGA.com

I look forward to seeing you on the course soon as I continue to LEARN about the great game of golf!

Angela Ellexson

2010 Match Play League Underway

by Audrey Yazbeck, 2010 Match Play League Chair
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The 2010 Match Play League is now underway! This year we have 38 competitors, compris

of 5 flights. The first round of matches is now underway, and will go through May 9th. Wa for bracket updates in the next newsletter. Flight winners will have the opportunity to represent Dallas in the Lone Star Cup in August. Thank you to all participants and good luck your matches everyone!

1st Round Pairings:

Flight A

Heather Beaudoin vs Bye
Faye Wilkins vs Linda Martin
Krista Hartman vs Janet Case
Kat Tidd vs Tila T Foss

Flight B

Juley Welch vs Bye
Lee O'Conner vs Ann Jaycox
Jan Parrish vs Kris Owens
Evelyn Ireland vs Winner Laws

Flight C

Tonya Settles vs Shawn Kruger
Kay Mason vs Jeri Phillips
Susan Stamper vs Audrey Yazbeck
Kim Gaddy vs Marie Dinh

Flight D

Wendy Platukas vs Tabatha Meyer
Patrice Goldstein vs Christina Shuffield
Marie Maness vs Jody Locke
Karen Allen vs Patte Lee

Flight E

Barb Walters vs Mary O'Connor
Molly Dusenberry vs Basia Wojcik
Angela Ellexson vs Diana Gats
Cheryl McCally vs Sonja Jackson

For questions regarding the Match Play League please contact Audrey Yazbeck (ayazbeck@gmail.com).

Handicap Corner | Measure Your Potential

by Juley Welch, Handicap Chair

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Association Headquarters (AHQ) in Florida is reporting that we're 1 month into our new GN handicap system. They appreciate your patience as they continue to work through some of the growing pains that accompany change. They are promising smooth sailing ahead.

The new "My Golf Life" page at the National Association Web Site has been changed and updated so you can enhance or create your own golf profile, see recent new members to our chapter, post photos and messages plus much more.

The GLMS (old name) system is now known as GN21. Although, you may still see some references to the old system for a little while longer. Probably the easiest way to remember this new term is to think that you can't legally drink GiN until 21. LOL!

Many inquiries have been received by AHQ about what "L" means after your trend. This stands for Local Handicap and is required to be there per the USGA. Since it is only on the Trend it does not affect your index.

Members can change their own personal home course by following the directions below. Ask all Handicap chairs to pass this information along.

"To change your personal home course, please go to the **Account Tab. on upper right side, then scroll down to **Edit course and default tee box**. See**

course list and then find your home course and save the changes."

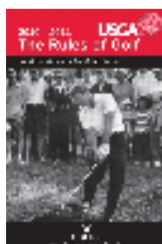
You can still print handicap cards out for yourselves. AHQ instructed GolfNet to correct the link on the c which currently reads ewganetwrok.com to ewga.com for verification.

If you do not remember your login information, or have questions send an email to handicap@myewga.com. Include your full name and EWGA member number.

Or contact me, your Handicap Chair
Juley Welch, Handicap Chair
972-363-2452
juleyann@grandecom.net

Rules You Asked About

by **K.P. Pieters, Golf Education and Player Development Chair**
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**What club do I have to use when measuring?**

You can use ANY club in the bag to measure a club length, this applies to sorts of situations where you shall measure either 1 or 2 club lengths, for example on taking relief from ground under repair, taking a drop for an playable lie, taking a drop from a hazard, or even measuring from the tee box--remember you can go one club length behind the tee box markers not left, right or forward of them.

Remember for you scramble players too, a club length could take a tree of play or give you a better lie. Pick the right club for the situation to give yourself the most benefit from this rule!

You'll Want to Participate in the Lone Star Cup!

by **Jan Parrish, LSC Team Captain**
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If you've enjoyed the excitement of the Solheim or Ryder Cup competitions, then this is your opportunity to have a similar experience. Golfers of every skill level are invited to try out to represent Dallas at the Lone Star Cup. The event is open to any Dallas-EWGA member with official handicap of 36 or lower and a bit of a competitive spirit.

Here's how it works. A team of twelve women and two alternates from each chapter in Texas competes with other chapters for the coveted Lone Star Cup. Formats include 2-person ball, singles match play, and alternate shot. You qualify by participating in the spring match play or in try-outs to be scheduled in July.

This year the event is at the fabulous

Barton Creek Resort in the Texas Hill Country west of Austin

August 26 - 29

There will also be fun golf events for friends and family of the team members or for members who just want to be part of the fun and didn't make the team.

So mark your calendars now and watch for more details coming soon.

2010 Chapter Championship

by **Evelyn Ireland**

Save the Date(s)
Chapter Championship

Practice Round
Sunday AM, June 6th

Championship Tournament
Sunday AM, June 13th

Bridlewood Golf Club
4000 W. Windsor Road
Flower Mound, TX 75028
972-355-4800

*Additional details coming soon, via Dallas EWGA web site, Email Blasts and
in the May edition of Tee Times.*

A Minute With KK

by Krista 'KK' Hartman, Communications Chair
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NEWS & NOTES

Have you made the news recently? Do you have an amazing golf experience to share with Dallas EWGA friends? Help expand our network and deepen our Dallas EWGA **CONNECTIONS** by sharing your news and photos. Be creative!

Although I cannot promise every submission will be published in our Newsletters or on our site, I'll do my best.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Interested in **connecting** with Dallas EWGA on Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook?
Please email me kk@shekankompany.com.

EMAIL TIP

Your electronic Chapter Communications are sent to you from a variety of online tools. To insure you're receiving everything, be sure your Safe Senders settings are checked to receive emails coming from our entire domain @dallasewga.com.

FAMOUS WOMEN GOLFER ONCE SAID

"Golf is a game of coordination, rhythm and grace; women have these to a high degree."
Babe Didrikson Zaharias (1914-1956)

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