

Willowbrook Women's Golf Association

2024 Information

The Willowbrook Women's Golf Association (WWGA) is here to promote fellowship among the women members of Willowbrook Country Club (WCC) by creating an organization for golf and social activities. All events shall be played under USGA Rules of Golf and the USGA Handicap System.

Beginning with the 2024 season, the WWGA will be run by a three- person committee consisting of:

Pat Genutis – Events Coordinator

Sue Cicero – Treasurer

Mary Crone – Secretary

WWGA Membership

- Membership is open to all women members of WCC.
- Yearly membership dues: \$75.00 (covers prizes for weekly events including three Trophy Events as well Birdies, Ringers, and Chip-Ins).
- A USGA handicap and membership in the WWGA is required for participation in WWGA weekly events.

Weekly Sign-up and Weekly Play

- The Pro Shop will send an email via Golf Genius to ask if you are "PLAYING" or "NOT PLAYING" for next week's WWGA round of golf.
- Respond to the email as soon as you know if you can play, but no later than Tuesday.
- The Pro Shop determines all pairings and tee times.
- On Wednesday, you will receive an email from the Pro Shop via Golf Genius Program with the tee times for Thursday morning.
- If you need to cancel, please call the Pro Shop as soon as you know you need to cancel. You can also cancel using Golf Genius if it is prior to the Tuesday deadline.
- A minimum of six (6) members must start the round to constitute an event (with prizes awarded). The prize payout will be reduced for 6 to 8 players.
- **Please arrive at least 30 minutes before your tee time.**
- **A list of events will be posted in the locker room as well as outside the Pro Shop.**

Inclement Weather

- If inclement weather interrupts golf play, the event for that day may be canceled if the delay is over one hour.
- The number of holes played in an event may be shortened to as few as nine holes due to inclement weather. Only those holes completed by the entire field will count for scoring.
- Players are expected to remain at the club until the event is officially canceled.
- A golf event can only be canceled at the discretion of the Pro and/or the Events chairperson.
- If the course is deemed playable, the event will go on.

Handicaps

Members participating in WWGA events must have a current USGA handicap, which requires five 18-hole rounds or a combination of posted 9-hole scores. The GHIN system is used to calculate handicaps per the World Handicap System. A Handicap Index is updated the day after a score is posted.

The Pro Shop will post all scores for WWGA during league play. To maintain an accurate handicap, scores for non-WWGA league play must also be posted as soon as possible after each round (including 9-hole rounds and rounds at courses other than WCC). When posting your own score, you may need to adjust the score if any score is above "net double bogey" (double bogey plus any handicap strokes). Please see the Pro or one of the WWGA officers if you need help learning how to adjust your scores. You may also use equitable strokes where appropriate.

WWGA Events and Awards

WWGA event winners are posted weekly on Golf Genius.

WWGA organizes weekly events and competitions including three Trophy Events, described below, and a variety of games. See WWGA's schedule for events and descriptions of our golf activities.

Ringers, Birdies, and Chip-ins on Thursday Play

- Ringer, birdie, and chip-in competition begins on the first day of league play (WWGA Opening Day) and runs through the week prior to WWGA's Closing Day.
- Ringers, birdies, or chip-ins are not eligible or recorded when temporary greens are played.

Ringers:

- Your lowest score on each hole will be recorded for league play throughout the season.
- **Each week, turn in a "ringer card" for your group to the league's Ringers volunteer.** These ringers will be verified against scores turned into the Pro Shop that day.
- An updated ringer spreadsheet will be emailed weekly to all members after ringers are updated. **If a discrepancy exists, notify the Ringers volunteer as soon as possible.** All discrepancies will be reviewed based on scores turned into the Pro Shop.
- Ringer cards will be available in the locker room should members want to keep a record of their own scores.
- Prizes will be given to the players with the final lowest gross score and lowest net score in each flight.
- Should an event be shortened to a 9-hole (or more) event due to inclement weather, ringers may be posted only if everyone has played the same 9 (or more) holes.

Birdies:

- Prizes are given out on Closing Day for birdies during league play.
- **Record all birdies on the bulletin board in women's locker room.**
- Note that birdies are attested via signing the scorecard given to Pro Shop.
- Birdies may be posted regardless of how many holes have been played.

Chip-Ins:

- Prizes are given out on Closing Day for chip-ins during league play.
- A chip-in counts any time you putt or chip a ball into the hole from off the green.
- **Record all chip-ins on the bulletin board in women's locker room.** When recording chip-ins on a sheet on bulletin board, someone from your group must attest to the chip-ins.
- Chip-ins may be posted regardless of how many holes have been played provided they were made on regular greens.

Star of the Week

The "Star of the Week" is the player (or players in the event of a tie) with the low net each week (gross score minus handicap).

Silly Sand

- Optional fun game and drawing: Pay 10 cents per sand shot (3 shots maximum per bunker).
- For all participants, a drawing will be held on Closing Day to share the income.
- Signup on sheet on bulletin board in locker room by the date specified.

50/50 Raffle – Held weekly as a fundraiser for WWGA.

Guest Day

A "Guest Day" invitational is organized by WWGA. The day includes a light breakfast, golfing 18-holes with a shotgun start, and a luncheon in the clubhouse after golf. There will be an entry fee for guests to cover the cost of the event; lunch and cart fees (if applicable), will be billed to member's accounts. A USGA Handicap is required for all players.

Hole-In-One Club

- All WWGA members are eligible to join.
- Entry fee: \$3.00
- To be eligible, you must be playing with another Willowbrook member (male or female) who can attest your scorecard.
- The hole-in-one must be made at Willowbrook on a regular green between March 1 and Nov. 30.
- Each time the prize is awarded, another \$3.00 fee will be assessed.

WWGA Trophy Events

For all trophy events:

- Stroke play.
- 90% handicap used.
- Maximum handicap is 44.
- The field is organized by handicap index.
- In the event of a tie there will be a sudden death play-off with no runners up. Those who tie must remain to play or forfeit.
- **Trophy events will include: Memorial, Queen Bee and President's Trophies**

Willowbrook Women's Club Championship

Beginning with the 2024 season the Women's Club Championship will be run by the Pro Shop.

Queen Bee Peace Purdom Award

This award is named for Peace Purdom who originally donated the award as an expression of her gratitude and appreciation for the joy and fellowship experienced at Willowbrook Country Club.

- Two-day event.
- Scores are recorded on the first day; on the second day, any score lower than the first day will be recorded (similar to ringers).
- The low net score wins (lowest 18-hole score, less handicap).

President's Trophy

The winner is the player with the lowest net score.

Memorial Trophy

The Memorial Trophy honors our WWGA members who have passed away.

The winner is the player with the lowest net score

