

EWGA END-OF-YEAR LUNCHEON/MEETING

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

11:00am Café Mezzanotte

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OPENING MEETING Cricket

Welcome Everyone! This season just flew by, and I appreciate everyone in the room. People would sign up to play and actually show up! This is such a wonderful group of women and I'm proud of all of you! Please continue to invite ladies to join!

TOURNAMENT CHAIR Susan Darnley.

First, we should all thank Carolyn Feeley for doing 90% of the pairings this year even with her surgery (I did the month of April).

We have been operating all year without a clubhouse – just a desk and a clipboard (and someone lifted the clipboard!)

Next year will be challenging, as the date for putting the trailer near the pavilion has been pushed back, which is probably where we'll be checking in next year. Also, the upper parking lot will be closed as this is where the construction vehicles will be, so parking will be tight.

We need volunteers next year to finish out the terms for Secretary and Social Chair. Also please consider running for the Board next term (2025) as these positions are open.

Player Attendance: 78-80 paid members

38 players with 10 or more days (Spring Tournament 2025)

19 players with 5-9 play days

15 with <5 days (7 never played)

League Days:

April-May...average players 35

June-July...average 32 (no one played in July due to extreme heat)

Aug-Sep...average 28

October... average 23

Most Improved Player:

Base on a formula that takes into account it's harder for low handicap players to improve, there are two requirements:

1. Must have played previous year (Oct – Oct)
2. Attended 10 or more league days in current year. Contradicting the above formula, this year's most improved player defiantly took her index of 4.5 (2023) down to an index of 2.4 (2024). That player is Cricket...CONGRATULATIONS!

Spring Tournament:

There were 33 participants and four flights:

D flight: Marge Waglie...130 (lowest score for all four flights!)

C flight: Toni Clarke...138

B flight: Deb Martin...136

A flight: Dee Pumphrey...137

Congratulations Ladies!

League Championship:

There were 16 participants flighted into 3 flights using gross scores. This championship was extremely difficult to schedule due to conflicting events and “I’m melting” hot weather.

C flight: Sharon Sellers...194 (shot a 93 to seal the deal)

B flight: Sue Spurr...176

A flight: Deb Andrew...170 (even after knee replacement)

Last year’s winner, Cathy Ayoob, last year’s winner came forward to presented Deb with the award.

Also, congratulations to Marlies Empey for getting a hole-in- one on Hole #15. WooHoo!

Eisenhower merchandise should go on sale shortly, so it doesn’t have to be moved.

If anyone hears about Eisenhower merchandise going on sale, please let me know.

TREASURER: Joanne Montgomery

EWGA END OF YEAR FINANCIAL STATEMENT

NOVEMBER 6, 2024

Balance on 10/31/2023	\$ 2,645.70
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Income

League fees	\$3,570.00
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GB bank acct closure	\$100.00
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Shirts	\$1,125.00
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	\$ 7,440.70
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Expenses

11/1/2023 Mezzanotte luncheon		\$ 476.40
2024 lunch deposit	\$300.00	
Anne Arundel Golf Mgmt (shirts)		
	\$1,125.00	
Shirt refund	\$25.00	
Gift for S. Darnley	\$63.97	
Victory Awards	\$90.10	
Prize Payouts	<u>\$2,086.00</u>	
		\$ 4,166.47
Treasury Balance	\$3274.23	

After paying \$500-\$600 for the luncheon, these leaves a slush fund of approximately \$3,274.23 for use next year (Maybe for a possible invitational). Per Deb Andrew: this might be difficult due to ongoing construction and conflicting invitational dates.

Joanne will start accepting 2025 dues in January 2025

MEMBERSHIP: Sharon Sellers [not presented, taken from her notes]

In 2024 we welcomed 10 new members to EWGA:

Diane Bromwell	Sue Spurr
Debby Light	Lisa Mezzaache
Susan Culver	Meilani Tom
Patty Puzak	Jennifer Dudley
Lynn Johnson	Nancy Bodycomb

All of these new members have been welcome, and several were valuable additions to our SWGA team.

One new member, Lynn Johnson, stood up and stated she thoroughly enjoyed everyone she was paired with throughout the year; go Eisenhower!

SUNSHINE CLUB: Cheryl Keeter

Sadly Cheryl, who has been handling Sunshine Club for a LONG time, needs someone to volunteer and take over.

Sunshine club is exactly that – EWGA sending a card to a member that has an injury, a sickness, death in the family, etc.

SWGA REPORT: Donna Wiggs/Anne Richardson

There were seven 18-hole ladies league teams participating during 2024.

Any Eisenhower 18-hole ladies league member who is in good standing by paying dues and who has played 5 times at Eisenhower is eligible to play.

If you are a member of more than one league, you must declare a team to play under. Remember you no longer have to post SWGA play as Tournament scores.

We had six competitive matches, with a team of 8 players each match. Since we had an odd number of Leagues, clubs did not play when they were the host club, and we were not able to have a final “Fun Day”.

The final standings, teams, and points were as follows:

PLACE	LEAGUE	POINTS
FIRST	University of Maryland	243
SECOND	South River	226
THIRD	Eisenhower (yay!	220.5
FOURTH	Navy	210

FIFTH	Oak Creek	209.5
SIXTH	Enterprise	207
SEVENTH	Hobbit's Glen	196

The traveling award trophy and a smaller 1st place trophy will be awarded to University of Maryland.

Eisenhower points per flight were evenly spread, so you can see all flights contributed.

A: 53.5; B: 57.5; C: 52.0; D: 57.5 = 220.5.

The Chair Club rotates to Oak Creek for 2025. Eisenhower will be hosting the 3rd match in (June?) next year, date TBD.

Information regarding schedule and signups will be sent out in early 2025. Sign up on the web site to indicate your availability...ewga.weebly.com/swga or signupgenius.com.

Cricket and Donna modeled the new 2025 SWGA shirts. To purchase, go to acegolfs.com. These "Hyped tropical polo" shirts come in sleeveless, short sleeve, long sleeve and as a dress. Discounts are usually available.

For 2025, an 8th League has indicated interest in joining SWGA, Cannon Club, but this is a private club, and the cost may be \$110 to \$125 to play there. League usual fees have been \$42 to \$50. From a show of hands (or lack thereof) no one wanted to pay \$100+ for a day of play.

SWGA representatives meet tomorrow and will discuss all the issues. The schedule may be compressed to May through September, with the final match in October.

If you know of any outings, trips, or invitationals, please let us know so we can schedule SWGA play days around these events.

Along that line, the Carroll Valley trip for 2025 is scheduled for Sep 14 – Sep 17, Sunday through Wednesday. Last year's theme was the 60's (there was a singing trio) and next year's theme will be Country, so get out your cowboy hats, boots, maiden in distress outfits, etc.

Thank you all for participating this year.

We look forward to a good season in 2025 and hope that we have equally good participation next season.

Sharon Sellars (our Webmaster) set up the website so when match dates are posted you can sign up to play.

Four flights are available (A-D) which overlap handicaps, so one time you could be a B player and the next time a D player. If we can't fill all four flights, we usually place a different handicapped individual and have to give strokes before play.

SWGGA is an absolutely fun way to play other courses, meet players from other leagues, and get "match experience" while doing what we love – playing golf!

Finally, Donna would like to thank Anne for being the backup during 2024.

WINTER GOLF: Katherine Mann

To those who may be interested in Winter Golf, I will be in an out of town throughout the winter, including the entire month of December.

If there is anyone who could organize Winter Golf, I would be grateful to hand over the task. *Velma

Layton volunteered to help co-chair this position to provide Katherine some relief.*

Please sign up for Winter Golf via email by Sunday before play. Golf tee times for November are 9AM.

CLOSING BLESSING: Cricket

To end the meeting Cricket gave a short blessing sending out love to all SWGGA members and their families – short and sweet!