

EWGA CLOSING LUNCHEON/MEETING
Wednesday, November 1, 2023 11:00 am

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Closing Statement (Deb Martin)	

Vote on slate of Officers and Committee Chairs.

OPEN MEETING Deb Martin

Thank you EWGA: I'd like to thank all our members for their support (always saying yes and contributing goods and services) and our EWGA Board and Committees for their hard work and dedication to our league (time behind the scenes). Without this group of leaders our league would not exist. A special shout out to Carolyn Feeley who helped our Tournament Chair with the weekly pairings. Susan and Carolyn did a great job ...thank you!!

Thank you Joanne: Appreciate you having everything set up for the luncheon; plaques, monies, write ups and financial reports all done.

Thank you Eisenhower: I'd like to thank Ed Ruiz (Director of Operations), Mark Clutter (Director of Events) and the entire Eisenhower staff for their continued support of

our league, to include helping with Invitational and SWGA matches. As for the course we requested and received handicap flags, had paths mowed for our walkers, hummocks mowed for our sanity, and fencing put around the range. All much appreciated! George, our normal starter, is as delightful and patient as they come...we're lucky to have him.

Member Suggested 2024 Changes: We asked for suggested 2024 league changes you'd like to see. Some changes have already been implemented, like a drop zone for hole #15 over the penalty area. Suggestions considered will require input from Eisenhower, then discussed over the coming months.

Clubhouse Status: Funding for a new clubhouse was not provided in the FY2024 AACO budget. Monies that were provided (according to Jessica Leys, Director of AACO Recreation & Parks) are for construction phase...the final design, permitting, and earth prep. Hopefully FY2025's budget will include funding...fingers crossed.

Additional Restrooms Status: Reach out to Ed Ruiz: Eisenhower is still investigating the possibility of another bathroom trailer. The Board will keep you updated with any news. Expensive; working with county.

Winter Golf: Katherine Mann volunteered to coordinate Wednesday winter golf. Eisenhower & Compass Point are working on winter rates, which won't be more than current league rates. There is a WINTER LIST – please sign up via email. Deb asked Katharine to send a BLAST to general population about sign up for winter golf (for those not at the luncheon). Golf starts at 9am.

Katharine will be here all winter long; she needs to hear from you by SUNDAY, as she makes the list on Monday morning.

Motion to approve the minutes from opening meeting (Deb Martin (for Cricket)).

Deb Andrew motioned and Katharine Mann seconded the motion.

MEMBERSHIP: Sharon Sellars

22 new members in 2023! Woo-hoo!

Reproduced Flyer – copies on tables – Velma will place in clubhouse.

Please send folks to website for new members as well.

We are updating the website 😊

January – Joanne Montgomery will start accepting checks for 2024 membership.

TREASURY: Deb Martin for Joanne Montgomery

Switched from Bank of Glen Burnie to PNC (Severna Park).

Kept Bank of Glen Burnie open (\$100) just in case.

Dues for next year: \$45. Please wait until January 2024.

(Insert Finance Report)

SUNSHINE CLUB Cheryl Keeter

Thank you for informing me of folks who need sunshine. Please keep the emails coming.

RULES Marlies Empey

Thank you for being flexible at Eisenhower.

June Paul Eli Beli and Susan Darnley are now part of the rules committee; feel free to send emails with questions.

Over winter we will review rules and communicate changes.

All are encouraged to watch Videos on USGA website and UTube – Jay Roberts.

Didn't want to overwhelm members with too many emails

Who would like to receive emails every few weeks or so? (1/3 raised hands).

Course specific emails explanations are really helpful.

SWGA (Suburban Women's Golf League) – Eisenhower Report

2024 season SWGA Reps: Donna Dalfonzo-Wiggs & Anne Richardson

Thanks to Cricket for being back-up last couple of years. Welcome Anne.

There were seven 18-hole ladies league teams participating during 2022. We had 7 competitive matches, with a team of 8 each match. The Host League did not play at their home course, so the results were not available until the final match.

Since we did not have an 8th league we were NOT able to have a final “Fun Day” at University of Maryland, the Chair league this year. A SWGA meeting is scheduled for November 6, so if you have any issues, let Cricket or Anne know.

The final 2023 standings: teams, and points were as follows:

1st place South River **5th place UMD**
2nd place Navy **6th place Eisenhower**
3rd place Oak Creek **7th place Hobbit's Glen**
4th place Enterprise

The traveling award trophy and a smaller 1st place trophy was awarded following the last match at University of Maryland.

2023	Place	Points	Alt	Total
South River	1	238.0	43.5	281.5
Navy	2	224.0	43.5	267.5
Oak Creek	3	225.5	38.5	264.0
Enterprise	4	217.0	35.5	252.5
UMD	5	208.0	37.5	245.5
Eisenhower	6	205.5	30.0	235.5
Hobbit's Glen	7	194.0	24.5	218.5

47 people were eligible to play in SWGA, yet ONLY 19 people played at least 1 match. Thanks to all who participated and we hope to include MORE people next year.

In 2023 the Eisenhower points per flight were: A: 71.5; B: 51; C: 55.5; and D: 57.5. As you can see, ALL handicaps, i.e., A, B, C, and D players are needed to participate in these handicapped match play events. Any 18-hole ladies league member in good standing (dues paid and 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. During the 2023 season we continued to use an alternate way to count points in addition to the hole-by-hole points. The SWGA representatives are expected to vote on whether to keep both scoring methods or abandon the alternate method.

The Chair Club rotates to Enterprise for 2024. Eisenhower will be hosting the 2nd match which we hope to play May 29 next year. More information will be sent out in early 2024 regarding the schedule and sign ups. - we will let you know when 2024 information is available. Donna would like to thank Cricket again for all her help during 2023.

INVITATIONAL: (Deb Andrew)

2023 Invitational update: "We made a ton of money this year!" It takes a village...

Thank you all!

\$2000 donated to assistance league.

We are thinking about not hosting an invitational in 2024, but maybe, a "member-guest"?

June and Deb are event chairs and are interested in starting GAMES once a month for league play (play your own ball, etc. establish handicap, input scores, what ladies like) Please email with possible games, and/or volunteer to help run a game once a month.

TOURNAMENT CHAIR: Susan Darnley

Looking for 3-4 people to group together to host a monthly game:

- Dot cards
- write up rules

- write up email to explain game, etc.

We like to have events planned out IN ADVANCE (so don't delay in emailing suggestions and to volunteer) so that our various event-dates don't overlap.

Thinking about hosting a **Mid-year** meeting. (Could we do a shotgun?)

- Remember: We cannot move the 9 holer's off without expecting to be moved off as well.

- We only play about 25 times a season as it is.

- Shotgun (we would shotgun at 7:30am – likely in JULY) – Then we can have pizza party, etc. (Recognize Spring leaders etc., Nice to get together mid year).

Attendance: Attendance is the qualifier for the following awards. Attendance is awarded for playing on a league day, which is a minimum of 20 players teed off (not angry, just started play).

A person gets attendance credit for playing **SWGA** on a Wednesday no matter which team a player is on. Wednesday SWGA is normally played when South River or Hobbit's Glenn is hosting, beside us. If you play for a team other than Eisenhower, you need to email Susan so she can give you attendance credit.

If you are injured or have special circumstances (not work or travel) the Board has the power to waive the attendance requirement for a valid reason. To be considered, contact the tournament chair to begin the process.

MOST IMPROVED:

To qualify for this award you must 1) have been an active member the previous year (Comparison is done between October, 2022 index and October 2023 index) 2) Your index improved in Oct 2023 from Oct 2022, and 3) You played a minimum of 10 league days.

We had over 40 people in the league who met qualifications 1 and 3, but only 8 whose indexes improved. Our winner blew the competition away; via a USGA formula she improved by almost two points.

MOST IMPROVED FOR 2023 is DEB MCDOWELL. Congratulations Deb!

*** PLEASE ladies: POST YOUR SCORES! ***

SPRING TOURNAMENT:

The spring tournament has the largest number of participants. A person qualifies by playing a minimum of 10 league days the previous year (2022) or 50% of league days that year prior to the start of the tournament.

D flight: This person blew the competition away. D flight winner was **Marianne DuHaime** with a score of 137

C flight: This flight had the largest number of participants who completed 2 out of 3 days. But our winner scored a net 65 on day 1 and could not be caught... The C flight winner was **Cheryl Keeter**...138.

B flight: This flight was the tightest in scores. Two players both ended up with 135. Using the cards for their best rounds, our winner edged out Eli Belli to win. B flight winner was **Carolyn Feeley**...135

A flight: This person was untouchable; she led the entire time. One of our strongest competitive players... The A flight winner was **Deb Andrew** with a score of 133.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP:

We had the most participation since I have been tournament chair; 28 women completed 2 out of 3 days.

D flight: Our winner took a slight edge on day 1. Did not play on day 2. On day 3 she scored the lowest score of the flight with a 92. D flight winner is **Anne Richardson** with a score of 196

C flight: She started off with WORSE score of the fight on day 1, but came out roaring on day 2 with a 90. Although other players beat her day 3, they could not catch her... C flight winner is **Donna Wiggs** with a 188

B flight: Susan Darnley and Kim Kelly shot some of their best golf of the season, but not good enough to beat... B flight winner is **Dee Pumphrey** who shot a combined score of 181

A flight: This flight was wide open. Cricket, the favorite did not qualify. Marlies was in Holland. It appeared early that it was going to be a two person tournament between Lyn Hauswirth and Cathy Ayoob. Lyn took a 1 stroke lead on day 1 but she could not maintain her advantage as Cathy Ayoob ended up with a combined score of 161. A flight winner is **CATHY AYOOB. CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2023 LEAGUE CHAMPION!**

Last year's Champion (Cricket) presented Cathy with the Jefferson Cup as our league Champion for 2023.

Thank you all for your participation in the Eisenhower League and events for 2023.

CLOSING STATEMENT: (Deb M)

Motion for Members Vote on Slate of Officers and Committee Chairs:

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Social Chair:	Cheryl Keeter	cykeeter@aol.com
Special Events Co-Chairs:	Deb Andrew	lakemd@aol.com
	June Paul	junehpaul@yahoo.com

All in favor – All approved (except Cathy, LOL!) kidding!

Approved!

Cheryl's SKIT: Orientation meeting for new members

By -Cheryl Keeter and Susan Darnley