

HERON LAKES WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB

A Note from the President



Greetings,

The golf season is in full swing and it is really nice to see some great golf by our members. You probably have noticed Hole #7 Par 3 green and front right bunker have been re-designed. The front right closely mowed area is considered part of the green, so USGA rule 16-1 (The Putting Green) applies to this area. The new area on #7 is now part of the green. It is just not mature enough yet to be mowed at the regular greens' height so it is still mowed slightly higher than the rest of the green.

The OGA recently sent out some really useful information with their last newsletter on posting scores when playing match play or best ball formats. I will post a copy on our bulletin board or you can go to the OGA's web site.

USGA's handicap committee this year updated the rules for posting unacceptable scores. Scores when playing alone are no longer acceptable to post and must not be entered into a player's scoring record

While thinking about USGA, OGA, etc. HLWGC is very lucky to have 2 in-house experts, Marsha Cutter and Luann Penner to go to for answers. Both have received extensive training from the USGA and know how to get the correct answer. In terms of rules, (there seems to be no shortage of rules!) it can be confusing and

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difficult to stay current. If you ever have any questions on a specific handicapping or rule (probably you are not the only one), be sure to send the question to Marsha(rules) or Luann(handicapping) for a certifiable answer. See Marsha's comments below concerning questions from last week,

Fast approaching is our annual Home and Home Exchange with Stone Creek, McNary and the OGA ladies. Julie Sander is our chairwoman and is busily planning a best ball team game that mixes up members from the 4 clubs. The sign up is being sent out with the newsletter. Be sure to send your entry to Cheryl by July 8th. On Tuesday July 19th there will be no regular play because of the Home and Home Exchange. We anticipate a big turnout for this event and Julie is asking for help in the morning with registration and with scoring in the afternoon. Please contact Julie Sander (cjs6903@comcast.net) if you can help out.

Remember to repair you ball marks, fix divots and most of all *Enjoy Yourself*,
Julie Gish – 2016 President

RULES QUESTIONS FROM MARSHA CUTTER

Clarification of questions that arose from recent day's play**1) Can you ground your club in front of the ball?**

The answer is a qualified **Yes**.

In the Rules of Golf, this is addressed in two places. The first is under definitions.

Addressing the Ball

A player has "addressed the ball" when he has grounded his club immediately in front of or immediately behind the ball, whether or not he has taken his stance.

The second place this ruling can be found in under Rule 16, The Putting Green.

*Rule 16 Putting**General**a. Touching the Line of Putt*

The line of putt must not be touched except:

(ii) the player may place the club in front of the ball when addressing it, providing he does not press anything down;

(Writer's note: If a player does press her club down on the ground as she addresses the ball, she incurs

a penalty under Rule 13-2.) Penalty for breach of Rule 13: Stroke play -- two strokes. Match play -- loss of hole.

2) Can player A, whose ball lies off the green, insist that player B not mark and lift his ball, which lies on the green.

The answer to that question is **No**.

The explanation to this ruling can also be found in two places, Rule 16, The Putting Green and Rule 22, Ball Assisting or Interfering with Play.

Rule 16-1b. Lifting and Cleaning Ball

A ball on the putting green may be lifted and, if desired, cleaned. The position of the ball must be marked before it is lifted and the ball must be replaced (see Rule 20-1). When another ball is in

The only time my prayers are never answered is on the golf course.
--Billy Graham

motion, a ball that might influence the movement of the ball in motion must not be lifted.

*Rule 22. Ball Assisting or Interfering with Play
Rule 22-1*

Except when a ball is in motion, if a player considers that a ball might assist any other player, he may:

- a. Lift the ball if it is his ball; or*
- b. Have any other ball lifted.*

A ball lifted under this Rule must be replaced (see Rule 20-3). The ball must not be cleaned, unless it lies on the putting green (see Rule 21).

In stroke play, if the Committee determines that competitors have agreed not to lift a ball that might assist any competitor, they are disqualified.

Penalty for breach of Rule: Stroke play -- two strokes. Match play - loss of hole.

(Writer's note: There is a slight variation of any penalty involved in Match Play: see Decision 22/5 if interested.)

CONGRATULATIONS TO MARSHA CUTTER

Marsha has been an OGA volunteer for four years doing various duties, scoring, fore caddie, etc. at Championship Games She took the difficult USGA/PGA Rules Exam in March and passed it which means she will be a volunteer Rules Official for the OGA. What an achievement!!

Heron Lake's Awards Luncheon.

OCTOBER 29, 2016

Just a note to make sure you mark your calendars

Heron Lakes Hosts the Home and Home Tourney

July 19, 2016

Attached is the flyer announcing the Heron Lakes Women's Golf Club Home and Home Tournament on July 19, 2016. The Teams joining Heron Lakes Women's club will be Stonecreek, OGA, and McNary Women's clubs. Deadline for entry is July 8, 2016.

Green Fees, Range Balls, Prizes and BBQ Lunch are all included in the \$52 registration fee. Golf carts will cost \$14/person but we request they be reserved when registering.

We are very excited to be hosting this tournament and are working hard to make sure it is a successful one.

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2016 Heron Lakes Home and Home Tournament

July 19, 2016

Registration begins 7am

Shotgun Start 8am

Field limited to 76 players

\$52 includes
Green Fees
BBQ Lunch
Range Balls
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Loads of Fun

\$14 Cart/Person

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Heron Lakes Women's Golf Club

A fun day of golf with McNary, OGA, Stonecreek and your hosts Heron Lakes.

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

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Golf Club: _____

Registration: \$ _____

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GHIN #: _____

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Maximum GHIN 40 Index - Pairings will be based upon July 1 index

Deadline for Entry July 8, 2016

DAY'S PLAY TUESDAY

May 3rd

The game was Best Nine

A Flight

1st Sharon Dallas
2nd Janet Elliott
3rd Betty Schram

B Flight

1st Jan Rothert
2nd Pam Wilson

C Flight

1st Bev Bollinger
Donna Lee
2nd Kathy Hauswald

May 10th

The game counted even holes only

First Flight

1st BJ marsh.
2nd Betty Schram
Jill Kim
Jan Phillips
5th Susan Seeley
Luan Penner

Second Flight

1st Barbara Sincere

Jan Rothert
3rd Pam Wilson
4th Marsha Cutter
Stephanie More
Frieda Talbot

Third Flight

1st Val Holzer
2nd Bev Bollinger
3rd Jennifer King
Kathy Hauswald
5th Charlene Hungerford

May 17

The game today was odd holes

Flight A:

1st Julie Gish
2nd Kit Anamosa
3rd BJ Marsh
Luan Penner

Flight B

1st Barbara Sincere
2nd Steph More
3rd Julie Sander
4th Wendy Weddle

Flight C

1st Bev Bollinger
Suanne Jordan
3rd Norma Williams
4th Val Holzer

May 24th

The game was High/Low

1st Jan Phillips /Luan Penner
2nd Susan Seeley/Wendy Weddle
3rd Denise Aldridge/Kathy Hauswald
Janet Elliott/Donna Lee
Jill Kim/Stephanie More
6th Noemi Smith/Val Holzer
7th BJ Marsh/Jennifer King
8th Barbara Sincere/Pam Wilson
Carolyn Young/Julie Sander

May 31st

We played Last Woman Standing with the winners bringing in their flags.

1st Jan Phillips
2nd Pam Wilson
Jennifer King
4th Suanne Jordan
Gerri Kaptur
6th Denise Aldridge
7th Julie Sander
Noemi Smith
9th Susan Seeley

DAY'S PLAY SATURDAY

May 7th

The game was "Pink Ball"

Team 1 - 1st place
Valerie Spirit
Kelsie Volk
Donna Lee
Noemi Smith

May 14th

No Game

May 21st

The game was low net and low putts on the Great Blue.

Low net
Hollis Brown 73

Low putts
Hollis Brown 34

May 28th

We played a Pay Ball game.

Kelsie Volk - 8 holes
Valerie Spirit - 1 hole