

Sudden Valley Golf Club Newsletter

Congratulations April Winners*

Opening Day—April 15

1st Place* Dave Ralston, Dan Knutzen
Shari Pfeil, Curt Gerner
Score 61

Men's Opening Day—April 22

Men's Flight

Gross 1st—Steve Kaestner (69)
2nd—Bob Shannon (72)

Net 1st—Michael Linville (73)
1st—Dan Perrino (73)

Senior Flight

Gross 1st—Bob Fields (72)
2nd—Steve Pake (76)

Net 1st—Curtis Wade (71)
2nd—Steve Neely (72)

Ladies Opening Day (9 holes)—April 22

1st Place **Three-way Tie—Score 35**

- Laura Haggard, Donna Kellern, Judy Meade
- Kristin Fuchs, Kerri Larrabee, JoJean Kos, Jean Chien
- Melissa Reece, Elaine Maki, Nancy Berg Suzanne Marshall

* See SVGC Website for complete results of tournaments.



Events in May

- May 6—Sudden Valley Cup
- May 20—Two Person Scramble
- May 27—Ladies Koeniger Cup

Course Update

As always, Spring is an exciting time at the golf course. The weather improves (in theory), snowbird members return home, new merchandise arrives in the shop and the longer days allow more opportunities to tee it up!

As I write this, all of the above-mentioned items are actually happening and I think all would agree that the golf course is in wonderful condition and only promising to improve as the warmer and dryer weather takes hold.

The Tuesday / Thursday Ladies groups are now up and running, the Wednesday afternoon Men's group has started somewhat informally, and the Members Tournament Season is well underway. The next Golf Club event (Sudden Valley Cup) takes place on Saturday, May 6th. It is an individual Stroke Play event with Men's, Women's and Senior's divisions.

To register go to:

<https://svg-023suddenvalleycup.golfgenius.com/pages/9456957940176027693>

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The SVGC Board appreciates your support. We hope to continue to bring many more fun events throughout the year.

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Washington State Ladies Public Links

The Ladies Club has a membership in the Washington State Ladies Public Links Association which allows our members to play in their events. It's a great opportunity to play with other ladies. They cater to all levels of play and participants are paired with gals with similar handicaps.

Barb Reece is our club's contact and she has posted the sign-up sheets in the women's locker room. If you are interested in playing or have any questions, please call or text Barb at 702/349-8808. The schedule is below.

2023 Ladies Public Links Schedule

Date	Course	Location	Phone
April 8	Indian Summer Golf and Country Club	5900 Troon Ln SE Olympia, WA 98501	(360) 923-1075
May 17&18	Sun Willows Golf Course	2535 N 20th Ave, Pasco, WA 99301	(509) 545-3440
June 14	Legion Memorial Golf Course	144 W Marine View Drive Everett, WA 98201	(425) 259-4653
July 10-12 2023 Championship	Sun Country Golf Course	841 Saint Andrews Drive Cle Elum, WA 98922	(509) 674-2226
August 10	The Cedars at Dungeness Golf Course	1965 Woodcock Road Sequim, WA 98382	(360) 683-6344
September 13-14	Shuksan Golf Club	1500 E Axton Road Bellingham, WA 98226	(360) 398-8888
October 7	Auburn Golf Course	29630 Green River Rd SE Auburn, WA 98092	(253) 833-2350

Course Update

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We've had many new members sign up over the past few months and I'd like to encourage all of you to come out and play with one of our weekly groups or in the next Golf Club event. If you need help getting connected with a group, feel free to reach out to Kevin or Andrew in the golf shop for info on participating.

New merchandise is arriving daily in the golf shop, so be sure to pop into the shop when you get a chance to check out the new stuff! Remember that members receive 10% off regular priced merchandise in the golf shop so be sure to mention that you are a member when making a purchase.

I hope to see you out enjoying the golf course soon!

Brian Kruhlak, PGA,
Director of Golf

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Do You Know the Five Key Golf Rule Changes for 2023?

1. Modification for players with disabilities.
2. Ball moved by natural forces.
3. Simplified back on the line relief.
4. Replacing damaged clubs.
5. Stroke play – handicap on score card.

Check out the USGA flier on page 4 of this newsletter and/or the USGA video

<https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/rules-hub/2023-rules-of-golf/2023-rules-resources.html>



Aerial View Overlooking No. 18 Green

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2023 RULES OF GOLF: 5 KEY CHANGES

The R&A and the USGA have released the most recent edition of the Rules of Golf, effective January 2023.

HERE ARE 5 KEY CHANGES

New Rule — Modifications for Players with Disabilities

These modifications are now part of the Rules and are in effect for all competitions and all players who fall under the categories covered in new Rule 25.



Replacing Damaged Clubs

If your club is damaged during a round (except in cases of abuse) you may replace it, repair it or continue to use it.



Ball Moved by Natural Forces

When your ball is at rest after taking relief and then rolls into another area of the course due to natural causes, there is no penalty, and you must replace it.



Handicap on Scorecard (Stroke Play Only)

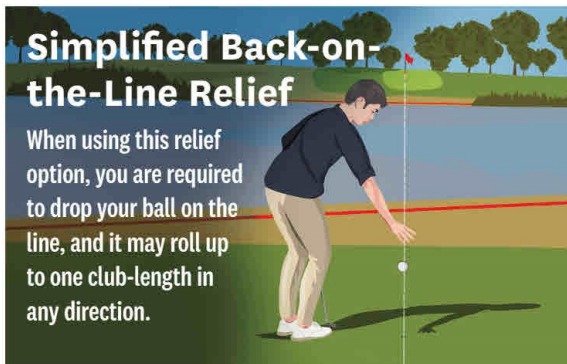
You are not required to put your handicap on your scorecard and there is no penalty if you return your scorecard in a competition with an incorrect handicap, as this is now the Committee's responsibility.

This change is consistent with other penalty reductions, such as reducing the penalty for playing an incorrectly substituted ball from the general penalty to one stroke.



Simplified Back-on- the-Line Relief

When using this relief option, you are required to drop your ball on the line, and it may roll up to one club-length in any direction.



For more information on the Rules of Golf, please visit [usga.org](https://www.usga.org) or [randa.org](https://www.randa.org).



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