

# KEN MCDONALD WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION 2023-2024

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# KEN MCDONALD

#### WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

Ken McDonald Golf Course 2023-2024

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#### WELCOME

We are happy you have joined Ken McDonald Women's Golf Association. Originally named Tempe Women's Golf Club, the club's first formal season was played in 1976-77. The league provides friendly and fun competitions and an opportunity to make new friends. Our events are flighted, so all levels have a chance to win prizes. Additionally, there is NO extra fee to play in the POD (Play of the Day) rounds, nor to receive a payout at the end of the season for each Birdie and Chip-In.

This booklet will answer questions regarding tee times, scorecards, handicaps, tournaments, POD requirements and our schedule of events for the year. Other questions should be directed to the applicable Board Member or Event Chairperson.

This Membership Book is meant to provide additional information to that which is provided in the Association By-Laws and Standing Rules and does not override those documents.

#### 2023-2024 BOARD MEMBERS

President Cindy Schupp
Vice President Jodie Garth
Secretary Carrie Candler
Treasurer Jackie Freeberg
AGA Representative Kelley McHenry
Tournament Director Tressa Dittmer
Handicap/Membership Robin Arredondo-Savage

Committee Chairpersons

Rules Kelley McHenry
Tressa Dittmer

Desiree Sloat

State Medallion Kelley McHenry AGA Representative Kelley McHenry

Team Captains Tressa Dittmer
POD Jodie Garth

Chip-In, Birdies &

Hole In-One Jackie Freeberg

Website Administrators Lynda-Lee Saunier &

Leslie Ramey

Notice Board Amy Walker

Past Presidents	<u>Year</u>	<b>Champions</b>
C. Schupp	2022-23	M. Reeves
C. Shumaker	2021-22	M. Gisiger
C. Shumaker	2020-21	L. Prescott
C. Shumaker	2019-20	K. McHenry
E. Koos	2018-19	K. Taylor
E. Koos	2017-18	K. Taylor
E. Koos	2016-17	K. Taylor
P. Bandura	2015-16	C. Gaintner
P. Bandura	2014-15	S. Kupchick
P. Bandura	2013-14	S. Kupchick
M. Davis	2012-13	J. Baird
D. Coughlin	2011-12	C. Shumaker
B. Steele/	2010-11	S. Kane
B. Samford		
J. Smith	2009-10	S. Kupchick
B. Adams	2008-09	C. Schmoyer
B. Adams	2007-08	S. Kane
B. Adams	2006-07	C. Pallas
G. Mills	2005-06	C. Pallas
M. Alexander	2004-05	P. Clarke
L. Dennis	2003-04	C. Hoffland
S. Stewart	2002-03	C. Hoffland
S. Stewart	2001-02	K. Olson
J. Bell	2000-01	L. Wardenburg

Past Presidents	<b>Year</b>	<b>Champions</b>
C. Comer	1999-00	L. Wardenburg
C. Comer	1989-99	D. Parales
B. Livdahl	1997-98	M. Cruikshank
B. Livdahl	1996-97	M. Cruikshank
J. Howe	1995-96	P. Stavrou
P. Lewis	1994-95	M. Cruikshank
A. Pittman	1993-94	M. Cruikshank
J. Bryant	1992-93	M. Cruikshank
J. Forney	1991-92	J. Forney
L. Grabe	1990-91	S. Hamrick
C. Thomas	1989-90	S. Hamrick
J. Kies	1988-89	K. Huston
J. Westermann	1987-88	K. Huston
B. Bell	1986-87	N. Fox
N. Smith	1985-86	N. Smith
E. Nussear	1984-85	D. Dotzler
E. Nussear	1983-84	D. Dotzler
J. Murphy	1982-83	M. Guernsey
P. Kwiatkowski	1981-82	M. Guernsey
T. Cutler	1980-81	M. Guernsey
L. Wilson	1979-80	M. Guernsey
P. Morrell	1978-79	L. Vollerman
B. Payne	1977-78	
G. Connolly	1976-77	

# **Membership**

Any woman may apply for membership either online at AZgolf.org or by contacting the Handicap/Membership Chairperson. To become a member, a woman must have an established handicap or submit three completed 18-hole scores from USGA rated courses to the Handicap/Membership Chairperson.

In order to maintain your membership, you must pay dues online to AGA. <u>Dues for regular members are \$50 for the KMWGA season plus any applicable AGA annual dues.</u> Membership includes: a copy of the KMWGA Membership Book, access to the USGA computerized handicap system, tournaments, chip-ins, birdies, and hole-in-one pay-outs. Club dues for seasonal membership (joining after January 1, 2024) are \$25 plus any applicable AGA dues.

Associate memberships are available for \$20 plus any applicable AGA dues. This entitles the associate to only record scores and establishes a handicap by way of the computerized handicap system. It does not include league play privileges nor eligibility for league payouts

but does allow the member to play in the State Medallion on the designated days.

Decisions made at the end-of-year Spring General Membership meeting will be upheld through the league year unless there are unforeseeable changes made by the golf course management.

#### Refund Policy

If a KMWGA Member is unable to play more than three days of our full year due to an unforeseen life event, not limited to but including a death in the family, an illness or injury or a move out of the greater Phoenix area, she is eligible for an adjustment of status to an Associate Member and may receive a refund for the difference of the dues. KMWGA members who qualify for the above conditions must personally request this in writing including their reason for discontinuing play to the Board President. The Board President, Vice President and Treasurer will make the decision to refund by a majority vote. The petitioning member will be notified of the decision in writing by the Board President.

# **League Play**

The KMWGA season begins the first week of November and runs through May. League play is every Tuesday morning.

## **Tee Times**

Tee times are obtained online through **Tee Time Helper** for yourself and up to three other members. An email will be sent to all members Tuesday afternoon between 3:00pm and 5:00pm inviting them to RSVP for the next week's play and to select their tee time. All players will receive a follow-up email with their chosen tee time.

The online site is open until Monday evening allowing members to sign up, change their tee time, or cancel. Any changes after Monday evening can be done by calling the Pro Shop. Should you need to cancel at the last minute, a call or text to your playing partners is always good etiquette.

If you have no tee time, you may come on Tuesday morning and fill in if cancellations occur. However, you

will not be guaranteed a spot to play but may play at the end of the field subject to tee time availability.

It's imperative that you not tee-off prior to your designated time as this negatively impacts those with tee times after yours.

## **Starting Tee Times Will Be As Follows:**

7:57 AM - November 7th through December 5th

8:30 AM – December 12th through March 12th

7:57 AM - March 19th through April 23rd

7:00 AM – April 30th through May 28th

#### **Golf Etiquette and Slow Play**

Slow play is one of the greatest breaches of etiquette. There's no excuse for slow play, and it doesn't matter what level golfer you are. The tips below aren't designed to rush you but instead to help you be ready to play at a prompt pace.

Keep up with the group in front of you - Your correct position on the course is immediately behind the group in front of you, not immediately in front of the group behind you. If you are consistently not able to keep up and a gap opens in front of you, invite the group behind you to play through, irrespective of the number of players in the group.

**Play ready golf -** There is no need to debate, particularly when you are in the fairway, who is furthest out. The first person who is ready should hit. That goes for the tee box as well.

**Be ready for your turn -** Don't sit and wait while your cart-partner plays; go get ready for your own shot and be ready to hit when it's your turn.

**Don't wait in the cart for your partner** - drop her off, go to your ball and get ready for your shot. If you want to leave the cart, take a couple clubs, and start walking.

**Be timely** - strive to play in 20 seconds. That includes selecting your club, proceeding through your pre-shot

routine and executing the shot. Limit yourself to one or two practice swings.

Be efficient on the green - when you arrive at the green, immediately mark your ball and start the process of reading your putt, even if it's not your turn. If you leave a putt two feet short or long, putt out instead of remarking your ball.

When in doubt, hit a provisional (UNLESS you intend to use the local rule) - save time by not having to go back and re-hit from the last spot.

**Park the cart appropriately** – place your cart or bag toward the back of the green and on the side that is nearest the next tee box, in order to take the speediest path to the next tee.

**Fill out the scorecard on the next tee box** - not beside the green where you just putted out.

You may pick up your ball and not finish a hole. If you pick up your ball, mark an "X" on the card. For

posting purposes, you would post your Maximum Score on the Hole following the World Handicap System. If you pick up your ball during tournament play, you will be disqualified from play. For POD, if you pick up your ball on one of the holes that is a part of the POD, you will be disqualified from the POD.

#### **Scorecards**

- Members are responsible for accurate scoring.
- Two master scorecards MUST be kept, and BOTH turned in for ALL POD rounds AND nonmixer tournaments. This ENSURES there are TWO scorers for each player and <u>replaces</u> exchanging cards.
- Last names, first names, and handicap for each player should appear on each master POD scorecard.
- All scorecards MUST be signed by the player AND attested to (signed) by one other person in their group.
- All scorecards should be turned in at the designated location.
- All scores must be posted to USGA.

## **Posting Scores**

The USGA requests that players submit their scores as soon as possible on the day of play after completion of their round, and before midnight. Posting can be done online at **ghin.com** or on the cell phone app.

Enter your scores by your GHIN number. The Handicap Chairperson will monitor all postings. Gross scores less required adjustments (see World Handicap System) must be posted after completion of each round. Scores recorded for 9 or 18 holes of play outside of league play and on other courses should also be posted.

#### \*POSTING SCORES IS MANDATORY\*

# World Handicap System – Maximum Score on a Hole

(see chart at back of book)

Posting your score must follow the World Handicap System. You should NOT post *total scores* that include per hole scores that are higher than the "Maximum"

**Score on the Hole**," which is known as Double Bogey plus Strokes, or Net Double Bogey.

Net Double Bogey = Par of the hole + 2 strokes + 'pops' for the hole.

'Pops' are the handicap strokes the player is entitled to receive on that hole based on their Course Handicap.

NOTE: Your ACTUAL SCORE should always be turned in for KMWGA tournaments and PODs.

# **Chip-Ins and Birdies**

Holes-in-one, chip-ins, and birdies should be recorded and attested in the single, 3-ring binder/notebook located on the League table after the completion of your round.

Prize money for chip-ins and birdies is INCLUDED in your dues. During league play, each member in good standing who chips into the cup from off the green, or has a birdie is eligible for \$1.00 payout per chip-in and/or birdie. Monies are paid at the Year End Mixer/ Lunch. During scramble play only chip-ins apply.

The last day to record chip-ins or birdies for payout for this season is April 16, 2024. Chip-ins and birdies may also be recorded April 23 and 30, May 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2024, and these will be carried over to the following season.

#### **Hole-In-One**

\$1 of your dues goes toward hole-in-one payouts. Hole-in-ones accomplished during league, will be awarded at the end of the season. If there is no winner, those funds will be carried over to next season.

#### **Local Rules**

USGA Rules of Golf apply. Electronic measuring devices are permissible. Play the ball as it lies. Do not move your ball unless permitted to do so by USGA Rules. If your ball is on bare ground, play it as it lies. There is NO RELIEF except where designated by course markers.

Ken McDonald course boundaries (out-of-bounds) are defined/marked by one of the following:

- Residential and business fences/walls that define the course boundary
- Curbing on the course side of City "multi-use-paths" on #1, #2, #5, #7, #14, #15, and #16 (short wall)
- Curbing behind the green on #1, #7 and #18
- White stakes around the driving range

All water hazards on the course are considered red penalty areas, including the canal on the right side of #4; there are no drop zones.

KMWGA has adopted USGA Model Local Rule E-5 for lost or OB balls. This is an alternative to stroke and distance. You *may* use this rule for a 2-stroke penalty. Diagrams and further information are posted in the locker room.

#### **Tie Breaker Rule**

USGA scorecard playoff rules will be used for all ties with the exception of Club Championship. The rule is: Back 9, back 6 (holes 13-18), back 3 (16-18). If still tied, then hole by hole starting with 18, 17, etc., until the tie is broken.

In NET tournaments, a fraction of each player's handicap is deducted from the gross score of that stretch of holes: last 9 deduct 1/2; last 6 deduct 1/3; last 3 deduct 1/6. Fractional playing handicap is rounded (.5 rounds up, i.e. 5.5 = 6) before deducting from the gross score.

In the event of a multi-day tournament, the above rule will apply to the last common day the players played *and* the round counts in the event (i.e.: best 2 of 3 in President's Cup and State Medallion).

#### **POD** –**Play** of the **Day**

- Your annual membership dues include entry into each Play of the Day to cover prize money.
- Prizes for POD will be awarded by flights.
- Ties will split the applicable award.
- Weekly winners are emailed to the membership.
- Winnings are credited to the player's account in the Pro Shop and may be used for food and beverage, or merchandise.
- Please be aware that incorrect, incomplete, unsigned or unattested cards may <u>not</u> be accepted for that week's POD.
- You must post your score by midnight on Thursday to receive any POD winnings.
- Look on the League Table each week for POD details.

**Special Events** 

Opening Mixer\* November 7, 2023

Holiday Mixer/Lunch\* December 12, 2023

Rules Clinic January 30, 2024

Spring Mixer\* March 5, 2024

Awards Mixer/Lunch April 23, 2024 & Year End Meeting\*

\*On Mixer Days we encourage participants to ride in a cart with their partner to promote camaraderie.

If you sign up for one of the mixers and cannot play, you must notify the Tournament Director Tressa Dittmer, 602-206-4119, a minimum of one hour prior to tee time to give her time to adjust the pairings as needed. Failure to notify her may disqualify you from participating in future mixers this current year.

# **Special Tournaments**

Tournament Committees run special tournaments. See individual tournament sections below for tournament specifics. Other than the Eclectic, **all Special Tournaments are flighted**. If you are unable to play the number of weeks required for a tournament, do not sign up.

## **Player Eligibility**

- Active members in good standing who have paid their dues and have an established handicap will be eligible to play in the first tournament of the year.
- A member must have played on five (5) league play days to play in the Club Championship and President's Cup. However, a late season member is eligible for the President's Cup if she has played in at least 50% of league rounds from the time she joined up to the first day of the tournament; but she must have played in no less than 2 league rounds.

 A written request for exemption to the above may be forwarded to the Board with an appropriate amount of time for Board consideration.

The Tournament Committee will provide a 'Tournament Rules' document for each tournament including rules, scoring, prizes, tee times and play days required. If a player is unable to play, she MAY request a refund of her entry fee PRIOR to the morning of the tournament start

## Flighting Special Tournaments:

KMWGA strives to create fair and equitable flights for each special tournament. Hence, flights <u>may</u> be different sizes, pay a different number of places, and <u>may</u> be different from tournament to tournament.

#### Rain Cancellation for tournaments

Tournament day cancellations due to weather will be declared only after a Ken McDonald staff member and the Tournament Director determine the course is unplayable. We DO play in the rain. If play is canceled, those responsible for canceling will notify all players in

the field. If players complete 13+ holes, their equitable score should be posted. Only birdies, chip-ins and hole-in-ones made during sanctioned play count.

#### \*Eclectic\*

Low net score per hole over 3 rounds. You don't have to play in all 3 rounds to be eligible, but of course, the more you play the better your chances of improving! And winning! Your handicap shall remain the same for the tournament. Maximum of 40 handicap allowed. *This tournament is not flighted.* Members make their own tee times.

#### \*State Medallion\*

Two best gross and net rounds out of four. Winner of each category will qualify to compete with all other AGA member clubs in State Medallion Tournament held in January. Maximum of 40 handicap allowed. The player's current handicap will be applied to each round submitted. Associate members may play in the State Medallion.

# \*Partner Best Ball\* – Fee: \$10.00 per team

This is a two-week, **flighted** tournament. Tee times will be assigned each week by the committee, with lowest combined handicaps starting first each week. The handicaps will remain the same for the tournament. Maximum of 40 handicap allowed.

# \*President's Cup\* – Fee: \$5.00 per person

This is a **Net** tournament played over three consecutive weeks. Players MUST play two of the three weeks to be eligible. The tournament is **FLIGHTED**, with an overall winner as well as **Winners in each Flight**.

Each player's best two (2) out of three (3) rounds are used. The player with the low NET total over 36 holes will be the overall winner. First round tee times assigned according to handicap. Second and third round tee times assigned within each flight using NET accumulative scoring. Handicap will remain the same for the tournament. Maximum of 40 handicap allowed.

<sup>\*</sup>See "Special Tournaments" section for eligibility requirements.

# \*Club Championship\* – Fee: \$5.00 per person

This is a **Gross** tournament played over two consecutive weeks. Players MUST play both weeks to be eligible. The tournament is **FLIGHTED**, with an overall winner as well as **Winners in each Flight**.

Should a tie occur during Club Championship, the following procedure will be initiated: If there is a tie for the Overall Champion, there will be a sudden death playoff starting on hole number one. They will play until someone wins a hole. If there is a tie within the flights, it will be done as in the USGA rules. Tee times will be assigned each week.

\*See "Special Tournaments" section for eligibility requirements.

# **NOVEMBER**

**7 Opening Mixer/Luncheon** 8:00 Shotgun Four-Player Mixer: ABCD

**14 Eclectic Tournament – 1<sup>st</sup> Round** \*See description on page 23

21 Eclectic – 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

28 Eclectic – 3<sup>rd</sup> Round +Sign up for Holiday Mixer

# **DECEMBER**

State Medallion – 1st Round
 \*See description on page 23

 POD – Back 9 Only Total gross score on back 9 only – less ½ handicap
 Eclectic – Rain Date
 +Sign up for Holiday Mixer

**12 Holiday Mixer/Luncheon** 8:30 Shotgun Four-Player Mixer: ABCD

- **19 POD** <u>Fore!</u> Total all Par 4's (1, 3, 6, 7, 9, 12, 14, 17, 18) less ½ handicap
- **26 POD** The Big Easy Total the 9 easiest holes (1, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17) less ½ handicap +Sign up for Partner Best Ball

# **JANUARY**

#### 2 POD – Putt for Dough

Total number of putts from the green – less ½ handicap +Sign up for Partner Best Ball

#### 9 Partner Best Ball – 1st Round

Fee: \$10.00 per team \*See description on page 24

#### 16 Partner Best Ball – 2nd Round

- 23 POD <u>Criss Cross</u> Choose your best score between holes 1 & 10, 2 & 11, 3 & 12, 4 & 13, etc. -less ½ handicap
  Partner Best Ball rain date
- **30 POD <u>Double Your Pleasure</u>** 8:30 Shotgun Take your best nine holes and double your score – less full handicap

Rules Clinic after play +Sign up for President's Cup

## **FEBRUARY**

- 6 State Medallion 2nd Round
   POD Front 9 Only Total gross score on front 9 only less ½ handicap
   +Sign up for President's Cup
- 13 President's Cup 1st Round Fee: \$5.00 per person This is a 3-week tournament. Must play at least 2 of 3 weeks \*See description on page 24
- **20 President's Cup** 2nd Round +Sign up for Spring Mixer
- **27 President's Cup** 3rd Round +Sign up for Spring Mixer

# **MARCH**

5 Spring Mixer/Lunch 8:30 ShotgunFour-Player Mixer: ABCD+Sign up for Club Championship

12 State Medallion – 3rd Round POD - <u>Beat the Pro</u> format TBD President's Cup Rain Day +Sign up for Club Championship

19 Club Championship #1 \*See description on page 25

26 Club Championship #2

## **APRIL**

- 2 POD A Wing and a Prayer

  Before you tee off, select one hole to be tossed out, after you complete the round select a second hole to be tossed out. Total the remaining 16 holes, subtract ½ handicap Club Championship Rain Date
- 9 State Medallion 4th Round POD – Middle of the Road Total gross score on middle 9 only (6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14) -less ½ handicap +Sign up for Awards Mixer
- 16 POD <u>Blind 9</u> 9 holes chosen by the pro (revealed after first group finishes) less ½ handicap
  State Medallion Rain Date
  +Sign up for Awards Mixer
- 23 Year-End Awards Mixer/Luncheon 8:00 Shotgun

## APRIL/MAY

- **30 POD** <u>Convert 4</u> Gross score with 4 worst holes changed to par less ½ handicap
- 7 POD <u>Dr Pepper Day</u> Total gross score on Hole #10, #2, and #4 less ½ handicap
- 14 POD 3 Clubs and a Putter Play your round with only 3 clubs and your putter less full handicap
- **2 POD <u>Drive for Show</u>** 5 points for every fairway missed on par 4's & 5's (green on par 3's) less ½ handicap
- 28 Last Day of League Play (No POD)

## **JUNE THRU OCTOBER 2024**

Open Play
Call for individual tee times

Please pay next season's dues online beginning Oct 3rd. Thank you for playing and have a fun summer!

# EAST VALLEY TEAM PLAY 2023-2024

We field an 8-member team to play Four-Ball match play against other leagues in the southeast valley. Let the team captains know if you are interested in playing.

Team Captains: Tressa Dittmer

Papago

November 27 San Marcos

December 4 Trilogy
January 15 Coyote Run

January 29 Robson Ranch

February 19 Oakwood

March 4 Ken McDonald

March 25 Lone Tree

April 1 Dobson Ranch

# World Handicap System - Handicaps 0-54 Ken McDonald RED Tees Net Double Bogey + Strokes

The chart shows handicap ranges and your max score on the hole.

Net double bogey takes the place of Equitable Stroke Control

Hole/Par Yards/Hcp	Handicap/Strokes	Hole/Par Yards/Hcp	Handican/Strokes	
<b>1/4</b> 325/11	11-28 7 29-46 8 47-54 9	<b>10/5</b> 461/4	4-21 8 22-39 9 40-54 10	
<b>2/5</b> 447/3	3-20 8 21-38 9 39-54 10	<b>11/3</b> 127/18	18-35 6 36-53 7 54 8	
<b>3/4</b> 355/5	5-22 7 23-40 8 41-54 9	<b>12/4</b> 321/12	12-29 7 30-47 8 48-54 9	
<b>4/5</b> 473/1	1-18 8 19-36 9 37-54 10	<b>13/3</b> 157/16	16-33 6 34-51 7 52-54 8	
<b>5/3</b> 142/17	17-34 6 35-52 7 53-54 8	<b>14/4</b> 320/8	8-25 7 26-43 8 44-54 9	
<b>6/4</b> 337/9	9-26 7 27-44 8 45-54 9	<b>15/5</b> 476/2	2-19 8 20-37 9 38-54 10	
<b>7/4</b> 312/13	13-30 7 31-48 8 49-54 9	<b>16/5</b> 415/10	10-27 8 28-45 9 46-54 10	
<b>8/3</b> 153/15	15-32 6 33-50 7 51-54 8	<b>17/4</b> 308/14	14-31 7 32-49 8 50-54 9	
<b>9/4</b> 348/7	7-24 7 25-42 8 43-54 9	<b>18/4</b> 305/6	6-23 7 24-41 8 42-54 9	