



PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2024

NOTES FROM CATHE

The entire 2024 board of officers would like to wish all our members a happy and healthy 2024! We are tremendously excited about all the plans we have and look forward to a wonderful year filled with good health, great friendships, and terrific golf!

Judy Briney, Special Tournaments Chair, and all the individual tournament chairs are working diligently to plan a fun year of events. We encourage all members to participate! Please check our website for the complete 2024 calendar of events.

IMPORTANT ITEMS

- In a 2023 survey, the board asked members for their comments on the **Club Championship** tournaments, with a goal to increase participation. The overwhelming request was to change the Legends Championship Tournament from a three-day event to a two-day event (Tuesday/Tuesday). Of our 121 Annual members, we have 23 members eligible for the Legends Championship (19% of our membership!). The 2024 board approved this change at the December 13, 2023 board meeting.
- The **2024 Operating Income/Expense and Sponsorship Budgets** will be available on the website for review prior to the January 16th General Meeting.
- A big thank you to Janice Hoover, Secretary, for her work on our **2024 Membership Handbook!** The handbook will be available at the January 16th General Meeting and Luncheon. Included with your handbook will be your winnings from your 2023 Membership Options... Birdies or Better, Chip-Ins and Eclectic. Connie Culley will be personally distributing the Hole-in-One winnings. Even if you're not attending the meeting, stop in at The Vistas and get your packet. If you are not able to pick up your packet on the 16th, please contact Kay Cruise, Membership Chair, to obtain your directory and winnings.
- **USGA R&A World Handicap System, 2024 Changes**
Suzanne Stone-Griffith, Handicap Chair, has sent you an overview of key changes, and the presentation is also on our website. These are important-please review!

NEW ON SBWGA.COM

- December 2023 General Meeting Minutes for membership approval at the January 16, 2024 General Meeting ([About Us/Minutes and Reports/General Meeting Minutes](#))
- December 2023 Board Meeting Minutes ([About Us/Minutes and Reports/Board Meeting Minutes](#))
- R&A USGA World Handicap System, 2024 Changes ([Link on Home/ News Page](#))

UPCOMING EVENTS

Reenie Romey, TPD Chair, has planned a great schedule for January. Let us hope for a warmer winter than 2023!

- **January 2**
 - Format: Race Track, Individual - Record Gross, Net and Putts
- **January 9**
 - Format: PYP Match Play-Two-Person Team. This is an opportunity to familiarize yourselves with this format in preparation for the **February President's Cup**.
- **January 16**
 - Ace Day and State Medallion Round #1 (of four rounds)
 - January General Meeting and Luncheon. Maire Ryan, Vice President, has planned a delightful meal (sign-up deadline for LUNCHEON is Monday, January 8)
- **January 23**
 - Format: Par 4's, Individual - Record Net Scores on Par 4's
- **January 30:**
 - Format: Stableford, Individual



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Kay Cruise, 01/05
Mary Floerke, 01/13
Christine Smith, 01/13
Claudia Booth, 01/15
Sally Drennen, 01/16
Teresa Jenkins, 01/20
Donna Sehn, 01/20
Mary Ribacchi, 01/21
Karen Haddock, 01/23
Barbara Katz, 01/23
Janet Robinson, 01/26
Kay McCollom, 01/27
Lisa Graff, 01/31

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