

Lake Fairways 18 Hole Ladies Golf League

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And This Season's Championship begins! - A Full Calendar of Events

At the time of this writing, mid-February, there are 57 members in the Ladies 18 Hole League. Considering the year we've all been through, especially with Hurricane Ian, that's quite an accomplishment. Recently, there has also been a lot of exposure and infection from yet another COVID variant. While many of us have had to lay low for a few days, at least we don't know of anyone with a hospitalization or severe case. Now onto the good news, there are 25 members who have signed up to compete in championship. That's 45% of our ladies who are representing!!!! That's one measure of participation. As they say in the commercials: "But wait,....there's more". The Championship Players are, by Flight: Dede Martin vs. Heather Orr for Championship; Cathy Burns vs. Laura Broad in "A" Flight; Lu McEwen vs. Sung Kingston in "B" Flight; Francine Kline vs. Linda Gromacki in "C" Flight and Lucy Jaromin vs. Shirley Beaton in "D" Flight. Other members are "participating" as golf monitors, helping with the playoffs and there will likely be a sign-up sheet for a post championship get together/meal. So, Put March 3rd and 4th on your calendar to watch our ladies compete. It'll be very exciting. Likewise, mark March 10th and 11th for our annual Interclub Championship with Pine Lakes.

On **February 23rd**, our league hosted its last **Shoot Out** to qualify for the **Grand Shoot Out**. It was a stammeringly hot back nine competition. The weather was “hot”, in the high 80s, Warren Winchzel and Ron Kelly were handing out atomic “hot” fireball candies and the golf was also “hot”. The chip-ups were dramatic. On hole #11 Lu McEwen landed at the base of the tree on the right of the green. She pitched that ball 3 feet from the hole. Not to be outdone, Val McIntosh repeated the feat from the adjoining tree to put the ball just four inches from the hole. Completing the “hot” drama Ann Boutette putted her ball on that same green for about a 30 yard putt right into the hole. The crowd went wild.

On that same hole a chip-off between Shirley Beaton and Mary Jane Garnier ended with the ball landing in a chip from Mary Jane that was just 2 inches from the hole. There were free lifts, four shots from sand traps, drives onto the greens and a three-way finishing that included ending the shoot-out with both Lu and Mary Ellen McCabe lying 6 on hole #18 for the finale. The winners were: Lu McEwen 1st place, Mary Ellen McCabe 2nd place and Sung Kingston in 3rd place.

Lastly, mark your calendars and think about inviting your own friends to our **Annual Member/Guest Golf Tournament** on March 22nd. The cost is \$25.00/person. This includes, golf, light breakfast, post-game luncheon and other surprises that will make the day fun. So, contact your “guest” and let a committee member know who you are hosting/inviting. The committee also has a list of

potential guests who would love to play with one of our members. This “head count” allows the committee to plan the details. The Committee is Chaired by Carole Andrews and includes Nancy Munro, Jo-Anne Shortt, Cindy Asaro and Gloria Craven.