

GVWGA July 2026 Newsletter

Dear Members,

At The Tee: Hoping you celebrated the 4th of July – our Nation's 250th Birthday in style with your family and friends!

Yikes..250 years is a very long time ago. It made me think about when golf was introduced to America.

With the help of Google, I was surprised to read this: The earliest ancestors of golf appeared in America (really the colonies!) in 1650, when Dutch settlers played a stick-and-ball game called “kolf” in Fort Orange (now Albany, N.Y.). Modern golf arrived via Scottish merchants in 1739 when they brought clubs and balls to Charleston, South Carolina.

1776 is the birth of the United States of America. So officially we could say that golf has been around Officially in the USA since 1776, and unofficially in the colonies since 1739. Any hoo..Golf or Kolf is definitely a very popular sport in the USA, experiencing its highest boom since the “Tiger Woods era,” with 47.2 million Americans playing this stick-and-ball game!

On The Fairway:

Clifton Springs Tomorrow – Monday, July 13th – 11:00 a.m. 4 Person, 2 of 4 Bestball. 90 Confirmed Players! What colors are your team wearing? Don't' forget the suntan lotion and plan on hydrating frequently during play!

Caledonia – Monday – July 20th – 9:30 a.m. 2 Person Bestball with Lunch Included. 107 Confirmed Players. “Douglas” the Cougar will be there for photo ops!

Shadow Lake – Monday – July 27th- 9:30 a.m. 4 Person, 2 of 4 Bestball. Registration Closes Tomorrow – Monday July 13th!

At The Turn:

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*****Genesee Valley Women's Golf Championship Tournament*****

Churchville Golf Club

GVWGA Championship Tradition Since 1935!

**2 Day Championship -Saturday, August 1st, Sunday, August 2nd –
Medal Play – Any Age Member**

**1 Day Senior Championship – Sunday, August 2nd Medal Play - Must
be at least 62 years old up to 74 years old.**

**Super-Senior Championship – Sunday, August 2nd Medal Play - Must
be at least 75 years old or older.**

REGISTRATION CLOSES Sunday, July 19th!

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: As of today, we need 40 more players to
make three flights within the Divisions.**

Liz Prescod sent out an email to all Members yesterday about the GVWGA Championship scheduled for next month. This Championship is an honored tradition that has been held now for the past 91 years since Cora Moore became GVWGA's first champion in 1935. Since 2012 we have added the Senior Division. Since 2025, we added the Super Senior Division. Within each division, the pay out is for Flights A, B, C Low Gross and Low Net. This special tournament pay out pays more places within the Division.

On the 2nd day of play, most of the Members remain at the 18th Hole to cheer on the incoming groups. It truly is a great moment to watch, and perhaps nostalgic as well!

If you ever visit Genesee Valley Golf Course and step inside the Clubhouse, look up and around. You will see every GVWGA Champion since 1935 right up to our current Champions with the addition of Senior and Super Senior Champion.

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In 1943 and 1953, there were no GVWGA Champions. I don't know specifically the reason for this. It would be truly sad if we did not have enough players to play in this year's time held tournament.

At The Clubhouse:

*Pencil in the date for our Fall Awards Banquet, Thursday, October 29th, at Lakeshore Country Club. (Yes the beef on the buffet menu has been mentioned!)

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GVWGA Website: gvwga.org (very cool website)

Golf Funny: A woman decided to become a professional golfer. To buy her clubs, she sold her sailboat. How did she list her boat for sale?

Answer Fore Sail! : o

Golf Funny Bonus: "What kind of car does a Caddie drive?"

Answer: "A Caddie-lac!" : ~)

That's All...for now...

Cindy Keller

Your GVWGA President