## Dear Members,

Well, the weather was stellar for our 2025 GVWGA 2-Day Club Championship, Senior Championship, and our new addition this year the Super Senior's Championship at Churchville Golf Course. Congrats to all the Winners!

Results	2 Day Champions	Senior Champions	Super Senior Champions
Overall Low Gross	Jennifer Cole	Elizabeth Harper	Janet Lau
Overall Low Net	Cindy Keller	Kim Estler	Joan Hawes
1st Place Low Gross(A)	Sue Penepent	Tammy Bills	Barbie Huckle
1st Place Low Net(A)	Sue Stein	Marie DeRosa	Elaine Pommerening
1st Place Low Gross(B)	Sarah Christopher	Sandi Marafioti	Nancy Miller
1st Place Low Net(B)	Vicki Brawn	Maddie Cassata	Barb Grimes

On July 18th, many of our members participated in the Friends of Deaf Women of Rochester golf tournament held at Lima Golf & Country Club. DWR is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving and uniting Deaf Women in the greater Rochester, N.Y. area. They provide accessible opportunities for networking, professional development, and promoting personal growth. GVWGA member Mindy Hopper served as chairperson for this tournament. Little did I know, my Monday Night League Mixed Links gals sponsored one of the holes for the tournament in honor of my Mom (and great golfer) who recently passed away. What a wonderful and heartfelt surprise! I could hardly tee-off through my teary eyes, and a hit the ball straight up in the air as if to reach Mom to say hi! I could hear her saying, Keep Your Head Down!

If you have a tournament of interest that you would like to share with GVWGA, please let us know. We would be happy to put the announcement on our website.

Speaking of our website! Check out our new and improved GVWGA website. Thanks to Liz Prescod, our Golf Genius who put in over 50 precious hours of transitioning the old website with the new, powered by Go Daddy. When you get to the home page, look at the right hand corner, click on the tab, go to Member, then click on Files. This is where the Tournament Information (Parings & Results) is located. Also on this page is the GVWGA Constitution & ByLaws, Need a golfing partner info, golf tournament formats which you can download, and MUCH more. If you forgot the GVWGA Password, you can respond to this newsletter email, and we will make sure you get it. So take the tour!

Looking back on our Monday, July 28th Shadow Lakes Tournament, I would like to clarify something. We were told that the restaurant and bar would be open at 2 p.m. for after golf R&R. This did not happen. It is not GVWGA's fault that Shadow Lake management decided for one reason or another NOT to have this open for us on the day of the tournament. We did in fact ask about this at that time, and failed to get an answer. While we convey to members about food availability during or after tournaments, there are sometimes unforeseen/unknown circumstances that even we are unaware of.

Skins and Birdies have been a big hit since the start of the season. Thank you Sue Sogard! Here is an explanation of how it works:

## SKINS:

Skins is delineated by Flight. The entire field of players participate for payout.

Everyone can use their handicap dot(s) for each hole, therefore, everyone has an equal opportunity to win based on their individual playing ability.

Lowest Net score on each hole wins a Skin for that hole. Ties do not Count.

Winners of Skins Pool are verified through Golf Genius after tournament results are reported.

Payout in cash can picked up at the Skins/Birdie table at scheduled tournaments.

For Medal Play, a Skin is \$5.00. For a two team event, a skin is 10.00 for the team or 5.00 per person, for a four team event, a skin is \$20.00 for the team or 5.00 per person.

For team events, the winning is split among the team members.

## BIRDIES:

Birdie pool is not based on handicap but a pure Birdie score on the hole.

The Birdie pool is \$5.00 and is purchased as an individual player. Team events do not come into play here.

Winners of the Birdie Pool are verified through Golf Genius after tournament results are reported.

Payout in cash can picked up at the Skins/Birdie table at scheduled tournaments.

We will be working with Sue after the tournament season to talk about any improvements that need to be made, as well as working on the addition of Eagles being in the mix. Stay tuned!

Can't believe we have only 6 tournaments left for this season. Glad the Cragie Braie Tournament was able to be rescheduled for Saturday, August 30th. You still have time(but get to it!) to sign up for this Medal event with the closing date for registration on August 16th.

A reminder...when you receive notification of a registration for a tournament, please select the Playing or Not Playing. If you select Playing, this DOES NOT insure that you will be on the tee list. You still need to send in your registration with payment. By selecting Playing, it gives the Golf Geniuses an idea of member interest in a that tournament. There is always a reason for the method even if it seems redundant.

Pencil in the Date! The Fall Awards Banquet will be held on Thursday, October 23rd at Lakeshore Country Club. Details to follow soon.

Everything we do at GVWGA has dedicated members who volunteer their time in continuing the legacy and history of a successful organization. We are currently in need of a volunteers to organize the Spring Banquet, 2026. Check out the Spring Banquet Guidelines on our website for the how to's. Also check out the Constitution/Bylaws under Committees Pages 5-6 for interest in volunteer opportunities.

Golf Funny: My game is so bad, I had to have my ball retriever regripped!

Now that's Funny!:~)

That's all...for now. See you on the links!

Cindy Keller