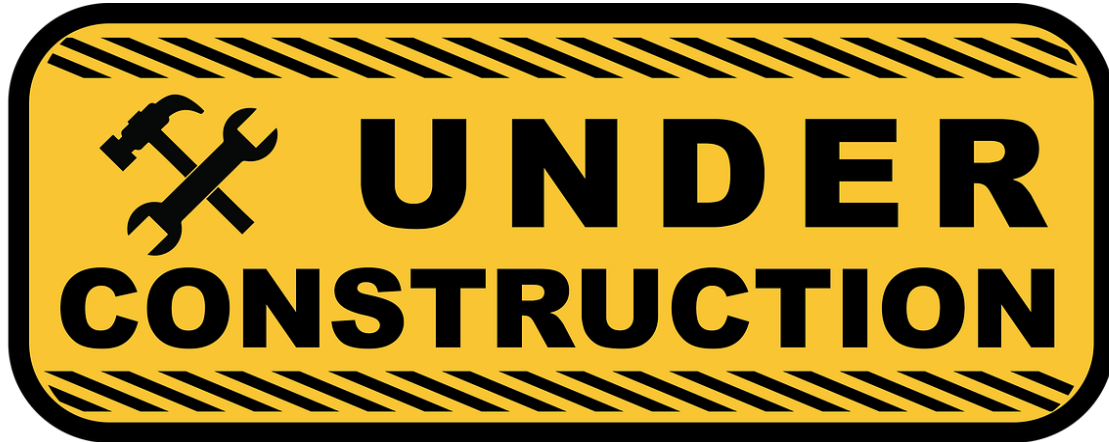


# TEE IT UP

February 2022



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**Golf course renovations at SJGC** continue to progress on schedule. According to the latest update from Wes Tucker, the course is a bit unrecognizable currently, but things are moving fast. New holes 4 through 14 have been disked, new greens have been dug for holes 7 - 14, bunkers have been shaped for holes 7 – 13. Cart paths have been routed in preparation for the new drainage and irrigation. The clubhouse renovations continue.

**LASJGC** continues to play each **Tuesday at Royal St Augustine** and each **Thursday at Palatka Golf Club**. The winter weather is waning, and warmer spring conditions are around the corner. We hope members will continue to support the vitality of our organization by playing together often.

**Lorie Burningham, Tournament Chair** is appreciative to everyone for their participation at Palatka Golf Club on Thursdays. Andy Hertz and the rest of the Pro Shop Staff have been very welcoming to us and deserve a special note of thanks. Please **remember** to make sure your scorecards are legible before turning them in. This helps with the scoring and determination of winners.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Ginny Martin, is beginning to prepare a slate of candidates for the upcoming election. Vacancies to be filled include **President, Vice President** and **Treasurer**. Duties of each position are listed in the Constitution. Please consider sharing your personal talents by serving in one of these positions. I can attest it is a fun, rewarding experience. You may contact Ginny Martin or any of the current Officers to discuss any questions you may have. Members of the Nominating Committee or current Officers may contact you to invite your participation on the Executive Board.

Congratulations to **Donna Craig** upon her marriage to Jerry Bird on February 12, 2022. They had a beautiful, intimate ceremony on the beach. We wish much happiness to both of them.



Our very own **Lenore Allen** won the JWGA (Jacksonville Women's Golf Association) Handicap Tournament on February 16, 2022. This is a three-week tournament held at 3 different area golf courses, the final round played at South Hampton Golf Club. Lenore won her match each week and at the conclusion went into an 8 person sudden death playoff hole. The shootout started on the #1 handicap hole #13, a par 5 with all 8 finalists hitting fabulous drives. **Lenore Allen** then proceeded to impress and surprise the spectators with an outstanding chip in eagle, net 2 albatross to win the shootout and the handicap tournament. Congratulations, Lenore! You made St. Johns Ladies Association proud!

The Spring Calendar is revving up. Be prepared for lots of fun events.

- March 24      Member-Member Tournament (be thinking about a partner)
- April 7 & 14      Eclectic Tourney
- April 26 & 28      Club Championship
- May 19 & 26      Team Match Play (practice for Summer Team)
- May 26      General Membership Meeting: Awards and Elections

**ICE (In Case of Emergency)** Please remember to submit your contact information to Membership Chair, Lenore Allen, to be included on the emergency list. This list is password protected and available from our website and is used to contact someone in case of injury or emergency while participating in a LASJGC event. Help us keep you safe!

## Member Spotlight

## Karen Horton



Karen has totally embraced playing golf in Florida since moving here from Virginia!

Karen loves to play softball, rugby, soccer, and her all-time favorite: field hockey. She took up golf about 12 years ago after finding it too hard on her knees to run up and down the fields of her previous sports interests.

Her funniest golf memory was during a round with her son-in-law, Robert and his big, burley friend. Karen got a chip in. Robert's friend picked her up and twirled her around the green!

Outside of golf, Karen is an avid gardener and loves being outdoors. She enjoys the ocean and boogie boarding. She has begun riding bikes and enjoys doing crafts with her grandkids.

An accounting major, Karen began her career with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) in Colorado. She then changed direction and worked with her father in his wholesale pool business in Virginia. Her love is accounting, and she would have returned to that field of work had the opportunity with her family business not presented itself.

Karen loves to read, especially mystery novels by James Patterson and she has developed an interest in creating healthy, vegan meals.