



# The Lake Windcrest Ledger

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Kudos to our Tournament Chairs, Sue Ball and Chris Hofmann, for planning a very successful St. Patrick's Day Tournament. The decorations and treats were "top drawer" and the Irish food and beverages earned a five star rating. The results of the tournament are listed on page 5.

We look forward to the next event on the tournament schedule which is scheduled for Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>. This tournament is an annual event that focuses on match play. Mark your calendar now and watch for details in the near future.

April brings some of our best golf weather...although the spring rains are expected, the temperatures are still fairly moderate (at least for the southwest) and the new spring growth makes the outdoors so appealing. We hope to see more and more players out on playdays.

April also brings a return of the BYOB couples events. These WGA sponsored outings will continue to be nine hole events and will be scheduled in alternate months with couples events scheduled by the club. See details for April's BYOB below.

Finally, our second general meeting of the year is scheduled for Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the clubhouse. Your attendance is important for this is where you will receive updates on WGA policies, finances, and future plans. It is also an opportunity for members to raise questions and concerns. We generally have either our General Manager Troy Muller or our Golf Professional Brett Williams present to share the status of the club.

Welcome spring! Get out and enjoy the game!

Joni Stoy, President  
LW WGA

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We are delighted  
to welcome  
**MALLORIE  
VAN ELDEN**  
to our group!



## On a Personal Note

We are sending get well wishes to Elaine Azark who has been suffering with a debilitating back injury. Hope to see her back on the course soon.

Bon Voyage to our Nicole Chollar who with husband and children is re-locating to Pennsylvania. We hope to see her when she visits her Mom, Christina Debo, in a few months, bringing the latest addition to the family... a little girl! Congrats Nicole!



**WGA MEMBERS...  
BRING YOUR OWN BEAU**

**When: Sunday, April 16**

**Time: 2:00 pm shotgun**

**Format: 9 holes Best Ball**

**Entry Fee \$10/couple**

**Payouts will depend on  
the number of participants.  
Sign up directly with Joni  
stoyville@comcast.net**



**GENERAL  
MEETING  
THURSDAY  
APRIL 13  
6 PM  
CLUBHOUSE**

# March Playday Winners

## MARCH 1, 3 & 4 GAME: LOW NET

DAY	GAME WINNER	LOW PUTTS
WEDNESDAY	SUE BALL	DONNA MOORE
FRIDAY	CHRIS HOFMANN	JINA AUGER
SATURDAY	SHERI CAPRIO	JONI STOY CHRISTINA DEBO


## MARCH 8, 10 & 11 GAME: TWO CLOSEST TO

DAY	GAME WINNER	GAME WINNER
WEDNESDAY	SHARON PHILLIPS	JINA AUGER
FRIDAY	JINA AUGER	SHERI CAPRIO
SATURDAY	CINDY BAILEY	SHARON PHILLIPS

## MARCH 15, 17 & 18 GAME: STABLEFORD

DAY	GAME WINNER	LOW PUTTS
WEDNESDAY	JINA AUGER	JINA AUGER
FRIDAY	TOURNAMENT RE-SCHEDULED DUE TO RAIN	
SATURDAY	NO GAME: INSUFFICIENT NUMBER OF PLAYERS	


## MARCH 22, 24 & 25 GAME:


DAY	GAME WINNER	LOW PUTTS
WEDNESDAY	 RE-SCHEDULED TOURNAMENT: SEE RESULTS ON PAGE	
FRIDAY	BLIND PARTNERS	SHIRLEY ROBERTSON SHERI CAPRIO
SATURDAY	BLIND PARTNERS	SHARON PHILLIPS PATRICIA THOMPSON

## MARCH 29 & 31 GAME: BEST NINE

DAY	GAME WINNER	LOW PUTTS
FRIDAY	JANICE KNOTT	KATHLEEN SULLINS JANICE KNOTT
SATURDAY	CHRIS HOFMANN	JINA AUGER, SHIRLEY ROBERTSON, CHARMELLE VONDRAK

**WORTHY of NOTE...** The following players had a least one birdie and/or one chip-in March not necessarily on their designated day:


 **BIRDIES:** Donna Moore, Shirley Robertson, Kathleen Sullins, Jina Auger, Sharon Phillips, Charmelle Vondrak, Sue Ball, Sheri Caprio, Marion Nojek, PJ Mullarkey

 **CHIP-INS:** Patricia Thompson, Jina Auger, Sue Ball, Sheri Caprio, PJ Mullarkey, Deb Yarbrough, Gwen Bartz, Charmelle Vondrak

 <h1>APRIL CALENDAR</h1>	
APRIL 1 S	BEST NINE: MUST INCLUDE A MINIMUM OF 2 PAR 5'S AND A MAXIMUM OF 2 PAR 3'S.
APRIL 5, 7 & 8 W, F & S	LOW NET: THE PLAYER WHOSE GROSS SCORE MINUS HANDICAP IS LOWEST SHARES THE CASH POT WITH LOW PUTTS AND EARNS PRO SHOP CREDIT.
APRIL 12, 14 & 15 W, F & S	EVEN HOLES: TAKE THE TOTAL OF THE NET SCORES ON THE EVEN NUMBERED HOLES AS THE GAME SCORE. LOWEST SCORE SHARES THE CASH POT WITH LOW PUTTS AND EARNS PRO SHOP CREDIT.
APRIL 19, 21 & 22 W, F & S	STABLEFORD: THE PLAYER WITH THE MOST POINTS SHARES THE CASH POT WITH LOW PUTTS AND EARNS PRO SHOP CREDIT. NET BOGIE= 1 PT., NET PAR = 2 PTS., NET BIRDIE = 3 PTS., NET EAGLE= 4 PTS, NET DOUBLE EAGLE= 5 PTS.
APRIL 26, 28 & 29 W, F & S	ODD HOLES: TAKE THE TOTAL OF THE NET SCORES ON THE ODD NUMBERED HOLES AS THE GAME SCORE. LOWEST SCORE SHARES THE CASH POT WITH LOW PUTTS AND EARNS PRO SHOP CREDIT.



## HOME MATCH VS. FALCON POINT


What a fantastic start to our Ladies Challenge Cup season! The first round of competition among the five clubs in our division has been completed. Four of the five have had a match home and away and one club had a bye for round one. The adjacent table shows our scores from our home match versus Falcon Point while the table below shows our standing in our division among all the clubs in our division. As you can see, we are leading in both gross and net scoring!!! Thanks to the smart recruiting and pairing by Donna and Shirley, we are  sitting pretty in our division. We have a bye for round two, with our next match in May against The Woodlands CC. Donna and Shirley will be looking for players for the match on May 11<sup>th</sup> on the Player Course at the Country Club and on May 22<sup>nd</sup> against WCC at home.

Let's keep this phenomenal record going!



LAKE WINDCREST	GROSS	NET	FALCON POINT	GROSS	NET
Phillips, S. Yarbrough, D.	12.5	9	Kosler, P. Morales, A.	5.5	9
Moore, D. Wilkins, M.	7.5	6.5	Daniluk, D. Goodine, W.	10.5	11
Auger, J. Vondrak, C.	14.5	13	Crookson, S. Gonzalez, A.	3.5	5
Robertson, S. Ball, Sue	11	11	Dykes, B. Hanshaw, T.	7	7
Bailey, C. Caprio, S.	10.5	12.5	Griffith, L. Slaughter, K.	7.5	5.5
<b>LAKE WINDCREST Totals</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>FALCON POINT Totals</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>38</b>

## LCC Division I Challenge Cup - 2023 Standings after Round 1

		Opposing Team													
		Elkins Lake		Falcon Point		Lake Windcrest		Walden		The Woodlands		TOTALS		PLACE	
Home Course		GROSS	NET	GROSS	NET	GROSS	NET	GROSS	NET	GROSS	NET	GROSS	NET	GROSS	NET
Elkins Lake	AT HOME							51.5	44.5			51.5	44.5		
	AWAY							48.0	43.5			48.0	43.5		
	TOTAL							99.5	88.0			99.5	88.0		
Falcon Point	AT HOME					37.0	40.0					37.0	40.0		
	AWAY					34.0	38.0					34.0	38.0		
	TOTAL					71.0	78.0					71.0	78.0		
Lake Windcrest	AT HOME			56.0	52.0							56.0	52.0		
	AWAY			53.0	50.0							53.0	50.0		
	TOTAL			109.0	102.0							109.0	102.0		
Walden	AT HOME	42.0	46.5									42.0	46.5		
	AWAY	38.5	45.5									38.5	45.5		
	TOTAL	80.5	92.0									80.5	92.0		
The Woodlands	AT HOME											0.0	0.0		
	AWAY											0.0	0.0		
	TOTAL											0.0	0.0		



# So, what's new?

There is something new on the course but old to the game. For the relatively new golfer, it may be new information, while for the seasoned golfer, it is simply a review. So, what's new....the yellow stakes (you'll find some on hole number 15 for example).

In 2019, the USGA made significant changes to the USGA Rules of Golf. Among them was giving clubs the discretionary power to eliminate yellow penalty stakes (not a requirement but an option), thus resulting in allowing lateral relief from penalty areas in many instances.

While Lake Windcrest was previously part of the trio of clubs that was identified as Golf Trails, most, if not all, yellow stakes were removed; for those who remember, hole #6 on the west (Oaks) course was a par 3 over water and changing the stakes to red allowed a drop to the side, often taking the water out of play on the next shot. However, as our singular club has now focused on updating the markings on our course, there are obvious situations where lateral relief simply is not even a possibility (hole #15...there is no way to take a drop sideways since the ravine cuts through the fairway from the wooded area on one side to the wooded area on the other).

According to the USGA Rules of Golf, for a yellow penalty area, you may take relief by dropping into a relief area using (1) the spot at which your last stroke was made under stroke and distance (see Rule 17.1d (1)) or (2) the back-on-the-line relief procedure (see Rule 17.1d(2)). The back-on-the-line relief procedure is amended to provide that the player is required to drop on the line. The spot on the line where the ball first touches the ground when dropped creates a relief area that is one club-length in any direction from that point.

Each month, clarifying rules questions that occur during a regular playday has been a priority. Here are two such instances...again, the focus is on Hole #15. Player hit her tee shot such that it landed in somewhat of a lateral ditch left of the fairway but not in the wooded area. Because of recent rain, the ditch had water in it...was she entitled to a free drop...yes, this was considered casual water. Player then hit her shot back into the water...again she gets relief, but must count the stroke.

A second situation which occurred was related to a tap-in putt of just inches. BEWARE...you need to be cautious with these little putts. You must **strike** the ball. You may use any part of your putter to make the stroke...you may even strike the ball from the opposite side of the hole (a surprising discovery for me). However, the following do not meet the definition of striking the ball:

- ◆ A player holes a short putt by hitting the ball with the bottom of the clubhead, using a motion similar to that used in making a shot in billiards or shuffleboard. **Moving the ball like this is a push.**
- ◆ A player moves the club along the surface of the ground pulling it towards him or her. **Moving the ball like this is a scrape.**
- ◆ A player slides a club beneath and very close to the ball. The player then lifts and moves the ball by use of a forward and upward motion. **Moving the ball like this is a scoop.**

If any of these actions are used to hole the ball, the stroke counts and a two stroke penalty is also assessed.



## CORRECTION CORNER

Several of our members have reported issues with their ghin stats and we are in the process of making corrections. You may find entries that may not correspond by exact date, but it is important that each of you review your history and report any scores that are missing or that appear in your record but are not yours.

Email Joni at: (stoyville@comcast.net) with a detailed account of any corrections needed as of the end of March. Those of you who have been participants of LCC, your posted scores from the LCC matches against Falcon Point may be higher than you might have expected. **If you failed to enter a "most likely" score when you picked up on a hole, a net double bogie would have been entered for that hole. In match play, even if you pick up, you are expected to enter the score you most likely would have had...in the future, don't just show an X. The seasoned match play competitor will put an X to indicate a pick up with the most likely score in the corner of the scorecard box.**



## Fashion on the Fairways

Many changes in the game of golf came with a major overhaul of the Rules of Golf in 2019. But also, along the way, there have been some subtle changes in "golf fashion". Just like the game of tennis, where "tennis whites" were pre-requisite to any match, golf attire has undergone a transition to more varied looks. No longer are sleeves and collar required on ladies golf tops. *"The LPGA website now states under their dress code: "We allow sleeveless and collarless shirts to be worn during play. There is no specific length requirement on shorts or skirts. Denim, cut-offs, and workout clothes are not allowed."*

Recently, ads have been appearing promoting spandex golfwear. Rule of thumb has been if it is marketed as golfwear, it should be acceptable. A bit of a conundrum stems from the LPGA policy prohibiting workout clothes and the inclusion of spandex in golf catalogs. Spandex leggings have become a trend, and not just at the gym...you can see them at the shopping mall, the grocery store, etc. Spandex is not everyone's friend...the best advice to assure proper attire on the golf course is "good taste"...and remember, the golf course is not the gym.





# Wening's Wizardry

Experience the wizardry that our Professional Golf Instructor Bill Wening can work on your golf game! Sign up for any one or all of the weekly ladies clinics that Bill offers. Each session focuses on a fundamental skill....full swing, putting, bunker play, short game. Cost per participant is \$40 and registration can be completed by clicking on the appropriate link below. Trust Bill to gaze into his crystal ball and see exactly what wizardry is needed to help you reach the top of your game!



Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> — Full Swing

<https://lakewindcrestgolfclub.wufoo.com/forms/m16br41c1ojdvax/>



Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> — Short Game

<https://lakewindcrestgolfclub.wufoo.com/forms/mxzw3uc11i24bw/>



Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup> — Bunker Play

<https://lakewindcrestgolfclub.wufoo.com/forms/msbp8a418vhqk1/>



Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> — Putting

<https://lakewindcrestgolfclub.wufoo.com/forms/mwgfacw1kihsyb/>



## Results of the St. Patrick's Day Tournament



The leprechauns couldn't keep the rain away for the originally scheduled St. Patrick's Day Tournament on March 17th. However, the Irish by birth and the Irish by calendar managed to maintain the spirit of the event until the re-schedule of the tournament on the following Wednesday.

Eighteen golfers turned out to play in much more accommodating weather...and the "wearing o' the green" was everywhere.

Jina Auger won the prize for the most chip-ins in the pre-shotgun contest. Teams that returned the gold ball they were given at the start of the round (with which they had to alternate playing) were awarded a gold bar (chocolate that is!)

Congratulations to all the winners!

Teams	Gross	Net
Donna Moore & Jina Auger <i>1<sup>st</sup> place gross</i>	153	138
Sheri Caprio & Marcia Wilkins	184	151
Charmelle Vondrak & PJ Mullarkey	193	159
Laura Hittler & Janice Knott	184	147
Sharon Phillips & Karen Christian <i>1<sup>st</sup> place net</i>	173	146
Kathleen Sullins & Joni Stoy	205	163
Gwen Bartz & Deb Yarbrough	189	152
Chey O'Rourke & Shirley Robertson <i>2<sup>nd</sup> place net</i>	169	147*
Sue Ball & Chris Hofmann	214	165
* Indicates a scorecard play-off.		

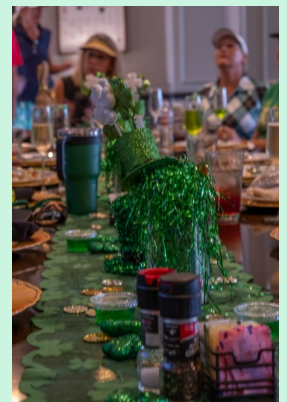


# WGA SCRAPBOOK





# MORE SCRAPBOOK FUN





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## Something to Crow About!

A number of our members enjoy playing tournaments outside of our club. There are many that are in the Houston area and a number that are state-wide...especially those sponsored by the Texas Golf Association. If you have an interest in pursuing this kind of outside golf competition, watch for "heads up" emails from Deb or Shirley...they are "in the know" when it comes to these kinds of opportunities.

We are always happy to share good news from our members—something to crow about! Recently Deb Yarbrough and Chey O'Rourke both won a proximity award at a local outside event...ironically both won "closest to the line"...aka straightest drive. Chey (pictured top right) won the award at the Mardi Gras Tournament at Walden on Lake Houston. Deb (pictured center right) won the same proximity award, straightest drive, at the Lone Star Annual Tournament held at Windrose Golf Club. And a frequent winner in numerous tournaments (on the team which placed 3rd at the same Mardi Gras tournament Chey played in), Shirley Robertson took the "big stage" in Dallas, playing in the Texas Women's Golf Association Eclectic Tournament. Shirley (pictured bottom right) improved her performance by 15 strokes on day two of the tournament to tie for 1st net in her flight...**definitely something to crow about!**

