



The FORE!

October 2010 Vol 22 Issue 10 Page 1 of 4 Your Riverbend Ladies Golf Association newsletter, chartered since 1989 with reserved Wed., Sat. and Sun. morning tee times for our members. To be guaranteed a weekend tee time, you need to call the Pro Shop 253 854 3673 by Wednesday; for a Wednesday tee time, call the desk and put your name on the list by Tuesday.

For membership information and much more go to <http://www.rlga.org/>

Captain's Feetnotes:



Phyllis Ellermeier, your captain.

It is with both sadness and hesitation that we bid a farewell to the 2010 RLGA season of golf. Your RLGA Board of Directors has tried to meet our growing and diversifying membership. We have many new faces for 2010 and many indicate a desire to return for 2011.

The "Loose ladies of Riverbend" tournament is an enjoyable romp in "what never to do in golf" Remember, it is not a round you can post, it is silly fun, and in the end you could be the only one finishing up the tournament saying "Well I didn't use one of those cheating things on the scorecard and scored in the low 80's! (if that's you be sure your enter the final tournament for our 2010season) November may not be everyone's ideal golf month but it will be the 6th ANNUAL BIG BREAK SKILLS CHALLENGE. . . And we do mean "skills!" Mary Ryan and Phyllis Ellermeier are out there at the breaking of the sometimes gloomy November dawn setting up all of these very challenging shot locations. This tournament includes 9 holes of a foursome scramble (including all of the three pars) and 9 holes of challenge shots. Some holes are played out others you simply go to the marker for the challenge shot and take three attempts to get closest to the pin . . .measure and move on. So, please sign-up, bring your friendly male or female group, you need not be a member, nor have an established handicap for this tournament . BUT be prepared for a true test of what you have been trying to perfect all summer.

So please, keep making new golf friends, and bring those friends with you when you renew your membership in January. And please take a much longer look at the plaque of signatures of RLGA's 1989 charter members. Many continue their leadership as current members and officers.

I hope everyone knows - we appreciate that each of you have pondered how you might contribute to the 2011 season. Look attention what these positions include . . .No one ever works alone or in isolation . . .each position is collaboratively supported by all of the other positions

Your golf organization needs you. We all recognize the benefits of a well run tournament, or an efficient set up for playing and recording competitions play, we enjoy the news of our golfing friends' accomplishments in our player recognition program. (the PINK cards)

Membership numbers will change, friends may come and go, handicaps will go up and down, lessons or technology may improve playBUT nothing diminishes the power and intent of our lady logo and her message. . Together we ALL must decide how we will contribute to sustaining RLGA . . .it is a labor of love and the more members stepping up to be part of the Board of directors the easier each position is to carry out. In order for RLGA to be a "FORCE ON THE COURSE" we simply can't work with you saying "no" when asked. My appeal to you is in direct support for my friend and 2011 Captain, Cathy Rosa. She deserves to start 2011 with the best of any of you. . .Please consider how you will support her yourself. If that means you do not volunteer to be part of her Board of Directors, then what does it mean you will do to give her the best of us so she can start her era as Captain with the best possible women around her.

SEE YOU ON THE COURSE . . . Of Course!!! Phyllis



From your Tournament Chairman,

Mary Powers: Well, participation in the Chapman was much lower this year and I suspect the Seahawks home opener was the cause. We'll have to take a closer look at our schedule next year! Those that did participate had great weather and lots of fun. Congratulations to the winners!

Chapman Results			
Player	Gross Score	Net Score	Place
Linda Pearson	73	62.5	1st Gross
Rod Cross			
Anne Tuttle	76		2nd Gross
Mark Borah			
Kristin Hatfield	81		3rd Gross
Kurt Thompson			
Shari Boggs	65.5	1st Net	
Charles Silver		2nd Net	
Mary Ryan			
Laura Risher			
Heather Carr		3rd Net	
Robert Carr			

Skills Results		
Skill	Player	Results
KP # 5	Matt Fulton	9"
KP # 8	Phyllis Ellermeier	30' 4"
KP # 13	Rod Cross	4' 1"
KP # 16	Mark Shortridge	4' 2"
Accurate Drive # 7	Carole Borek	
Long Drive # 3	Mark Borah	

Our next tournament, "The Fast and Loose Ladies of the RLGA" is coming up in a few days. This is a fun wacky tournament will all kinds of crazy rules. If you want to have a little fun with your golf game please join us on October 9th. The entry deadline is October 1 but if you're interested in playing contact either Mary Powers or Judy Griffin. Our final tournament of the year is "The Big Break Challenge 2010" on November 7th. Watch for more details on this tournament in email notices or website updates.

2010 Schedule Riverbend Ladies Golf Association

October 9 Saturday Fast & Loose
November 7 Sunday Big Break

WSWPLA 2010 Schedule Handicap Limit 40. To enter these events see entry forms in Pro shop and/or contact Kellie Molzhon kelliemolzhon@comcast.net or call 253-630-0542
Saturday October 16 Mt. Si Sign up Deadline Sept 27

GSWPGA 2010 Schedule: Handicap Limit 40. To enter these events see entry forms in Pro shop and/or contact Kellie Molzhon kelliemolzhon@comcast.net or call 253-630-0542
Thursday Oct. 14, 2010 Maplewood Fall Sweeps Sign up Deadline 9/25
November 11 Fairwood G&CC Fall Luncheon

Tacoma Womens Golf Association TWGA 2010 Schedule: Handicap Limit 40. To enter these events contact Kellie Molzhon kelliemolzhon@comcast.net 253-630-0542.
Monday Oct 18 TWGA Awards Luncheon C.I. Shenanigans 3017 Ruston Way

(PNGA) Pacific Northwest Golf Association 2010 Schedule.

To enter these events go website at bottom of page or call 206-526-1238
Senior Women's Amateur Meridian Valley CC, Kent WA Oct 4-5

(WSGA) Washington State Golf Association 2010 Events completed

ADVERTISING GOLF ASSOCIATION \$5 donation per outing + guest rates.

Oct 4 Mon FIRCREST CC \$50 outstanding Tacoma CC - (1923)
Oct 11 Mon GLEN ACRES CC \$40 difficult Burien area track (1924)

From Angela Hobbs

I know we have all heard the saying, "If a tree falls in the forest and no one is around does it make a sound?" Well I have a new one, "If a golfer makes a Hole In One and no one is around to see it does it count?" Most times I believe the answer would be no but what if the golfer is Amy Nikaitani?

Now what would your answer be?
Mine is a big fat YES!!!

On a lonely Wednesday morning, April 14, 2010 Amy Nikaitani made that elusive shot on hole #5 with a temporary green. The normal RLGA Wednesday morning groupings didn't happen because of recent aeration of the course and the ladies chose to play elsewhere. Unfortunately we all missed a shot of a lifetime.

I wonder if she bought the boys in the ProShop a Coke? She did buy drinks for some of the regular Wednesday ladies once the new restaurant opened.

The next time you see Miss Amy please extend your congrats. I know what a really rare thing a Hole In One can be (still waiting on mine and I hope to get one before my 10 year old son or husband). Oh by the way did you know that Amy is 86 years old?



These gigantic mushrooms are growing to the east of the tee box on 15

Your **RLGA** membership entitles you to play in events sponsored by :

State: WSWPLA Washington State Women's Public Links Assn. <http://www.wswpla.com>

City: GSWPGA Greater Seattle Women's Public Golf Assn. <http://www.gswpga.com>

TWGA Tacoma Women's Golf Assn. <http://www.twga.org>

PNGA Pacific Northwest Golf Assn. <http://www.thpnga.org>

WSGA Washington State Golf Assn. <http://www.thewsga.org>

To enter **USGA** events you need to join the United States Golf Assn. (\$25.00) <http://www.usga.org/>

To enter **AGA** Advertising Golf Association events email agagolfer@yahoo.com or call: (206) 226 5332.

USGA Mid Amateur Wichita KS September 25th

-30th. The September Fore reported that our Kathy Provazek had earned a first alternate eligibility to play in this national championship event. Kathy had also earned a firm entry in the Golf Channel Tour National Championship to be held in St. Augustine Florida during the same week. Kathy chose the Golf Channel tour event in Florida over the USGA in Kansas. This is not a senior only event, nor are Kathy's results women only. She competed with both women and men.

This just in from Kathy: "Wanted to let you know I finished 25th in my flight. I also got interviewed by Win McMurray from the golf channel and they taped my swing in highlights from day 2 that you can access on the golf channel amateur tour website under 'leaderboard, video gallery, round 2 highlights."

Pictured above is Kathy Provazek being interviewed by Win McMurray from the Golf Channel. Kathy says "It was a blast! I think they are going to use the rest of the interview for a promotional video for the (Golf Channel) Tour." It was an amazing experience and playing #17 island green at TPC Sawgrass was really thrilling under



the harsh pressure of a national championship. The Golf Channel National Championship was held at TPC Sawgrass September 26-29th. There were 4 courses that included TPC Sawgrass Stadium, TPC Sawgrass Valley, Slammer & Squire, and St. Johns Golf & Country Club. The field was comprised of only the top qualifiers from 70 tours nationwide. I played in the Sarazan Flight that includes handicaps from 12.0-15.9 and had a total of 117 players. I hope next year some of the women from RLGA will consider joining this tour. It is something very special.

Will those of you who have distance measuring devices please write a review about your device. Shari Boggs has a Calloway. Risher has a Golf Buddy. Please, tell us the pros and cons of yours? Here are some reports:

Mary Ryan and her Sonocddie: I use a Bushnell Rangefinder and a Sonocddie. Yes, both. I bought the Costco.com Sonocddie for \$328. I paid \$50 for lifetime worldwide updates. I like the feel of it. It has a 3/4 inch lime green soft plastic border all the way around it.. Easy to hold onto and easy to find in my cart and bag. Holds 30 courses. Has a color display. Battery is good for about six and a half hours. I almost took the Sonocddie back because some of the courses are not mapped accurately. Auburn didn't display distance to the water on #9 amongst other shortcomings. I emailed Sonocddie about two specific discrepancies on two different courses and within a few days they emailed me that I should reload updated course info. I am keeping the Sonocddie. That lime green wrap is a big deal to me. I have never yet failed to see it lying next to my keys as I go out the door. 30 courses is much better for me than 20 that my skycadde held. Maybe owning one of these devices implies a responsibility to report errors. Does anyone have a distance program that you download to your PDA? Visibility in the sun is an ongoing PDA problem for me. I have not had visibility problems with either the Sonocddie or the Skycaddie.

Mary Powers and her Skycaddie: I've had my Skycaddie for 2 seasons now and absolutely love it. I don't know how I golfed without it. I obviously was a very poor judge of distance before acquiring my Skycaddie. Since having the use of this measuring device I've taken at least 5 strokes off my handicap. My index is now under 20 for the first time since starting to play this game. I've done nothing different. I've not taken lessons, changed equipment or even gone to the driving range. The only difference is I know now the distance and can make the correct club selection. I sound like a commercial but if you're undecided about getting one I would recommend it. The only negative I have about it is the mandatory annual fee. At the beginning of the season I wasn't able to golf so I decided to delay renewing my membership. I thought I would be able to use it with the courses I had loaded from the previous year if I happened to be able to play. I discovered they turned it off. What I had loaded from last year was gone. So, if you do acquire a Skycaddie be prepared for the usage fees. Even with the fees I still love it.

Kathy Provazek and her Skycaddie: I like the skycad-die SG5 but the SGX font is too small. The yardage is dependable unlike some of the others.

PLAYER RECOGNITION:by Peggy Haugen The Player Recognition program for this 2010 season has come to a close! Thank you all for participating. A full year-end report with all the details will be published at a later date.

The last TWGA event of 2010 was held August 31st at High Cedars and results were posted in the Sept. Fore.

Results from Greater Seattle Womens Public Golf Assn.

GSWPGA Sept 9, Two Lady Best Ball, Auburn

Cathy Kay and Kellie Molzhon	Tied for 1st Place
Linda Person and Kathy Porvazek	Tied for 3rd Place
Janet Best and Sheila Locke	Tied for 5th Place
Laura Risher and Mary Ryan	Tied for 9th Place

USGA Senior Amateur Qualifier at Meridian Valley Sept. 7th. At stake here were five spots in the USGA Senior Amateur to be held in Ft Meyers, Florida October 9th thru 14th. Laura Risher, Ok Yun Lim, Mary Ryan, Linda Selegue and Sheila Locke were in the field. Laura Risher earned the 6th spot as an alternate shooting 81 from the white tees. USGA called her September 28th and informed her that one of the five top regional finishers had dropped out and she has a confirmed entry in this national competition. Laura is going to Florida. You can follow her progress starting October 9th on the USGA website.

Sad announcement. Hong Lim, husband of Ok Yun Lim died suddenly Sunday morning September 26th. We are all thinking of her and wishing her peace and hope she finds comfort from her friends and family as she goes through this journey. We should all be aware that we can offer her some friendship and comfort by arranging to play golf with her.

Cathy Kay and Kathy Provazek took home first place at the McCormick Woods annual Best Ball invitational.

Results fromPNGA Women's Senior Team, Gold Mountain September 20,21,22

Flight 1 3rd place net Laura Risher and Mary Ryan
Flight 1 6th place net Linda Pearson and Kellie Molzhon
Flight 1 18th place net Linda Selegue and Sharon Falkner

Results from Washington State Women's Public Links Assn WSWPLA (State) Mount Adams Sept 13, 14

Mary Ryan 5th Place
Laura Risher 7th Place

Corrected Results from Pacific Northwest Golf Association Amateur Public Links at Lake Padden in August Linda Pearson was reported as 24th net when she actually finished third net and received a cash award. Linda Pearson finished higher in both net and gross play than all other RLGA entrants. Sorry Linda. It was a player named Lori Pearson who finished 24th net.



On the left is the new cart girl, Aprodite. In the glasses is either Sylvia, Leticia or Wendy, also part of the Mick Kelly's wait staff.

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What should you do if you post the wrong score? E-mail Handicap chairman, Jerri Proszek and she will fix it! chandje@comcast.net

Important Dates

- Oct 4 TWGA Final Event at Riverbend
- Oct 4 PNGA Final Event at Meridian Valley CC
- Oct 5 RLGA Board Meeting Par 3 Clubhouse 6PM
- Oct 9 RLGA Event, The Fast and Loose
- Oct 14 WSWPLA Final Event at Mount Si
- Oct 18 TWGA Luncheon

October 2010

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PNGA Final 2010 Event, Senior Women's Amateur, Lake Meridian						10 RLGA Tee Times 9:30
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17 RLGA Tee Times 9:30	18 <small>TWGA Annual Awards Luncheon at Shenanigans</small>	19	20 RLGA Tee Times 9:30	21	22	23 RLGA Tee Times 9:30
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Fast & Loose Ladies Tournament

Saturday – October 9, 2010 – 8:30 AM

We're going to have some fun with this tournament. **There are going to be some interesting and fun rules which will be revealed the day of the tournament.** (Have you ever wanted to just kick that ball out from under that shrub? Well, you just might get your chance in this tournament!)

This will be a blind draw team event. Your teammate will be determined after the round is concluded. Everyone will be divided by handicap. The higher handicappers will be put into one group and the lower handicappers in another. Teams will be drawn one from each group.

Questions, contact: Mary Powers 253-797-0349 or mary.powers@xerox.com
Or Judy Griffin 253-866-2223 or JGriffin@MasterHalco.com

Tee Time Notification:

Email notification to club members, posted on the RLGA website (www.rlga.org) and will be available at the Riverbend Pro Shop (253-854-3673 ext 1) after 4:00 pm on Thursday.

Entry Deadline: Friday, October 1st

Your entry fee is non-refundable if you cancel after October 6th.

Fast & Loose – Blind Draw

Saturday – October 9, 2010

Entry fee is \$40 (This includes Greens Fees)

Cart rentals are separate and paid the day of the tournament.

RLGA Member:	Email or Phone:
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Drop in RLGA box at Pro Shop or Mail to:

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