



Mill Woods Ladies Golf Club

Fall Newsletter

September 2019

President's Message

(Heather Musselwhite)

Can you believe that Labour Day Weekend has past? With all the rain and cool weather it feels like summer forgot to arrive. Even though we haven't cared for the rain we can see that the golf course itself loves the moisture and is showing off its' beautiful green fairways! We can only hope that the beautiful days we have had this week will be the beginning of a beautiful fall season and we will be able to enjoy golf for another month. Oh my, I really must be an Optimist!

At the beginning of the golf season we had a decline in membership but over the season we have enjoyed welcoming new members. With these new members and our wonderful continuing membership we were able to have a successful golf season. This year's success is also due to our Executive and Committee volunteers. They are dedicated members who work mostly behind the scenes to make decisions and coordinate the golfing activities we all enjoy. I would like to thank our out-going executive & committee members: Judy Katerenchuk (Club Captain), Dallas Schroeder (Membership Chair), Maria Medeiros (Edmonton Golf Association: EGA) Representative, Beth Cook and Gail Wald (Prize Chair), and Dorothy Gitzel (Podersky Cup). These ladies stepped forward and we appreciate all they have done for us.

Our **Website** (mwlgc.ca) continues to perform well, providing a place to find Club information. Thank You goes to Janice Martin for keeping our Website updated with all our activities, calendar, picture etc. that have been sent to her. Janice has indicated to me that she wishes to step down from this position. Check out important information in the '**Message from the Website**' further in this newsletter.

The **Tee-On Booking System** is a very busy place every Tuesday at 7:00 am when we are all looking to book a tee time. Our 9-hole Business Ladies are making an effort not to book the first few Tee-Times so the 18-hole golfers can finish their round before dark and not have to golf alone (shorter days makes it a challenge!). Thanks everyone for making sure to cancel your Tee-Times when life gets in the way of golf.

Our **Year-End Banquet/Awards Night and Annual Fall Meeting**, is on **October 1st** Cocktails at 6 p.m., Dinner 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30.00 and are available from any Executive member. The price of your ticket includes a delicious Woodvale Buffet Banquet, a draw for two free Memberships, (a value of \$120.00 each, one for Day and one for Business Ladies). Again this year we have free draws for donated gift baskets that have been put together by our Prize chairs and a draw for a package of 3 Private Golf Lessons with our

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course Teaching Professional, Bruce Hardy. The lessons are to be used during the 2020 golf season by a continuing member of the Ladies golf League. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00 and are available from an Executive Golf Member at the Banquet. Proceeds are going to our League to help offset expenses. Along with the banquet, we also hold our annual Fall Meeting, where we review any changes to the By-Laws, elect members to the Executive and take care of any other business brought before the club. Once the business is complete the fun of announcing winners, presenting prizes and making draws takes place.

We are looking for members to volunteers on the Executive and Committees in place of those who have completed the term. We have been fortunate to have some hard working volunteers on the Executive and committees but it is time for others to step forward. Elizabeth Andrew states that...*"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."* As busy as we all are, we need to have people who have big hearts to volunteer so our club can continue to be successful.

The positions that require replacements are outlined in this newsletter along with a short summary of the job duties. Please consider where your gifts and talents lie and how you can contribute in 2020. At this time I send Thanks to Cindy Erdosi for volunteering to fill the 2020 Membership Coordinator position and a Thanks to Susan Schofield for volunteering to take on one of the Prize Chair positions.

To close, thanks to everyone who has helped with the running of our club this year. The efforts of many has allowed us to enjoy everything from Interclub to Visiting Days, Weekly Proximity prizes, Tournaments, Ringer Board, Match Play, Pin Days, to Rules and New Member Orientation Meetings. Your gift of time and dedication is very much appreciated.

See you at the Banquet!!

**Wind-Up Banquet/Awards Night
and Fall Annual Meeting**

October 1 at 6 p.m.

Woodvale Community League (Mill Woods Golf Course)

Tickets \$30 available from Executive Members

Deadline for tickets Wednesday, September 25

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Executive Volunteers Needed

Every year we strive to have a full slate of volunteers in place for the next Executive prior to the banquet. This year we are looking for five individuals to take on positions of Vice President, Assistant Club Captain, prize chair (1 person), EGA Rep. and Podersky Cup. Following is a summary of the duties of each position.

Vice President (this year should be from the Day Ladies)

The main responsibility of the Vice President is to assist the President in all duties in order to gain knowledge and prepare for the presidency the following year. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall exercise all the functions and be vested with all the power of the President. She shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. She shall be in charge of the organization of the bulletin board and provision of Banquet Tickets. She may be delegated other jobs by the President as required.

Assistant Club Captain (this year should be from the Business Ladies).

The main responsibility of the Assistant Captain is to assist the Club Captain in all duties in order to gain knowledge and prepare for the role of Club Captain the following year. Some of these activities include:

- planning and conducting competitions,
- preparing a schedule of events,
- coordinating activities of the draw committee, visiting days, pin days, ringer board, tournament committee, rules and handicap, match play and EGA sponsored events (there are other committees or individuals who actually do the work and report to the Club Captain).

Prize Chair

This position has been shared in the past but could also be filled by one person working on their own, if desired.

- Responsible for the purchase of prizes (gift cards) for tournaments, proximity and door prizes for both day and business ladies.
- Creates and updates, on an ongoing basis, the calendar, proximity and Toonie pot sheets for the poster board in the club room.
- Collaborates with the Club Captain on prize distribution for all tournaments.
- Support is provided to the Club Captain for distribution of weekly proximity and tournament prizes.

EGA Representative

Performs all duties, as required by the Association-Ladies Division, and for both Ladies and Men's Division when deemed necessary by the E.G.A. Board. She shall be responsible for coordinating

Reasons to Volunteer

Do your part
Meet new people
Join the excitement
Be a positive Influence
Raise Awareness
Develop new talents
Grow from the experience
Learn and Serve
Personal satisfaction
Work for a cause
Be part of a Team
Face new challenges
Pass along Wisdom
Preserve the environment
Keep Active
Raise Awareness
Share your vision

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Interclub Competitions and the Interclub Committees, shall participate in the coordination for any or all activities for E.G.A. events her club is hosting as required by E.G.A.

Volunteer Committees for 2020

The Mill Woods Ladies Golf Club cannot run without volunteers. At this point we are still looking for an individual for:

Podersky Cup Coordinator - attend spring and fall meetings, arrange for players for in the first part of the golf season for four weeks of alternate shot inter-club competition.

If any of these positions are of interest to you, please contact Heather at (780) 903-0034 to discuss the possibility of you being on the 2020 Executive. If you just want to talk and get more information that's okay too! Also, if you are approached about stepping into a position for next year, please consider it seriously. If you have enjoyed any aspect of golfing with the Mill Woods Ladies Golf Club this year, remember it would not have been possible if not for our volunteers. It is only fair that the work of running our club be shared amongst those who enjoy the benefits.

At this point in time, the 2020 Executive will consist of:

President	Linda Staal (Business)
President Elect	vacant
Club Captain	Terri MacKenzie (Day)
Assistant Club Captain	vacant
Secretary	Margaret Li (Day)
Treasurer	Jane Thiell (Day)
Prize Chair	Susan Schofield (Day) New Volunteer
Prize Chair	vacant
Social Convener	Nona Hait (Business)
Membership Coordinator	Cindy Erdosi (Business) New Volunteer
EGA Representative	vacant

A huge THANK YOU goes out to all of these volunteers.

Message from the Website

Are you looking for a place to volunteer with the Mill Woods Ladies Golf Club but not sure where your skills, interests or talents fit best? Do you have experience working with maintaining and updating websites, or is this something you think you might like to learn? If you answered yes to any of these questions we may have just the opportunity for you.

Janice Martin, the person who looks after and updates our web page, has indicated that she would like to step down from this position. She created the website in 2014 and has been taking care of it ever since. Janice has indicated she would be willing to work with and mentor her replacement throughout the upcoming season if necessary.

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The ongoing work is basically updating the information on the site, updating the Player's Manual each year, creating and updating the yearly calendar as necessary, posting information and photos throughout the season as needed or requested by the Executive.

On average, the work takes 2-3 hours per month. There are no meetings to attend and the work can be done from the comfort of your home. There are a number of templates that can be used for updating information if you choose, or you can create your own way of sharing the information. There are no hard and fast rules and lots of opportunity to do things your own way.

The program that is currently being used is Word Press and it is user friendly.

If you are intrigued and would like more information or would like to volunteer, please contact Heather Musselwhite at president@mwlgc.ca. Heather will answer any questions she can, or pass your name and number on to Janice who will contact you after October 4 when she returns from vacation.

Message From Club Captain **(Judy Katerenchuk)**

Hard to believe we are nearing the end of our season – it seems all too soon that we have to put the clubs away! I hope everyone enjoyed this year's golf season even with all the questionable weather week to week, enjoying time with friends and meeting new golf mates, and maybe even having a good game or two! As Club Captain I enjoyed meeting lots of our new members and working or golfing with others.

This year we continued the format of two mini tournaments however, changing up the Vegas Scramble to the Ice Breaker was well received by all and three weekend major tournaments. Proximity prizes were in place each week during the season, with winners coming from all levels of golfers.

A special thanks to our prize co-chairs Beth Cook and Gail Wald for ensuring the proximity prizes were in place each week, and for organizing all of the prizes and gift cards for our tournaments. There are weekly responsibilities involved and this is appreciated by all of us.

I would also like to thank all of our other volunteer committees this year. With their help and guidance events ran smoothly, so I really appreciated all your advice and support – your contributions ensure that our club continues to be successful, and there are many moving parts to this organization!

Podersky Cup	Dorothy Gitzel
Marshall Cup	Cheryl Wall
Visitor Days	Sandra Hlus and Carol Thachyk
Match Play	Lynne Vickers and Cathy Goddard
Rules and Handicap	Gina Loree and Meril Singer
Pin Days	Jan Loree
Ringer Board	Jane Thiell
Tournament Committee	Terri MacKenzie (Assistant Club Captain), Darlene Goodhope, Patti Bessette, Bev Boersma, and Marian Reed

I would also like to thank all of the staff from the pro shop, as well as Joan, for all of their help and support this year.

Congratulations to the following tournament winners:

The Classic

Low Gross	Gina Loree (89)
Low Net	Darlene Goodhope (69)

Scotch 2-Ball

Day Ladies	Terri MacKenzie / Sunny Kim
Business Ladies	Cathy Falcon / Ginette Lindop

Better Ball

Ginette Lindop & Rita Gartner (67)

Club Championship

Low Gross	Ginette Lindop (174)
Low Net	Judy Katerenchuk (141)

Thanks again for a great year!

I sincerely enjoyed meeting and golfing with a lot of great ladies in our club. Hope to see you all at the fall banquet, wishing you all a safe and healthy winter season. See you again in 2020!!

Message from the Membership Chair (Dallas Schroeder)

Registration is now open for the 2020 golf season. Registration forms are available on the website at <http://www.mwlgc.ca> or in the clubroom. Completed forms may be submitted in the box provided in the clubroom, mailed to the address provided on the form or brought to the windup banquet on October 1, 2019. A post-dated cheque for \$120, payable to Mill Woods Ladies Golf League is required with your registration. Just a reminder that the registration deadline is March 1, 2020 at which time any new and returning members will be accepted on a first- come, first- served basis. We hope all current members will be returning next year but if not, it would be helpful if you could please let us know.

I hope you have had an enjoyable golf season!

Dallas Schroeder, Membership Chair

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In golf
as in life
it is the
follow through
that makes
the difference.
Dr Seuss

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