



SCCLGA

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INFO GALORE!

All the info you will need for the season

PHOTOS

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PRESIDENTS' CUP

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SCCLGA WEBSITE

To see our website, log into your Sunrise account on your computer; then under PLAY tab, select Golf and scroll down to Ladies Golf Association and then click on Visit SCCLGA website.



SUNRISE COUNTRY CLUB



Our LGA President, Susie Lauzier

"The mission of the SCC Ladies' Golf Association is to develop a supportive organization while promoting and nurturing interest in women's amateur golf. The purpose is to enjoy golf through friendly, organized competition in accordance with the rules of golf adopted by the USGA."

Do you ever think about the mission of our golf association? I think sometimes we get bogged down in the minutia of the day-to-day playing of golf and striving to fit all the activities into the ever-growing calendar. Since Fred and I joined Sunrise ten years ago, the sports activities have grown exponentially. Pickleball, Bocce ball, Ping Pong and our Tennis Programs are thriving and attracting more and more people. Not to mention how much our golf membership has grown!

I know I speak for the entire LGA Board when I say we try to incorporate our mission and purpose in everything we plan and do:

- Our regular Tuesday golf games are designed and scheduled to accommodate all levels of golfers, from scrambles to best ball games. We believe Tuesdays are for meeting new people, playing with ladies we may not normally play with, and enjoying a wonderful lunch in our gorgeous clubhouse.
- We have events for ladies who prefer more serious competition, including our President's Cup, Club Championships and team play.
- Our Member/Guest events are always enjoyable and a great way to show off our club to the outside communities. I have been fortunate to visit several of the country clubs in our area over the years and I really believe we have the friendliest club and finest facility in southern California.
- We have partnered with the First Tee of the Coachella Valley to help support and promote the growing game of golf for our youth in the Valley.

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. We all look forward to the New Year and what it will bring. We have several events scheduled in the coming months and we will be very busy. Thank you to all our wonderful members with such awesome skills and talent that help make our LGA one of the best. I'm very proud of our LGA Board and all the other volunteers who work so very hard throughout the year. We could not do everything we without them.



Tournament Chair, Missie Fennell

Our LGA schedule is about one third complete, but still, oh, so full.

This month we'll be having our President's Cup (2 person team match play). Each team is guaranteed to play 2 rounds. Pat Snyder, Rules Chair, provided a short rules clinic on December 19 covering the rules of match play which was recorded for those who were unable to attend. You can check it out on our website, under the Rules & BiLaws tab. For those not in the President's Cup there will be a 2 Best Balls game. We can also look forward to Miracle Sand Shots, Stableford and the Member/Member Mystery (this one we'll need you to sign up by noon the Friday before – Jan 26th – so we can tell you who your mystery partner will be)

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February Member - Guest event

Happy New Year Ladies!

The time has come for our February 6th Member-Guest so call your friends and prepare for lots of fun with the theme of "Chippin', Dippin', and Margarita Sippin'!" There will be three different competitions for "Closest to the "PIN"ata", Chip into the Dip", and "Closest to the Chihuahua's Leash". Bring your cash to buy raffle tickets for our four beautiful raffle baskets: Valentine's Day, Glam Golfer, Night on the Town, and Chippin', Dippin', and Margarita Sippin'. They will be available for purchase at registration for \$5 for 6 or \$10 for 15 (cash only). Enjoy a Continental Breakfast and Luncheon after our fun competition that will be a 2 Best Balls of the Foursome for lower handicaps, and a 4 Person Scramble for higher handicaps. Registration opens January 2nd so grab your entry forms in the Pro Shop (or print it out from the end of this newsletter), sign up as a foursome, and prepare for a "FIESTA"!

Michelle Christensen

Tournament Chairperson



Our 2023-2024 LGA Team



Rear row, from left: Nancy Olson, Captain Jeanne Bihm, Jean Range, Carol Howard, Lori Keibler, Karen Cunningham.

Front row from left: Missie Fennell, Lura Cabaniss, Susie Lauzier, Pat Snyder

Missing, in alphabetical order, are: Diane Brocco, Charlotte Fox, Barbara Goodman, Teresa Harder, Shirley Lee, Marjorie Leslie, Jennifer San Victories, Pam Sorrell, Patty Spady, Donna Summers, Mimi van der Voort, Jamie Victor, Robin Westin-Schmit, and Cherie Zaun.

Team Captain, Jeanne Bihm

Your LGA Team continued our strong start to the Team play season on December 1 at Marrakesh Country Club. Sunrise competed against Palm Desert Greens, who has won the gross trophy for the last few years. For the first time since I have been Captain, our team prevailed earning 55.5 points gross to their 52.5 points. We lead the overall gross competition by 13.5 points over Marrakesh and 15 points over 3rd place PDG. January will be a busy and exciting month for our team with 3 matches concluding with a match at 7 Lakes on the 31st. Wish us luck as we work to win that trophy for most gross points. SCCLGA Team members participating in this match: Pat Snyder, Mimi van der Voort, Marjorie Leslie, Nancy Olson, Jeanne Bihm, Karen Cunningham, Susie Lauzier, Shirley Lee, Jean Range, Lori Keibler, Donna Summers, and Patty Spady.



SPIRIT AWARD STANDINGS

Top 10 Spirit Award Standings as of Dec. 20, 2023

NAME	TOTAL	NAME	TOTAL
1. CAROL HART	37	7. ROBIN BASS	22
2. JEANNE BIHM	30	SHARON GARBARINO	22
SUE HOOSON	30	SHIRLEY LEE	22
4. VAL TAYLOR	26	10. JENIFER SAN VICTORES	21
5. JEAN RANGE	25	LORI CLIFTON	21
6. JAMIE VICTOR	23	SUE MANNOS	21

Pat Snyder on the Rules of Match Play Golf

In a stroke play event, the lowest total score for 18 holes is the winner. Match play is 18 one-hole events. It's one player (side) vs. another player (side). This year we are playing a four-ball match play President's Cup Championship. Two players will record their net score on each hole and compare that to their opponents net score. If one player on a side has a net score lower than either opponent, that side wins the hole. If the lower score from each pairs is the same, the hole is halved and scored as ALL SQUARE. In match play, strokes can be conceded, ie, if an opponents ball is lying very close to the hole, you can concede the short putt. Similarly, if you hit 2 balls from the tee out of bounds and your opponent's ball is lying on the green in one stroke, you can concede the hole.

It is imperative that all players know the state of the match, so if asked, you must give your opponent correct information regarding the number of strokes (including penalty strokes) that you have taken on a given hole. You need to agree on the state of the match after each hole, ie., how many holes up or down. (See scorecard below.) A hole is over if one team has holed out (or hole conceded) in fewer strokes than their opponent. For example, Team A has scored a net 3 and net 4, while both players on Team B are lying on the green in net 4, thus unable to score better than net 5. The Match is over when one team is "UP" more holes than there are left to play. For example, if after the 16th hole Team A is "UP 3" with only 2 holes to play, the match ends in favor of Team A 3 & 2 (referring to 3 holes up with 2 holes remaining). PLEASE WATCH HER VIDEO ON MATCH PLAY ON OUR WEBSITE, UNDER RULES & BI-LAWS TAB.

test match play

Starting Time: 9:00 AM

Starting Hole:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out
White - Women (60.4/98)	241	116	245	291	236	143	285	116	281	1954
Par	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	3	4	33
Stroke Index	11	17	13	1	9	7	3	15	5	
Snyder, Pat	4	4	4	5	4	4	5	3	4	
van Der Voort, Mimi	4	3	4	5	4	5	4	4	4	
Match +/-	A _s	A _s	A _s	A _s	A _s	-1	-2	-2	-3	
Lauzier, Susie	4	3	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	
Bihm, Jeanne	5	3	4	5	5	3	5	3	4	

Round: Round 1

Handicap Allowance: 100% (Off Lo...

Sunrise Country Club

Init	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total	PH	Strk
189	128	130	258	278	115	289	132	270	1789	3743	(18)		
3	3	3	4	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	31	64	
4	10	16	12	2	18	8	14	6					
	3	3	4	4	4	3	4	2	4			4	0
	4	3	4	4	4	4	3	3	4			5	1
	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-2	-1	-1				
	4	3	4	4	5	3	4	3	4			9	5
	4	3	4	4	5	3	4	4	4			9	5

Competitor: _____ Marker: _____ Dec 22, 2022
 Powered by Golf Genius Software Scorecard #1 GGID: FQBREW



Susie +
Jeanne WIN 1 up



Handicap Chair, Diane Brocco

CHANGES TO THE WORLD HCP SYSTEM

The following article (excerpted from the Oct. 21, 2023 issue of Fore Magazine) outlines changes to the World Handicap System. How does that affect us? Some of the information below may sound confusing, but it is important. Three out of the four changes do impact LGA members at Sunrise. For example, Seven Lakes Country Club will soon be able to have postable scores due to the reduced length of courses eligible for postable scores. Also, for those of us who often play 9 holes then wait a long time before posting the additional 9 holes, the score for the second 9 will now be automatically calculated. Finally, for those of us who don't complete 18 holes, the WHS will automatically calculate a differential for the remaining unplayed holes. These changes will go into effect in January, 2024.

For more information, read on!

1. Reduced Minimum Course Length for Score-Posting Purposes

There will be an updated low-end limit for courses to be issued a Course Rating™ and Slope Rating™ of 1,500 yards for 18 holes or 750 yards for nine holes. This is a reduction from the current minimums of 3,000 yards for 18 holes and 1,500 yards for nine holes. Southern California has the largest segment of courses in the country in this yardage category, approximately 65, which will become eligible for score posting for handicap purposes. The ratings will be provided to these facilities and become available on GHIN.com and the GHIN Mobile App on approximately January 1.

2. Treatment of Nine-Hole Scores

When a player posts a nine-hole score, the WHS will automatically calculate an 18-hole Score Differential™ for the round, based on the player's nine-hole Score Differential and their current Handicap Index®, allowing the nine-hole round to be considered in the player's Handicap Index calculation right away.

The Score Differential will be a combination of the nine holes played along with an expected score based on

the player's Handicap Index. It is important to note that the expected score is based on the average Score Differential of a player with a given Handicap Index and a normal distribution of scores — so it is not specific to each player. The expected score is not course specific and not related to the nine-holes played. As an example, it is not the “back nine” of a course if the nine-hole score played was the front nine.

Note 1: If fewer than nine holes are played, the score is not acceptable for handicap purposes.

Note 2: Play of a rated nine is required for a score to be acceptable for handicap purposes.

The above is significantly different than what has happened historically when a player has posted a nine-hole score. An 18-hole Score Differential has been created by combining two nine-hole Score Differentials. This resulted in a nine-hole score waiting to be combined, sometimes for a significant time until another nine-hole score has been posted. The new procedure will be far more responsive and equitable.

3. 10-17 Hole Scores

Rounds of 10 to 17 holes receive an 18-hole Score Differential with an expected score value for holes not played. When 10-17 holes have been played, a value is calculated from the holes played (must include a rated nine). Then, the expected score procedure is used for any holes not played. Lastly, these values are added to determine the 18-hole Score Differential.

Note: The player will be required to post their score hole by hole when 10-17 holes are played, so the appropriate Score Differential can be calculated from the holes that were played to combine with the expected score for the holes not played. Score posting tools will provide this capability.

The new procedure differs from what is in place today. Currently, when 10 to 13 holes are played, scores made on holes 10 through 13 are disregarded and a nine-hole score is posted. When 14-17 holes are played, net par is used for the remaining holes to allow an 18-hole score to be posted. The new procedure generally eliminates the use of net par for holes not played.



Meet New Member, Gail Fiorini



My husband Ray and I are so happy to be living in Sunrise! We have been coming to the desert for vacation for the past 15 years and finally had an opportunity to purchase a home on Palma Drive in 2021-sight unseen due to the pandemic! We knew Sunrise as a result of our closest friends living here in the winter for many, many years.

I had the fortune to retire in January 2023 from a 40-year banking career. I spent my last 23 years working for Bank of America with my final two years as a Managing Director. I have worked both directly with corporate clients and on the administrative level. I have spent the last 10 years working in an Executive role on the national level, supporting large Healthcare, private Higher Education, and major Nonprofit clients.

We spend the winters here in the desert and the summers at our home in Rochester, NY, where we have lived for over 30 years. We have a 23 old daughter, Emma, who is currently a Psychology graduate student at Villanova University. She received her undergraduate degree in Chemistry in 2022 from Bryn Mawr College (Philadelphia area). She loves it here almost as much as we do!

I am passionate about the community and for the past 20 years have been continually engaged, serving on several nonprofit boards (such as Junior Achievement of Upstate NY) and most recently as the Board President of an independent private school in Rochester (K-12). I am now enjoying full retirement.

Ray and I look forward to our time here at Sunrise. We have not been able to play a lot of golf in the past 10 years and are so happy to be playing again! Thank you for making us feel so welcome

Membership Chair, Brenda Thuringer

Our LGA has 128 regular members and 14 social members for a total of 142 members.

Help me welcome these new members who have joined since January 2023:



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Patrice Merritt	313-530-4265	PRM0354@yahoo.com
Kathy Peyser	206-849-0568	kpeyser@comcast.net
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Jamie Victor	912-218-0162	willowstutu@gmail.com
Lynn Whealdon	360-244-1766	ewhealdon@gmail.com

Please change the phone number for Christine Fleming in your roster to 250-423-1262 and, please note that Judy Berzins is now a golf member (was a social member...)

All handbooks that have not been picked up are in the locker room. Changes to phone numbers and email addresses can be texted to me at 605-212-2437 or emailed to bthuringer@sio.midco.net. Thank you!
Brenda Thuringer, Membership Chair



January Calendar

JANUARY			2024			
SUNDAY	MONDAY	LADIES DAY!	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 	2 Scramble Check-In: 8:30 AM • Shotgun 9:00 AM One Miracle Putt per team	3	4	5	6
7	8 LGA Board Meeting 2:30 PM Garden Room	9 Miracle Sand Shots Check-In: 8:30 AM • Shotgun 9:00 AM LGA General Meeting after Lunch Executive Team Play at Oasis 9:00 AM Shotgun	10	11 LGA President's Cup Day 1 AM Tee Times	12	13
14	15  <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i>	16 President' Cup Day 2 Check-In: 8:30 AM • Shotgun 9:00 AM 2 Best Balls for those not in President's Cup	17	18 Executive Team Play at Palm Desert Greens 9:00 AM Shotgun	19	20 LGA President's Cup Day 3 AM Tee Times
21 President's Cup Day Final Match AM Tee Times No Host Celebration in the Mixx	22	23 Stableford Format Check-In: 8:30 AM • Shotgun 9:00 AM	24	25	26	27 LGA/MGA Scramble Choose your own foursome 7:30 AM Breakfast 9:00 AM Shotgun
28	29	30 Member/Member Mystery Check-In: 8:30 AM • Shotgun 9:00 AM	31 Executive Team Play at Seven Lakes 9:00 AM Shotgun			



LGA 2023-2024 FUNDRAISER – FIRST TEE of COACHELLA VALLEY

By: Jan Slawson, Fundraising Chair

The SCCLGA has once again partnered with the First Tee of Coachella Valley for our annual organization fundraiser. Last year we had a garage full of items donated

as well as numerous cash donations. The LGA board decided that the First Mission fits with our golf enthusiasm here at Sunrise.

First Tee is a national organization, empowering kids and teens through the game of golf, helping children through high school learn life skills as well as golf. The Coachella Valley First Tee is led by Kyle Winn, and he is enthused to have us raise money for this cause. Donations of clothing, balls, tees, equipment, and money are all happily accepted. Much of the donated equipment is actually sold through their program to raise money for the items specifically needed for their students. This year, the LGA plans to auction off baskets of wonderful items at our meetings with the funds going to First Tee. Other First Tee fundraising ideas are being finalized.

We hope you will join us in helping to make our First Tee fundraiser a success!!



December Member -Guest Photos

Photos taken by our intrepid photographer, Chris Olsen. For more photos, or to download any, please visit our LGA website under the Photos tab....





A Note from Smitty...



Happy New Year! Let's start the new year off right by improving our short game. We are holding **SHORT GAME** clinics starting in January (actually December). We will focus on Chipping and Putting and how to cut strokes off your game by becoming more proficient in the short game.

The New Year also brings new fun at The Golf Shop at Sunrise. We will have some fun new merchandise from brands that we have not had before. **VERVE** is a Ladies Casual line that can be worn in most situations around Sunrise. We have new **TAIL** Activewear coming in as well in January as well as **PUMA**. We also have **SRIXON SOFT FEEL** golf balls with the 50th Anniversary Logo.

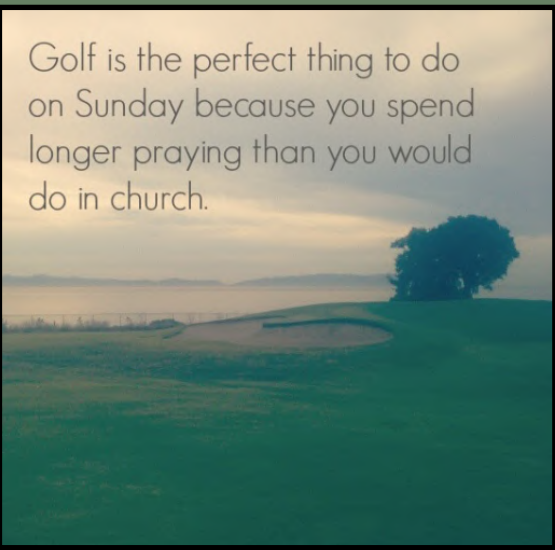
TIP OF THE MONTH: Yes, I know what they say about free advice. January is a month that is still cold and

the fairway height is a little longer. Not just with the Driver but also check your garage and insert some clubs into the bag that have more **LOFT**. The ball goes shorter when it's colder, thus adding loft should keep the ball in the air longer and increase the total distance of the shot by flying over the longer, damper grass. What do I mean by adding **LOFT**? Take your 3 wood out of your bag and put a 5 wood in the bag. Take a 5 iron or 6 iron out of the bag and substitute it for 26, 27 or 28 degree hybrid or 9 wood. If you have questions please see me in the Golf Shop for assistance. You might just find that you hit a 7-wood farther than a 3-wood.

I hope everyone has a good Holiday and we look forward to seeing you in 2024!

Brent Smith (Smitty) PGA
Head Golf Pro Sunrise CC/Brent Smith Golf/3 Deep Golf
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Golf is the perfect thing to do on Sunday because you spend longer praying than you would do in church.



Golf Goodies...

John Updike said "Golf appeals to the idiot in us and the child. Just how childlike golfers become is proven by their frequent inability to count past five."

New Golf Rules...

Rule 2.d.6 – A ball hitting a tree shall be deemed NOT to have hit the tree. This is simply bad luck and luck has no place in a scientific game. The senior player must estimate the distance the ball would have traveled if it had not hit the tree, and play the ball from there.



Sign Up Today!

The SCCLGA proudly announces the 2024 SCCLGA

President's Cup Tournament.

This year's tournament will continue our format of 2-person teams. Select your own partner for Handicapped Match Play. Teams will be placed into flights depending on the number of entries. The first 16 teams will be entered.

Dates of Play (dependent on the number of entries):

Thursday, January 11 - Day 1 (AM Tee times)

Tuesday January 16 - Day 2 (9:00 AM Shotgun)

Saturday, January 20 - Day 3 (AM Tee times)

Sunday, January 21 - FINAL MATCH (AM Tee Times)

DEADLINE FOR SIGN-UPS IS Monday January 8, 2023

GGID: [LGAPRESCUP24](#)

Eligibility requirements are posted on the Ladies Locker Room Bulletin Board and in the 2023-2024 Handbook (pages 16,17).

For questions about the tournament, please see Smitty or contact Missie Fennell at 650-714-7074 (cell). As usual signups are also available with the Pro Shop staff.



Golf Rules Clinics hosted by Pat Snyder

Our resident Rules Chairperson, Pat Snyder, will be providing short rules clinics on the following dates, prior to our shotgun starts (about 8:15 (or 8:00 March/April)) on Tuesday's Ladies' Day:

- December 19 - 2023: Match Play Rules and Tips
- January 23 - 2024: Out of Bounds – What to do!
- February 27 - 2024: Penalty Relief
- March 26 - 2024 : Ball Played as it Lies and Rule 9
- April 23 - 2024: Q& A Session

If you have a specific question you would like addressed by Pat please contact her or Missie Fennell.



SUNRISE COUNTRY CLUB LADIES MEMBER/GUEST DAY

February 6, 2024

7:45 AM Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00 AM Shotgun Start

Chippin'

Dippin'

Margarita Sippin'

Format:

Higher Handicaps:

4 Person Scramble

Lower Handicaps:

2 Best Balls of the Foursome

Special Prizes:

Chip into the "Dip"

Closest-to-the-"Pin"ata

Closest-to-the-"Chihuahua's Leash"

Entry: \$75 per person

Raffle Tickets: \$5 for 6 or \$10 for 15

available for purchase at registration, cash only.

Return the entry form to the Golf Shop (760) 328-1139.

Questions? Call chair Michelle Christensen (909) 283-8695



Please circle lunch choice: Taco Salad: V=Vegetarian C= Chicken B= Beef

Lunch Choice:

Member _____	GHIN# _____	V C B
Guest _____	GHIN# _____	V C B
Member _____	GHIN# _____	V C B
Guest _____	GHIN# _____	V C B

You must sign up as a foursome.

If you need help finding another twosome, please check with the Golf Pro Shop.

All fees are billed to your Sunrise account.

The first 29 entries (foursomes) properly submitted to the golf shop will make up the field.

Those submitted after that will be put on an alternate list in the order they are received.