President's Message November 2023

Our Club was very busy in October! The month started off with a great turnout at our General meeting. The membership passed the following: removal of the Executive Committee term limits, removal of the Communications Board position, and combining the Handicap/Rules Board positions into one. The By-Laws and P&P's will be updated to include these changes. Those in attendance also voted on the future name/brand of our Member-Guest tournament, **The Cactus Flower** was the overall choice! Several members got up bright and early on October 16th for Mike and Ken's rule's presentation on Hole #11. Everyone left with a better understanding of the rules and how to avoid the arroyo!

Club Championship

Drum roll please!! Congratulations to Jean Cheszek, our reigning Club Champion! Jean shot an impressive 78 and 71 in this 2-day gross tournament for an overall score of 149. Karen Jordan was victorious in holding on to the Senior Club Champion again this year! Congratulations to both ladies! Be sure to visit our website for pictures of the winners and tournament photos for all our events! Go to: Winners Circle TAB/Tournaments and Photos.

Updegraff Cup

Our tournament committee put on a spooktacular event! Everyone enjoyed the street tacos and drinks after Day 1 at Monika's. Our Captain's surprised us on Day 2 with a twist – we played from the GOLD tees. The Blue team was leading at the end of Day 1; however, the Pink team brought their game on Day 2! The end result was a tie 16 - 16. Everyone went home a winner!

Member-Member

Our "member" favorite tournament is November 27 & 28. The tournament committee has planned some special surprises this year! The theme is **Putts, Pearls, and Polka Dots**! If you need a partner, contact our match-maker Pam Horwitt. Full tournament information and Chelsea sign-up starts November 6th (after 10 am).

Robson Challenge Tournament - Update

This annual tournament included all the Robson communities, however last year the participation was changed to only Robson "managed communities". The four remaining Robson managed communities decided it did not make sense to continue hosting this tournament.

Our 2024 Tournament schedule is now posted on the SBRWGA.com website for those of you that like to plan ahead!

New Members

Arlene Fleming and Debbie Belt joined early in the month and have already started playing with the league! Lynn Mulhall just joined so you will see her out on the course in November! Welcome ladies!

Annual SBRWGA Holiday Luncheon

Friday, December 8th is the date for our holiday luncheon. This year in the heart of giving, we have adopted a local charity, **Impact of Southern AZ**. Donations will gladly be accepted in lieu

of having a gift exchange. We will send more information on this local charity prior to our luncheon.

New Shotgun Starts

SaddleBrooke Ranch golf course will no longer have 9:00am Winter shotguns. So, what does this mean to our league? 8:00 shotguns will start in December 2023. This change effects all SBR **leagues and social groups**. The time change enables more residents to complete an 18-hole round after our shotguns during the shorter days of our Winter months.

Annual Meeting and Elections

Our Annual Meeting and elections are Tuesday, November 21st in the Sol Ballroom. The meeting will start at 1:00 after golf. I know this is a busy week for everyone so if you are not golfing or are home entertaining, please take a moment to swing by at 1:00 and complete a ballot to elect our 2024 Officers. Our By-Laws require a quorum of 35% of the membership for passage. The nominating committee Toni Graves, Carole Ericksen, and Judy Callahan are pleased to announce our slate of nominees for 2024.

President – Pam Horwitt
Vice President – Patti Jo Lewis or Nanci Messner
Secretary – Jennifer Valverde
Treasurer – Kathi Dyer
League Day – Cathy Steel
Social – Maggie Merrick
Membership – Susan Ness
Handicap/Rules – Deb Lawson
Web Manager – Barb Simms
Sponsorship – Jackie Elphic

Tuesday League Day Cancellations

Winter golf will soon be here! This is a good time to remind everyone to plan ahead. Check the weather report for inclement weather, especially if you do not like playing in the cold! Remember, if you must cancel, please do it sooner than

later. Email sbrwga@gmail.com this goes directly to the league day team. If you have a last-minute emergency or illness on league day we ask that you follow these 3 steps:

- 1. Send an email to sbrwga@gmail.com (league day team)
- 2. Call the pro shop at 520.818.6403
- 3. Call or text your teammates

The pro shop downloads our tee sheet at 3pm on the day before play, they are expecting you to show up to play unless you call them directly. No shows will be assigned Chelsea penalty points.

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