2014

Members Booklet



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Hello,

Welcome to the Bangor Muni Women's golf Club 2014 season.

I'm proud to be your new president. I look forward to working with a great group of ladies to provide fun, friendship, and a golfing experience for all.

See you on the golf course. It's the best place to be on Thursday mornings.

Karen

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Dues:** \$40.00 payable to Bangor Women's Golf Club and submitted to the treasurer Included in the dues is:
 - 1) The use of the GHIN handicap system to establish your handicap
 - 2) Participation in the weekly tournament
 - 3) Special tournaments: President's Cup, Club Championship, and Ringer
- Ladies Day: Each Thursday with most tee offs at 8:00 am More information on rules and prices are found in the tournament section.

Monthly Meetings: These are held once a month from May-Aug. a luncheon following a shot gun start. Calendars are available online and posted in the locker room.

Annual Meetings: Held each September with a Spring meeting in May

Officers: The term for officers and executive committee is two years.

2014 OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	Karen Bamford
VICE-PRESIDENT	Robin Ashe
SECRETARY	Gwen Archambault
TREASURER	Janice White
HANDICAPPER	Jean Young
TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON	Claudette Amoroso
MEMBERS AT LARGE	Judy Richard Yukiko Bigney Evelyn Bouchard
PAST PRESIDENT	Marilyn Rice
COMMIT	TEES
BWGC REP TO WMSGA	Vi Kemp
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	Marilyn Rice
NOMINATING COMMITTEE	TBA
PHOTOGRAPHER	Kathy Constantine Liz Coffin
PRESIDENT'S CUP	Rita Stimpson
RINGER	Janet Anderson
3 Putt Jar Sponsor Chair Chip Ins	Rachel Lapointe Elana Farnam Carole Cook

Standing Tournament Rules for Ladies Day

1. To qualify for participation in major tournaments (Club Championship and the President's Cup), entrants must have participated in at least three weekly (Thursday) tournaments in the previous twelve month period.

2. Members are eligible for the President's Cup, Club Championship, and Ringer as part of their annual dues.

- 3. Ladies Day will be held on Thursdays.
- 4. BIRDIES scored on Ladies' Day only will count for the birdie tree.
- 5. RINGER scores may be recorded on the yearly ringer on Ladies' Day only.
- 6. In regular weekly tournaments, ladies with NO HANDICAP may:
 - 1) Pay, play scratch, and be eligible for gross, pins, and putts
 - 2) Play as a guest and not be eligible for any prizes
- 7. There must be at least 8 players to constitute a tournament.
- 8. Guests are welcome on Ladies Day under the following conditions:
 - 1) They may participate in the tournament with an established handicap
 - 2) They may attend only 2 ladies' days per season

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Weekly Tournament Rules

- 1. **NEW!** Sign up is mandatory and must be done by 5 pm on Wednesday. There are three ways to sign up. Sign up sheet in the locker room, call the pro shop (941-0232) or email Brian at <u>Enman8@aol.com</u>.
- 2. Pro needs to know if you are reserving a cart. Carts will be \$15.00 per person. Green fees will be \$18.00.
- 3. If you have signed up and cannot play, you must call the pro shop and cancel by 5pm on Wednesday. In case of illness or an emergency, please call the pro shop as soon after 7:00 am as possible.
- 4. If you have not signed up, by the deadline, and want to play, you need to call the pro shop to see if there is a space for you. You cannot just show up and expect to play.
- 5. Pairings each week will be decided by the Club Pro
- 6. Price of the tournament is \$ 5.25 which includes closest to the pin and fewest putts. Winnings for the tournament and pins are in merchandise credit and putts in cash. Tournament results will be posted in the paper and on the bulletin board and web site.
- 7. Scorecards are to be kept by everyone. In foursomes, two people per card with both signatures. Threesome keeps everyone's score. Give one scorecard to Brian in pro shop.
- 8. Enter your scores into the computer after you play. Make sure you adjust your score using the list at the computer (ESC) Tournament
- 9. Hole #2: If you land in the pond or anywhere within the yellow hazard, there will be a drop area on the other side. Penalty: one stroke.
- 10. There is an <u>optional</u> penalty for 3 putts. Each time you 3 putt a hole, you may pay \$.25 to be put in the kitty (no more than a dollar a week). The money will be used at the end of the season to donate to charity. You are on your honor and may choose whether to participate.
- 11. We play with a stroke limit. Pick up your ball after 10 strokes unless you have landed on the green. If not on the green, place the ball the farthest point on the green and putt out. Your score will read 10. Record putts for that hole.

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Special Tournaments

Member must have played in at least 3 weekly Thursday tournaments during the past 12 months

Throughout the season, special tournaments are provided and are covered in the membership dues. They are: 1) yearly ringer, 2) club championship, and 3) President's cup.. Below is a description for each of these tournaments. Check the calendar to see when each tournament will start.

Ringer

1. Record your best score on each hole in pencil on the ringer chart erasing previous scores.

2. These are to be recorded for Ladies' Day rounds only (Thurs.)

3. Awards are given at the end of the season for the top three net winners using latest handicap.

Club Championship

1. Club championship will be thirty-six holes of stroke play on designated back to back days. Flights will be based on handicaps determined by the club pro as well as pairings for both days. First day pairings according to handicap and second day according to score.

2. The club champion will be the member with low gross. Awards will also be given for overall low net and low gross in each flight.

- 4. There will be a sign up sheet posted in July.
- 5. One score on a card only. Duly attested.
- 5. Awards presented at fall meeting.

President's Cup

- 1. Match play will be used, and only on the 18 hole course.
- 2. Green Fees vary depending on day of match as well as cart fees
- 3. Pairings will be done by the Club Pro.
- 4. Handicaps will be based on current handicap on day of match..

4. Play will start in July and end the last week of August. 5. Matches may be played on any day but must be completed within the time frame. Extensions must be approved by the chairperson. Failure to play within the time frame will result in forfeit.

BY-LAWS AND CONSTITUTION OF THE BANGOR WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Bangor Women's Golf Club

ARTICLE II. OBJECT

The object of the Club is to promote fellowship and sportsmanship among its Members and to encourage the active participation of its members in golf tournaments conducted in accordance with the rules of the United States Golf Association, except as modified by local rules of the course.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHILP AND DUES

Section 1. Any woman in the greater Bangor area who is 12 years of age or older shall be eligible for membership in the Club.

Section 2. Annual dues shall be \$40 payable at the opening of the season.

Section 3. Any member in good financial standing is entitled to vote at all meetings.

Section 4. Absentee ballots will be accepted as valid votes.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the Club shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Chairperson, and Handicap Chairperson.

Section 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club and of the Executive Committee and shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Club.

Section 3. The Vice-President shall assist the President and shall preside at the meetings in the absence of the President.

Section 4. The Secretary shall keep the records of the meetings of the Club and of the Executive Committee and a complete list of its members. She shall attend to necessary correspondence and perform such other duties as may be ordered by the Executive Committee.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall collect all monies, deposit them in a bank account, and disburse them as directed by the Executive Committee. She shall keep account books and make a report of the financial conditions of the club at each monthly meeting.

Section 6. The Tournament Chairperson and Handicap Chairperson shall carry out their duties as ordered by the President and Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the six officers of the Club, the retiring president, and three members at large who shall be elected at the annual business meeting.

Section 2. Any vacancy occurring between meetings shall be filled by appointment by the President, subject to the approval of the remaining members of the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall have powers to make and amend rules for the conduct of golf tournaments and social affairs that the Club may decide to sponsor and to expend funds of the Club in carrying out its purposes.

ARTICLE VI: COMMITTEES

Section 1. The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee.

Section 2. The President shall appoint such special committees (i.e. fundraising, local tournaments and beautification) as necessary for carrying out the affairs of the Club.

Section 3. The duties of these committees shall be ordered by the President and the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII: ELECTIONS

Section 1. The Club shall hold its annual election at the annual business meeting in the fall.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall present a slate of officers and executive committee members. Nominations may also be made from the floor and voted upon by members in good standing.

Section 3. Officers shall assume their duties at the end of the playing season.

Section 4. Officers and members of the Executive Committee shall serve two years or until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE VIII: MEETINGS AND QUORUM

Section 1. The regular meetings of the Club shall be held on the last Thursday of each month from the start of the spring playing season until October, subject to the order of the President and/or Executive Committee.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called at any time by order of the President or any three members of the Executive Committee. The Secretary shall give notice of a special meeting by e-mail at least two days before it is to be held.

Section 3. The members present at a meeting shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE IX: TOURNAMENTS

Section 1. The Club's weekly tournaments will be held on Thursday.

Section 2. Regular tee times are at 8:00 a.m. Special tournament and situations (i.e. May and September) may call for earlier or later tee times.

Section 3. Club Championship will be thirty-six holes of stroke play. The club champion will be the member with low gross. Awards will also be given for low gross in each flight. Club Championship is to be played on the regular 18-hole course.

Section 4. President's Cup will be match play using handicaps. Pairings will be done by the Club Pro. President's Cup is to be played on the regular 18-hole course.

Section 5. In the course of playing major tournaments, if play is halted due to rain or other course conditions and cannot be resumed, the entire 18 holes must be replayed.

ARTICLE X: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The parliamentary authority for all operations of the Club shall be Robert's Rules of Order: Revised.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENT

These By-Laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular or Special meeting of the Club; the proposed changes must have been read previously.

Revised	-1984	Revised	6/26/03
Revised	-6/29/90	Revised	5/17/11
Revised	-5/28/92	Revised	5/01/13
Revised	-4/29/93		

We Need Your Help To Stop Unnecessary Slow Play

There is nothing more aggravating than unnecessary slow play and it is a common courtesy to our fellow golfers to move at a decent pace. Here are some ideas that don't offend the rules of golf and will make playing more enjoyable for everyone:

1. Agree on the first tee that your group will play "Ready Golf". This eliminates constant apologies for playing out of turn. Ready golf is now being played at the most prestigious clubs in the country.

2. The first player to arrive at the tee (if you don't arrive simultaneously) should go ahead and hit. Par 3's could be an exception where some advantage might be gained by watching an opponent.

3. The first player to arrive at his or her ball should play their next shot even though he or she may be ahead of some other player. We frequently see a player wait several minutes because another player's ball may be just a few yards away. Don't apologize for hitting out of turn—just hit it.

4. The same theory should be followed on the putting green when nothing can be gained by watching the line of another's putt. There is no reason to wait on a 30 foot putt for someone else who is perhaps 33 feet away on another part of the green.

5. Somebody putt when the only person not on the green has skulled his or her ball 5-10 yards over the green. By waiting, you waste time and you put additional pressure on that player to rush to his or her ball and perhaps skull it again.

6. Unless you are in someone's line, try to putt out. It wastes a lot of time to mark, to replace your ball, line up your putt again, and then get mentally set to putt. You will putt better immediately after you have made a stroke and know the speed and line of your putt. We aren't playing for million dollar purses in our daily play.

7. After you have hit, don't waste time putting the head cover on and putting your club away—get into the cart immediately so your riding partner can go right to his or her ball. While your partner is getting ready to play, you can return your club to your bag.

8. Don't mark your scorecard when it delays play. Do it when you are waiting for someone to hit

Finally . . . just use some common sense. Playing "Ready Golf" is more enjoyable and will make it more fun for everyone. Examine your own habits and ask yourself, "*Am I really playing at a reasonable speed*?"

Don't say things like, "What's your hurry?" or "We will just have to wait for the people ahead of us." You won't have to if they are playing "Ready Golf" too.



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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP COSTS

- WMSGA <u>club membership</u> = \$50
- WMSGA individual membership = \$35

CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

Each member club will appoint a club representative to act as the liaison between the WMSGA and the club's members. Ideally, the rep will be a member of the WMSGA. However, if it's not possible for a club to find a such a rep, a club owner or manager may act as club representative.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

All women -- and girls -- who belong to a WMSGA member club and who have established USGA handicaps may apply for membership and play in weekly tournaments, including special tournaments for which they meet eligibility requirements.

TOURNAMENTS

Each member club (unless dropped for the year) will be expected to host one tournament a season. The WMSGA <u>tournament schedule</u> will be determined by the tournament co-chairs and officers and approved by the WMSGA executive board.

- The host course will work in conjunction with the WMSGA tournament chair and administrative assistant to
 organize and conduct the tournament.
- All 18-hole courses of championship caliber will be expected -- but not obligated -- to host the State Championship on a rotational basis. The course that holds the championship will earn the privilege of hosting the Metropolitan within two years.
- When it's not possible to place two people in a cart, the host course will charge no more than one-half cart fee per person. In return, the WMSGA will reimburse the host course for cart cancellations made after 6 pm on the Sunday preceding the Tuesday tournament.

Additional Tournament Information...

- The green fee (user fee) for a WMSGA tournament is \$17.
- The tournament entry fee is \$9.
- Some tournaments require that prize money is spent at the host club.
- For regular weekly tournaments, winners will receive vouchers good only at WMSGA member clubs.
- Tournament setup and scoring will be done by the WMSGA.

COURSE RATING

All courses that are members of WMSGA must be rated. A course must be at least 3,000 yards in length (for 18 holes) in order to be rated. NOTE: Representatives, please indicate on the application form whether your course needs to be rated or re-rated.

A PLEDGE

Committed to promoting interest in the game of golf for *all* women, the WMSGA also has a special interest in supporting junior golf for girls in Maine. The WMSGA supports the MSGA Scholarship Fund and the Maine Golf Hall of Fam

Visit <u>www.wmsga.org</u> for more information.

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