

2018

BOWEN ISLAND GOLF CLUB

Women's League

WELCOME TO OUR 2018 GOLF SEASON

Bowen Island Women's League Golf this year starts with our opening day on Thursday, April 12 and ends on September 27 with a 4 person team play followed by a luncheon. **That gives us 25 weeks of playing together!**

Every Thursday we have a different game format that is fun and friendly. Our league emphasizes that golf is for everyone of every level. We try to mix up our members so high and low handicappers play together and learn from and support each other.

Please read through this on-line Fixtures Book. It is chockfull of useful information such as our **calendar of events, game descriptions and much much more.**



Your hard working executive has created a fun-filled program and we look forward to spending time with all of you on the course and across the lunch table.

LET THE GAMES BEGIN!

Lisa Avery and Barb Rendell

2018 WOMEN'S LEAGUE EXECUTIVE ROSTER



The Killdeer

The emblem of the Bowen Island Women's League is based upon our annual trophy which was generously fashioned for us by Bob Miller, carver extraordinaire

* **kill-deer** (kil'dir) *n.*

A North American wading bird.
Behaviour: killdeer, **not unlike golfers**, spend their time walking along the ground or running ahead a few steps, stopping to look around, and running on again.

Habitat:

open ground with low vegetation, including lawns, driveways, parking lots, **golf courses**

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WOMEN'S LEAGUE INFORMATION

● Please arrive at the course as close to **8:30 am** as possible to allow time to hear our weekly messages, learn the details of the game and get to your tee box.



- The cost to join is **\$75.00/season**, which will cover the cost of the tournament prizes and a wrap-up luncheon and awards presentation.
- Women's League begins every Thursday morning with a shotgun start at 9 am. Please arrive at the course as close to **8:30 am** as possible to allow time to hear our weekly messages and get to your tee box.
- We ask that each week you **SIGN UP by TUESDAY EVENING** with *Lisa Avery (lisa.avery@audiospeech.ubc.ca)* or *Barb Rendell (rgmiller1@shaw.ca)*
- Foursomes will be made up in advance to facilitate a speedy start to the game. We all play from the **red** tees.
- If you are playing a back nine, don't forget to let the pro shop know, so that a tee time can be booked for you.
- Please **post your scores** as the handicaps will be pulled Wednesday mornings before play.
- If you find you are able to play on a Thursday, but you have not signed up, we will do our best to accommodate you, but as this adds to our work load, please do not do this on a regular basis.
- We want to ensure everyone gets to know each other and has a chance to play with different members, so we will intentionally try to mix up the draw every week and have varied handicaps in the foursomes. This speeds up play and teaches new golfers rules, etc. If you do not have a handicap, you will be assigned the maximum handicap of 40. During pin sheet days the draw (foursomes) will be arranged by similar handicaps.
- A minimum of 10 games golfed with the Women's League is required to qualify to play in the 2018 Women's League Championship in August.

THURSDAY PROCEDURE

BEFORE GAME

- Look at the the events calendar to see which game is being played.
- Check the day's draw in the Captain's book to note your starting hole.
- Sign up for next week.
- Check in with others of your foursome. Pick up a scorecard.
- If it is a pin sheet day, trade cards with someone in your foursome. You will keep their score as well as your own.
- **Before you head to your hole, please listen to ANNOUNCEMENTS at 8:45— this will include a description of the day's game and upcoming events for the league.**
- Calculate your score according to the game rules.

AFTER GAME

- Give your scorecard to a member of the executive and write down your game score beside your name on the draw sheet.
- **On pin sheet days, please have your scorecard "attested" - that is signed and dated by one of your foursome.**
- **Give your scorecard to Sheila McArthur.**
- Please update information in the league binder including any birdies, chip-ins, first time breaking 60 or 50 (and have them attested) and your "eclectic" score.
- Sign up for next week. Stay for lunch. Consider a back nine.
- At the club or at home, please go to the RCGA website and put in your day's score to **update your handicap.**

NUMBERS IN GOLF

All of the following terms help one understand how much effort is put into creating a game system that equalizes scoring so that all levels of players can compete fairly.

Course Rating - each course is given a slope rating that lets you know how hard it is. Bowen Island Golf Course is rated 119 from the red and 128 from the white for Women. The higher the slope rating of a course, the harder it is to play.

Handicap Factor - a number you are given after posting 20 golf game scores (see golf pro to set this up) You take this number (eg. 34.7) wherever you go to play golf. A chart at each golf course will list your handicap factor and the slope rating of the course and that will determine your handicap for that particular course. This number changes as your game changes, which highlights the importance of posting your games scores on a regular basis.

Handicap - Slope rating and handicap factor determine your handicap. Your handicap on Bowen may be different from your handicap at Gleneagles or Squamish or Northlands. The higher the slope rating, the higher your handicap will be.

RCGA HANDICAP

Most of our Women's League events use a 'handicap' in order for players of all levels to have the opportunity to win the various games. All handicaps must be official, as established by the Royal Canadian Golf Association (RCGA).

If you are a new club member, please check with the pro shop for how to post your handicap.

If you are not a member, you can get a handicap by joining BCGA online at www.bcga.org.

Keeping Your Score on the RCGA Website

When you enter your score, there is a maximum number of strokes allowed per hole depending on your handicap. This is called **Equitable Stroke Control**. See the chart below.

Course Handicap	Maximum Score
0 - 9	double bogey
10 - 19	7
20 - 29	8
30 - 39	9
40 or more	10

STROKE PLAY

A form of competitive play in which the score is calculated by counting the total number of strokes taken over the 18 (or 9) holes. The total (or gross) score minus the player's handicap provides the **NET** score. In most competitions the lowest net score determines the winner. This enables players of different skill levels to compete together.

MATCH PLAY

A form of play in which the score is calculated by counting holes won rather than total strokes taken. Handicap strokes are given by the lower handicap player to the higher, on a hole-by-hole basis, as they apply. A winner is determined for each hole; and the overall winner is the player with the greatest number of holes won in the round.



● **Make sure your handicap is up-to-date and you are familiar with the day's competition. Please trade cards with someone in your foursome after you have filled in your name and handicap.**

● **Please enter your scores. Handicaps are pulled Thursday mornings before play.**

As well as our weekly games, we offer in-house match play competition for every level of player—Team Play within our Zone 4 league and a tournament with Gleneagles Women's Division. Every month we have a Pin Sheet day, which puts us individually into competition with women all over the province and country.

These are all ways to both enjoy and improve your game.



Play Ready Golf. A round of golf should take about 2 hours 15 minutes.

Don't forget to have your putter marked.

PIN SHEET

The RCGA and the BCGA sponsor stroke play net competitions called **Pin Round Awards**. The competition is a provincial and national tournament, and these games support women's golf in BC. Our club plays 6 pin sheet rounds per season. The player and runner up in every club who has the lowest 4 rounds of the 6 wins a PIN. Three awards are given out by each organization each year.

INTERCLUB CHALLENGE WITH GLENEAGLES

This is a 9-hole tournament with a luncheon afterward—very friendly and all levels of skill are welcome.

The dates are: **Wed. June 27 (away)** **Wed. July 4 (home)**

BCGA ZONE 4 INTERCLUB MATCHPLAY

If you wish to participate in these match play games you must commit to one home game and one away game. You pay for one player for the home games, plus lunch, and they pay for you on the away games. All matches are 18 holes. **Alice Jennings** is our interclub match play coordinator (and your contact), if you are interested in Team Play. The schedule for 2016 is as follows:

Tues. May 8	(home) Langara
Tues. June 5	(home) Sunshine Coast
Tues. July 31	(away) Country Meadows
Tues. August 28	(away) University Club

BCGA TOURNAMENTS

It is important to support the BCGA events, as without their members golfing, we would not have a Zone 4 league. Consult their website for current information, entry forms etc. Also, check the Women's League bulletin board for information of upcoming events.

BC GOLF - Women's Golf - Zone 4:

<http://bcgazone4.org/women/wevents.html>

SPEED OF PLAY

SPEED OF PLAY is the time it takes a player to complete a round of golf. A proper pace for a 9 hole round of golf on our golf course is about 2 hours and 15 minutes.

Speed up your play by:

- Picking your appropriate club and be ready to play when it's your turn.
- Staying within one shot of the group in front of you.
- Being aware of your group's playing time and position on the course.
- Playing **'Ready Golf'**— hit when ready and safe, continue putting until holed out, and limit searching for lost balls to 3 minutes.
- Parking your cart or bag closest to the next hole before you begin putting so you don't have to circle back.

GIMMIE PUTTS

We implement the **gimmie putt procedure** to help with the speed of play. Your putter should be marked with tape to indicate the gimmie distance. You can pick up your ball if it is within that distance and take one stroke.

Please note: There are no "gimmie putts" on pin sheet days.

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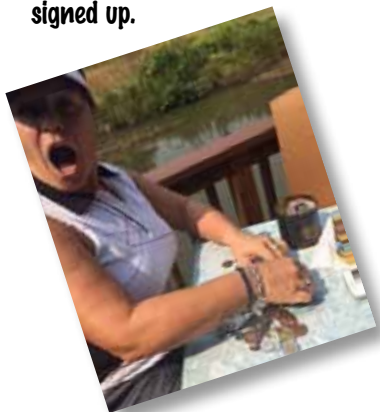
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***PRIZES**

Those winning weekly games will be awarded points. As well, points are given for KPs, closest to the line, longest drive, chip-ins, birdies, playing in the rain, etc. At the end of the season, gift certificates for the clubhouse will be awarded based on point totals.

***DEUCE POT**

Any player wishing to participate signs up and contributes a loonie into the pot. At the end of play, the pot is distributed among those who made a birdie on a par three during play and who have signed up.



***PIN SHEET DAY**

This is an RCGA competition played province wide and across Canada. Pin sheet and monthly medals are based on NET scores. Our club plays 6 pin sheet rounds per season. On these scheduled events, please trade cards with someone in your group. Your gross score is recorded and handicap subtracted to obtain your NET score. At the end of the game, the scorecard must be signed by both attester and player and submitted to Sheila MacArthur

SCHEDULE OF PLAY and DESCRIPTION OF EVENTS 2018

- April 5 COFFEE PARTY**
Meet fellow golfers, sign up for intra-club and inter-club match play, and the Gleneagles challenge, meet the club executive and learn about the clinics that Cody will be offering.
- April 12 OPENING DAY SURPRISE SCORE GAME**
Four-person team, stroke play
Each team will be given a bag with secret clues inside. At the end of each hole, a team member (by rotation) will pick a clue from the bag (e.g. take the score of the oldest player) which will tell you what score to count for the team. Individuals can keep their own scores for posting. Team with the low score wins. Coffee and muffins will be provided.
- April 19 MULLIGAN MANIA**
Take one mulligan per hole. Player with the low NET score wins.
- Apr 26 MOST DRIVES ON THE FAIRWAY**
Pin Sheet
Count the drives that stayed on the fairway on par 4 and par 5 holes. Player with the most drives on these fairways wins.
- May 3 GOLD ON THE GREEN**
Once everyone is on the green, regardless of how many strokes it took to get there, the ball closest to the hole gets 3 points, next closest get 2 points and third closest gets 1 point. Furthest away gets no points. Player with the most points wins.
- May 10 PINK BALL NET TEAM SCORE**
Each team is given a pink ball (plus a back-up) and a separate pink ball scorecard. Each golfer plays in turn with the pink ball and records her NET score for that hole. If you lose the pink ball, continue play with the back-up. Team with the low NET pink ball score wins.

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TAKE CARE OF OUR COURSE

Repair ball marks on the greens and replace and press down any divots through the green.

Avoid damaging the course and tee boxes when taking practice swings.

Rake after leaving the bunker and leave rakes outside the bunkers.

Keep power carts on cart paths, entering the fairways at 90 degrees only at times when ground conditions permit. The Pro Shop will advise when carts must remain on cart paths.

Keep pull carts outside the perimeters of the tee boxes, greens and greenside bunkers.

Respect all 'Environmentally Sensitive Areas' which are identified by fences and signs. Golfers are not to enter these areas.

Use the seed and sand containers to fill your divots and those of your fellow players.



May 17

PUTTS ONLY

Pin Sheet

Player with the fewest putts wins. Count only putts on the green, not chip-ins.

May 24

ALTERNATE SHOT TWO-PERSON TEAM PLAY

Two players play as a team. Prior to the round you decide who will tee off on the odd-numbered holes and who will tee off on the even-numbered holes. After that person tees off, you alternate shots until the ball is in the hole. Team with the low NET score wins. NET score will be calculated at the end of the round.

May 31

BINGO BANGO

Individual scores are kept as usual. Points per hole are awarded as follows: 1 point to the first player to reach the green; 1 point to the player who is closest to the pin from off the green. Player with the most points wins.

June 7

TROUBLE

Individual scores are kept as usual. Points are assigned whenever you get into "trouble". Player with the fewest "trouble points" wins. Points are earned as follows:

lateral hazard - 3 points

bunker - 2 points

three-putt or more - 1 points

June 14

THREE BLIND MICE

Pin Sheet

Deduct the three worst scores from your NET score. Player with the low NET score wins.

June 21

FOUR CLUBS (including putter)

You may play with only 4 clubs. Your putter counts as a club. Player with the low NET score wins.

June 28

BEST NET ON ODD HOLES

Player with the low NET score on odd-numbered holes wins.

July 5

CAPTAIN VS VICE CAPTAIN

Team doubles match play

Players will be colour-coded, assigned to either the Captain or Vice-Captain team and paired with another person on the same team. Each player hits her own golf ball throughout the round. On each hole, the low NET score of the two players serves as that side's score. Winner of each hole scores 1 point for her team; a tie scores 0.5 point. Winning team will be determined by the final tally of points earned.

July 12

STABLEFORD SCORING

For each hole points are scored as follows:

double bogey - 1 point

par - 3 points

bogey - 2 point

birdie - 4 points

The player with the most points wins.

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July 19

BLIND HOLES

Pin Sheet

After all players have left the first tee, a blind draw determines which five holes will count toward each player's total NET score. Players have no knowledge of which holes will count until they complete their rounds. Player with the low NET score for those five holes wins.



July 26

RED AND WHITE

Players whose handicaps are below 30 play from the whites. Those with handicaps of 30+ play from the reds. The player with the low NET from each group will win (i.e. two winners).

Aug 2

BEST NET ON PAR 4s

Player with the low NET score on the par 4 holes wins.

Aug 9

MOST ONE PUTTS

Pin Sheet

Player with the most one putts wins.



Aug 16

BEST BALL

Four-person team play

Each player plays out her own golf ball. At the end of the hole, the low NET score recorded by the team is used toward the team tally, while the higher scores are thrown out. The team with the low NET score wins.

Aug 23

BEST NET ON EVEN HOLES

Player with the low NET score on even-numbered holes wins.

Aug 30

WOMEN'S LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

9-hole stroke play

Pin Sheet

There will be two winners: player with the low GROSS and player with the low NET score. Both names will be engraved on the league trophy.



Sept 6

O.N.E.S

Low NET score for holes beginning with the letters O-N-E-S (one, six, seven, eight, and nine) wins.

Sept 13

BAD WITH THE GOOD

Count your 2 best NET scores on par 3s, 2 best NET scores on par 4s, and worst NET score on par 5s. Player with the low NET score wins.

Sept 20

PAR 3s FROM THE WHITES

Players play from the white tee boxes for the par 3 holes (four, six, and eight). Player with the low NET score on these three holes wins.



Sept 27

WOMEN'S CLOSING DAY TEAM EFFORT AND CLOSING DAY LUNCH

Four-person team play

Player play their own ball. At the end of the round, add up the NET scores for all players, divide by 4 and that will be the team's score. Team with the low NET score wins.

