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Hawaii State Women's Golf Association

Newsletter – December 2022

President's Message

Happy Holidays!



It's been an honor and privilege to serve you and work with an awesome group of ladies over the past year. The individual strengths of each board member along with their teamwork led us through another successful year of women's golf in the state of Hawaii. I am grateful to each board member for giving your time to the members of the Hawaii State Women's Golf Association.

Good news to share starting with the 2022 HSWGGA Stroke Play Championship at Mililani Golf Club in October with 22 participants. Congratulations to Young Hwa Kim, the 2022 HSWGGA Stroke Play Champion. Also coming on top in the A Flight was Bev Kim and Cheryl Fontes in the B Flight. Up next was the Fall Fest with a general membership meeting following golf in November at Coral Creek Golf Course. All went well and much appreciation goes out to Judy George, who has chaired this tournament year after year. Read more about this on Pages 6 & 7. Thank you all for participating in these tournaments and congratulations to the winners!

And more good news as announced at the General Membership Meeting in November. Jeannie Pak is the 2022 HSWGGA Golfer of the Year for the fourth time. And for the second time, Gwen Omori is the 2022 HSWGGA Volunteer of the Year. More on this on Page 8. Congratulations to both!



Now ... exciting news! This next announcement comes after years of discussion. The Hawaii State Women's Golf Association Board of Directors voted unanimously in favor to integrate the HSWGGA with the Hawaii State Golf Association (HSGA). The goal for this to be in effect is in the second quarter of 2023. HSGA is one of 58 USGA Allied Golf Associations. HSGA can better support and provide additional opportunities and resources through their leadership for women. HSWGGA will become a part of the HSGA Women's Division and all tournaments, entry fees, and payouts will be incorporated into HSGA. Due to this HSGA-HSWGGA Integration, HSWGGA will not be collecting club or individual membership dues for 2023 and, therefore, not accepting new members. We must still receive your HSWGGA membership renewal form by January 15, 2023. An HSGA membership which includes GHIN is based on the calendar year ending on December 31 each year. There will be two representatives from HSWGGA that will team with HSGA – Debra Anne Murobayashi and myself. We will continue to reach out to your club's HSWGGA representative for any HSGA happenings for the remainder of 2023. Debra Anne and I vow to do our utmost to promote and maintain the best interests in the game of golf among women.

The last tournament organized by HSWGGA will be the Spring Fling with a General Membership Meeting to follow. It is scheduled for Monday, February 27, at Leilehua Golf Course. It's one of my favorite tournaments as we announce the most improved golfers. Hope to see you there!

Cheers to you and yours and wishing you countless blessings in 2023!

Shera



TREASURER’S REPORT – Barbara Schroeder

The HSWGA bank account balance as of December 9, 2022, was \$18,203.32 and the CD balance was \$16,168.45.

HOLE-IN-ONE CHAIR REPORT - Mira Jang

2022 continues to be a great year for Hole-in-Ones.

- Jacalyn Oda – Waialae Country Club on Nov 25, 2022 on Hole #2 with a 5-wood.
- Penelope “Ben” Wong – Mililani Golf Course on Nov 12, 2022 on Hole #12 with a 5-iron.
- Kyunmi Masuko – Ewa Beach Golf Club on Sep 28, 2022 on Hole #13 with an 8-iron.
- Verna Maynard – Mid Pacific Country Club on Aug 1, 2022 on Hole #14 with a 5-hybrid.
- Stacey McWhinnie – Oahu Country Club on July 31, 2022 on Hole #11 with a Hybrid
- Tracy Wong – Waialae Country Club on July 30, 2022 on Hole #8 with a 7-wood.
- Marybeth Ching – Waialae Country Club on July 28, 2022 on Hole #8 with a driver.
- Mami La Joie – Honolulu Country Club on July 24, 2022 on Hole #14 with a 9-iron.
- Masumi Masamitsu – Waialae Country Club on June 29, 2022 on Hole #8 with a 7-iron.
- Charlene Uemoto – Oahu Country Club on June 28, 2022 on Hole #7 with a 9-iron.
- Shanna Chang – Waialele Country Club on June 21, 2022 on Hole #5 with an 8-iron.
- Sunny Hur – Honolulu Country Club on June 5, 2022 on Hole #14 with a Gap wedge.
- Jenny Kim – Waialele Country Club on May 16, 2022 on Hole #5 with a 5-iron.
- Onvipa Pongsriwat – Navy Marine Golf Course on March 29, 2022 on Hole #8 with a 7-iron.

For one’s special accomplishment, HSWGA members receive a congratulatory letter and a beautiful HSWGA bling ball marker.

Please send hole-in-one information to Mira Jang at miraj0939@gmail.com. Be sure to include the player’s name, date of HIO, name of the course where the HIO was made, hole number, golf club used, and a mailing address to send the award.

Please go to the HSWGA website (www.hswga.net) for the complete list of hole-in-ones.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR REPORT – Donna Woo

The current membership consists of 29 clubs and 13 individuals, which represents approximately 1,500 members. The 2023 HSWGA membership renewal form must be submitted by January 15. We are not accepting new clubs or individual members. There will be no dues collected in 2023 due to sufficient funds in the HSWGA account. The membership renewal form is attached to this email and is also available on the HSWGA website via www.hswga.net.



COURSE RATING CHAIR REPORT - Susan Church

Happy Holidays to all!

2022 is quickly coming to a close and our Course Rating Team made up of Susan Church (Lead), Kathy Ordway, Gwen Omori, Judy Tonda, Shera Hiam and Debra Anne Murobayashi completed the rating of the following golf courses:

Oahu:

Barbers Point Golf Course
Hawaii Prince Golf Course
Royal Kunia Country Club
Kapolei Golf Course
Oahu Country Club

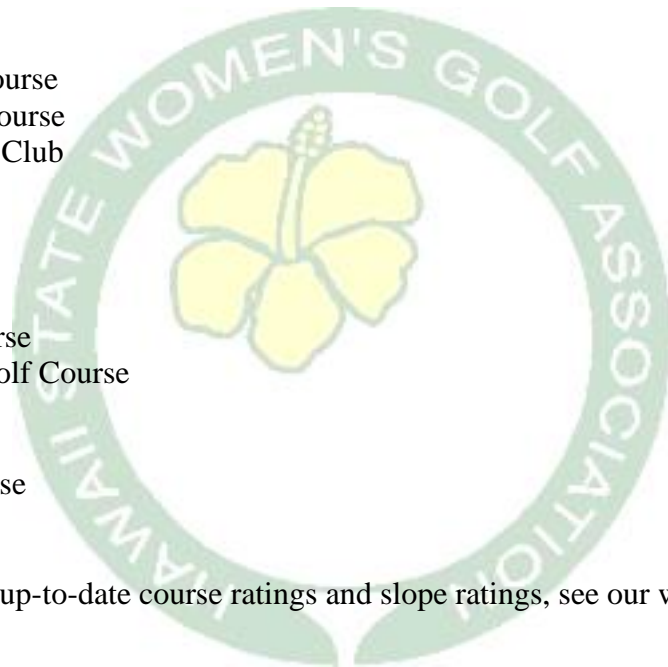
Big Island:

Mauna Kea Golf Course
Mauna Lani South Golf Course

Japan:

Tama Hills Golf Course
Gosser Golf Course

For a complete list of up-to-date course ratings and slope ratings, see our website at www.hswga.net.





TOURNAMENT CHAIR REPORT - Debra Anne Murobayashi

Another year is coming to an end...but WHAT A YEAR IT HAS BEEN! It has been a very productive year for the HSWGGA. With the exception of the Spring Fling, the HSWGGA tournament schedule was realized thanks to our membership. A special thank you again, to my co-chair, Gwen Omori, who has been instrumental in facilitating these tournaments.

The next HSWGGA tournament will take place on Monday, February 27, 2023, at the Leilehua Golf Course. Details are still being finalized and the application is expected to be out in early January 2023. The 4-women team events are especially popular, so get your team together and enter as soon as the application is out.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Tournament Chair. It was a great learning experience and I was blessed to have an exceptional mentor—Gwen Omori! I am looking forward to seeing you all again in 2023. Have a Very Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

HSWGA Stroke Play Championship

Overall Low Gross Champion

Young Hwa Kim (80 + 82 = 162)

Championship Flight

Jeannie Pak (86 + 78 = 164)

Miki Young (82 + 84 = 166)

Krista Wilder (84 + 82 = 166)

A Flight

Bev Kim (80 + 82 = 162)

Arlene Vierra (85 + 80 = 165)

Waleerat Thaisomboon (83 + 85 = 168)

B Flight

Cheryl Fontes (84 + 87 = 171)

Debra Anne Murobayashi (86 + 85 = 171)

Tracy Navarrete (93 + 85 = 178)



HSWGA FALL FEST TOURNAMENT

A Flight

First Place: Team A4 = 136

Young Hwa Kim, Kimi Komatsu, Theresa Realica, Mimi Fukushima

Second Place: Team A3 = 142

Kristin Glenchur, Tracy Navarette, Ramona Roncali, Arlene Vierra

Third Place: Team A1 = 144

Shera Hiam, Jeannie Pak, Marie Miyashiro, Jean Nagahiro

B Flight

First Place: Team B1 = 139

Anna Hinkley, Carolyn Thibault, Waleerat Thaisomboon, Monica Tomasa

Second Place: Team B4 = 143

Mae Rosen, Lillian Miyao, Sandra Kim, Juanita Lauti

Third Place: Team B2 = 145 (won in tiebreaker)

Lily Yao, Bev Kim, Ann Wills, Harriet Fujio

C Flight

First Place: Team C3 = 137

Lori Kim, Joanne Zehngraff, Yong Soken, Hawa Park

Second Place: Team C2 = 139

Gwen Omori, Susan Church, Diane Ono, Jennifer Sok

Third Place: Team C1 = 148

Gail Tandal, Yong Ross, Leona Soto, Roberta Wakisaka-Fellezs

D Flight

First Place: D1 = 139

Diane Kawashima, Eleanor Kawamura, Eva Higa, Young Leskovec

Second Place: D2 = 150

Sissy Elassiouti, Marilyn Selvitelle, Janice Bodinus, Joann Schab



2022 Golfer of the Year
Jeannie Pak



The 2022 HSWGGA Player of the Year came down to the very last individual tournament play for the year. With her win at the Stroke Play Championship at Mililani Golf Course, she sealed her bid for the title. Jeannie Pak is a member of Waialae Country Club and also holds the same title in the years 2016, 2018, and 2019. Congratulations, Jeannie!

2022 Volunteer of the Year
Gwen Omori



Congratulations to Gwen Omori for becoming a two-time awardee of the 2022 HSWGGA Volunteer of the Year. Gwen assisted with four HSWGGA tournaments and was a rules official at four HSGA and USGA tournaments, as well as HSWGGA tournaments. Quoting the nominator, “Gwen has devoted much of her time supporting golf for men and women and is also the president of Friends of Hickam group that supports Air Force soldiers. I don’t think there is anyone else that has spent as much time as Gwen supporting golf.” A very well-deserved award indeed!



HANDICAP CHAIR REPORT – Judy George

Each year the HSWGGA honors the Most Improved Golfer from each of the member clubs. It is based on the improvement factor of their GHIN handicap index from January 1, 2022 to January 1, 2023.

Last year the dates changed from previous years and now reflect the calendar year. Most clubs use the 1st of each month to calculate handicaps, so using these dates is the most practical.

The Most Improved Golfer form can be found on Page 9 as well as on the HSWGGA website at www.hswga.net.





Hawaii State Women's Golf Association Most Improved Golfer 2022

For our purposes, we are comparing "indexes in effect on **January 1, 2022** and **January 1, 2023**." The maximum index allowed on **January 1, 2022** is 40.4.

EXAMPLE:

22.6 index on **January 1, 2022** and 17.4 index on **January 1, 2023**

Value A: 22.6 add 12 = 34.6

Value B: 17.4 add 12 = 29.4

A/B: 34.6 divided by 29.4 = 1.177 (Improvement Factor. This needs to be three decimal places.)

Name of Golfer _____

Golfer's GHIN # _____

Club Name _____

HDCP Chair _____ HDCP Chair Contact # _____

HDCP Chair E-mail _____

January 1, 2022 HDCP Index _____ January 1, 2023 HDCP Index _____

Improvement Factor = _____ (three decimal places)

Mail to: Judy George
991 Kapa Pl.
Honolulu, HI 96825

Or E-mail to: georgep001@hawaii.rr.com Questions? Call Judy @808-285-8775

Forms need to be received by February 1, 2023. Must be 18 years or older to qualify and a member of HSWGA from January 1, 2022 to December 31st, 2022. To be eligible for the overall HSWGA winner, the member must also have played with their member club 50% of the scheduled club dates. Club and Overall winners will be announced at the General Membership meeting following the Spring Fling tournament on February 27th, 2023.

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