



Kalamazoo
Womens
Golf
Association

March 2009

Ladies...It's time to pack away those parkas, and pull out your Pings, because golf season is on the horizon.

Welcome to the 2009 KWGA golf season. I am confident it will be a successful one.

In an attempt to bring the KWGA into the 21st century, here are a few new wrinkles for the year...

Last September an informal poll was taken regarding desired dates for Match Play. The votes have been tabulated (informally of course), and the members have spoken! Match Play has been moved to August 15-18 (Saturday-Tuesday). Now ladies, we need a strong turnout to our tournaments to keep our organization strong. I am encouraging, begging, pleading with (and probably bribing) all members to consider participating in the city tournaments this year. These tournaments are so much fun to play, please join us. Medal Play is being moved to mid June 15 - 17 (Mon-Wed) and the Forty-niners to July 27.

Moving the dates of Medal play has resulted in...

The Mixed Two-Ball moving to September 13 and the format has been tweaked. The first nine holes will be played as a scramble and the second nine holes as alternate shot. The September date will provide you and your partner plenty of time to finely tune your game and tolerance for each other.

The Two Person Best Ball and the Nancy Haner Scramble are now open to guests. Only one member of the team is now required to be a KWGA member and we would love to see lots of new faces this year! As an additional incentive to recruit new members, if you recruit two new members this year, you will receive your 2010 membership free! Just make sure your recruits identify you as a sponsor on their membership forms.

The lovely and talented Joan Lucas has lined up an excellent array of golf courses for us to conquer this season and has negotiated great prices. We will kick things into gear on May 11, with our one-day event at the Gull Lake CC. Membership dues remain \$30 for the 2009 season. Please send your application and dues to Treasurer, Deb Crowe. Hey, there's Deb now, waiting by her mailbox for your membership. Send it in! (Reminder—to play in the May 11th one day event, membership dues must be received by May 1).

Karen Bailey will be manning the phones again this year accepting reservations for our one-day events. Secure your spot by calling her between the hours of 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM on the Thursday prior to the event. Early reservations will be accepted by email (knbly49@yahoo.com) from Monday-Thursday (until 4:00 PM) the week prior to the event. Please make sure you receive an email back

confirming the reservation.

Ladies, don't forget to show your updated handicap cards to tournament directors when checking in. If your course does not provide you with a USGA handicap index, there are sites on-line which provide this service. Two such sites are myscorecard.com and Golf.com. Please submit your signed scorecards immediately following completion of the round before putting your clubs away, having lunch etc. We have had issues in the past with delays in posting scores.

Once again we will be organizing a pre-season Spring Fling Golf outing on April 25 at Heritage Glen. The format is a two-person scramble with an 11:00 AM shotgun start. This is not an official KWGA event so you do not need a handicap or membership to participate. This outing is an excellent opportunity to meet KWGA and potential KWGA members. We will be accepting KWGA applications, and answering any questions.

Finally, congratulations to Jeanne Ryskamp. The Executive Board voted her as the recipient of the Genevieve Gilmore Award. Jeanne's dedication to, and promotion of our organization has been outstanding. She truly deserves this honor! We are appreciative of her contributions, and will miss her presence on the Board this year.

Well, here is to the 77th year of the KWGA. Have an enjoyable season, and please join us as often as possible. If you have comments, gripes, or suggestions, we would love to hear them. We are always looking for ways to make the KWGA enjoyable for all. May the Golf Gods be with you in 2009!!

Karen Powers

2009 KWGA President

Congratulations 2008 KWGA Champions !

Two Lady Best Ball

Mixed 2-Ball

Medal Play

49ers

Match Play

Nancy Haner Scramble

Low Gross

Leslie Fletcher & Sherrie Glas

Leslie and Tim Fletcher

Sue Campbell

Jeannette Fenner

Sue Campbell

Diane Kiino & Nancy Snyder

Low Net

Dewey Smith & Annette VanAlphen

Deb Crowe & Dick Wilbur

Executive Board Member Duties

The **President** presides at all meetings & is available to fill other officer vacancies when necessary.

The **Vice President** supervises all KWGA tournaments & 1-day events. She assumes the office of President the next year.

The **Recording Secretary** keeps the minutes of all meetings & presents those minutes at all official meetings. She assumes duties of both President & VP if both officers are absent.

The **Corresponding Secretary** arranges the KWGA playing schedule, determining dates & locations of play; she generates all official correspondence.

The **Treasurer** is responsible for all KWGA financial transactions. She also verifies member information such as handicap validity & current roster data.

The **Publicity Chairperson** provides event results to the Kalamazoo Gazette for publication & collects copies of printed materials for incorporation into historical records.

The **Reservation Chairperson** handles reservations for all 1-day events. She coordinates those reservations with the club rep & pro.

The **Web Manager** maintains the KWGA website and email list, posting results and sending out electronic communications to the membership.

Club Representative and Tournament Director Duties

The **Club Representatives** act as liaison personnel, responding to members of her golf course in respect to KWGA activities & operations. She is the designated director for any One-Day event at her course.

The **Tournament Directors** are responsible for running the entire tournament from verifying handicaps, setting up foursomes, to enforcing the budget. Each tournament is self-supporting with all money spent coming from the entry fees.

Genevieve Gilmore Award Recipients

Awarded for service to the KWGA

1990 Dorothy Haynes

1991 Shirley Blankenburg

1993 Lois Van Dalson

1994 Stella Manski

1995 Barbara Burr

1997 Kay Gates

1998 Kim Rotz

2001 Joan Lucas

2005 Diane Kiino

2008 Jeanne Ryskamp

K.W.G.A. Executive Committee

President	Karen Powers	2121 Indian Rd.	Portage	49002	373-3990
Vice President	Tania Brammer	4232 S. 12th St.	Kalamazoo	49009	998-3296
Recording Sec'y	Coy Scheetz	10392 Tomkinson Dr.	Scotts	49088	323-8956
Corresponding Sec'y.	Joan Lucas	28644 Red Arrow Hwy	Paw Paw	49079	657-4370
Treasurer	Deb Crowe	22862 Bluejay Ave.	Mattawan	49071	668-4169
Publicity	Dar Root	5892 West R Ave.	Schoolcraft	49087	375-8636
Reservations	Karen Bailey	P.O. Box 59	Schoolcraft	49087	679-5700
					Reservation line only: 679-4087
Web Manager	Diane Kiino	9532 Amber Circle	Kalamazoo	49009	372-9724

Club Representatives

Angel's Crossing	Karen Bailey		679-5700
Cheshire Hills	Sally Gant		673-5831
Crestview	Ruth Thornton		349-5264
Eastern Hills	Karen Powers		373-3990
Gull Lake CC	Mary Godfrey	mnbgodfrey@aol.com	629-9520
Gull Lake View	Nancy Hopkins		665-9650
Heritage Glen	Deb Crowe		668-4169
Indian Run	Jayne Heimonen		323-8675
Island Hills	Dar Root		375-8636
Kalamazoo CC	Karen Powers		373-3990
Lake Cora	Kim Nowak		655-0803
Lake Doster	Pat Nowling		664-6880
The Lynx	Joy Hemmer		375-0808
Milham Park	Diane Kiino		372-9724
The Moors	TBA		
The New Olde Mill	Joan Lucas		657-4370
Pineview	Sue Kaiser		279-5752
The Prairies	Mary Lou Sanderson		375-5374
Prairiewood	Donna DeBault		324-4919
Ridgeview	Linda Nyhuis		353-7888
Sauganash CC	Carol Melville/Jean Hagen		483-9095
St. Joe Valley	Kay Gates		327-9124
The States	Carol Kelly		323-7031
Stonehedge	Nancy Hopkins		665-9650
Thornapple Creek	Hillary Hogarth		345-6122
Yarrow	Jeanne Ryskamp		344-3060

Tournaments

Two Lady Best Ball*	Sat, 11:00 T times
Angel's Crossing, May 30-31	Sun, 12:00 T Times
Medal Play	Mon, 9:00 Shotgun
The Lynx, June 15-17	Tu-Wed, 9:00 T times
49ers	9:00 Shotgun
Ridgeview, Mon, July 27	
Match Play	Sat, Mon, Tu 9:00 T Times
The Prairies, Sat-Tue, Aug 15-18	Sun, 12:00 T Times
Mixed Two Ball	12:30 T Times
Eastern Hills, Sun, Sep 13	
Nancy Haner 2-Lady Scramble*	11:00 Shotgun
Heritage Glen, Sat., September 26	Annual Meeting follows

Directors

Kim Samelstad	345-6015
Jayne Heimonen	323-8675
Anne Smith	657-5614
Jeanne Rykskamp	344-3060
Kelly Rowekamp	375-0437
Karen Powers	373-3990
Kim Rotz	329-0288
Deb Crowe	668-4169
Joan Lucas	657-4370
Dar Root	375-8636

***Optional member/guest (guests must have established USGA handicap)**

One Day Events (reservations required)

May 11	Gull Lake CC	Low Putts	\$28.00	9:30 Shotgun
June 8	The States	Best Poker Hand	\$18.00	9:00 Shotgun
July 6	Sauganash	2 Hole Throw Out	\$20.00	9:00 T Times
August 31	Lake Cora	Gross Minus Putts	\$20.00 (\$13 w/o cart)	9:00 T Times
Sept 21	Stonehedge North	Most 1 Putts	\$28.00	9:00 Shotgun

Fees include cart.

Reservations are required for all one-day events.

Call Karen Bailey at 679-4087 between 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. only on the Thursday before the event. Advance reservations by email, kbnbly49@yahoo.com, Mon-Thurs (4:00 PM). Have current USGA handicap index **for all players** when calling or emailing in reservation.

Your membership dues must be paid to make reservations. Be prepared to show your handicap card the day of the event.

KWGA MEMBERSHIP FORM

\$30.00 Check payable to KWGA

Name USGA Handicap Index

Street Address City

Zip Code Phone Club

Email Address

Name of KWGA sponsor (optional for new members only; if you are a current KWGA member, sponsor two new members and get your 2010 membership free!)

Do you want this mailed to you in 2009? Yes No

✓ **Send to Deb Crowe 22862 Bluejay Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071 by May 1, 2009 to participate in first event**

✓ **No Refunds**

Nancy Haner Two-Lady Scramble

One player must be a KWGA member

September 26, 2009 at Heritage Glen

11:00 Shotgun

KWGA Annual Meeting immediately follows tournament

Name	USGA Handicapo Index	Club
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Address	Zip	Phone
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Partner's Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Partner's Address	Zip	Phone
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Check here to reserve cart (included)

- ✓ **Enclose payment for both partners at \$ 35.00 each**
- ✓ **Total = \$70.00 payable to KWGA**
- ✓ **Send to Deb Crowe 22862 Bluejay Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071 by September 12th, 2009**
- ✓ **Please submit names of both partners and entry fee together**
- ✓ **No refunds**

Mixed Two-ball Tournament

9 holes scramble; 9 holes alternate shot

Woman must be a KWGA member to participate

Sept 13, 2009 at Eastern Hills

12:30 T Times

Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Address	Zip	Phone
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Partner's Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Check here to reserve cart (\$10.00 at check-in)

- ✓ **Make \$60.00 check payable to KWGA**
- ✓ **Send to Deb Crowe 22862 Bluejay Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071 by Sept 4, 2009**
- ✓ **Please submit names of both players and entry fee together**
- ✓ **No refunds**

City Match Play Tournament

August 15-18, 2009 at the Prairies
Sat, Mon, Tues 9:00 T Times; Sun 12:00 T Times

Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Address	Zip	Phone
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\$95.00 KWGA Member
Includes cart and Thurs. lunch

\$105.00 Non-member
Includes cart and Thurs. lunch

Check here to reserve cart (included)

- ✓ **Make check payable to KWGA.**
 - ✓ **Send to Deb Crowe 22862 Bluejay Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071 by August 1, 2009**
 - ✓ ***No refunds***
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49'ers Tournament

July 27, 2009 at Ridgeview
9:00 Shotgun

Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Address	Zip	Phone
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\$40.00 KWGA Member
Includes lunch

\$50.00 Non-member
Includes lunch

Check here to reserve cart (included in fee)

- ✓ **Make check payable to KWGA.**
- ✓ **Send to Deb Crowe 22862 Bluejay Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071 by July 17, 2009**
- ✓ ***No refunds***

City Medal Tournament

June 15-17th, 2009, The Lynx

Shotgun Monday, 9:00 A.M.

Tee Times Tuesday, Wednesday, 9:00 A.M.

Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Address	Zip	Phone
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\$85.00 KWGA Member
Includes cart and Wed. lunch

\$95.00 Non-member
Includes cart and Wed. lunch

Check here to reserve cart (included)

✓ **Make check payable to KWGA.**

✓ **Send to Deb Crowe 22862 Bluejay Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071 by June 5, 2009**

✓ ***No refunds***

Two Lady Best Ball Tournament

One player must be a KWGA member

May 30-31, 2009 at Angel's Crossing

Sat. Tee Times starting at 11:00 A.M.; Sun. Tee Times starting at Noon

Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Address	Zip	Phone
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Partner's Name	USGA Handicap Index	Club
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Partner's Address	Zip	Phone
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Check here to reserve cart (included)

✓ **Enclose payment for both partners at \$70.00 each**

✓ **Total = \$140.00 payable to KWGA**

✓ **Send to Deb Crowe 22862 Bluejay Ave. Mattawan, MI 49071 by May 15, 2009**

✓ **Please submit names of both partners and entry fee together**

✓ ***No refunds***