MLGA MESSAGES – August 2023

August 9, 2023

Ladies,

It was a cooler than normal day for August in St. Louis, dreary with clouds, drizzle and few quick light hits of rain. That's how this chapter of the story "MLGA Mondays of Golf" begins. 60 ladies were scheduled to play and we ended with 50 coming out and 46 finishing their rounds of golf. Not too bad for the weather conditions.

We had 17 come out to enjoy lunch at Joey B s afterward. Our waitress didn't know what hit her. She did a great job and probably ended up getting more tips from us that the entire rest of her day. Fun times!

I want to thank Lynda Kniepmann for reminding me that I had put a link on the "mlgagolf.com" website to view rounds and handicaps but didn't activate it. It is now "Active" and has a PDF of the file that Tina posts on our bulletin board with Rounds and Handicaps/Flight Status. Whenever Tina has an update she will send me the file that I will convert to PDF and post for everyone. Here's how to locate the file:

- Open website: mlgagolf.com
- From the menu select: MEMBERSHP
- Scroll down to: SEE YOUR ROUNDS AND HANDICAP
- Click on the box
- You will have to enlarge the print, no doubt, but there you can find yourself, how many rounds you have played/games and your handicap as of the date at the top.

We try to keep the Flights as even as possible and sometimes the Flight breakdowns change to do that. Check it out.

Next Game on the Calendar is "3 Clubs and a Putter" on August 21st. More details next week, but when you play next Monday, you may want to think about what 3 clubs you want to have in your golf bag for that day.

That's it for another week. Until next time, I look forward to seeing YOU at the Golf Course!

Debbie Fagin MLGA - Secretary

August 17, 2023

Ladies,

Mother nature wasn't too kind to us on Monday but 25 ladies did play golf. Given the conditions, that wasn't too bad. I am hoping that next Monday is a better weather day as we are scheduled to play "3 Clubs and a Putter".

Here are the rules:

- 1. Before play begins, select which 3 clubs you want to have in your golf bag along with your putter.
 - 1. Leave your other clubs in the car or at home so you are NOT tempted to pull out a different club while playing.
- 2. 1 "Free Out of Water" **OR** "Mulligan" (tee shot) are in play.
- 3. "Birdies" and "Chip-In's" count.
- 4. Score normally.
- 5. Completed score cards should be added, verified and signed off on as usual, then left in the MLGA box.
- 6. After play, the **SCORES** will be "Flighted" into A, B, C and D.
- 7. Winner in each flight will be determined.
- 8. Money will be available the following Monday to our winners.

That's it for this week. Until next time, I look forward to seeing YOU at the golf course!

Debbie Fagin MLGA - Secretary

August 24, 2023

Ladies,

I feel like the "wicked witch of the West" in this heat…"I'm melting, I'm melting!" The weather has been really steamy but it looks like it will break this weekend. Monday should be great!

We did have 51 ladies come out to play this past Monday for "3 Clubs and a Putter". For those who participated, the scores were pretty congested. We had 2 "Hole-by-Hole" playoff's to establish our winners. Congratulations to:

Flight A: Score 49 - - Brenda Fauls Flight B: Score 57 - - Sherry Pang Flight C: Score 60 - - Teri Igel

Flight D: Score 64 - - Suzanne Mace

Your winnings will be available at the golf course next Monday!

Your Officers met after play on Monday to begin prep for our next and LAST BIG EVENT OF THE SEASON. We will be playing a modified version of the 4 Person Scramble called "Step Aside" with a shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. and lunch after. We currently have 66 ladies signed up to play in this event. There is still room for more, if you want to play. Here's a summary of how we plan to play this event.

- 1. Teams will be created based on overall handicap of the 4-some (Flighted equally)
- 2. All players tee off on each hole.
- 3. Select the best shot to play for the 2nd shot (mark location). Pick up other balls.
- 4. Player with the shot being used, picks up her ball and "Steps Aside"
- 5. The other 3 make the 2nd shot from that location.
- 6. That best 2nd shot is selected and that player "Steps Aside"
- 7. The player from the shot before and the other 2 take the 3rd shot from that location.
- 8. Follow same process until the ball is holed.
- 9. Keep only 1 score
- 10. No "Mulligan" or "Free Out of Water" in this game.

- 11. "Birdies" and/or "Chip-In's" do NOT count for EOY Prizes
- 12. During the round, 1 Tee Shot (Drive) from everyone must be used.

This is really fun to play!

Your Social Co-Chairs have a really great idea for the lunch afterward too! E-vite will be coming in the next few weeks with the details. Stay tuned!

We are looking for a few GOOD WOMEN! There will be 2 openings next season for Officers. Please consider joining the great group who keep this league going strong. We need a Vice-President and SignUpGenius Coordinator. If you have questions or are interested let me or any of the other Officers know.

That's it for another week. Until next time, stay cool and I hope to see YOU at the golf course!

Debbie Fagin MLGA - Secretary

August 30, 2023

Ladies,

What a crowd we had on Monday with 71 ladies coming out to play on a beautiful day! Play was really slow, however, which isn't a good thing. Part of the problem was that Jim had to separate 1 tee time into 2 because someone showed up who wasn't signed up on Genius. Please be mindful that just showing up can cause a problem.

That wasn't the only reason play was so slow, however. I heard that some of you think playing a round in 3 hours is OK, cause you do it ALL THE TIME. Well, it isn't. Normal play should take 2 hrs. and 20 min, per the Ballwin Golf Course, MLGA will accept 2 hrs. and 30 min. If you play consistently longer than that you are NOT playing "Ready Golf" and should speed up play. With the way Jim sends us out on the course, your group should always be within one or 2 shots from the group ahead of you. If you can't see the group ahead of you, your group is probably playing too slow. If the group behind you is waiting for you all the time, you are probably playing too slow. Most of us are retired, but that doesn't mean we can take as long as we like to play.

With our last tee times being around 9:30 right now, everyone should be in by Noon so that Tina can collect the completed score cards and head home. Don't make her wait until 1:00 or later to collect your score cards ladies, We seem to have this issue EVERY YEAR, but that doesn't make it acceptable. THANKS!

The next and LAST "Shotgun Start" Tournament of the season is the "4 Person – Step Aside Scramble" scheduled for September 18th. We have 66 ladies signed up to play with room for 72, so there's still time to get your name on the list and come out to enjoy this fun scramble with your fellow "Golf Sisters".

The "E-Vite" for the lunch after has gone out. If you can't find it, didn't get it or ignored it, here's the information:

Lunch after the event is being catered by P'Sghetti's featuring:

- 1. Assorted sandwiches
- 2. Mostaccioli
- 3. Garden Salad

- 4. Toasted Ravioli
- 5. Garlic Bread
- 6. Desserts
- 7. Beverages

Cost is \$15. RSVP due by September 11 with money due by September 13.

Mail checks, payable to. MLGA to: Kim Hrin, 1244 Sadie Lane, Fenton, MO 63026

An envelope will also be at the course on September 11 if you prefer to pay cash or not mail a check.

I am happy to report that I have received 41 responses to the "E-Vite" already and 10 ladies paid this week at the course. Way to go ladies!

There's NO LEAGUE GOLF next Monday, Labor Day. So that's it from me this week. Until next time, have a great holiday and a I look forward to seeing YOU at the golf course!

Debbie Fagin MLGA - Secretary