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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**Executive Women's Golf Association Rebranded as**

**LPGA Women Who Play**

*The commitment remains to create local and national golf communities for women*

The Executive Women's Golf Association (EWGA) has officially joined the LPGA family and has been rebranded as 'LPGA Women Who Play,' the final structural step in a strategic alliance between the two organizations to further promote the growth of women's golf.

The EWGA has become a branch of the LPGA Foundation with an overarching goal to create additional playing opportunities for women golfers, which is viewed by both organizations as the perfect complement to the LPGA Women's Network, a digital platform for female players to share their passion for the game.

The newly created LPGA Women Who Play will remain focused on creating local and national golf communities and experiences for its thousands of members and hundreds of chapters across the globe.

Together, the LPGA, LPGA Women's Network and LPGA Women Who Play will create a seamless transition for women looking to go from aspiring player to recreational golfer and serve as an advocate for positive change within the game.

The board is excited about this alliance and view it as a positive move for women and golf. Over the upcoming months our website will have a new look and our email address will change. The board is working hard to assure the transition for our members is as seamless as possible. What won't change is the spirit of our members and the camaraderie we have on the course.

**WE TAKE FUN SERIOUSLY!**



**Pam Fortier, EWGA-CO President**

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We want to hear from you!  
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# EWGA CO 2018 KICKOFF!!

## NEXT SATURDAY!

**SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018**

**9:30AM TO NOON**

### The EWGA CO 2018 Kickoff is next weekend!

We look forward each year to our annual Kickoff Event. It's not only fun and informative, it is also our rite of passage to Spring, looking forward to warmer weather and playing lots of golf! We will be celebrating again this year at **Juniper Golf Club in the View Restaurant**, for a lovely buffet breakfast and presentations from the EWGA CO board.

**Presentations:** Halley Kramer will share our first participation in competitive EWGA Match Play last fall in Las Vegas and there will be another presentation about our upcoming Chapter Championship play at Black Butte. Please don't feel intimidated if you enjoy EWGA for friendships and fun golf, the board will be sharing the schedule for all of our golf, learning and social events this summer. There is something for everyone!

**Drawings:** We will have a fabulous selection of items in prize drawings and a silent auction. The program and breakfast will begin at 10am, so arrive early to make your drawing selections, to place your bids in the silent auction and to visit the vendor tables.

**Golf:** Our weather has been confusing this year - the snow has come much later than usual! But if the weather cooperates, we will have Tee Times reserved for golf in the afternoon.

**Prospective Members:** Invite your friends, family and acquaintances! Let's grow our chapter by showing prospective members who we are and how much we have to offer.

**Registration:** Sign up on the EWGA CO website. If you are bringing guests, please email Pat Paris at [parisbizworks@gmail.com](mailto:parisbizworks@gmail.com). The cost will be \$15, and this year we have added the option for using a credit card as well as cash or check.



Pat Paris - Member Recruitment

*We had a good time at the 2017 Kickoff event!  
So join us in 2018!*



Vicky Thomas, Wink Jackson



Pat Paris, Shari Howard, Kellie Harper,  
Kathy Phillips



Lorri Evers, Halley Kramer, with Ahja King, Food  
and Beverage Director at Juniper

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## 2018 LPGA WOMEN WHO PLAY PASSPORT PROGRAM

### FOR CENTRAL OREGON CHAPTER MEMBERS

Thank Our Sponsors by Frequenting Their Business

Play, Shop & Eat

Enter to Win!

#### Passport Specifics

Our sponsors promote our mission to teach and grow the game of golf in Central Oregon by providing us with financial support. In turn, we promote their mission of teaching and growing the game of golf by providing them positive PR and boosting their business. It's a win-win relationship.

#### Steps for using your Passport:

Earn points each time you play, shop, or eat at a sponsor's establishment, record the date and have the pro staff or server initial your passport.

**Example:** You play 18 holes at Juniper and then decide to have a drink and snack at the View Tap & Grill. Just as you are leaving, you spot a really cute jacket and on impulse, you buy it. Your visit to Juniper counts as ONE visit not three. The passport is for non-sponsored EWGA-CO events as well as EWGA-CO sponsored events.

Take a picture or selfie of your excursion and send the pic and a brief description to Jenny Kimble [JenniferFKimble@aol.com](mailto:JenniferFKimble@aol.com) for a Facebook post.

**Example:** You ask the pro staff to take a group picture of you and your buddies for your Facebook post. All of you can use the same picture to document your visit BUT each of you must send the picture to Jenny AND provide Jenny your first and last name AND where you are. This is for tracking purposes.

Both Steps #1 and #2 must be completed to qualify for the grand prize. Passports will be collected at our end of the year party October 29.

Total points possible: 3 visits per sponsor equals 39 points. Highest points wins. If there is a tie, a drawing will be held for the grand prize winner.

Questions? Contact Pam Fortier - President, EWGA – Central Oregon at [ewgaco@gmail.com](mailto:ewgaco@gmail.com).



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## EWGA MEMBER BENEFITS...

One might ask, why become an EWGA member? First response most of us would say is, the golf. And yes, while that is the reason we signed up, being part of the EWGA family means so much more. Being part of EWGA Central Oregon means being part of a dynamic group of women. Women who are passionate about golf, who want to improve their game, who want to support and be supported by other women. We are lucky to live in an area that provides countless beautiful golf courses for our enjoyment. And for most organizations that may be sufficient. But EWGA membership offers even more to ensure members can benefit on or off the course.

- Meeting and making new friends and business connections
- Learning new skills through golf education and workshops
- Endless awesome social activities
- Support of new members with a mentor
- Discounts on golf travel, apparel and more
- National golf course network
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Monthly newsletter outlining upcoming events, online tee time registration, a member's directory and more
- EWGA-CO website with resources, discussions and calendar of events

The above are some of the other reasons being a member is a good thing. You are encouraged to utilize all that is offered beyond just the golf. It may surprise you how much more you will benefit!



**Judy Kincheloe – Member Services**



Sandy "Sam" Hames and I had the opportunity to present EWGA to our women's network group, ConnectW, and we're thrilled with the results. Ten ladies signed up for more information about EWGA and two have already signed up for the Spring Kick-off! I expect a few more to sign up soon. Please welcome our new members and guests to make them feel truly a part of our chapter of the new LPGA Women Who Play.

On April 21, our chapter will have a booth at the Cascade Women's Expo. Please come by and check it out. With these marketing efforts we hope to increase our membership. For more information, go to [www.cascadewomensexpo.com/](http://www.cascadewomensexpo.com/)



**Kathy Crager - Finance & Records Director**

## WHAT'S IN YOUR BAG!

### Alice Barnes



When Alice Barnes joined EWGA Central Oregon in December of 2016, she was looking for a group of friends she could have fun golfing with. As an intermediate golfer, Alice was hoping to improve her game and have a nice set of people she could enjoy spending time with on the course. She certainly found that with EWGA! Outside of golf, Alice enjoys cooking, gardening, home improvement, music, travel, and hiking new trails.

A couple of weeks ago, I had the opportunity to golf with Alice at Meadow Lakes, and to take a look at what's in her golf bag. Her clubs are mostly a set of Palm Springs clubs, which Alice feels fit her well. Palm Springs clubs are designed with a large sweet-spot, making them fairly forgiving. They are light weight and the ladies' set is perfect for the improving golfer.

Alice likes the fairway 3-wood in her set more and more each year. Many of us struggle with our drivers, and find the fairway woods often hit the ball just as far, but with a lot more control. For those of us new to the game or still learning, there is nothing wrong with leaving the driver at home and teeing off with a 3 wood. Alice also has a 5 hybrid in her bag, which she feels like she struggles with. It was a gift, and the person who gave it to her loves theirs, so

she wants to love hers too. For me, my 5 hybrid is my go-to club for most of my second shots. I appreciate its consistency for distance, and precision. It does the job of several of my lower irons.

For a driver, Alice has a Bazooka Tour Edge Driver that was recommended to her by the team at Pro Golf of Bend. Bazooka Drivers are known for their rear fixed sole weight, which deepens the center of gravity in a club. A deeper center of gravity will generally help launch the ball higher. This is Alice's favorite club. It has a great sweet spot and the ball just rockets into the air when she hits it. The putter that came with Alice's Palm Springs set is fairly heavy, so she is in the market for a new putter. This is a great time of year to try out putters, with pro shops getting in lots of new gear for the season.

By far the weirdest thing in her bag is a set of keys from a car long ago sold. It never hurts to go through your bag and clean out any unnecessary items. You never know what you may find. Alice doesn't use a yardage measuring device. Our members seem to be fairly evenly divided on these types of devices. I generally use a Golf Buddy, but last week when I played at The Greens, I accidentally left my Golf Buddy at home. Without it to rely on, I found I was making accurate club length choices just by eye-balling the distance to the pin, and I enjoyed the freedom of not constantly second guessing my club choices. Some of our members become very wrapped up in having an exact yardage in their heads. I can certainly understand that for the pros, who know down to the single yard how far they hit with each club. But for the rest of us, sometimes it's nice to just play golf and not worry so much about precise measurements. It also makes the game a lot faster and more enjoyable for our playing partners.

Alice has established a handicap through EWGA, and she appreciates how easy it is to enter her scores on the EWGA website. A handicap not only allows you to play in competitive tournaments, it also helps you gauge your improvement each year. In the three years I have been an EWGA CO member, my handicap has gone down by least 10. It's great to be able to measure your success so easily. If you are unsure how to establish your handicap, please let me know and I will help you set it up.

For golf lessons, Alice usually gets tips from her son-in-law. This year, EWGA CO will have a couple of different series of lessons and clinics to choose from, when the season gets going, so hopefully Alice will enjoy those as well. I have really enjoyed getting to know Alice and golfing with her. She's a great golfer and has a fun sense of humor!



**Jenny Kimble - Golf Education, Mentoring & Handicap Director**



# Calendar of Events

For full Calendar of Events and to Sign Up, go to [www.ewgaco.com](http://www.ewgaco.com).



## April 2018 - We Are Golf - National Golf Day

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Easter Sunday	2	3	4	5	6	7 9:30am - Spring 12:30pm - Juniper 9
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 12pm - Widgi
15	16	17 Tax Day	18	19	20	21 12pm - RiversE @
22	23	24	25	26	27 Sea/Spok	28 Sea/Spok 9am - New Member
29 Sea/Spok	30	1	2	3 3pm - River'sE 5:30pm - River'sE	4	5 Cinco de Mayo 12pm - QuailRn @



March social at Cascade Lakes Brewing



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# May 2018 - Nine and Unwind

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 Sea/Spok	30	1	2	3 3pm - River'sE 5:30pm - River'sE	4	5 Cinco de Mayo 12pm - QuailRn @
6	7 10am - EagleCC	8	9	10 3pm - River'sE 5:30pm - River'sE	11	12 12pm - CrookedRive
13 Mother's Day	14 10am - EagleCC	15	16	17 3pm - River'sE 5:30pm - River'sE	18 12pm - Aspen	19 12pm - BBGlaze @
20 7:30am - BBBigMe @	21 10am - EagleCC	22 5pm - Fashion Show	23	24 3pm - AwbreyG 5:30pm - AwbreyG	25	26 12pm - Juniper @
27	28 Memorial Day 10am - EagleCC	29	30	31 3pm - AwbreyG 5:30pm - AwbreyG	1	2 12pm - EagleCR @

## 2018 EWGA – CENTRAL OREGON

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**Play – Eat – Shop**



**TITLE SPONSOR: BLACK BUTTE RANCH**

Choose Black Butte Ranch FOR A STAY-CATION!

Lodging includes private lodge rooms to spacious custom homes. Enjoy a variety of NW dining options to satisfy whatever you're craving and don't forget there is year-round recreation for the entire family.



**MAIN SPONSOR: CASCADE LAKES BREWING COMPANY**



**MAIN SPONSOR: THE GREENS AT REDMOND**

Open Year round unless snow is on the ground!

The Greens is a challenging 18-hole executive course with many man-made lakes, canals, fountains and numerous sand bunkers!

Winter hours 10-4:00 / \$18 for 18 holes / \$28 w/ cart



**MAIN SPONSOR: JUNIPER GOLF COURSE**

One of the most beautiful spots carved from the Central Oregon desert nestled on a beautiful piece of land in Redmond. GolfWeek magazine named Juniper the ninth best course in the "courses with public access category". Check out the everyday specials / available all day Deals at The View Tap and Grill

<https://www.playjuniper.com/restaurant>



## 2018 SPONSORS



### MAIN SPONSOR: CROOKED RIVER RANCH

The Crooked River Ranch Golf Course is home to the most spectacular golf hole in Oregon. If you are looking for great golf to go along with great views, then this is the place you are looking for. Plus, The Sandbagger saloon and dinner house is a neighborhood bar, restaurant and gathering place located on the golf course.



### MAIN SPONSOR: MEADOW LAKES GOLF COURSE

Located in Prineville, Meadow Lakes crosses the beautiful Crooked River 4 times. The course is very walkable with generous fairways, but watch out for the 9 ponds and 62 bunkers! After your round of golf, Central Oregon's best golf restaurant awaits you. Meadow Lakes is one of Prineville's premiere dining destinations.



### MAIN SPONSOR: ASPEN LAKES

Welcome Aspen Lakes as a returning sponsor!

Aspen Lakes golf course is one of the top –ranked golf courses in Oregon and Central Oregon. The course boasts Bent grass fairways, breathtaking mountain views and signature red sand traps. The Brand 33 restaurant offers great catering options for private events.



### MAIN SPONSOR: PARSCRIPTION GOLF

Your Central Oregon golf headquarters

ParX Golf is Central Oregon's only complete golf store since 2006. They carry all major brands; have a great selection of demo clubs & club sets; have an indoor state-of-the-art golf simulator and putting green; offer custom club fitting, have a full-service repair shop; let you try clubs on local courses before you buy.

**EWGA members receive a 10% discount!**

## 2018 SPONSORS

### Central Oregon Indoor Golf

#### **SUPPORTING SPONSOR:** CENTRAL OREGON INDOOR GOLF

The place to keep your swing alive all year long! With 2 state of the art simulators to help you work on your game, Make every year the best year ever! Join your EWGA friends and owner/**EWGA member Pat Paris** for a 9 hole indoor golf event.

#### **SUPPORTING SPONSOR:** ASSOCIATION BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

ABM is an association management company “making a Difference” for the members, stock holders and communities they serve.

Contact EWGA member [Belinda Rasmussen](#)



#### **SUPPORTING SPONSOR:** AWBREY GLEN GOLF COURSE

Awbrey Glen offers more than golf! [Nineteen at Awbrey Glen](#) is open to the public and offers some of the best cuisine in Bend! It has a full bar and relaxed atmosphere that makes it a great place to meet friends and enjoy a wonderful evening. **Thursday night is no corkage fee.** Call for reservations [541-317-2885](tel:541-317-2885)



#### **SUPPORTING SPONSOR:** WIDGI CREEK GOLF CLUB

Welcome Widgi Creek as a first-time sponsor but a friend of EWGA-co for many years!

[Widgi Creek](#) offers a unique and fair challenge to all golfers. In addition to an expansive practice facility that includes two practice putting greens, a bunker area and a natural grass driving range, golf professionals are also on staff to provide lesson options to fit everyone's budget.



#### **SUPPORTING SPONSOR:** OLD BACK 9

The only nine hole golf course in Bend, Oregon, creating a pace of play that is fun for golfers of every age. Centrally located on Bend's south side, the Old Back Nine is a favorite for residents and tourists alike.

Known for our family-friendly atmosphere, we encourage players to get out on the links together to golf in Bend, Oregon. Call our friendly team at 541.382.1111 to schedule your next opportunity to create special memories while building on a fun tradition.



## 2018 SPONSORS



### **IN-KIND SPONSOR: CRAGER OFFICE SERVICES**

Bookkeeping for businesses that would prefer to concentrate on running their business rather than record keeping.

COS purchased a showcase table for EWGA CO at ConnectW, a women's networking group. Thank you!!

Contact EWGA member [Kathy Crager](#)



### **IN-KIND SPONSOR: ABRACADABRA PRINTING**

Abracadabra's owners, Mark and Jeanette Fairlee, sponsor the printing of our EWGA Central Oregon Play Book. Abracadabra's convenient location is at the Century Dr. and Colorado Ave. roundabout in beautiful SW Bend next to the Cascade Lakes Lodge.

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