



**Rain, Rain go away ... don't come  
back another day!!!!!!**



# **WOMEN'S DIVISION**

**NEWSLETTER      Early Summer 2023**

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## **MESSAGE FROM HOLLY**

Hello and welcome to your first newsletter for 2023.

We had a great start to the season but that was short lived when the much needed rain came but unfortunately has now out lived it's welcome. Hopefully the weather continues to improve and the water on the course finally soaks into the ground and the mud dries up.

Lots has happened since opening day, the Scramble for Cancer Care, KenWo Women's Invitational, Low Net Rounds, Bronze Qualifier, Giving Thursday, Tuesday Evening Social and many other fun games all of which have been well attended. We are using all tee times allotted to us every Thursday which is absolutely wonderful. Thursdays are fun and a great way to spend time with those that we normally wouldn't see throughout the week.

Just for information I have been a member of the Greens Committee for a number of years and wanted you to know that some of the ideas and suggestions you have expressed about the course are brought forward to the committee. After discussion and available resources some are acted on and some are not. Here are some of the things that have happened because of you - #16 right side treed area drop - 2 paths made to avoid having to climb down to find a ball, hooks on bathroom doors, #9 path way to the yellow tee box, certain flower bed uplifts, steps to certain tee decks, these are just a sample of the things you may unknowingly have impacted in the beautification of our course. Thank You!

As in the past your Women's Executive continue to do things behind the scene to make your golf experience a fun, relaxing and inclusive time. Having said that a special recognition has to go to Betty Mossman and Pat Suddons for navigating us through the club's Golf Genius programs.

Betty's Golf Genius communications are top notch and we are only using the basic level of what this program can do. Hopefully we can make use of other things the system can do as we move forward.

Have a great season, stay hydrated and relaxed.

Thanks for making our Women's League what it is today!

## 2023 EXECUTIVE

PRESIDENT -	Holly Comstock	TREASURER-	Brenda Upton
VICE-PRESIDENT-	Linda O'Brien	PUBLICITY-	Joan Merlin
SECRETARY-	Patty Sheehy	MATCH CHAIR-	Betty Mossman
		MATCH ASST.-	Pat Suddons

## MESSAGE FROM MATCH COMMITTEE

Kuddos to the Women's Division for making our transition from paper to emails with Golf Genius a success. We (the match committee) applaud how helpful and patient you have been to accept a new way of doing things. It is sometimes difficult to embrace something new.

We continue to work at learning all the capabilities that golf genius offers us as a group and we will continue to remind you of the process as situations arise. Feel free to make suggestions or comments by sending them to the KenWo Women's email, attention - Match.

The weather has been our biggest work around so far but we love our fairways and greens.

Remember- You must still call the Pro Shop after Sunday at 10am to make any change in your plan to play or not. Likely best to wait until The Monday.

-Submitted by Betty Mossman and Pat Suddons

## OPENING DAY

Well, the weather got the best of us this year and there was no scramble played, but it did not dampen the celebration of the start of our 2023 season. 56 women showed up to enjoy the excellent meal prepared by Debbie and her staff. Holly, as usual, gave an excellent presentation to the members. Betty Mossman shared her knowledge of the new Golf Genius Program we are now using. I think everyone has to agree life is a lot easier signing up for play on Thursdays now. Thank you to Margaret McLean for her up-date on Heather and the Women's Invitational; Beth Lloyd up-dated everyone on the Scramble for the Care; Derek MacKinnon also gave a small presentation. A special thanks to Linda O'Brien for her presentation quiz of some of the common golf rules we all need to know from time to time.



No Golf was played on this Opening Day



The rain did not dampen Jane Cayford's spirit. Scoring a bag of Doritos almost as good as closest to the pin on Hole 2.



Three hungry golfers patiently waiting for.....



...an amazing meal.

## JULY and AUGUST KENWO WOMEN'S EVENTS

July 6	8:00	Casual Round or Fun Game
July 13	8:00	Casual Round or Low Net #4
July 20	8:00	Casual Round or 2 Ball – Woodworth Robinson
July 27	8:00	Casual Round or Low Net #5
Aug 3	8:00	Casual Round or Joan Fox Stableford Format
Aug. 10	8:00	Casual Round
Aug 12(Sat)	8:00	Women's Club Championship
Aug 13(Sun)	8:00	Women's Club Championship
Aug 17	8:00	Casual Round or Low Net #6
Aug 25	8:00	Casual Round
Tuesday evening Women's golf in the summer – schedule and details will be sent by email		

## 2023 JULY and AUGUST DATES TO BE ADDED TO YOUR CALENDAR

<u>UPCOMING NSGA COMPETITIONS</u>		<u>UPCOMING WOMEN'S FIELD DAYS</u>
July 14, 15, 16	-NSGA Women's Amateur and Senior Provincial Championship Paragon Golf & Country Club, Kingston, NS	July 4 – Fortview Field Day July 12 – Brightwood Women's Field Day July 18 – Chester Field Day July 25 – Clare Ladies Field Day Aug. 1 – Avon Valley Ladies Field Day Aug. 12, 13 – River Hills Fireball Classic Aug. 15 – Bluenose Women's Field Day Aug. 17 – Ashburn New Course Women's Field Day (POW) Aug. 31 – Amherst Ladies Invitational (POY) Please refer to NSGA website for further details: <a href="https://nsga.ns.ca">Competitions - Nova Scotia Golf Association (nsga.ns.ca)</a>
July 26	- NSGA Women's 2-Ball Truro Golf Club Truro, NS	
August 1-4	- 109 <sup>th</sup> Canadian Women's Amateur Championship Ashburn Golf Club Halifax, NS	
August 9	- Nova Scotia Women's Bronze Championship River Oaks Golf Club Meaghers Grant, NS	

## NOVA SCOTIA BRONZE

This year KenWo is hoping to send two teams to the Bronze Tournament. This will allow more players to experience tournament play. Team 1 qualifiers are Catherine Hutchinson, Coleen Youden, Kathy Fuller and Patti Sheehy. Team 2 qualifiers are Brenda Upton, Betty Mossman, Linda O'Brien and Biddy Peverill. This year's Bronze competition is being held at River Oaks Golf Club on August 8<sup>th</sup>. Good luck to you all.

## OUTSIDE TOURNAMENTS

KenWo golfers had a rainy start to the first competitions of the 2023 season.

On the weekend of June 3-4th the annual June Bug Tournament was held in Truro while the Paradise Classic was played in Eden. Ken Wo Golfers persevered through windy and rainy conditions - no gross or net prizes to report, but Margaret McLean and Laurie Graham each won a rang in Truro. There were lots of stories about the challenges out on the course!

On June 22nd Debbie Sutherland won third low gross, division 2 in the Oakfield Invitational.

On June 27th, three KenWo golfers participated in the Penn Hills Two Person Scramble Tournament. Debbie Sutherland and Chris Bernard(Brookfield) won 2nd Gross with a score of 78. Margaret McLean and Laurie Graham won 5th Gross with score of 81.

## 9-HOLE AND 18-HOLE MATCH PLAY

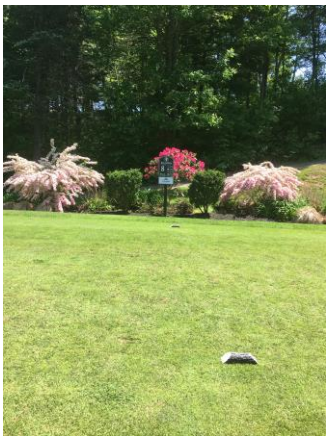
Thank you to members who signed up for match. We have 8 members playing the 18 hole singles match and 10 teams playing the 18 hole partners match and 4 players entered for the 9 hole singles match and 4 teams playing partners match. Players (18-Holes) who have won their first round matches and are moving onto the second round of matches follows below.

### 18 HOLE SINGLES

Laurie Graham  
Debbie Sutherland  
B. Upton  
Patti Sheehy

You can check on everyone's progress at the landing at the top of the stairs that lead to the downstairs locker rooms.

### All The Rain this year did not deter mother nature on our course





## 2ND ANNUAL KENWO WOMEN'S INVITATIONAL

The rain did not make an appearance for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual KenWo Women's Invitational which allowed 89 players to tee the ball on June 29<sup>th</sup>. The top prize of overall champion went to Tammy Rent with a score of 76.

KenWo winners follow:

Flight 1-- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gross - Olivia Seaman, 3<sup>rd</sup> Gross - Emma Rushton, 4<sup>th</sup> Gross- Lauren Rushton.

Flight 2—1<sup>st</sup> Gross – Laurie Graham

Flight 3—1<sup>st</sup> Gross – Coleen Youden

Flight 4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Gross – Patti Sheehy, 2<sup>nd</sup> Net – Betty Mossman, 3<sup>rd</sup> Net – Betty Mattson

Flights 3 & 4 – Low Net – Mia LeBlanc.

Flight 2 -- Closest to the hole, Hole 13 – Mia LeBlanc

Flight 3 – Closest to the hole, Hole 2 – Coleen Youden

Flight 4 – Closest to the hole, Hole 4 – Deborah Wells-Moore



Overall Winner  
Tammy Rent



Emma Rushton,  
Mia LeBlanc  
Olivia Seaman  
Lauren Rushton

## SCRAMBLE FORE THE CANCER CARE

The 2023 SCRAMBLE FORE CANCER CARE event is in the books.....On June 17th, 144 players gathered at KenWo GC to enjoy a day of golf and giggles, and to raise much needed funds for our local (Kings & Annapolis Counties) Cancer Patient Navigation Unit. Dianna Hutt, the director, will be receiving \$18 965.01 in money & gift cards: a record amount. Every cent raised is directed to any of her clients who struggle to meet transportation costs, grocery bills, and other basic needs, as they go through treatment.

Although the course was saturated from days of rain, Mother Nature made sure to turn the faucet off, allowing no raindrops until everyone was inside enjoying dinner and finalizing bids on Silent Auction items. Ticket sales were strong, bids were fair, and laughter knit everything together.

KenWo's own Shari Gagnon, Jodi MacKay, Jan Fraser, and Laura Reid played strategically & used the legal cheats to capture first place with a mind-blowing 56. The team led by Kathy Siddal owned the Costume Division with their take on The Wizard of Oz and were able to safely make it home afterwards without having to click their heels together.

A sincere offer of appreciation to everyone who played in, contributed to, and supported this 20th annual event. A gigantic thank you to everyone who make everything possible, saying "yes" to pretty much everything! Make sure to start planning for next year's event, in June 2024!

Respectfully submitted,  
Beth Lloyd

\*On behalf of Dianna Hutt & the SFCC Organizing Committee!



## THURSDAY WOMEN'S DAY - COMPETITIONS

May 11 -	<u>LOW NET #1</u> Biddy Peverill (18) Gail Hazel (9) <u>RANDOM DRAW</u> Biddy Peverill (18) Marion Sampson (9) <u>50/50 DRAW</u> Peggy Smith	June 8-	<u>GLDSTONE GALLOP</u> 18-Debbie Sutherland, Coleen Youden, Betty Mossman 9- TIE - (1)Sally Brown, Debbie MacMillan, Marion Sampson (2) Kim Graves, Sandra McDermott, Barb Parsons <u>50/50 DRAW</u> Mia LeBlanc
May 18 -	<u>50/50 DRAW</u> Peggy Smith	June 15-	<u>PIN ROUND #3</u> Heather MacKay (18) Helen Shaw (9) <u>RANDOM DRAW</u> 18-Karen MacKay (18) 9-Helen Shaw (9) <u>50/50 DRAW</u> Bev Harris
May 25 -	<b>RAINED OUT-no play</b> <u>50/50 DRAW</u> Bev Harris (we draw 50/50 on rain days)		
June 1 -	<u>LOW NET #2</u> Catherine Hutchinson (18) Eleanor Howard (9) <u>RANDOM DRAW</u> Rose Giffin (18) Lyn Salsman Waller (9) <u>50/50 DRAW</u> Betty Mossman	June 22-	<u>Most Sixes</u> Susan Markum-Star (18) Kim Graves (9) <u>50/50 DRAW</u> Bev Harrison
		June 29-	<u>MOST FAIRWAYS HIT</u> Ruth Garapick (18) Anne Young (9)

If you look real close, the top left hand corner you can see a small white dot. And, yes, that is Christie's ball which was shot into the tree and did not come down on hole 12. This should allow her to take two strokes off her score



## UP-DATE ON HEATHER MCLEAN



Heather finished her collegiate career amazingly at the University of Illinois Springfield

-She helped UIS defeat the TEN time winning University of Indianapolis to capture the conference championship. It was an exciting match play set up. With Heather clinching her final match up 7 thru 18 holes. It came down to fellow Canadian, Bobbi Uhl, to make a 7 foot putt, to clinch the upset win on hole 18 for UIS. It was declared as the biggest upset in all sport Great Lakes Valley Conference history!

-UIS hosted the East Regionals at Panther Creek Country Club. The team finished 8th place. Heather set a school 54-hole record with rounds of 76-73-71. She punched her ticket to the NCAA Division II championship with being the top individual not advancing on a team.

-Heather was named to the all GLVC Team, All-Region Team and named as a James R. Spalding Sportsmanship Honoree. UIS won the James R. Spalding Sportsmanship Team Award, voted on by the league's coaches.

-At the NCAA Division II championship Heather found this course very challenging. She shot rounds of 78/81/78. She had 36 pars and 1 birdie! She was thrilled to have had this experience and what a way to finish her collegiate career.

-She still has one more year at UIS, in her Masters of Environmental Studies. She will be working full time this summer, for the Illinois State government. So will not be home (Which makes her parents sad but happy for her)! She is excited to be a "Weekend Hacker"!

## UP-DATE ON SARA CUMBY

Sara was nominated this year for the prestigious University of Toronto Dr. Clara Benson honour award and George M. Biggs trophy. A list of Sara's accomplishments follow:

Sara Cumby has been a member of the University of Toronto Varsity Blues golf (2019-22), curling (2021-23) and basketball (2019-20) teams during her time at U of T. Serving as a team captain of the golf team, Cumby helped the Blues to the OUA championship title in 2022, earning OUA all-star honours in the process. When she's not competing for the Blues, Cumby has volunteered as a program assistant for the March of Dimes, is the co-president of Big Spoon, Lil Spoon, an organization that offers affordable cooking classes to children with intellectual disabilities in the community, is a volunteer instructor at Ken-Wo Golf Club and served as a rehabilitation student at Kensington Gardens Long-Term Care Home.



## GIVING THURSDAYS

Thank you to all our members for their generosity in donating food for our first "giving Thursdays". Hoping to have many more.



A HUGE thank you to all you ladies at the golf club for supporting our efforts to combat food insecurity in our community - this is most appreciated and very much needed! We actually had no pasta sauce on hand.....perfect timing! Thank you all so much!

Blessings,

Anne Hazelton  
Community Ministries Worker  
Salvation Army, Kentville  
902-678-4534

## IN MEMORIUM

**Sadly two KenWo women passed this past year.**

### Olive Jacqueline Grace "Penny" King.

Penny participated in a number of sports during her active life, but it was golf she loved the best. Penny served as President of the Women's Division (1988-90). Penny was a NS Amateur Team member and NS Senior Ladies Champion.

### Janet Elizabeth Bowness.

Janet was an avid golfer, scoring a hole-in-one at Grovehill with a 5 wood. Janet served as President of the Women's Division and played in the Canadian Senior Ladies Golf Championship.



## **PACE OF PLAY - Ways to improve Pace of Play**

1. A **four-hour round** for 18 holes in a foursome is now expected
2. **KEEP UP** with the group in front of you!!
3. **Move Promptly:** Proceed quickly to your ball and **be ready** when it is your turn to hit
4. **Play Promptly:** 30 seconds max to hit your ball
5. **Be quicker on the greens:** Read it. Hit it. Tap it in. Continuous putting would help speed up play
6. **Go directly to the next tee:** Make sure your golf bag and pull cart are on the side of the green closest to the next tee - do not leave in front of the green and have to go back for it
7. **Treat the rules with discretion:** Take no more than 3 minutes to look for balls and take relief
8. **Do your housekeeping on your own time:** Start the round with tees, markers, balls and a ball-mark repair tool in your pocket. Replace head covers while you walk. Write down scores on the next tee. Don't make others wait
9. **Be a good teammate:** Know your playing partners' strengths and weaknesses; help them when it is convenient, move on when it is not
10. **Accept responsibility:** Recognize that slow play isn't just the other gal's fault
11. **Chat during down time:** Don't stop to talk on the fairways, but proceed to your ball and hit without delay. Chat when walking or when there is down time, but of course, not when some else is hitting her ball
12. **If a hole opens up and you fall further behind:** Let the following group play through if they are being held up

### **Suggestions for those using a power car:**

1. Cars should NOT be parked in front of the green but to the side or back...which ever area you will exit the green
2. **Car smart:** Drop off your partner and drive to your ball. When you leave the car, take three clubs, not one
3. Clubs should not be put in your bag on the back of the car till you arrive at your partners ball and then you should exit the car and put your club away. If at that time you can select your club for your next shot you should. In other words...hit your ball, get on the car holding that club and then put it in the bag when at your partners ball
4. **Proceed quickly:** Players on the car, after everyone putts out, should proceed quickly to the next tee box, arriving before the walkers and the riders should hit their tee shot so the walkers can catch their breath and get their club to hit
5. **Marking scores:** Riders should not sit in the car after putting out and mark their scores...this should be done when they have arrived at the next tee box

### **Suggestions for Match Play participants:**

1. If you know the drive you are going to play, the person not hitting the next shot should pick up her partner's drive and proceed to the next shot
2. **Match Play on Thursdays:** If you play a Match on Thursdays you **MUST** keep up with the group in front of you - not hold up the rest of the field behind you

These are easy to follow suggestions and by following them we will still be able to enjoy the company of our playing companions and finish in a timely manner - a win/win for everyone.

If you have any questions about anything or want to bring something to the attention of the Executive, please send us an email to [KenWoWomen@gmail.com](mailto:KenWoWomen@gmail.com)

*Hope you enjoyed  
the newsletter!!!!*

*Joan and the Executive*