



The EWGA exists to provide opportunities for women to learn, play, and enjoy the game of golf for business and for life.

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### 2010 Kick-Off – A Great Success

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Kick-Off on May 1st. We will have to check the archives to make sure as we may have a record attendance. One hundred women turned out for golf and the Annual General Meeting was extremely well attended as well.

The weather was a bit iffy at the start, but after the first hole or so, the rain stopped and the sun eventually shone down on us. Perhaps this will be a good weather omen for us for the rest of our planned events this season!

Many thanks to our fabulous sponsors for adding excitement to our event with their wonderful products and services.

And as usual, thank you to everyone that volunteered. Without your help, we couldn't have pulled it together.

This is a great start and it looks like we're in for a terrific golf season. Happy golfing to all!

### Member Courses

Our 2010 season has begun and you can find a variety of options for Sunday morning and week day evenings on our website. A new course for us is Uplands, around the corner so to speak from Richmond Hill. Please note there is limited play at Richmond Hill due to tournaments. For the west end, check out Hornby Glen. It's a pleasant walking course, reasonable rate, and the kitchen stays open--a nice feature for EWGA members who golf 'til its dark. Please support our member courses and remember to sign in to obtain your PAR points.

## Co-Captains Needed

Thank you to our volunteers who stepped forward in the first round. Still need a co-captain for Angel's View on Sunday morning and a co-captain for Uplands to help out Bonnie Tung. Volunteers are the key to our success as a chapter.

## Meet-the-Member Nights

***Golf, networking, draws and loads of fun! This is what Meet-the-Member Nights (MTM) are all about.***

MTM is a wonderful opportunity to introduce your friends to our members as well as a great time for you to connect with current members.

Please mark these dates and email Mary-Ann at [membership@ewg.on.ca](mailto:membership@ewg.on.ca) and we will arrange your foursomes and tee times.

May 13 – Richmond Hill  
May 28 – Royal Ontario  
June 13 – Angels View Oakville Executive  
June 21 – Hornby Glen  
June 27 – Glen Cedars

Sign up early as these nights are very popular!

***Note: for these nights do not call the course. To book a tee time, email Mary-Ann and put the course you want to go to in the subject line. If you plan on attending all MTM nights, send a separate email indicating all.***

## Upcoming Weekend Events

Join us Saturday, May 15th at St. Andrew's Valley Golf Club. Featuring a Golf Digest Four Star rated 18-hole golf course, it is conveniently located about 20 minutes north of the 401 just off Hwy 404 in the town of Aurora. Check out the course at <http://www.standrewsvalley.com>. Register online today at <http://ewg.on.ca/weekend.html>. The cost is \$79 to walk the course or \$100 with power cart – **registration deadline is May 7.**

Coming up May 29<sup>th</sup> is our next weekend event at Copetown Woods Golf Club. Opened in 2003, it is in keeping with the 'links' style, as it has few trees, ample water and enormous waste bunkers littering the course. To register, please go to <http://ewg.on.ca/weekend.html>.

## Upcoming Weekday Event

Over the past 20 years, Cardinal Golf Club has earned a reputation as the most complete public golf club in the GTA. Located just outside Newmarket and only minutes north of

Toronto, Cardinal Golf Club combines a warm friendly atmosphere with a full complement of services.

Come out Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> for a round at Redcrest – Cardinal Golf Club.

Registration for this event is via email at [dayevents@ewg.on.ca](mailto:dayevents@ewg.on.ca) at least one week prior (by May 10). Payment for your green fee will be paid directly to the course on the day of play.

For more information on Weekday event bookings please refer to our website.

## **Handicap Seminar**

*What's the purpose of having a handicap?*

*How do you establish your handicap? How do you track your handicap correctly?*

Come out and join this seminar and find out all you need to know about the handicap system. It's really not that complicated and it will allow you to monitor your own personal achievements on the course.

Want to try your hand at a little competitive play such as Match Play or our EWGA Chapter Championship? You'll need to establish a handicap to do this, so let us help provide you with the tools you need to enrich your golfing experience.

Date: Wednesday, May 26th

Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Location: Mississauga (Dixie & 401)

Cost: \$5.00 (includes handouts & refreshments)

To register for this seminar contact: Julie Danabie at [rules@ewg.on.ca](mailto:rules@ewg.on.ca) or Cindy Pereira at [cpereira@criticalpower.ca](mailto:cpereira@criticalpower.ca)

## **Chapter Championship Director**

We require a member with a rules and handicap background who will not be playing in the Chapter Championship to chair this year's event at Glen Cedars on Sunday July 11. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated, and allow another member to compete who otherwise would not be able to. If you think you may be interested please contact Julie Danabie at [rules@ewg.on.ca](mailto:rules@ewg.on.ca) or 416-805-5807.

## **New Handicap System**

You may be experiencing difficulty accessing your Handicap account if you had a handicap previously entered in the GLMS system. Please know that we are aware of this problem and EWGA-Canada is diligently working to get the issue resolved. The old GLMS System has changed to the new GN21 - EWGA System. If you have been unable to access the new GN21 - EWGA system, please send an email to Karen Caume at [memberservices@ewga.ca](mailto:memberservices@ewga.ca) and she will get you onto the new system. Members who want to keep their GAO handicap will not be affected; you don't have to use the GN21 system. We apologize for the inconvenience.

## **GAO Handicap Cards**

For those members that wish to compete outside of the EWGA, you will need to register for a GAO Handicap Card. We have now established an official GAO group called EWGA-Canada (ON). We have made the process of signing up simple. Simply login onto the Golf Association

of Ontario site at [www.gao.ca](http://www.gao.ca) and select Membership - Public Player Program. Either renew your current membership or set up a new account. Pay online and the GAO will send out your membership card. The cost to register or renew your handicapping card is \$28.50 for one year or \$57.00 for two years.

Please email Karen Caume at [memberservices@ewga.ca](mailto:memberservices@ewga.ca) after you have signed up and she will transfer you to our new group. We hope this makes the process easy and thank each of you for helping us to establish a new EWGA-Canada group.

## **Golfpalooza Recap**

*From Suzanne Jones who Attended the Event...*

Nine Canadians representing Waterloo and the Greater Toronto Area made the trek to EWGA 2010 Golfpalooza held at Pinehurst, NC April 7-10th. We enjoyed a good mix of golf, leadership presentations, golf, golf instruction, and did I mention golf?

Pinehurst is a place where one can observe people, dressed appropriately in whites, arrive with their own mallets to play croquet on immaculately groomed lawns.

Charlie King, a noted PGA instructor, shared wisdom on the short game. He demonstrated how to easily get out of sand smoothing stroking your club through the sand with a long shallow divot. Quite a contrast from hit 2" behind the ball and take as much sand as possible. AND much more forgiving!

All golfing was handicapped and golfers had a choice of individual stroke play or a variety of team events such as scramble, better ball, and shamble (first two shots are scramble and then everyone plays their own ball with the best score only counting for the team). I played in the shamble and my team was very excited when we tied Annika Sorenstam's best score of 59. Hey, it only required 4 players and liberal use of our handicaps...

Speaking of Annika, she was in attendance at a cocktail reception and played 9 holes of golf with the winners of a sealed bid auction in support of the Rally for the Cure. One of those lucky golfers confided that it was extremely nerve-wracking because not only was the EWGA photographer in attendance, but the press had discovered Annika's location and were present in numbers.

*Let Me See Your Body Talk: Understanding the Importance of Non-Verbal Communication* was the topic of the keynote speech presented by Jan Hargrave. Jan is a lecturer, author, consultant to many well-known companies, a jury consultant and is often asked to review media images for an opinion of the subject's honesty. She shared how body language can give away a person is sincere or attempting to deceive, and even the non-verbal signals that a customer is ready to buy. She covered a wide range of topics from business to politics to love. How do you know when a man is really interested in a woman? --- He pulls up his socks!

Back to golf, LPGA Tour Player Suzann Pettersen was on hand to give pointers on the long game and demonstrated both long straight drives and a sharp sense of humour. Unlike most golfers, Suzann did not attend college, but went direct to the European tour. Suzann joked that she likes to say school is over-rated.

## **Golf Fore the Cure – EWGA Canada Charity Event**

EWGA-Canada will be part of the nation-wide Golf Fore the Cure Program this summer by hosting its own charity tournament at Royal Ontario Golf Course in Milton on June 5th.

Golf Fore the Cure is an annual, friendly and fun tournament with dinner and an auction for a great cause – supporting cancer research. Each year, organizations across the country raise thousands of dollars to help find a cure for cancer. Join us and become part of the excitement.

The cost for the event is \$150 (Early Bird) and \$160 (after May 15<sup>th</sup>) and includes golf, cart and dinner. Members, spouses and friends are welcome. For an additional \$25, you can have a personalized cart sign stating who you are golfing for. More information as well as pledge forms are available on the website under special events.

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