



***West Seattle Women's Golf Club  
New Member Information  
Updated on January 8, 2023  
For the 2023 Golf Season***

Welcome to the West Seattle Women's Golf Club. We are happy to have you on board! Here is some useful information about the club:

**1. GHIN Number and Handicap:** Once you have paid your dues, our handicap chair will arrange for a GHIN (Golf Handicap and Information Network) number. WSWG members are required to establish themselves within the GHIN system. You are welcome to join the club without a handicap, but you must then actively initiate the process of obtaining one by submitting acceptable scores from a minimum of 54 holes to the GHIN system. Our handicap chair will assist you with this process. Once you have a handicap you are eligible to play in our weekly competitions and tournaments.

**2. Tee Times**

Tuesdays: We have a block of tee times reserved every Tuesday morning starting the first Tuesday in March and ending the last Tuesday in October. We use the Sign-Up Genius system to reserve tee times. You will receive information on how to use this system once we have received your dues.

Saturdays: Three tee times (8:22, 8:30 and 8:37 a.m.) are also reserved for the Club's use on Saturday mornings.

Friday and Saturday Wine and Nine: Beginning in May four tee times are reserved for our members for Friday Wine and Nine and two tee times for Saturday Wine and Nine. These tee times begin at 6:00 p.m. (May - August) and at 5:00 p.m. in September. Our members and a single female guest can each play nine holes of golf (or more, daylight permitting) for Super Twilight rates.

Other Tee Times: Many of our members play together other days of the week and reserve tee times on their own through the Pro Shop. Members can use our membership directory to contact playing partners.

Cancellations: For all of the reserved tee times described above, if you are unable to play and need to cancel, you should cancel your tee time either online (if it's within the time frame window) or phone the pro-shop at **206-935-5187** to advise them that you will not be playing. Failure to do so will jeopardize these reserved tee times for our club.

### **3. Schedule for Play**

Please be at the course one-half hour before your tee time. This allows you to check in, warm up, and alert the other members of your foursome that you have arrived. This also allows for flexibility. On some mornings, for example, groups are able to begin play ahead of schedule. If you are on time, your foursome can also be on time.

Don't leave members of your foursome stranded. Please make sure that all of your members are accounted for before you tee off. Do not begin play until you are within fifteen minutes of your scheduled tee time. All members of your foursome should be on the course and ready to go by this time.

### **4. Pace of Play**

Pace of play is very important to the overall smooth functioning of the club. You should be playing at a pace that keeps you right behind the group in front of you; that is, you are teeing off when the group ahead is on the green.

### **5. Weekly Competition (voluntary)**

Our members use two sets of tees for weekly play and competitions: purple (5,190 yards) and gold (4,756 yards). Members may also play from the green tees but can enter weekly competitions only from the purple or gold tees. You do not have to play from the same set of tees the entire season. Each week's competition themes include counting different sets of holes and strokes making the weekly rounds fun and interesting.

Winners in the weekly club competitions receive a monetary credit in the Pro Shop (also known as "on the books") which can be applied to purchases other than greens fees. Every time you play, check the white board in the ladies' locker room to see the format of the competition for that week.

After your round, fill out a competition sheet located under the large mirror. Fill out a colored sheet corresponding to the set of tees that you played. Figure out your competition score and have it attested by your playing partner. Place the signed competition sheet in the Weekly Competition Box.

Results of weekly competitions are posted monthly on the bulletin board and emailed to members.

**6. The Special Competition Box** is the wooden box you see mounted on the long wall in the back of the locker room. The scorecards for the special club competitions are put in this box. Special Competitions are competitions that are on-going throughout the season such as our Points Competition or Match Play Competition.

**7. Eccie Sheets (voluntary)** are located in the box on the counter under the mirror in the locker room. You can begin this competition at any time during the season whenever you play 18 holes of golf. Each time you play and improve your score on any hole(s), update your sheet and have it attested by your playing partner. Sheets are filed in the box by members' last names. At our annual awards event, an award is given to the member with the most Eccies from a specific set of tees.

**8. Birdie Sheets and Chip-In Sheets** are located on the bulletin board in the locker room. If you score a natural birdie, sign the Birdie Sheet, which is purple or gold depending on which set of tees you were playing. Have your birdie attested by your playing partner. If you chip-in, sign the Chip-in sheet and have it attested. At our annual awards event, awards are given to the members with the most birdies and chip-ins.

**9. Handicaps** are updated daily on GHIN with the World Handicap System. For Club Competition, our club updates handicaps weekly (currently on Sundays). The Handicap Roster which shows your course handicap is posted on the bulletin board in the locker room. Be sure to check your current handicap against this list for filling out the weekly competition sheets (Item #5). Members are expected to always record their score in the GHIN system after every round in order to have a fair handicap. Note: You can and should also post 9 hole scores. Once you have two 9 hole scores posted they will be reflected in your handicap update.

**10. Club Meetings:** News about club events and club meetings are generally sent by email so please be sure we have your current email address. Check the bulletin board regularly for news of special events at West Seattle as well as other courses in Western Washington.

**11. Club Directory:** A Club Directory with names and contact information for our members will be distributed by email after the season starts. Revisions are sent periodically by email. This directory is for each member's private use in contacting fellow members, developing acquaintances or for conducting WSWG business. It is not to be used as a business mailing list or to be loaned to other groups, charitable, political or otherwise.