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**2010
LEAGUE
HANDBOOK**

Welcome
To The
2010
League Season!!!

Executive Women's Golf Association – L.I. Chapter
LEAGUE CONTACT INFORMATION

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GENERAL LEAGUE INFORMATION **RULES AND GUIDELINES**

Membership: All leagues are exclusive to members of the Executive Women's Golf Association, Long Island Chapter (EWGA-LI). A member must be in good standing with National membership dues **Paid in Full** and sign the **Release and Indemnification Agreement**. Please visit our website at EWGALI.org for more information on becoming a member. In addition to the cost of joining our chapter, there are additional costs associated with joining our leagues (see League Fee, Security Deposit and Greens Fees described below). **If any changes occur to your contact information, make sure to notify the Membership Captain at each league you join and National EWGA at www.ewga.com.

League Fee: There is a once a year \$60 League Fee (non-refundable) regardless of how many leagues you join. This fee covers part of the cost of our Pre-Season League Meetings, End of League Season Dinner, trophies and other incidental costs.

Security Deposit: There is a one time, up-front Security Deposit of \$50 due with your application to join an unlimited number of leagues. This is not used to pay the penalty fee for "No Shows" or "Late Cancellations." The penalty fee in either case is one week's greens fee. If you are a no show or have a late cancellation, you must submit a check to cover your greens fees or your playing privileges will be suspended. If payment for any missed greens fees is not received within one month of notification, the \$50 security deposit will be forfeited. If you rejoin EWGA-LI, you must submit another security deposit of \$50 and replenish any greens fees that are owed. Upon resignation of League, you will receive a full \$50 refund provided you are up-to-date with your greens fees. **NOTE: This is a significant change from previous policy.**

Home Course: You must pick a Home Course (primary league). Your Home Course will be where you plan to play the most.

Multiple League Play: You may join as many leagues as you like. If you join additional leagues subsequent to submitting your application, notify your Primary League Membership Captain of the league(s) you would like to add.

Confirmation of League Membership: You will receive confirmation of your league membership from the Membership Captain of your Home Course and additional leagues via a "Welcome" e-mail once your application is processed.

20 Week Season: League season begins May 4th, 2010 and ends on September 18th, 2010 with the Travel League schedule continuing through the end of October.

Match Play Leagues: There will be a 10 week series with a point system on alternating Friday mornings. Tentative dates of play:

Nassau: 5/7, 5/21, 6/4, 6/18, 7/2, 7/16, 7/30, 8/13, 8/27, 9/10/10

Suffolk: 5/14, 5/28, 6/11, 6/25, 7/9, 7/23, 8/6, 8/20, 9/3, 9/17/10

Please note that there is a requirement to have a handicap index of 25 or below to participate in these leagues.

Greens Fees: Greens Fees are due on the particular day you play. These fees are paid directly to the course where the league meets for play. An additional per person fee will apply to ride a cart at Eisenhower, Oyster Bay, Heatherwood and Spring Lake Suffolk Match Play. Cart fees are included for Wind Watch, Cherry Creek, Harbor Links Championship and the Travel League. Peninsula charges a cart fee that can be shared by two players.

Tee Times: Tee Time Captains will outline the specific instructions regarding how to request tee times in the welcome e-mail as they differ from league to league. If you request to play with another member(s), that person(s) MUST also submit a request of the Tee Time Captain in order for the request to be honored. Members may not make substitutions on the schedule; ONLY Tee Time Captains may do so.

Players must request tee times via e-mail to their Tee Time Captain below. If your league has a posted "Tee Time Sheet," you will be informed in your welcome e-mail you may use that option.

Oyster Bay:	Terry Wolters	ewga_oysterbayteeetimes@gmail.com
Wind Watch:	Maureen Mahoney	ewgawwteeetimes@yahoo.com
Eisenhower:	Terry Wolters	ewgaeisteetimes@gmail.com
Cantiague:	Peggy Hoehman	peggyhoehman@gmail.com
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Heartland Beginner:	Jackie Capewell	jcapewell.ewgali@yahoo.com
Peninsula:	Sara Walsh	penteetimes.ewga@gmail.com
Heatherwood 18:	Theresa Oropallo	tforopallo@optonline.net
Harbor Links Champ:	Liz Tobin	liztobin.ewga@gmail.com
Travel 18:	Maureen Mahoney	ewgaTRAVEL18@yahoo.com
Nassau Match Play:	Patty Ellis	palice@aol.com
Suffolk Match Play:	Roseann Bencivinni	rbencivinni@gmail.com

The Tee Time Schedules will be completed and e-mailed to all league members (whether or not on the schedule) one business day after the respective deadlines. It will also be posted on the chapter's website www.ewgali.org.

Players not on the Tee Time Schedule will not be permitted to play. **"Walk Ups" are not permitted to play at any of the leagues. Any league member found breaching this rule may lose their playing privileges.**

Cancellation Deadline: Cancellations must be made directly to the Tee Time Captain:

Oyster Bay:	5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday preceding play
Wind Watch:	5:00 p.m. on the Sunday preceding play
Eisenhower:	5:00 p.m. on the Monday preceding play
Cantiague:	5:00 p.m. on the Monday preceding play
Cherry Creek:	5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday preceding play
Harbor Links Exec & Champ:	5:00 p.m. on the Friday preceding play
Heartland Beginner:	5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday preceding play
Nassau Match Play:	5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday preceding play
Suffolk Match Play:	5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday preceding play
Peninsula:	5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding play
Heatherwood 18:	5:00 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding play
Travel 18:	5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday preceding play

Late Cancellations/No Shows: If you are on the schedule but fail to show or cancel after the cancellation deadline (see Cancellation Deadline above), you must pay your greens fees for that week to the Finance Captain (address provided in welcome e-mail). If payment is not received within one month of notification, you will lose your playing privileges until payment is made and you will forfeit your security deposit.

Late Arrival: Please be ready to play at least 30 minutes prior to your tee time. If you have not checked in 30 minutes prior to your tee time (or after your assigned tee time), you may be asked to wait to tee off after the remaining members have teed off.

Inclement Weather Policy: In the event of adverse weather conditions, it is the player's responsibility to find out if the course is open for play. You can call the respective course:

Oyster Bay:	(516) 677-5980	Eisenhower:	(516) 572-0327
Wind Watch:	(631) 232-9850	Cantiague:	(516) 571-7061
Peninsula:	(516) 798-9776	Heartland Beginner:	(631) 667-7400
Heatherwood 18:	(631) 473-9000	Cherry Creek:	(631) 369-6500
Harbor Links Exec Beg; Harbor Links Champ & HLNassau Match Play			(516) 767-4828/4816
Spring Lake Suffolk Match Play:	(631) 924-5115		
Telephone numbers for Travel 18 vary from week to week.			

If the course is open, players are responsible to play. If you fail to show, you will be charged a "No Show" penalty as described above. ****EXCEPTION:** Use good judgment if lightning is observed at the course. You will not be penalized if you choose not to play. Safety first!!

Pre-Season League Meetings: League meetings are **Mandatory** for all new members who joined in 2010 (if offered at the league you joined). Pre-Season League Meetings are not being offered at Oyster Bay, Wind Watch, Eisenhower, Harbor Links 18 or Travel. If you are a new league member at one of these leagues, please contact the Membership Captain for your league and she will make arrangements with you and answer any questions you may have. Match Play will contact members to ensure rules and procedures are understood. It is not necessary to attend a league meeting for every league you join. Due to space constraints you will only be permitted to attend one meeting. You may also contact the League Chair, Liz Tobin, at liztobin.ewga@gmail.com with any questions or concerns you'd like addressed.

Rules & Etiquette Meetings: It is also **mandatory** for all new members to attend one Rules & Etiquette Meeting. We highly recommend that all members attend one as a refresher, regardless of when you joined. Information regarding the available dates will be posted on the website and provided at the Tee-Off Dinner and in your "welcome" e-mail from your Membership Captain.

Local Rules: A list of local rules for each course will be included in the individual "League Specifics Handout" at the Pre-Season Meeting or sent to you with the first week of Tee Times.

Handicap Maintenance:

Keeping a USGA sanctioned handicap is a mandatory requirement to play in our Oyster Bay, Wind Watch, Eisenhower, Peninsula, Cherry Creek, Heatherwood 18, Harbor Links Champ, Travel 18 Leagues and Match Play Leagues. If you do not maintain a handicap through a USGA-sanctioned handicap service, you will not be eligible to receive an award. While having a handicap is not a requirement to play in our Harbor Links, Heartland or Cantiague Beginner Leagues, it is strongly recommended (****see note below**).

EWGA provides a USGA-sanctioned handicap service, Golf Life Management System, ("GLMS"), to all its members and our leagues will be utilizing this system. There is no additional fee; it is included in your annual EWGA dues. The only requirement to use this system is that you must be a current EWGA member and must have Internet access. If you choose to use GHIN or another USGA-sanctioned handicap service, you **must** provide your identification number to the scoring captain for each league you join within 30 days of joining any league in order to be eligible to participate in tournaments.

Each player will be responsible to enter ("post") all her scores, including all non-league play, into the system. You will receive a Handicap Guidelines Handout at your Pre-Season League meeting. It will also be available on our website page (www.ewgali.org). Please take a moment to read this as it has all the information needed to establish and maintain a handicap.

The EWGA GLMS system will be accessed through the "Members Only" section of the EWGA National website (www.EWGA.com). Instructions for logging on and posting scores to this system will be forthcoming.

****Please be advised that only scores from courses that have an official USGA course rating may be posted for handicap purposes. Scores from Harbor Links Executive Course, Cantiague & Heartland do not have official USGA ratings and, therefore, may not be posted.**

Handicap Liaisons:

The Rules and Handicap Committee Chair is Suzanne Garcia. Please contact Suzanne with any questions you may have at ewgarules@gmail.com. In addition, each league will have a League Handicap Liaison who will also be able to answer any questions. You will be notified who your League Handicap Liaison is in the near future. The League Liaison will also be responsible for monitoring all handicaps for accuracy.

Weekly Tournaments: Members can participate in individual weekly tournaments at their Home Course or some additional leagues they have joined with the exception of Harbor Links, Cantiague and Heartland Beginner Leagues (winners of those tournaments must be league members who picked HL, Cantiague & Heartland respectively as their Home Course). ***Please note: ALL players are eligible to participate in the Team Colored Ball & Sand Suicide Tournaments regardless of Home Course.* Players that turn in scorecards which are not legible, signed, attested and dated will be disqualified from that tournament.

Tournament Calendar: The weekly tournament schedule is listed on the back of the League Handbook. Each league will be on the same schedule. Rain dates are provided for tournaments canceled due to inclement weather.

Scoring: Each player should maintain an individual scorecard for their personal use (for posting scores, etc.). A separate scorecard for the foursome including each player's score, as attested, must be submitted to each league's respective Scoring Captain as follows:

Oyster Bay:	Roseann Pellegrini
Wind Watch:	Barbara Stahl
Eisenhower:	Wendy Wansor
Cantiague:	Sandra James
Cherry Creek:	Cathy Vereline
Harbor Links Beginner:	Evelyn Pollack
Heartland Beginner:	Cathy Grzymala
Peninsula:	Kathleen Spinelli
Heatherwood 18:	Carol Golde
Harbor Links Champ:	Gloria Sullivan
Travel 18:	Sandy Hutchins
Nassau Match Play:	Patty Ellis
Suffolk Match Play:	Roseann Bencivinni

Submitted scorecards must be totaled for all players in foursome. First initial and last names should be clearly printed on all scorecards and the date must be clearly noted. For attestation purposes, two signatures are required on each scorecard.

***NOTE:** It is imperative that you hand in your scorecard every time you play in league, whether or not you finish your round, as scorecards will be used, in part, to confirm your attendance.

****NOTE:** During the 3 weeks of League Championship play, the scorecard must be signed by ALL members of the group, attested and dated.

*****NOTE:** Match Play Series has additional requirements explained in welcome e-mail.

Tournament scores should be duly noted. So, for example, if the tournament is an Odd Hole Tournament, your card should have two totals for all four players, one for each person's nine hole score and one which totals just the Odd Hole (Tournament) score.

League Championship: (Not to be confused with the Chapter Championship) The League Championship runs for three weeks. The best two out of three scores will be used to calculate the winner. You are automatically eligible to participate in the League Championship at your Home Course provided you play at least two of the three weeks for the championship. If you joined additional leagues, you are eligible to participate in some of those league championships if you played a minimum of 6 weeks of regular league play plus the additional two out of three times during the actual championship. (Please note: Only Harbor Links, Cantiague, Heartland, Heatherwood & Cherry Creek Home Course members can participate in their own Home Course League Championships).

****NOTE:** Match Play Leagues do not hold a League Championship. They use a points-based system and trophies are awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners.

Trophies: A member may not win more than one trophy per league (with the exception of the two team tournaments). Winners of the League Championship are not eligible to win regular season tournaments. Trophies are awarded at the End of League Dinner. There are awards for Low Gross and Low Net for each individual tournament and Low Gross for the two team tournaments

Pace of Play: Although keeping the Pace of Play is very important on any golf course and in any league, it is imperative in our leagues because of the daylight time restrictions. Additionally, the public will be playing behind us and it is crucial that we do not impede the public's ability to finish their rounds.

There is only one way to know if one's group is keeping the pace and that is to not let the group in front of you get more than one shot ahead. So, for example, if you arrive at the tee of a par 3 and the group ahead of you is already in the fairway of the next hole, you have fallen behind.

Double Par Rule: All leagues have instituted the double par rule to assist in our keeping pace of play. Therefore, you must pick up after you have hit the ball two times par. For example, if you are playing a Par 4, pick up after your 8th shot. This includes putts and "whiffs". Your score for league purposes will be double par and you must mark an "X" next to your score on the foursome's submitted scorecard indicating you did not finish the hole. Your individual scorecard used for handicap posting purposes must reflect the number of strokes it reasonably would have taken for you to "hole out" on each hole, adjusted by Equitable Stroke Control rules.

Dress Code: Each course has its own dress code that must be adhered to. Appropriate golf attire consists of collared shirts, sleeved or sleeveless (no tee shirts, halter or low-cut tops), and shorts, pants or skorts designed for golf (not denim or cutoffs). Shorts and skorts should be at or just above the knee.

Code of Conduct: The League Committee reserves the right to suspend league playing privileges of any member it deems to have acted inappropriately on the golf course.

Important Notice: We have provided leagues for all skill levels. Please note that your membership is contingent on you complying with all the League rules and procedures provided in this handbook, including signing of the Release and Indemnification Agreement. Infractions against policy, rules, etiquette, or required pace of play may be grounds for the League Committee, at its discretion, to require reassignment to a different league or cancellation of league membership. The League Handbook and other important information will be provided at the Pre-Season League Meetings, on the league's website page www.ewgali.org, and can also be obtained from any person on the League Committee.

2010 LEAGUE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

These are the weekly tournaments that our leagues will be playing this season.

****Match Play Series will distribute its own schedule****

Week #1 May 4th through May 9th

Open Play – No Tournament

Week #2 May 11th through 16th

Throw-Away Individual Tournament

Each player plays their own ball. Throw out your two worst holes. 18-hole Leagues, throw out your worst 4 holes. Please make sure the first initial and last name of each player are printed clearly for individual handicaps.

Week #3 May 18th through 23rd

Odd Hole Individual Tournament

Each player keeps their own score, but only the score from the odd numbered holes (1, 3, 5, 11, 13, etc.) will be counted for the tournament.

Week #4 May 25th through May 30th

Even Hole Individual Tournament

Each player keeps their own score, but only the score from the even numbered holes (2, 4, 6, 10, 12, etc.) will be counted for the tournament.

Week #5 June 1st through June 6th

Tee to Green Individual Tournament

Each player keeps their own score with the total score and putts for each hole marked as follows: 4 shots to reach the green and 2 putts would be shown as 6/2. If you use your putter but your ball is not on the green, it counts as a stroke and not a putt. Total your score and putts for the 9 (or 18) holes. Subtract the putts from the total and circle it. ****Please note:** If you pick up your ball and "X" out, but you're on the green, you may still note the Tee to Green score. If you pick up before reaching the green, you will be disqualified from the tournament and should note that on the scorecard.

Week #6 June 8th through June 13th

Open Play/Tournament Rain date

Week #7 June 15th through June 20th

Open Play/Tournament Rain date

Week #8 June 22nd through June 27th

Colored Ball Team Tournament

Each team will take a numbered colored ball. Every player keeps their own score. On a separate line for the "Team Score" put the number of your colored ball. In a foursome each player will use the colored ball twice, with someone using it for a third hole. A threesome will use it for three holes each, etc. The team score will be the score of the player using the colored ball on that hole. If the ball is lost, your team is eliminated from the tournament (please note it on the scorecard). It is required to turn in the colored ball with your scorecard. 18-hole leagues will double the above instructions.

Week #9 June 29th through July 4th

Open Play/Tournament Rain date



Week #10 July 6th through July 11th

Open Play/Tournament Rain date

Week #11 July 13th through July 18th

Sand Suicide Team Tournament

Each player keeps their own score, but keep a separate line for the "Team Score." The lowest individual score for each hole will be the "Team Score." If a player gets into any sand trap on any hole, her score can no longer be counted for the tournament (but scores for prior holes remain intact). Indicate on the scorecard if all members were in bunkers, by drawing a line through the remaining hole(s) and NOT totaling the Team Score. Circle the score of an individual player who was in a bunker on the hole for which that occurred. REMEMBER, scores count up until you are in a bunker. A team remains in the tournament as long as one member was not in a bunker. Please total individual scores and your team score if eligible..

Week #12 July 20th through July 25th

Open Play/Tournament Rain date

Week #13 July 27th through August 1st

Open Play/Tournament Rain date

Week #14 August 3rd through August 8th

League Championship - Round #1

Week #15 August 10th through August 15th

League Championship - Round #2

Week #16 August 17th through August 22nd

League Championship - Rain date

Week #17 August 24th through August 29th

League Championship - Round #3

Week #18 August 31st through September 5th

Open Play/Tournament Rain date

Week #19 September 7th through September 12th

Open Play

Week #20 September 14th through September 19th

Last Week of League Play

****Match Play Leagues will distribute their own schedules****

TENTATIVE DATES OF PLAY:

Nassau: 5/7, 5/21, 6/4, 6/18, 7/2, 7/16, 7/30, 8/13, 8/27, 9/10/10

Suffolk: 5/14, 5/28, 6/11, 6/25, 7/9, 7/23, 8/6, 8/20, 9/3, 9/17/10

****Travel League will distribute its own schedule through the end of October****

NOTES: