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2020 MEMBERSHIP
Registration opens on January 1, 2020
Membership Fee is $85
Team Match Membership Registration Deadline is MARCH 20th.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION
To become an Individual Member of The Women’s Golf Association of Philadelphia, the applicant must:

• Have a golf membership as defined by her member club.
• Have an active WHS GHIN Handicap Index.
• Give full name, address, telephone and club affiliation.
• Join online using a credit card (VISA or Mastercard) or mailed check.

At any time during the year should a member give up or lose her full golf privileges at a member club, she must relinquish her membership privileges in the Association and so notify the Golf Office.

If a player loses her full golf privileges while competing in an event, she may complete that event.

If a player belongs to more than one member club of the Association, she must register from the club where she plays Team Matches.

ASSOCIATION PRIVILEGES
To be eligible for Team Matches, a member must have a WHS Handicap Index of 40.4 or better showing on the WGAP/GHIN handicap revision of November 15, 2019 and must have posted at least ten (10) scores in 2019.

To be eligible for Tournaments and Open Days, a member must have a WHS Handicap Index of 40.4 or better showing on a WGAP/GHIN handicap revision and must have posted at least eight (8) scores in 2019 and/or 2020.

Any woman with a golf membership as defined by her member club may join the Association. Those with a WHS Handicap Index over 40.4, with no handicap or with fewer than 8 scores posted, may become eligible for all privileges when these requirements are met.

COMPLAINTS
Any complaint must be presented in writing by mail, fax or e-mail to The Women's Golf Association of Philadelphia.

HANDICAP INFORMATION
A WHS GHIN Handicap Index is a requirement for Association Membership. Participants in Association events (Team Matches, Tournaments and Open Days) are required to have a WHS GHIN Handicap Index.

Any member of more than one club serviced by WHS/GHIN should have only ONE GHIN NUMBER. As a multi-member, all of her scores will be routed to all of her clubs.

WGAP TOURNAMENT SCORES WILL BE POSTED BY THE GOLF OFFICE.

For the purpose of WGAP tournaments throughout the golf season, WGAP will pull handicap revisions on the first and third Tuesday of each month.
Your WHS Handicap Index must be converted by means of a Course Handicap Table to YOUR HOME COURSE and to ALL AWAY COURSES PLAYED.

Equitable Stroke Control is to be used when posting all scores. The World Handicap System uses a net double bogey on each hole for ESC. There is no limit to the number of holes on which you can adjust your score.

All home and away scores (INCLUDING TEAM MATCH AND TOURNAMENT SCORES) played on a USGA rated course - when that course is played from regular tees to regular greens - must be posted. Scores for WGAP privileges may be posted from April 1st to November 14th.

Nine-hole scores are combined in the order they are received in the player's scoring record from any club or from any combination of nines, regardless of score type.

If a player plays 14 or more holes, she shall record a score for handicap purposes by adding to the number of strokes played the total par for the unplayed holes plus any handicap strokes to which she is entitled on the unplayed holes. In multi-ball events, when a player is required to pick-up to speed play, she shall record for handicap purposes the score she most likely would have made if the hole had been completed.

Away scores should be adjusted to ESC and posted along with the Course Rating and Slope of that course.

For Association events, eligibility is determined by the USGA Handicap Index as of the handicap report indicated on the entry information. EXCEPTION: ANYONE JOINING THE ASSOCIATION (IN A GIVEN YEAR) WITH A USGA HANDICAP INDEX OF 40.4 OR BETTER WILL RETAIN ALL PRIVILEGES IF HER HANDICAP GOES ABOVE 40.4.

Reduction of USGA Handicap Index Based on Exceptional Tournament Scores (Section 5.9 of Rules of Handicapping).

OPEN DAY INFORMATION

If you have questions, problems or there are violations of Open Days, please contact the Golf Office.

- Open Days are extended to Association Members whose handicap indexes are 40.4 or better based on a minimum of eight scores made in 2019/2020 and whose club also extends Open Day privileges.
- Prearranged starting times are required. Reservations are accepted within one week of the scheduled Open Day on the website.
- Open Day privileges may be used seven times in one year and not more than twice at any one course.
- A violation may result in loss of privileges.
- Open Days are extended ONLY FROM APRIL THROUGH OCTOBER INCLUSIVE.
- A CLUB MAY NOT CANCEL ANY OPEN DAYS WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE GOLF OFFICE.
- EACH PLAYER MUST REGISTER ONLINE.
- Open Days are designed for Association Members. They are not to be used as mini-Member Guests, for personal entertaining or to include ineligible friends, relatives or spouses.
- The Association Dress Code must be observed when playing an Open Day.
INVITATION TOURNAMENTS

Dorothy Germain Porter Tournament  Gold Key
Elizabeth Roda & Laura Hammond, Lancaster/Penn Oaks  Samantha Perrotta, Old York CC at Chesterfield
Ellen Gowen Hood Shield  Nancy Wilbur Cup
Cassidy Gavaghan (Sandy Run), Sandy Run (team)  Samantha Perrotta, Old York CC at Chesterfield
Wilmington Invitational  Dorothy Campbell Howe Cup
Nikki Keeney, Judy Owens, Wilmington/Waynesborough  Kaitlyn Lees, Merion
Overbrook Invitation  Florence Condon Vanderbeck Cup
Samantha Perrotta, Old York CC at Chesterfield  Jackie Rogowicz, Commonwealth National

2020 WGAP TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY FOR ALL EVENTS

All competitions will be played in accordance with the USGA Rules of Golf.

Handicap Classes

Class A — to 15.9 inclusive
Class B — 16.0 to 22.9 inclusive
Class C — 23.0 to 28.9 inclusive
Class D — 29.0 to 40.4 inclusive

MAY 13 - WEDNESDAY
NONNA BARLOW CUP: Merion Golf Club, East Course. USGA Handicap Index Limit 13.0. Limited to first 52 pairs.

MAY 27-28 – WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
INTER-CITY MATCHES FOR THE GRISCOM CUP: West Chester Country Club, Rye, NY

JUNE 2 - TUESDAY
WILMINGTON COUNTRY CLUB: Invitation Tournament on the South Course. Class A Better-Ball Tournament.

JUNE 5 - FRIDAY

TBD
CLASS B/C/D BETTER BALL OF PARTNERS’ TOURNAMENT: TBD

JUNE 12 - FRIDAY
EFFIE DERR ROBEY CUP: Merion Golf Club, West Course. Class A and Class B women players from the same club in Scotch Foursome play. Limited to first 80 pairs.

JUNE 17-18 – WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
Dorothy Campbell Howe Trophy. Merion Golf Club – West Course/East Course.

JUNE 23 – TUESDAY
JUNE 24 - WEDNESDAY
ELLEN GOWEN HOOD SHIELD: 90th Annual Invitation Tournament, Philadelphia Cricket Club
(Wissahickon Course) USGA Handicap Index limit is 15.5.

JUNE 25 - THURSDAY
NANCY WILBUR CUP: St. Davids Golf Club. Class A.

JUNE 25-26 – THURSDAY, FRIDAY
JUNIOR INTER-CITY MATCHES: Wyantenuck Country Club, Lower Barrington, MA.

JUNE 30 - TUESDAY
IDA E. DIXON CUP: The Springhaven Club. USGA Handicap Indexes to 18.4. Limited to first 120 entries.

JULY 7-8 – TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY
JUNIOR GIRLS’ CHAMPIONSHIP: Sandy Run Country Club. Open to Junior Girls under 19 (not started college).

JULY 10-13 - MONDAY THRU THURSDAY
WOMEN’S INDIVIDUAL MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE GLENNA COLLETT VARE CUP:
Old York Road Country Club.

JULY 20 - MONDAY
FAMILY MIXED FOURSOME FOR THE FRANCES BIDDLE GRISCOM CUP: Huntingdon Valley
Country Club.

JULY 21 – TUESDAY

JULY 22 -WEDNESDAY
OVERBROOK INVITATION: Overbrook Golf Club. USGA Handicap Index limit is 15.9.

JULY 23 – THURSDAY
CADDIE BENEFIT TOURNAMENTS: Class A: The 1912 Club.

JULY 28 – TUESDAY
CHARLES S. POWELL MEMORIAL CUP (Mixed Foursome): Talamore Country Club, Classes A and B.

JULY 28 - TUESDAY
RITA COOPER MEMORIAL CUP: Bala Golf Club. Open to Junior Girls under 19 (not started college).

AUGUST 4 - TUESDAY
CLASS A HUSBAND AND WIFE TOURNAMENT: Moselem Springs Golf Club.

AUGUST 5 - WEDNESDAY
FIRST CLASS B/C/D STROKE PLAY: Lookaway Golf Club. First of two rounds of Class B/C/D
Championship.

AUGUST 10-11 - MONDAY, TUESDAY.
PHILADELPHIA MIXED FOURSOME CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE BOYLE CUP: Blue Bell Country
Club. Classes A and B. Limited to first 30 pairs.

AUGUST 13 - THURSDAY
FLORENCE CONDON VANDERBECK CUP: Eightieth Annual Invitation Tournament. Philadelphia
Country Club. USGA Handicap Index limit is 14.8.
SECOND B/C/D STROKE PLAYS: TBD, second round for the Class B/C/D Championships.

AUGUST 18 - TUESDAY

AUGUST 24-25 – MONDAY, TUESDAY
PHILADELPHIA STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE MARY THAYER FARNUM CUP: Union League Golf Club at Torresdale. Class A.

SEPTEMBER 10 - THURSDAY
DOROTHY GERMAIN PORTER TOURNAMENT: Riverton Country Club, Class A Better-Ball-of-Partners.

SEPTEMBER 15, TBD – TUESDAY, TBD
SENIOR AND SUPER SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (all classes): Honeybrook Golf Club, TBD.

SEPTEMBER 29 - TUESDAY
TENTH ANNUAL CHARLOTTE N. BARNHARD CUP: Llanerch Country Club. Classes A and B.

TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS FOR THE MAYER BRANDSCHAIN CUP: 34th Annual Tournament. TBD.

DECEMBER TBD
124th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMEN’S GOLF ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA: TBD
TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES

ENTRIES

- When entering Association events, enter online under the EVENTS tab on the Home Page.
- Women are required to be members of the Association by the opening date for each event.
- Tournament eligibility is determined by the WHS Handicap Index indicated in the entry details.
- After entries close, tee times and tournament information will be posted on our website. The only notices that will be e-mailed will be regarding a waiting list option if the tournament is filled.
- Please re-check your tee time the evening before play, as sometimes changes are unavoidable.
- Players should not enter a match play event unless available to play all matches. An infraction of this rule may result in disqualification from the event the following year. The exception to this rule is if a player notifies the Golf Office in advance that she is playing in the qualifying round of the Women’s Match Play to ensure she is eligible for the Silver Cross.
- Male partners, with the exception of Class B and Class C partners in the Griscom Cup, must have GAP membership and a WHS/GHIN Handicap Index with a minimum of 8 scores from the current and/or previous year in their computer record as of the eligibility report for each event.
- After entries are closed, a substitute player may NOT be brought to a tournament in place of someone who has cancelled. Exceptions: Either of the original pair in the Barlow Cup, Mater et Filia, Lady-Junior Girl, Robey Cup and Better-Balls may be replaced. In Mixed Foursome competition – Powell Cup, Griscom Cup and Boyle Cup – only the Association non-member may be substituted.
- Please arrive at a tournament at least 20 minutes before your assigned starting time. Report to the WGAP starters' table when you arrive and be ready to tee off promptly at the designated starting time. When round is completed, check, sign and turn in scorecard immediately.
- In case of inclement weather, an event will be cancelled if one-half of the field which started does not complete play.
- Tournaments will not be cancelled or postponed unless a course is deemed unplayable by the Golf Course Superintendent or an authorized official of the Host Club.
- Please check website for inclement weather notices after 6AM the morning of the event.

ETIQUETTE

- When entering a tournament, you have a responsibility to play, unless an emergency arises.
- Please notify the Golf Office if you find it necessary to withdraw from any Association event. If your withdrawal is on the day of the event, please call the golf office AND the Host Club Pro Shop.
- Anyone who does not call to withdraw from a tournament will receive a letter from the Executive Committee. A repeated offense may result in future entries being rejected.
- All players are advised that the use of cellular/Smart phones for emergency phone calls/texts/messaging on the course is permitted as it is done so within the confines of Rule 4.3 and if the host facility allows those devices to be used. All players are expected to keep their phones in silent mode while on the course. If a player consistently disregards his fellow competitors or
opponent to their detriment, there could be a penalty or disqualification for unreasonable delay (Rule 5.6a).

- Players are urged to support the Host Club's dining facilities and Pro Shop.
- PLAYERS SHOULD TIP THE LOCKER ROOM ATTENDANT, BAG HANDLERS AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE CLUB PERSONNEL.

RULES

- A player or caddie may use a USGA approved legal Distance Measuring Device in Team Matches and Tournaments unless a local rule at a Member Club prohibits the use of such a device.
- Penalty for using an illegal device: Match Play - Loss of Hole; Stroke Play - Two Strokes. For Subsequent offense - Disqualification
- According to the USGA any device that has features other than distance measuring, is not allowed. It must measure distance only (Rule 4.3).

NOTE: The Executive Committee reserves the right to prohibit the use of a Distance-Measuring Device at any time and will not settle personal disputes involving Distance-Measuring Devices.

ATTIRE

The Executive Committee requires that all members participating in Association events dress tastefully in attire appropriate for the golf course. SKORTS & SHORTS MUST BE BERMUDA LENGTH - NO MORE THAN 3” ABOVE THE KNEE. TANK TOPS, TENNIS- LENGTH SKIRTS TIGHT FITTING APPAREL AND DENIM ARE NOT APPROPRIATE. Anyone failing to comply will be warned. If a second offense occurs, she will not be allowed to participate in Association events.

CADDIES & CARTS

- Caddie Assignments will be made by the Caddie Master of the Host Club.
- A PLAYER MAY NOT BRING HER OWN CADDIE TO A TOURNAMENT. RELATIVES ARE NOT PERMITTED TO CADDIE FOR FAMILY MEMBERS.
- A player may not carry her own bag or use a pull cart. Exceptions: (1) Only if a situation arises that would be beneficial to pace of play, A player may carry her bag to the ball then return the bag to the cart. (2) Juniors may bring their own pull carts to WGAP junior events.
- Carts are permitted in Team Matches and all Association tournaments except the Junior Girls’ Championship.
- If a caddie is requested on an entry, the player must take a caddie or pay the caddie fee.

SLOW PLAY

In the interest of all participants and for the enjoyment of the game, players have an obligation to play at a reasonable pace (USGA recommends no more than 40 seconds per shot). Slow play and delay of play will be monitored and, when necessary, penalties will be issued. Slow players will be given the last starting time in subsequent tournaments.
TIES

Ties for last position in all Championship Flights will be played off on the day of the Qualifying Round.

In the event of a tie for the winner of the Barlow, Farnum, Senior/Super Senior, and Silver Cross, an 18-hole playoff will be scheduled. For all other ties, USGA recommendations for tie breaking will be followed.

PRIZES

• A player may win only one prize in a stroke play tournament.
• A player must play both rounds of a 36-hole event in order to be eligible for a prize.
• The number and type of prizes awarded to tournament winners is at the sole discretion of the WGAP Executive Committee.
• Any prize not claimed at the event must be picked up from the golf office within four weeks of the event. Please call the office to arrange pick up. Gift certificates will be mailed to your home.

AWARDS

HOLES-IN-ONE

An award will be given for a Hole-in-One made by a member of The Women’s Golf Association of Philadelphia on an officially course-rated member course of the Association. A copy of the dated and attested scorecard must be sent to the Golf Office within 60 days. The round must be an 9 or 18-hole round played with at least one other player. Players will not receive more than one award in a fiscal year. For list of Holes in One, go to wgapgolf.org under “WGAP Hole-in-One Club” on the main page.

MARGARET CROZER FOX CUP

The Margaret Crozer Fox Cup will be awarded to the player, in the first eleven Cups of the Inter-Club Team Matches, who wins the greatest number of holes in her matches. She must have participated in, and won, all five matches. All matches must have been played on teams in the first eleven cups. A prize will be awarded to the winner for her permanent possession.

A tie for the Fox Cup will be determined by an 18-hole playoff (match play with handicap), on a neutral course within four weeks of the date players are notified of the tie.

SILVER CROSS

The Silver Cross will be awarded to the player returning the lowest aggregate score in the Qualifying Round of the Women’s Individual Match Play Championship and the 36-Hole Stroke Play Mary Thayer Farnum Cup.
DELAWARE TOURNAMENTS
DATES AND LOCATIONS TBD

NEW JERSEY TOURNAMENTS
JUNE 30, JULY 1 – TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY
65TH NEW JERSEY STATE JUNIOR GIRLS’ CHAMPIONSHIP: Raritan Valley Country Club.

JULY 27-30 – MONDAY-THURSDAY
95TH NEW JERSEY STATE WOMEN’S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP AND 7TH MID-AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP: Morris Country Golf Club.

SEPTEMBER 30, OCTOBER 1 - WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
51ST NEW JERSEY STATE SENIOR WOMEN’S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP: Copper Hill Country Club.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE TOURNAMENTS
JUNE 29-30 – MONDAY, TUESDAY
PENNSYLVANIA STATE JUNIOR GIRLS’ CHAMPIONSHIP: Hershey Country Club

AUGUST 3-5 – MONDAY-WEDNESDAY
PSWGA WOMEN’S STATE AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP, Lebanon Country Club.

OCTOBER 6-7 – WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
STATE FOUR-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP. West Shore Country Club.

EASTERN GA TOURNAMENTS
JUNE 9-11 - TUESDAY THRU THURSDAY
EASTERN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP: Cobblestone Park Golf Club, Blythewood, SC.

OCTOBER 13-15 – TUESDAY THRU THURSDAY
EASTERN SENIOR AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP: Tanglewood Golf Park, Clemmons, NC.

USGA TOURNAMENTS
APRIL 25-29 – SATURDAY THRU WEDNESDAY
USGA WOMEN’S AMATEUR FOUR-BALL: Quail Creek Country Club, Naples, FL.

JULY 13-18 – MONDAY THRU SATURDAY

AUGUST 3-9- MONDAY THRU SUNDAY
USGA WOMEN’S AMATEUR: Woodmont Country Club, Rockville, MD.

AUGUST 29-SEPTEMBER 3 – SATURDAY THRU THURSDAY
USGA WOMENS’ MID-AMATEUR: Berkley Hall Club, Blufiton, SC.

SEPTEMBER 12-17 – SATURDAY THRU THURSDAY
USGA SENIOR WOMEN’S AMATEUR, Lakewood Club, Point Clear, AL.