



PINE WHISPERS

PLUMAS PINES WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB

Spring Edition, May 2025

PPWGC 2025 Board of Directors: Pat Madsen - Captain, Connie Raheb - Co- Captain, Game Day Play Format, and Nine and Wine Coordinator, Susan Andersen - Treasurer, Lana Janovick - Recording Secretary, Jennifer Zumbro - Special Events and 9-Hole Group Manager, Nancy Richeal - Handicap Chair, Janet Grijalva - Membership Chair

We now have 33 members in the PPWGC - 27 golfing members and 6 social members.

Special thanks and much appreciation to Mary Peters who has served long and well on the PPWGC Board, and authored PINE WHISPERS during this time.

Upcoming Events:

- **June 3rd - Social/General meeting** after golf that day at approximately 1-1:30 P.M. on the deck at Longboard's. Snacks will be served.
- **June 3rd - Single EC begins** - A file will be in the women's locker room.
- **June 15th - Sunday Couples Play Day (Father's Day)**- Anyone can sign up, and you don't need a GHIN number unless competing for the prize money. Singles will be paired up with a partner. Plan to stay for no host libation and bar food at Longboards after the event is finished.
- **June 23rd - 4th of July Mixer** in conjunction with the Men's Club. Women's club provides side dishes (potluck) and Men's club provides the barbeque meats. You will soon be receiving notice of this event and a sign-up sheet will be in the women's locker room.
- **NOTE: Tuesday playday is cancelled for June 24th and moved to Thursday, June 26th.**
- **August 5th - Member/Guest Play Day** - *"Girls Just Wanna Have Fun in the Sun"*. Stand by for details to come.
- **Nine and Wine** (managed by Connie Raheb) is typically Thursday afternoon starting at 3 P.M. To sign up, please call the club house.
- There will be no Ladies Invitational Tournament this year. The Graeagle Meadows ladies club expressed that they do not want to do a combined tournament this year.

Information for New Members:

- To get a handicap you must play 54 holes of recordable scores - this can be three 18-hole rounds or six 9-hole rounds or any combination thereof.
- To establish a handicap, you must have a GHIN number. Once you are a member of a club and post the required number of holes, a GHIN will automatically be assigned.
- Maximum handicap index is 54 (which will come down with practice), and you will be advised to post a maximum of 10 strokes per hole until and actual handicap index is established.

Nine Hole and Eighteen Hole Format:

- Eighteen Hole golfers play a full 18 holes and comply to the standard rules of golf including how to count a score if the hole is not completed. You will receive notice through Golf Genius and can sign up there to play. Additionally, your scorecards (signed and validated) will be returned to the club house for entry.
- Nine Hole Golfers have options for playing golf designed to allow players to come out and enjoy the day (not to mention there is usually lunch afterward) regardless of physical or technical ability. Some play by exactly the same rules as the 18-hole players but just 9 holes - these are scoreable/postable rounds. Others may play from the combination red/green tees and these are scoreable rounds - there is an option in GHIN for Plumas Pines for this option. Some opt to pitch and putt (typically about 50 yards from the green) and some players will hit a few tee shots but otherwise pitch and putt only. These are NOT scoreable/postable rounds. The people who play a scoreable round are responsible for posting their own scores in GHIN and should try to post day of play. These cards should also be signed and validated by your playing partner. The scorecards are then turned over to Jennifer Zumbro who manages this group and she awards the winnings for fewest putts (the only competition so everyone playing can compete). Jennifer sends an e-mail each Sunday and you just tell her you want to play - she arranges with the club house staff.

LONGBOARDS BAR & GRILL, BIRDIES, and HOT SHOTS

- Longboards has been staffed as follows: Jacob Disney - Executive Chef, Nicole Sanchez - Front of House Manager, and Christian Rodriquez, Bar Manager and Assistant Front of House Manager.
- Longboards Bar & Grill has a new menu this year and for those of us who have dined there, we found the service was friendly and welcoming, and the food was excellent NOT to mention those unparalleled views.
- As of May 31, Longboards expects to be open 7 days a week, but hours and service should be checked before you go. Longboard's phone number is 530-836-1111.
- Birdies is now open with an extensive snack bar menu from breakfast sandwiches and burritos, to lunch sandwiches, to hamburgers and hot dogs, to chicken tenders and more.
- Birdies opens at 7 a.m. and closes at 3 p.m. except on weekends when they stay open until 4 p.m.
- Hot Shots opens every day at 2p.m. Closing time is dependent on participation and reservations. The last reservation is 9 p.m. This year the staff at Longboards is managing the Hot Shot food, beverage, and Hot Shot experience. Be sure to check for the events that are being planned for Hot Shots.

COURSE IMPROVEMENTS: Last year and continuing in 2025, there is an on-going effort to improve the course to make the experience better for our women golfers. Several holes have decreased the short rough in front of the tee to give us a better opportunity to reach the fairway and ultimately the green. You may have noticed it on number 2 and 12 for example. Some higher rough areas have been cut down such as the hill to the left on number six (above the little cliff) and the rough around number 8 that allows us an opportunity to recover and make the shots easier.

Some of these improvements are to facilitate speed of play, but improving the experience for our women golfers is equally important.

OTHER: In May of 2023, Jennifer Zumbro wrote an excellent paper on how to improve speed of play and how to not impact others enjoyment of their play. It is still current and appropriate. I copied it at the end as a reminder.

This concludes this year's first edition of Pine Whispers. We welcome questions and input.

Nancy Richeal

WHAT JENNIFER WROTE THAT PERTAINS:

PACE OF PLAY AND SLOW PLAY

Slow play occurs when there is a hole or more between foursomes. Keep up with the group in front of you. It is important to be aware of the golf course guidelines on Pace of Play which is a pace of no more than 15 minutes a hole or 4.5 hours for an 18-hole round or 2 hours and 15 minutes for a 9-hole round. The ladies club will help everyone to understand Ready Golf which helps with pace of play and slow play. USGA and NCGA both encourage the "no honors" policy. See Rule. 6.4 below.

PPWGC has a Standing Rule that states: "Golfers should make every effort to keep pace with the group in front of them. If they fall behind, they should break into twosomes until they catch up with the group in front and then may resume play as a foursome."

USGA RULE 5.6 states: "Players should recognize that their pace of play affects others and they should play promptly between strokes throughout the round. Prepare in advance for each stroke and move promptly between strokes and going to the next tee." In addition, **Rule 6.4** expressly allows playing out of turn in stroke play. This allows and encourages players to play out of turn in a safe and responsible way to save time or for convenience. Ready golf allows you to limit "honor" golf.

As written by: Jennifer Zumbro