



History Update

The Santa Teresa's Women's Golf Club, founded in 1968, celebrates its 40th Anniversary at our annual Christmas Luncheon on December 12, 2008. The Christmas Luncheon has been a tradition since the early days of the club. In 2003 at the 35th Anniversary celebration, a review of the archives was made to summarize some of the "happenings" since 1968 and to recall some of the women who were the founders of our club. That information is posted on our web site under the "History" link.

Again as the "unofficial keeper of the archives", I have summarized some of the changes and occurrences since 2003 in an effort to keep our historical record up to date. Fortunately, our club has produced a membership booklet every year which gives members names, current officers, previous year's captains, club champions, and handicap champions. This is a great record for preserving a significant portion of our history.

In the past five years our club has made some changes that have helped the club run more efficiently. Starters now have a list of the members names arranged by handicaps. When we arrive to play we tell the starters our name and handicap and are checked off as being in attendance -- no more filling out the little white paper to give to the starters. Much of the communication among members is now done through email-- a mass email can be sent when information needs to be shared. Also the newsletter can be emailed, which saves postage costs. Arrangements are also made to get information and the newsletter to the few members who do not have email addresses. Thanks to club member Ingrid Sander we now have a web site (www.stwgc.com) which has a lot of information about our club as well as a record of recent play days and tournament results. The newsletter, general meeting minutes and board meeting minutes are also available on the web site.

The past two years we have offered a special *Rally for a Cure* event on one of our play days. It has been very successful and has featured many great raffle prizes as well as a luncheon. Money raised is donated to the fund for research toward finding a cure for breast cancer. The Halloween Mystery Event continues to be a popular play day and we continue to host our Super Guest Day in the Spring.

Today, as we celebrate the 40th anniversary of our Club, we are happy to have in attendance four of our founding charter members....Jackie Baatz, Virginia Garland, Sallie Gray, and Teddy Kridl. Also in attendance are former members Sheila Gault, Dottie Beardsley, Shirley Strong, Jane Frees, and Betty Takadoro who joined the club twenty-five to thirty years ago. We welcome all the former members who have joined us today to help celebrate our 40th anniversary. Also in attendance are current members, Eva Myers, Rosemary Haeckel, and Alice Ney who joined the Club thirty or more years ago!

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