# VNCC-WGA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

VNCC-WGA will sponsor three events each week: Twilight Golf, Thursday Women's Golf and Saturday Ambassador Play. Within Twilight Golf there are two different types of play: Once a month Scramble format with dinner afterward and three weeks of "play your own ball" tee time play.

### 1a. Twilight Golf

WGA Twilight Golf will take place on Wednesday evenings unless otherwise noted on the VNCC-WGA calendar. This 9hole event is open to all categories of VNCC membership including social, non-resident members and beginners through competitive golfers. The focus of this event is on socializing, meeting old and new friends, and enjoying the game of golf with other women. Guests are welcome and defined as non-VNCC members and may play on non-scramble Twilight nights. You may sign up individually, with a partner or a group of your choice. Sign up is through the VNCC Golf Genius website. Because this league has reserved tee times, membership in the VNCC-WGA is required for all VNCC members. A greens fee may be required to play based on your VNCC membership level. If you are playing, it is requested to sign up on Golf Genius or with the Pro Shop by Monday at 6 pm. If you have not signed up, you will be allowed to play at the back of the field on a "space available" basis only. PLEASE call to cancel if you have signed up and find you cannot play.

### 1b. Twilight Golf Scramble and Dinner

This 9-hole social golf and dinner event will take place once a month throughout the summer. This event is open to all categories of VNCC membership who are members of the WGA including social and non-resident members, and beginners through competitive golfers. The focus of this event is on socializing, meeting old and new friends, and enjoying the game of golf with other women with dinner following play. Because this league has reserved tee times, membership in the VNCC-WGA is required for all VNCC members. A greens fee may be required to play based on your VNCC membership level. Sign up is through the VNCC Golf Genius website by Monday at 6 **pm**. Teams will be put together by the VNCC pro shop. A participatory fee will be charged to your VNCC account which will include dinner for the evening. There is an option for dinner only should you not be able to play golf that day. Guests are not allowed to participate on Scramble nights.

### 2. Thursday Women's Golf

WGA Thursday morning golf will be divided into two groups; those who play 18 holes and those who play 9 holes. This play is open to all categories of VNCC membership including social and non- resident members and beginners through competitive golfers. Because this league has reserved tee times, membership in the VNCC Women's Golf Association is required for all VNCC members. An additional greens fee may be required to play based on your VNCC membership level and VNCC restrictions may apply. WGA members may sign up through

golf genius and will be assigned tee times between the hours of 9am and 10am for 18-hole groupings and at 11am for 9 holes groupings. The VNCC pro shop will assign the groupings. Dining tables will be reserved in the clubhouse for lunch to follow play. Thursday morning play will officially begin on May 30, 2024, and will run through September 12, 2024. Prizes will be awarded for the official 10-week season. There will be a chip-in pot that you may enter weekly in the pro shop by putting \$1 in the box. The chip- in pot is open to both 18- and 9-hole players. Thursday afternoon before the event an email will be sent to all WGA members asking if they would like to participate in the upcoming event. If you are playing 18 holes, it is requested to sign up on Golf Genius or with the Pro Shop by 6 pm on **Monday before the event**. Nine-hole players must contact the pro shop directly. If you have not signed up, you will be allowed to play at the back of the field on a "space available" basis only. PLEASE call to cancel if you have signed up and find you cannot play. Guests are not allowed to participate in Thursday Women's Golf days.

### 3. Saturday Ambassador Golf

This event is scheduled to take place on Saturday afternoons as an opportunity for women golfers to meet and play together in a non-competitive, supportive environment. It is open to all VNCC women members. VNCC-WGA membership is not required. Members of the VNCC-WGA will hold one or two tee times with TBD players. In 2024, the VNCC-WGA contact person will be Natalie Fleishman (her contact info is in the

member roster). Sign up is by texting or calling her. Unused tee times will be canceled 48 hours prior to the tee time.

In addition to our weekly events, the VNCC-WGA will sponsor two tournament events: The Green Mountain Challenge and the President's Cup.

# 1. The Green Mountain Challenge

This is a match play event between VNCC, Burlington Country Club, Country Club of Barre, and Country Club of Vermont. Each club has a 12-person team divided into three handicap divisions. Players go out in foursomes, one player from each club, matched up according to handicap. Three matches will be played within each foursome. Lunch is following play and the winning club will be announced during lunch. This event is rotated each year between the 4 clubs. In 2024 VNCC will be the host.

# 2. The President's Cup

This is a season-long net event. Each participant will play 4 matches, randomly drawn at the beginning of the season. Each net match will be awarded 3 points: 1 for the front nine, 1 for the back nine and 1 for the total. The player with the most points after all four matches have been played will be the winner.

#### **Rules and Regulations**

- 1. Play is governed by the USGA Rules except as modified by the Local Rules and WGA Regulations.
- 2. A maximum handicap of **54** will be used for VNCC-WGA Club events unless otherwise stated.
- 3. All VNCC members may play in WGA tournaments provided that:
  - a. She is a VNCC member in good standing.
  - b. She has paid WGA membership dues.
  - c. She has an established USGA handicap at VNCC.
  - d. She is at least 14 years old.
- 4. On play days, unless otherwise stated in the rules of a specific game, all putts must be holed out until a player reaches 10 strokes. Then she may pick up to speed up play. In the case of Championship tournaments there is no limit to the number of strokes a player may make until the ball is holed out. All strokes must be counted as governed by the USGA Rules.
- 5. The rule for putts in all "putting" games is that once a golfer is on the green, all strokes count as putts even though the ball may roll into the fringe or off the green.
- 6. Please repair ball marks on the green and repair divots to the tee boxes and in the fairways. Rake sand bunkers and lay the rake inside of the bunkers.

- 7. A Chip-in is when the ball is chipped in with a wedge or other club off the green or if it is putted in from off the green.
- **8.** It is the responsibility of the WGA members to know and follow USGA and Local Club Rules.

# **Other Important Information**

- 1. Scorecards must be signed, attested to, and handed in at the Pro Shop for any WGA sponsored event to be considered for prizes or Championships.
- 2. Games, current announcements, and game instructions will be posted before the event.
- 3. When you have a Chip-In or Birdie during a WGA play day, note boldly the action on the scorecard unless it is a scramble format. The Birdie Tree is in the Ladies locker room. Fill out a birdie with your name, date, and hole # you birdied. Chip-in money will be distributed after play on Thursday. If no one chips in, the money will remain in the box for the next week.