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I "Heart" Golf

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EWGA has designated February as I "Heart" Golf month and this is in line with the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women initiative (National Wear Red day was February 6th). Did you know that the heart disease is the #1 killer in women? To learn more about this and to know your risk then check out this website: <https://www.goredforwomen.org/home/about-go-red>

The Go Red For Women movement (a subsidiary of the American Heart Association) works to make sure women know they are at risk so they can take action to protect their health.

Stress management and fitness are important factors in maintaining a healthy heart and that is why golf is a good fit. Golf is a great way to burn calories. Although not a fast-action sport, it is an endurance activity because every 18-hole round requires anywhere from three to five hours of walking and swinging the club. Estimates on calories consumed while golfing range from around 800 calories riding and 1500 calories walking 18 holes.

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Benefits from our EWGA membership provide both tangible and intangible reasons to love golf. Don't forget to check the members' page on the [EWGA.com](http://www.myewga.com) website periodically for some of the tangible benefits <http://www.myewga.com/membersavings/>, including opportunities to play at certain private / premier golf courses through [Boxgroove.com](http://www.Boxgroove.com) or the [ClubCorp.com](http://www.ClubCorp.com) "member for a day" program. The cost of your membership can be negated by taking advantage of the discounts and services offered by our partners and sponsors. Don't forget to login to see members only content!

Intangible benefits range from friendships formed, social networking, volunteer opportunities, fun golf, and competitive golf, shared experiences playing bucket list golf courses, Intangibles are more personal; so why do you love golf? Go to our group page in Facebook page and post your comments.



Shirley

Speaking of Loving the Game of Golf...

*The EWGA's Tournament Operations (TOPS) Committee has selected our own **Alice Davitt** and 7 others to join the 2015 TOPS team. She will be working several of the EWGA National Tournaments throughout the year. Alice assures us that she will still be helping with our own chapter events, including our Chapter Match Play Tournament. We will still see her out and about playing golf in the national tournaments, and our own leagues and events.*

As you know we always need help at our own events.

Visit our website to show your love of the game and volunteer some of your time. Currently we need help with Kick Off, and PGA Superstore Expo Events.

"Many hands make light work." John Heywood

<http://www.ewgachicago.com/volunteerList.php>

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Education Corner

By [Kelly Storm](#)

If you are planning ahead for spring outdoor clinics, Makray golf course, in Barrington, is hosting three EWGA golf clinics. The clinics will cover a variety of topics and will be held from 9:30 am - 11:00 am on **April 26th** and **May 9th**. A third clinic will be held in the evening on **May 20th** from 5:00 pm - 6:30. For more details about the clinics please visit the EWGA Chicago Metro website.

<http://www.ewgachicago.com/golfevents.php>

Don't forget to register for **Kickoff on March 21st**. All of your golf friends will be attending and you will get first dibs on spaces in your favorite leagues!

Visit our website for a sneak peak at some of our leagues for 2015.

<http://ewgachicago.com/leagues.php>

It's EXPO Time Again at the PGA SUPERSTORES!



Downers Grove
Schaumburg

March 7th
March 14th

9am - 5pm
9am - 5pm

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Events, Events, and More Events

By [Sue Miller](#)



2015 Kick Off is set for Sat March 21st at Fountain Blue in Des Plaines

You are invited to the Chicago Metro Kick Off Event and Breakfast. Over 200 local female golfers will come to meet with friends, welcome new members, visit vendor tables and register for over 25 weekday or weekend leagues for all levels. Join us and get inspired for the 2015 Golf Season with chances to win prizes from our sponsors and donors. Brush off that snow, start getting your clubs ready, and bring your friends to introduce them to EWGA!

Note: No walk-in registration available.

Spring Fling is usually held on the first Sunday of May. We are trying something new this year. We are having 2 Just Golf Events on that day. One North, and one South. Both on **Sunday May 3rd**:

9:30 Tee times at **Broken Arrow in Lockport, IL**
\$35 to walk and \$52 to ride 18 holes.

Noon Tee times at **Sportsmans in Northbrook, IL**
\$40 to walk and \$58 to ride 18 holes.

Visit the event website for the remaining golf event schedule:
<http://www.ewgachicago.com/golfevents.php>

National EWGA Events



EWGA 2015 NEW Par 3 Challenge:

Two-Person best ball competition. Choose to compete in Net or Gross Division.
Teams comprised of two women or one man/one woman!

2015 Par 3 Challenge Qualifier

There are several locations around the country, but this one is very close!

Saint Charles, Illinois April 25th @ The Royal Fox Country Club

2015 Par 3 Challenge Finals

Palm Beach, Florida June 27th @ Palm Beach Par 3

For more information and the full schedule visit the Par 3 Challenge website Treat yourself to some EWGA fun in the sun!

<http://www.myewga.com/par3challenge/home>

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EWGA 2015 Championship:

The EWGA Championship started in 1995. It has grown to be the largest women's amateur golf competition in the world and we want YOU to be a part of the fun and excitement. Members of all skill levels are encouraged to compete so give the Championship a try and put your game to the test!

<http://www.ewgachampionship.com/home>

Chapter Championship:

July 12th @ Bartlett Hills Golf Club

Upper Midwest Semi-Finals:

Aug 22nd @ Thornberry Creek at Oneida, Green Bay, WI

Finals:

Oct 30-31st @ Westin Mission Hills, Rancho Mirage, CA

EWGA 2015 Cup:

The EWGA Cup is an amateur match play competition conducted under the direction of the EWGA Association Headquarters (EWGA). Competition is conducted in two stages of play:

<http://www.ewgacup.com/home>

2015 Cup Qualifier – 18 holes of Four-Ball and 18 holes of Singles completed over 2 days to determine the teams that will advance to The Cup Finals. Here are the Regional Sites/Dates:

Central Midwest Sept 19-20th @ Willow Creek Golf Club
(Red/White Course) West Des Moines, IA

Northeast Sept 19-20th @ Lyman Orchards Middlefield, CT

Southern Sept 19-20th @ Tiburon Golf Club Naples, FL

Atlantic Sept 26-27th @ Skybrook Golf Club Huntersville, NC

Great Lakes October 3-4th @ Blue Shamrock Golf Club Palmerton, PA

Western Pacific October 3-4th @ Red Hawk Golf & Resort
(Hills & Lakes) Sparks, NV

2015 Cup Finals are scheduled for November 13 – 14th @ the Reunion Resort outside of Orlando, FL

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Member Services News

By [Cristine Marik](#)

Member Survey—COMING SOON TO YOUR INBOX!

We hope you will take a few minutes to give us your feedback on our pre-season, member survey. The survey will be sent to each member via email and you can easily complete it online.

The results of this survey will be used by the Board to help tailor future programs and events offered by the Chicago Metro Chapter. With your feedback, we can continue to enhance and improve your experience as a member of EWGA Chicago!

Survey responses will be collected over the next few weeks and we will report back the results at the **Spring Kick-Off on March 21st**.

You can also indicate your volunteer interests as part of the survey.

Throughout the season, there will be various opportunities to help out with golf and social events, organize "Just Golf" outings, serve on a Board committee, and come August, we will be seeking nominations for those interested in serving on next year's Board. We hope you will get involved—it's fun and a great way to expand your network of friends both on and off of the golf course.

Is It Time to Renew Your Membership?

At this time of year, many of us are due to renew our EWGA membership for the season. Going online to <http://www.ewga.com> is a quick and easy way to renew. When you log into your account online and go to the Membership Renewal section, you will see an "invoice" on your record dated November 2014. Last November, an invoice for 2015 dues was placed on every member's record who is due to renew from January through June 2015. Once you make your renewal payment, your membership expiration date will move forward one full year to 2016.

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If you do not wish to renew online, you can submit a renewal form either by mail or fax to EWGA headquarters. You can download a paper renewal form by visiting EWGA's website

<http://www.ewga.com/index.php/ewga/member-benefits.html>

If you want to add a second Chapter (a dual membership) to your record, send an email to <mailto:member@myewga.com> or call the toll free number at 800-407-1477 x10. Ask that the second Chapter be added for you and pay the \$35 fee for the dual membership.

Welcome & Congratulations!

We are excited to welcome some new members to our Chapter. In addition, congratulations are in order for members celebrating their anniversaries with the Chicago Metro Chapter this month.

Welcome to Our New Members!

Lara Compton

Hillary Scofield

Julie Cwik

Tiffany Summers

Joanne Reilley

Rosa Tumialan

John Schlaman

Ilyse Vanderah

Happy Anniversary!

5 Years

20 Years

Susan Beyers

Aleda Downs

Jenny Spence

We are so happy you are part of our Chapter!

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