

## SWGA Women's December Forum 6/12/21

Forum format gathers the opinions & views of those in attendance but not those who are unable to be present. *All clubs have the opportunity to voice their opinions and have these opinions acknowledged by the Ops team by forum, phone, email or visit.*

Minutes:

### **1. Pennant Conditions:**

Responses to Questions

4.2 Play is to be conducted in pairs or fours as stipulated by the draw.

- *To be determined by the host club.*

6.3 Finals.

- *There will be no finals in 2022, it is included in the conditions if required in future years. Clubs responded they were generally not in favour of finals.*

Definition of Match Committee & how many

5.1 *The host club representatives are the match committee of the day, as many as required to undertake duties of the day. refer pages 10 & 11*

5.1 (iv) Definition of dealing with slow play (Rules of golf 5.6b)

- *Out of position is defined as being more than the starting interval behind the group in front. Match Committee are to offer a warning and if both players are unwilling/ unable to regain their position in the field they may be instructed to carry their balls and walk to their correct position in the field.*

2.2(1) clubs if promoted to Div 1 may struggle to field 7 competitive players in a team.

*If this situation occurs, Ops team to determine best alternative.*

4.3 Extreme weather Conditions as per SWGA Standard Event Conditions.

- *Resolution of abandoned matches & contests page 5 4.3(v). No spare day required.*

4.5 Motorised transport.

- *a player who has permission to use a cart may choose when they use the cart or not.*

2.2(iv) General support from large clubs to field only 4 teams.

Aligning of Pennant Conditions Men/ Women

- *2022 Conditions have been written after consideration of SWGA Men's, Golf Victoria & Western Aust Pennant Conditions to suit SWGA Women. Further consultation with SWGA Men's ops in the new year will be undertaken.*

### **2. Changes to Betty Kernot.**

Clubs to enter 1 team only in Betty Kernot KO. (2021- 9 clubs entered 2 teams)

- *32 sides reduced to 16 because the number of byes required in the first round (6- in 2021) & reduce the need for 2 rounds to be played on the 1 day.*

- *Clubs with the highest handicap to be balloted out once field is full (B.K is a Scratch handicap event).*

A handicap match play format to be considered in future to partner this event.

### **3. Review of 2021 Champs.**

*-Maintain 3 Grades over Sun and Mon*

*-Keep the Open Champs as a 27 hole event.*

This year conflicted with other events pushed into Nov lower participation)

Low participation of Sunday pennant players in Champs, low nos. in B grade

leave formats as is for 2022. *All SWGA events need more communication and publicity at club level*

Suggestion of SWGA holding a Champion of Champions event.

Should Rene Austin event to have its own day? Final would need to be over a Sun & Mon.as clubs run multi day qualifiers. A broad time frame for qualifying events to be run at club level to maximise participants.

*-Suggestion to run C Grade Champs & Vets Champs on the same day, same format?*

*Otway shield day to cater for longer markers & C Graders. Shield to have a new life. Otway/ Leigh pennant remains as handicap Pennant Division in the same time frame as other divisions.*

### **4. Women's Clinic. Make it fun & they will come.**

Very successful day. Generally *endorsed to continue to cater for pathway & longer handicap golfers.*

Expand the programme at district & club level to include short course, scrambles, fun events, rules, etiquette, scoring sessions on course instruction, mentoring. Many clubs are doing this with great success already.

*Merit Awards cancelled this year not enough events, 2022 to restart with clubs imputing results straight onto the website. More info to come.*

### **5. Website to be reconfigured for easier access.**

*Pennant draws, events in SWGA and Pennant Conditions of play previously available from the pennant booklet will be able to be down loaded and printed from the website.*

*Host clubs will indicate tee times and whether play will be conducted in 2s or 4s for matches at their club once viewing the draw.*

*These will be published by end of February.*