

# PINEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB LADY PUTTERS

- ❖ All Members shall abide by the Pinewood Country Club Lady Putters Bylaws.
- ❖ **Membership:** New members must register and pay \$15.00 dues for a one-year membership. Members renewing their membership pay \$10.00 yearly dues. Every member must complete a new membership form each year with payment of dues. If a member is paid for the season, but has not played at least one time during that season, she will be eligible to join as a new member the following season, must pay the new member fee, and establish a new handicap. If a member does not play and/or pay for a season and does not join the following year prior to the third Thursday of July, she will be removed from the roster.
- ❖ **Guests:** Guest of Putters (who are not social members) are welcome. They are responsible to pay the Pinewood Country Club guest fee of \$5.00. They will pay \$3.00 to the Lady Putters and will be eligible up to three "holes in one". They will not be eligible for any other prizes. A guest may putt only one time for \$3.00 before becoming a sports member of Pinewood Country Club and joining Lady Putters.
- ❖ **Dress Code:** Our official Lady Putters' attire is white shirts and black golf shorts, slacks, skirts, or skorts. Pinewood Country Club rules prohibit the wearing of tank tops. Tennis shoes, walking shoes or flat rubber soled sandals may be worn on the putting green. No shoes with "heels" of any kinds, or golf shoes. Equipment: regulation putter and golf ball
- ❖ **Monthly Meetings:** Lady Putters hold a monthly meeting/luncheon. Reports and awards are presented to the membership during the meeting. Sign up for monthly meeting/luncheons must be done 2 days prior to the meeting date. (a form and menu will be available) Because the club orders food based on our reservations to attend, your account will be charged for lunch if you do not cancel 2 days prior or simply don't show up.
- ❖ **Days of Play:** Lady Putters play every Thursday during the season. Please check in between 9:00am and 9:30am to allow play to start on time at 10:00am. CASH ONLY (meaning three \$1.00 bills) will be accepted each week of play to allow for weekly payouts. At least one dollar or more of our weekly three dollars fee will be used for the payout of holes in one. The remaining dollars will be used to pay prize money for Low Gross and Low Net.
  - Each member will select a number at check in that will indicate the hole on which she is to start playing. After announcements, all ladies are to proceed to their starting hole and the team will receive their score cards. The team members are responsible to neatly record names, scores and handicaps. All score cards must be tallied and attested to before collecting prize money. Work together and help each other with this. At completion of play, hole in one monies can be collected at the check in table area. Please have all team members who qualify for money come together.
  - **No practice putting** is allowed on the putting green the day of play. Do not give advice to other putter, it will mean one stroke penalty.
- ❖ **Putting:** Start all putts between the tee marker and you. Place the ball (do not drop it as it can damage the green) in line with or behind the tape on the tee marker. Remember that any

time your putter makes contact with your ball, it is considered a stroke and must be counted as such. So move your ball with your hand or foot. Putt with the pin in the hole. After retrieving your ball, return pin to proper position and walk around the back of the hole so as not to interfere with the putt of the next putter. Affirm your score with the score keeper. When your team has completed a hole, please let the team following know you are done and the hole is available for their play.

- **Continuous playing** is the order of the day. In order to keep play moving, the maximum number of strokes on any hole is six (6). After you have struck the ball five (5) times, pick up and take a 6. Putt all putts, there are no “gimmies.” Team members should stay alert and be ready to putt when it’s their turn.
- **Out of bounds:** a ball putted off the putting green onto the unclipped portion is deemed ‘out of bounds.’ Take the ball to the point of exit on the edge of the green. Then measure one putter head length and place the ball at the ‘end’ of the putter. Add a one penalty stroke to your score for that hole.
- **Ball hit to the wrong hole:** If a player putts to the wrong hole and continues to putt into the wrong hole, she must take a one penalty stroke. If it is possible to putt to the correct hole from where the ball lies, she may count all strokes and eliminate the penalty.
- **Ball striking other putter’s ball at rest:** Putter’s ball doing the hitting is played from where it landed and putter’s ball at rest is returned to original spot.
- **2 balls in motion strike:** If two balls in motion strike each other, both players should replay their ball from its original spot (no penalty). A ball accidentally hit by a putter counts as one stroke.
- **Ball stopped or deflected:** If a ball is stopped or deflected by any moving or stationary outside agency (No penalty) Stroke is cancelled and ball shall be replayed from the original spot.
- ❖ **Handicaps:** Each time you putt, 36, which is par for 18 holes, is subtracted from your score and that becomes your handicap. Example: If you score 40 for the day, subtract 36 from 40 and you will have a handicap of 4. The last 10 handicaps are kept and the best 5 of those 10 are averaged. The maximum handicap is 10. 1 high score or 1 low score may not change your handicap. Handicaps are calculated and posted every Thursday of play.
  - New members must putt three (3) games in order to establish a handicap before being eligible for money prizes. However, they are eligible for Hole in One prizes during this time. .
- ❖ **Birdies:** A small Birdie pin will be awarded for every accumulative five (5) holes in one. The number of holes in one carry over to the next season. A large Birdie pin will be awarded for any three (3) Holes in one made in one (1) day. If a Big Bird is earned, it does not accumulate in the 5 holes in one for a “Little Bird.” All birdies are awarded during monthly meetings.
  - Putters are responsible for their own pins. There will be no replacement pins given for lost pins.

❖ **Money Awards:** Putters are arranged according to their handicaps into 4 flights. If there are fewer than 40 putters, there may be only 3 flights. Low Gross is based on the actual score for 18 holes. The lowest score in each flight is First Low Gross and the second lowest score in each flight is Second Low Gross. Each Putter's handicap is subtracted from her score which gives a low net score. The lowest score after the handicap is subtracted receives First Low Net and the next lowest receives Second Low Net. No putter will be eligible for both Low Net and Low Gross. The putter earns the award where she will receive the most money. First Low Gross and First Low Net each receive \$5.00 and Second Low Gross and Second Low Net each receive \$3.00. If there are ties, the money is split. The winners are posted the next day of play and awards are made during the monthly meeting.

❖ **Tournaments:**

- **Club Championship:** Lady Putters holds a championship tournament for all players at the end of the season. An overall champion is determined and her name is added to the Lady Putters' Championship plaque located on the Wall of Champions in the Pinewood Country Club. Her name will also be engraved on the Lady Putter's Championship Trophy.
- **Beat the Pro:** Our PWCC golf pro is invited to compete with the Lady Putters for prize money.
- **Buddy Tournament:** Putters will compete as teams of 2 for prize money.

❖ **Committees:** There are several ways a Putter can participate other than just putting. The following is a list of exiting committees that help to make everything run smoothly.

- **Handicaps:** Calculates, records and post weekly handicaps.
- **Birdies:** Records and awards birdy prizes
- **Course Set Up:** Every Thursday before play, a group of ladies lay out the putting course. There is a formula to follow to avoid random course lay out.
- **Lunch signups:** This is very easy – just supervise as the ladies sign up for weekly lunch
- **Social/Decorations:** Coordinate and create luncheon decorations with special themes for monthly luncheons.
- **Publicity:** Takes pictures and submits Putters' activities and tournament winners to Pinewood News and anywhere else we would to brag on our achievements, i.e. bulletin board in ladies' locker room.

The Lady Putters is a unique organization established to enjoy camaraderie with fellow members while developing and enhancing our putting skills. Simply put, it is a lot of fun!!