



Hello SNEWGA Member,

The season is off to a great start! We're nearly to the half way point, as we've already held the first two of our Majors, The Memorial and now Team Day. Congratulations to all of the winners this season!

June Results

For **Team Day at Oronoque**, the weather cooperated and made for a great day for all. The winning Net team was Oak Hills #1: Kathy Jimenez, MaryAnn Cappiello, Linda Johnson, and Christen D'Andrea. The Gross team winner took full advantage of local course knowledge and took home the Perpetual Cup. The winning team was Oronoque #1: Debbie Johnson, Karen Kiely, Michele Katz, and Jane Brown.

Next up was a new event, the **Member-Guest at Hawks Landing** on a steamy Sunday. The team of Jackie Abelli and her guest Kelly Devanny took the top prize in the event that was better ball on the front nine and alternate shot on the back nine.

Rounding out the June events was a late entry on the tournament schedule: the **Joker's Gone Wild at Portland**. The "Joker's Wild" proved to be wildly popular, as 120 folks played, nearly at capacity! The Net winners were Sharon Maloney, Myra Mazzetta-Sanchez, Bette Slowther, and Barbara McCoy, all from Hunter. The Gross winning team consisted of Jenny Burrill, Carol Frattaroli, Carole Oat, and Lisa Lavoie from a mix of clubs.

Given the popularity of the Joker's Gone Wild, I'd love to hear your feedback on this event and its format. We'd like to schedule more events next year that are just as popular. Let me know what made this so attractive!

Pace of Play

Thank you for diligently recording your pace of play! To date, we have collected information on 6 events, and we are proving that we can be a speedy bunch! Pace of play is forefront in everyone's mind, and it clearly is improving! But there is still work to do. Some reminder tips for this month:

Tip #1: Get in the cart & go! When you hit your shot, jump in the cart and immediately go to the next stop. Put your clubs in your bag (and replace head covers) at the next stop, and not before.

Tip #2: Ready, set, go! Be at your ball ready to hit (yardage & club decided) when it is *your* turn to play. Stay out of others' way, but don't wait to go to your ball until it is your turn. Get there

before it's your turn! Estimate your yardage and bring a few clubs with you that will cover your shot. Around the green, just bring a few chipping clubs & your putter, and you're good to go! Let your cart partner bring the cart to the green.

Tip #3: Don't block the green! Record scores at the next tee box while the group is teeing off. This keeps everyone moving & grooving!

Upcoming Events

July is heating up and deadlines are approaching! Check the [Tournament page](#) for details on all events.

Our premiere major, the **SNEWGA Championship**, is July 14-15 (Championship flight) and July 15 only (all other flights) at Silo Point, formerly known as Heritage Village in Southbury. **Entry deadline is this Wednesday, July 7th.** All handicaps are welcome! Handicaps between 15.5 and 17.4 may choose to play either in Championship flight (2 days) or First flight (1 day). First & Second flights will be decided based on the entries received. Get in before this closes!

The **Association Matches**, our annual match against CWGA, is being held on July 19th at The Farms in Wallingford. Check the [event page](#) for eligibility. Team members will be chosen space available within the handicap ranges specified. **Entry deadline is this Sunday, July 11th**, and can close early if the team is full.

For those looking to take it to another level, the **Connecticut State Amateur** is being held July 20-21 at Race Brook in Orange. **Entry deadline is also this Wednesday, July 7th.** Maximum handicap index is 24.0. More details and application can be found on the [CSGA website](#). Get into this before it closes, too!

Safety First

As we move into a world where it is seemingly safer than it was last summer, we are not out of the woods yet. I remind everyone of some key guidelines to which we must continue to adhere:

- If you are sick, please honor your fellow golfers and **stay home**.
- If you're not vaccinated, please follow CDC guidelines and **wear a mask and practice physical distancing when indoors**.

You may be saving your own life or that of one of your golf buddies. You don't know whose immune system is compromised and is at risk of exposure. Be considerate of everyone.

I look forward to seeing you at an event soon!

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