

# Tee to Green

## SNEWGA Newsletter

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The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials, the most money, or the most awards. They are the ones that care.

- Next publication will be September 4, 2006

Newsletter corrections - send corrections to Donna Pauzé.  
Corrections will be noted in the following month's newsletter.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The FINAL round of the Round Robin was held Saturday, August 5, at Timberlin

Winner of the Division Finals - Grassy Hill

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Rolling Meadows

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Newtown

4<sup>th</sup> Place – Tallwood

### NEWTOWN - DIVISION I WINNER

Participating teams were: Newtown CC, Smith Richardson, Sterling Farms & Tashua Knolls

### TALLWOOD - DIVISION II WINNER

Participating teams were: Cedar Knob, Hunter, Tallwood & Tradition (*Simsbury Farms not participating*)

### GRASSY HILL - DIVISION III WINNER

Participating teams were: Fairchild Wheeler, Farmingbury Hills, Grassy Hill & Laurel View

### ROLLING MEADOWS - DIVISION IV WINNER

Participating teams were: Blackledge, Rolling Meadows, Stanley & Timberlin

Teams that played in the FINALS on 8/5:

- Newtown
- Tallwood
- Grassy Hill
- Rolling Meadows

## HOLE-IN-ONES????

If you have any, be sure to send info to [donna.pauze@comcast.net](mailto:donna.pauze@comcast.net)

### HOLE-IN-ONE – April 20

Name: Susan Paulin

Date of hole-in-one: April 20, 2006

Course name of the hole-in-one: Newtown Country Club (Newtown, CT)

Hole #6 - Par 3 - 135 yards uphill - 5 wood

## IT'S HERE!!!!

A "Photo Album" button has been added to the SNEWGA web site!! ([www.snewga.org](http://www.snewga.org))

Check it out -- your picture may be there!

There are photos from all "major" tournaments played this year (Memorial, Team Day, Individual, and Seniors').

If you have a picture that you want posted, e-mail photo to [donna.pauze@comcast.net](mailto:donna.pauze@comcast.net)

**Great web site for new and "close-out" shoes- Check it out!**

<http://www.golfshoesonly.com/>

## TOURNAMENT RESULTS SUMMARY (July)

### Individual Championship – July 20-21

Grassy Hill, Orange, CT (5209 yards)

Chairwoman: Marianne Roggemann

Full field results posted on SNEWGA web site. *Not all winners listed here...*

*FANTASTIC day and well-organized tournament! Thanks to Marianne and her*

### Seniors Championship - July 25

Tashua Knolls (5454 yards)

Chairwoman: Geri Tischer

Full field results posted on SNEWGA web site. *Not all winners listed here...*

*What a FANTASTIC job that Geri and her Tashua Knolls team did with this tournament!*

*Grassy Hill team.*

**SNEWGA CHAMPION 2006**  
**DEBBIE JOHNSON!**

**Championship Division**

**1<sup>ST</sup> Gross -**

**Debbie Johnson**, Sterling Farms (78-75) – 153

**2<sup>nd</sup> Gross - Jen Holland**, Lyman (81-76) – 157

**3<sup>rd</sup> Gross - Linda Lyons**, Timberlin (80-79) – 159

**4<sup>th</sup> Gross –**

**Felicia Shashinka**, Grassy Hill (84-79) – 163

**5<sup>th</sup> Gross –**

**Lisa Fern-Boros**, Fairchild (81-83) – 164

**6<sup>th</sup> Gross –**

**Nicole Coffey**, Pequabuck (79-86) - 165

**1<sup>ST</sup> Flight**

**1<sup>st</sup> Gross – Elaine Wieziolowski**, Grassy Hill - 93

**2<sup>nd</sup> Gross – Eileen Berg**, East Mountain - 95

**3<sup>rd</sup> Gross – Auro Showah**, Richter – 96

**2<sup>nd</sup> Flight**

**1<sup>st</sup> Gross – Evelyn Amico**, Grassy Hill - 102

**2<sup>nd</sup> Gross – Katie Hosfelt**, Grassy Hill - 105

**3<sup>rd</sup> Gross – Susan Seigars**, Stanley - 111

**Longest Drives - Hole 16**

**Championship Flight - Nicole Coffey**, Pequabuck

**1st Flight - Karen King**, Timberlin

**2nd Flight- Katie Hosfelt**, Grassy

**New England Women's Golf**

**Association – July 11-13**

**Championship – Sunday River**

**(Maine) Full field results posted on SNEWGA web site**

**Debbie Johnson, CT (Sterling Farms) came in #12 (out of 71 players) with a 3-day score of 234 (73-76-85)**

**CONGRAULATIONS TO DEBBIE JOHNSON!**  
**Kudos' for an excellent performance!!**

**Congratulations to all the SNEWGA members who participated!!**

**Debbie Johnson (SNEWGA, Sterling Farms)**  
**234** (73-76-85)

**Jen Holland (SNEWGA, Lyman Orchards)**  
**240** (75-80-85)

**Linda Lyons (SNEWGA, Timberlin) –**  
**251** (83-85-83)

**Myra Macmillan (SNEWGA, Sterling Farms) -**  
**257** (89-85-83)

***FUN DAY!***

**2006 SENIORS' CHAMPION**  
**MARY MESEK, Timberlin**

**Championship Flight**

**1st place - Gross**

82 – **Mary Mesek**, Timberlin

**2nd place - Gross**

83 – **Peg Mimno**, Richter Park

**3rd place – Gross**

84 – **Sue Sawyer**, Fairchild Wheeler

**1st Flight**

**1st place - Gross**

91 – **Judie Anderson** – Tashua Knolls

**2nd place - Gross**

98 – **Jennie Duffany** – Farmingbury Hills

**2<sup>nd</sup> Flight**

**1st place - Gross**

104 – **Kathy Monaghan** - Tashua Knolls

**2nd place - Gross**

107 – **Thea Gambardella** – Traditions

**Longest Drives - Hole 4**

**Championship Flight**

Kate Davoli, Smith Richardson

**1st Flight**

Susan Brenner, Hunter

**2nd Flight**

Sue Seigars, Stanley

**Tournament of Champions**

**July 31 - Wampanoag Country Club**

The Tournament of Champions is held once a year for the past and current club champions from every club. It's usually held at Wampanaug in West Hartford. **The two ladies who have been running the tournament for years are looking to have some individuals come in and take it over.** It's **not** a huge time commitment as it's once a year; and is well organized from previous years. It would be a great volunteer position for someone who has some time but it will not be overly burdensome. If interested, please contact Gale Lemieux ([snewga.pres@sbcglobal.net](mailto:snewga.pres@sbcglobal.net))

**This year's tournament results listed below:**

**1s Place – Jen Holland 75**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Lisa Fern-Boros 78**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Nicole Coffey 79**

**4<sup>th</sup> Place – Donna Harris 80**

**Diamond in the Rough Golf & Luxury Getaways**

**Scotland & Ireland**

New website [www.diamondintheroughgolf.com](http://www.diamondintheroughgolf.com)

**INTERESTING IDEA FOR NEXT MAY:**

This organization still has some good deals for October 2006 for both Ireland and Scotland. They are not just "GOLF" – they have a wonderful selection of optional luxury getaways - deluxe garden tours, walking tours, gourmet whisky trail tours, and can put any type of customized itinerary together as well.

**Diamond in the Rough donates a portion of all profits to the Breast Cancer Alliance of Greenwich.**

As part of the Diamond in the Rough itinerary, there is a **women's Ireland challenge next May (2007)**. This could be a great time for a few foursomes to attend if interested. **The winners get a trip back to Ireland in 2008 to defend their "title"!!**

[www.diamondintheroughgolf.com](http://www.diamondintheroughgolf.com)

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## **1<sup>ST</sup> Annual CHNCT Foundation Golf Tournament** **TPC River Highland**

*The CHNCT Foundation is a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) charitable organization that promotes the importance of healthcare initiatives for underprivileged children.*

**On August 28, 2006, CHNCT will host a golf tournament at the TPC River Highland in Cromwell, CT.**

This will be the CHNCT Foundation's key fundraising event for the year and they want all golfers to be part of this fun-filled day and support a worthy cause. **Feel free to share this info with other golfers.**

**12Noon** – Shot Gun Start (Scramble Format)

**5:30pm** – Buffet Style Dinner, Cocktails and Raffle

**\$250 per golfer**

**Dinner only \$30 per person**

**Make check payable to CHNCT Foundation, Inc.**

**Send check to:**

Community Health Network of CT Foundation, Inc.  
11 Fairfield Boulevard  
Wallingford, CT 06492  
Phone: (203) 949-4000

For more detailed information visit them at: [www.chnctfoundation.org/golf](http://www.chnctfoundation.org/golf) or please contact them via e-mail: **Foundation@CHNCT.org**

## **REMINDERS**

**STILL ROOM TO Sign up for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tournament**

*(open to all present and former SNEWGA members)*

- **Rockledge FULL**
- **Hunter (still accepting applications through August 15)**

**If you need a golf partner to play in this tournament, contact Terri Amadeo. Terri will try to pair singles.**

**Accepting applications:**

Terri Amadeo 203-772-4112  
([tamadeo@spectra-strip.com](mailto:tamadeo@spectra-strip.com))

- *If you want to be sure your spot is saved, call Terri to advise that check is in the mail (leave message on her answering machine)*

**SNEWGA has a one-year introductory membership open to any woman who has not been a SNEWGA member in the past.**

The hope is that after an introduction to SNEWGA, the member will affiliate with a member club and join SNEWGA as a regular member.

The cost is \$25. Application is on SNEWGA web site or contact Linda Woods, First VP, Membership ([lwoods@snet.net](mailto:lwoods@snet.net))

*Since not affiliated with a club, introductory members are not eligible to play in SNEWGA team events (Team Day, Memorial, Pro-Lady, Round Robin, or Fall Cup).*

## **SNEWGA ROLES**

**COURSE RATINGS**

*Committee is authorized by USGA to rate and re-rate courses. All courses in Connecticut are done (if asked - not just SNEWGA courses).*

If interested in participating in course ratings or

**NOMINATION FOR AN OFFICER'S POSITION:**

If you would like to **nominate** anyone to any officer position, please contact any member

REQUEST TO HAVE YOUR COURSE RATED, contact **Bev Vigdor**, Chair (Keney Park) 860-728-3408 [beverlyvee@comcast.net](mailto:beverlyvee@comcast.net)

See complete listing of current clubs rated by going to SNEWGA web site ([www.snewga.org](http://www.snewga.org)):

- Click on **Course Rating** (left side of home page)
- Click on **Regions and Courses with Ratings** (middle section)
- This is a COMPLETE listing of all SNEWGA courses slopes and ratings – **EXCELLENT GUIDE**
- This listing also lists the DELEGATES responsible for your club's region and how to contact them
  - Club Delegates attend SNEWGA's monthly board meetings. They are the liaison between the SNEWGA Board (Executive Committee) and individual clubs. Individual members are encouraged to raise issues to either their SNEWGA Rep or SNEWGA Delegate

**Clubs that have been recently rated:**

Wintonbury Hills  
Oxford Greens  
Willow Brook (Executive Course in So. Windsor)  
Stonybrook

of the committee listed below. Nominations will close in August.

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**Cindy Hedge, Timberlin**  
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**Officer positions (Executive Board):**

- President
- First Vice President, Membership
- Second Vice President, Rules, Round Robin, Fall Cup
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Public Relations

**If you have an interest in helping on any of the following committees, send e-mail to: [snewga.pres@sbcglobal.net](mailto:snewga.pres@sbcglobal.net)**

- Course Ratings
- Web Site
- Tournament Coordinator
- Historian/Memorial Book
- Tournament of Champions tournament

## **TECH WEEK – ON-LINE “FREE” ENROLLMENT**

- Attend 4 days of on-line computer training right in your home or office (a few hours each day)
- NOVEMBER 6-9, 2006
- Tech Week is interactive training all done over the Internet
- FREE
- **Limit 50-person max per class – so sign up early!**
- **Register on-line at <http://HelpDesk.usga.org>**
- **Monday, November 16**
  - Web Casting 2pm-2:30pm
- **Tuesday, November 7**
  - Windows XP 11am-12Noon
    - Wishing you could get more out of XP's functionality and filing system?
    - Learn how to customize Windows XP environment
  - Adobe Acrobat 2pm-2:30pm
    - Allows you to create PDF (Portable Document Format)
    - Also includes a taste of another useful Adobe Acrobat – “tool-forms”
- **Wednesday, November 8**
  - Networking Concepts 11am-12Noon
    - Networking terms, equipment & functions
  - Favorite Tips 2pm-2:30pm
    - Valuable tips, tricks, ideas
    - Learn quicker ways to accomplish various tasks in Office XP & Windows XP
- **Thursday, November 9**
  - TPP Real Time & Clubhouse Viewer 11am-12Noon
    - Use TPP to set up and run your championship tournaments
    - Put scoring on the Internet or have a TV-style leader board running in the club house
  - Tech Week Wrap-up 12:15pm-12:30pm
    - Be sure to attend this session as there will be a drawing for **flat panel monitor and full version of Adobe Acrobat**



# Golf History Questions

## ***What is the origin of the word 'golf?'***

The word 'golf' is not an acronym for anything. Rather, it derives linguistically from the Dutch word 'kolf' or 'kolve,' meaning quite simply 'club.' In the Scottish dialect of the late 14th or early 15th century, the Dutch term became 'goff' or 'gouff,' and only later in the 16th century 'golf.'

The linguistic connections between the Dutch and Scottish terms are but one reflection of what was a very active trade industry between the Dutch ports and the ports on the east coast of Scotland from the 14th through 17th centuries.

Some scholars suggest that the Dutch game of 'kolf,' played with a stick and ball on frozen canals in the wintertime, was brought by the Dutch sailors to the east coast of Scotland, where it was transferred on to the public linkslands and eventually became the game we know today.

## ***How did the terms 'birdie' and 'eagle' come into golf?***

The term 'birdie' originated in the United States in 1899. H.B. Martin's "Fifty Years of American Golf" contains an account of a foursomes match played at the Atlantic City (N.J.) CC. One of the players, Ab Smith relates: "my ball... came to rest within six inches of the cup. I said 'That was a bird of a shot... I suggest that when one of us plays a hole in one under par he receives double compensation.' The other two agreed and we began right away, just as soon as the next one came, to call it a 'birdie.' In 19th century American slang, 'bird' refereed to anyone or anything excellent or wonderful.

By analogy with 'birdie,' the term 'eagle' soon thereafter became common to refer to a score one better than a 'bird.' Also by analogy, the term 'albatross' for double eagle - an even bigger eagle!

## ***What is the origin of the word 'bogey?'***

The term 'bogey' comes from a song that was popular in the British Isles in the early 1890s, called "The Bogey Man" (later known as "The Colonel Bogey March"). The character of the song was an elusive figure who hid in the shadows: "I'm the Bogey Man, catch me if you can."

Golfers in Scotland and England equated the quest for the elusive Bogey Man with the quest for the elusive perfect score. By the mid to late 1890s, the term 'bogey score' referred to the ideal score a good player could be expected to make on a hole under perfect conditions. It also came to be used to describe stroke play tournaments - hence, in early Rules books we find a section detailing the regulations for 'Bogey Competitions.' It was only in the late 1900s/early 1910s that the concept of 'Par' started to emerge - this being the designated number of strokes a scratch player could be expected to take on a hole in ideal conditions. In this way par was distinguished from bogey. The term par itself is a standard term in sports handicapping, where it simply means 'level' or 'even.'

## ***What are the origins of the term 'dormie?'***

Historically, the term dormie is derived from the French/Latin cognate 'dormir,' meaning 'to sleep,' suggesting that a player who is 'dormie' can relax (literally, go to sleep) without fear of losing the match.

## ***Why do golfers shout 'Fore!' when they hit an errant shot?***

The word 'fore' is Scottish in origin, and is a shortened version of the word 'before' or 'afore.' The old Scottish warning, essentially meaning "look out ahead," most probably originated in military circles, where it was used by artillery men as a warning to troops in forward positions. Golfers as early as the 18th century simply adopted this military warning cry for use on the links.

## ***What is the definition of a 'links' course?***

'Links' is a term that refers to a very specific geographic land form found in Scotland. Such tracts of low-lying, seaside land are characteristically sandy, treeless, and undulating, often with lines of dunes or dune ridges, and covered by bent grass and gorse. To be a true links, the tract of land must lie near the mouth of a river - that is, in an estuarine environment. From the Middle Ages onward, linksland (generally speaking, poor land for farming) were common grounds used for sports, including archery, bowls and golf.

Because many of the early courses of Scotland were built on these common linksland, golf courses and links have forever been associated. The term 'links' is commonly misapplied to refer to any golf course. But remember that a true links depends only on geography.

## ***Why are there 18 holes on a golf course?***

The links at St. Andrews occupy a narrow strip of land along the sea. As early as the 15th century, golfers at St. Andrews established a customary route through the undulating terrain, playing to holes whose locations were dictated by topography. The course that emerged featured eleven holes, laid out end to end from the clubhouse to the far end of the property. One played the holes out, turned around, and played the holes in, for a total of 22 holes.

In 1764, several of the holes were deemed too short, and were therefore combined. The number was thereby reduced from 11 to nine, so that a complete round of the links comprised 18 holes.

When golf clubs in the UK formally recognized the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews as the rule-making body for the sport in the late 1890s, it became necessary for many clubs to expand or reduce the length of their course to eighteen holes. Prior to this time, courses ranged in length from six holes to upward of 20 holes. However, if golfers were to play by the official R&A rules, then their appointed round would consist of 18 holes.

### ***Where does the word 'mulligan' come from?***

There is considerable debate about this topic, to say the least. There are several clubs and several people who have staked claims about the origin of the term 'mulligan.'

The story most widely accepted focuses on a gentleman named David Mulligan who played at the St. Lambert CC in Montreal, Canada during the 1920s. There are several versions of the David Mulligan story.

Mr. Mulligan was a hotelier in the first half of the century, a part-owner and manager of the Biltmore Hotel in New York City, as well as several large Canadian hotels. One story says that the first mulligan was an impulsive sort of event - that one day Mulligan hit a very long drive off the first tee, just not straight, and acting on impulse re-teed and hit again. His partners found it all amusing, and decided that the shot that Mulligan himself called a 'correction shot' deserved a better name, so they called it a 'mulligan.'

**Story two:** Mulligan played regularly with a group of friends at St. Lambert, and in the morning he drove to pick up his golfing buddies. The road into the club was reportedly bumpy and windy and just sort of generally poor, with bridge of bumpy railroad ties. An extra shot was allotted to Mulligan, the driver of the car, on the first tee because he was jumpy and shaking from the difficult drive.

**Story three:** this story again identified a specific moment, citing a day when David Mulligan showed up late to the course, having scrambled to get out of bed late and get dressed and get to the course on time. He was frazzled on the first tee, hit a poor shot, and re-teed.

Another version of the 'mulligan' story comes from the Essex Fells CC in N.J. This story is one of the latest, and may therefore be less credible. According to this version, the term was named after a locker room attendant at the club named John A. 'Buddy' Mulligan, who worked at the club during the 1930s and was known for replaying shots, particularly on the first tee.

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