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FROM: Debbie Ryan, Executive Director

RE: Team Matches 2004

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~~SEPTEMBER 11, 18~~
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It's time again to sign up for Team Matches. Last year, ~~six~~ clubs competed for five weekends in September and October: Three Little Bakers (Net Champ), Christiana (Gross Champ), Fieldstone, Brandywine, Newark, and Chesapeake Bay. We'd like to have more participation - it's a ton of fun, good competition, and new friends have been made.

Attached are the guidelines for this year. The draw party will be held in a few weeks to determine the schedule. That's also when we collect the entry fee and your roster. Other highlights include:

- There will be a gross and net champion.
- You will have a set schedule of 5 matches – no brackets, no double elimination, etc.
- You'll know your schedule weeks in advance, so that you can plan ahead.
- The matches are on Saturdays only - no rain dates, no Sunday play.
- The matches can be scheduled for tee times up to 1:30. Remember, it's only 2 tee times each week.

Phyllis Pepper, who is now working ~~with me~~ as Operations Manager, will be contacting you within the next week to answer questions, and hopefully add your Club to the list of Teams that will compete this Fall.

Team Matches 2004

Rules & Guidelines

- Handicaps as of 9/1 (or the closest update to 9/1) will be used for all matches.
- Four 2-women teams will represent a club in each match.
- Players must be in order of handicaps, with the two lowest handicaps being Team 1, two highest handicaps Team 4.
- Club rosters and payment must be received by DWGA no later than the draw date, to be determined. Entry fee is \$75 per team. No additions to the roster after September 1st.
- 80% of course handicap will be used for the net portion of the competition. Players will play off the low ball of the foursome, playing better ball of partners.
- Each hole is 1 point net, 1 point gross. A team receives 1 point for winning a hole, zero points for a loss, and ½ point for a tie.
- Your lineup may change from one match to another.
- If an emergency substitution must be made, please make every effort to substitute a player that will fit into the same part of the lineup, thus avoiding 'shuffling' players around and causing a lot of changes administratively.
- Email/fax/call in your lineup (8 players) for an upcoming match by Tuesday, 6:00pm.
- The captain of the winning team should email/fax/call in results no later than Monday 6:00pm.
- Carts are mandatory.
- Course Closures Due To Weather: If a course is or becomes closed due to weather, the matches to be played on that course are a draw.
- Other Course Closures: If a course is not available for any reason other than weather, the teams scheduled to play there must play at the other course. Otherwise, the teams whose course is closed must forfeit their match.
- The captain may or may not be a player.
- There will be a gross champion as well as net champion. A team cannot win both.
- If a team cannot fill the lineup with 4 twosomes, the captain may designate positions of the players who are present, and allow a single team member to play against her opponents without a partner. Players must still be in handicap order, however.

DWGA TEAM MATCHES

- x Team Fee is \$75.00 (If one club hosted 2 teams the fee would be \$75.00 each team and a separate roster for each team and they could not shift between teams.)
- x Matches are held on 5 consecutive Saturday's beginning on September 10, 2005

Add We need at least 4 teams enrolled to hold matches. If we are to have a North/South Division, we need at least 4 teams from the South and 4 teams from the North. If we cannot get 4 teams from the South (Kent and Sussex Counties), the teams will play state wide.

Add If we have a North/South Division, a playoff will be held at the end of the 5 scheduled team matches, and if we have enough to make two Div statewide, we can still have a playoff.

- x The teams are made up of 8 players. Rosters may include an unlimited number of potential team members. A player may not be listed on the roster after a given date, prior to starting the matches. Handicaps cut off will be announced.
- x During each weekly match, 4 team members will play their match at home and 4 team members will play their match away.
- x Team rosters and fees are due the night of the Draw Party, the handicaps due by the decided cut-off date.
- x We need your team! Join the fun and excitement of team matches!