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TO: DWGA Delegates
FROM: Linda Outlaw, Team Match Chair
RE: DWGA Team Matches 2009
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NORTHERN DIVISION: SEPTEMBER 12, 19, 26, OCTOBER 3
SOUTHERN DIVISION: SEPTEMBER 15, 22, 29, OCTOBER 7

It's time again to sign up for Team Matches. Last year, ten clubs competed, three teams from our Southern Division and 7 teams from our Northern Division, for six weekends in September and October. They included our Gross Champions – Chesapeake Bay North East GC, our Net Champions – Three Little Bakers CC, Southern Division Gross Champions - Maple Dale CC, Southern Division Net Champions - Kings Creek CC, as well as Bear Trap Dunes GC, Cavaliers CC, Newark CC, Chesapeake Bay Rising Sun GC, Delcastle GC, and Delaware National CC. We'd like to have more participation – it is so much fun, great competition, and camaraderie.

Again this year, we are trying to establish a Southern Division as well as a Northern Division. We need a minimum of four teams to play in either division. Please, also consider statewide teams if we do not have enough clubs participating for either division.

Attached are the guidelines for this year. In 2008 the team format was changed, this year we will be **limiting the number of matches played to four**. Our hope is that a smaller number of matches will encourage more teams to participate. Teams will consist of two, two person teams per club. A club can have more than one team, but they would be separate entries with a separate roster. We hope this makes it easier for your club to field a team.

We will not have a draw party this year, Jennifer O'Brien will determine the schedule, please mail your in team entry fee (\$40.00) and email your roster for the season. Other highlights include:

- There will be a playoff between the North and South to determine gross and net champions.
- You will have a set schedule of matches.
- You'll know your schedule weeks in advance, so that you can plan ahead.
- The matches are on Saturdays in the North and Tuesdays in the South. If the currently scheduled dates are not convenient for your team please contact the DWGA office to make other arrangements.
 - The matches can be scheduled for tee times up to 2:00 PM. Remember, it's only two tee times for 8 people, the weeks you play at your home club. Please discuss with your Pro any dates that will not be convenient for play (i.e. tournaments, aerification, etc.)

Sign up today at the DWGA office (302-234-3365). Please call Jen O'Brien to sign-up your team, or if you have any questions. We are looking forward to a fun and exciting competition!

Team Matches 2009

RULES & GUIDELINES

- Handicaps as of 9/1 (or the closest update to 9/1) will be used for all matches.
- **TWO** 2-women teams will represent a club in each match.
- Only 4 matches will be played in 2009
- Players must be in order of handicaps, with the two lowest handicaps being Team 1, two highest handicaps Team 2.
- Club rosters and payment must be received by DWGA no later than August 25th. Entry fee is \$40 per team. No additions may be made 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 (4 players) for an upcoming match by Friday, 3:00 p.m. in the South and Tuesday, 3:00 p.m. in the North. (302-234-3365 / dwga@dwga.org). Captains will receive handicaps and NO changes are acceptable unless approved by Jen O'Brien. Team captains will then prepare all score cards for the day.
- Both team captains must email/fax/call in results at completion of play (302-234-3365 / dwga@dwga.org).
- 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, or at agreement of both captains, can be played on another day.
- 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 team 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 a net champion. A team cannot win both.
- If a team cannot fill the lineup with 2 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. However, players must still be in handicap order.
- If there are North and South divisions, there will be a playoff for the titles (both gross and net), no later than Saturday, October 24, at a course to be determined.