

Dear 18- Hole League Chair:

The GCWGA Board, Tournament Chairs, Scholarship Foundation Committee and the Long Range Planning Committee (LRP) are very excited about the 17th year of our annual SHE (Scholarship for Higher Education) Championship Tournament to be held on September 9, 2024 at Blue Ash Golf Course.

Once again we are asking EVERY GCWGA member club to participate by holding a ‘low net’ qualifying event (Foundation Day) this season. This event helps fund the GCWGA Scholarship Foundation. **The mission of this foundation is to provide one time awards to female high school seniors who meet a certain set of qualifications and are selected on the basis of academic achievement, excellence of character and involvement in the sport of golf.**

The four ‘low net’ qualifiers from your event will have earned the right to play as a team and represent your club at the GCWGA’s SHE Championship Tournament.

To make this fundraiser another big success, we need your help. Please make sure that you announce this as a **special event** at your opening day meeting and place the poster where everyone will see it. As the date for your event approaches, be sure to talk about it again and let people know that it’s a fun way to help promote this great Scholarship Fund. Encourage everyone to sign up. **You might also mention that the donation for this event is \$10.00, which is tax deductible donation to the GCWGA Scholarship Foundation, and if anyone wants to give more, their gift would be very much appreciated.**

The general format is as follows:

1. Each club is to hold an annual low net qualifying event. It probably works best to hold your event on a regular league day. However, in the past, some clubs held their event on more than one day in order to give more of their members an opportunity to be involved. This is entirely up to each club.
2. **Please let us know the date for your event by June 1, 2024. Simply send an e-mail to Robin Kofler – robin.kofler@yahoo.com**
3. Each participant will contribute \$10.00 (or more) to the Scholarship Fund, which you as Golf Chair will collect and forward along with the names of each donor and their amount given to Robin Kofler: 24 Muirfield Lane Blue Ash, OH 45241
4. The four low net winners from each club will become a team and will play in the overall SHE championship at Blue Ash Golf Course on Monday, September 9, 2024. We will have a shotgun start at 10:00 a.m. and have a cookout immediately following play. The winning team will be announced at that time. **NOTE: In the event of rain on the 9th, an alternate date will be scheduled as soon as Blue Ash lets us know available dates.**

5. The winning team of this event (2- best ball net) will receive the SHE Championship traveling trophy which will be displayed at their club during the coming year. Second and Third place teams will also be recognized.
6. Each of the participants in the SHE Championship on September 9th will pay \$85.00. This fee covers greens fee, cart, cookout and a \$5.00 contribution to the Scholarship Fund.

Each club is free to do their own thing to encourage participation for this league day event. This will be up to you; i.e., some clubs may choose to pay the individual entry fee (or part of it) from league monies since you would probably not have other individual prizes that day. Total for the foursome is \$340.00.

Since we want all clubs to participate in the SHE Championship in September, we encourage you to really promote your Event and have low net qualifying event and have it during a week where you will have full participation from your members.

Please keep records of all participants. If any of the low four cannot play on the 9th, you would take the next lowest qualifier, etc.

Registration and the entry money must be received by August 15, 2024 and sent to:

Robin Kofler
24 Muirfield Lane
Blue Ash, Ohio 45241
Robin.kofler@yahoo.com

We are grateful to Blue Ash Golf Course for hosting the tournament this year. We are confident that everyone who plays will have a fun-filled day.

Thanks for your help in getting full participation from your league membership. This is a great event that gives players a chance to enjoy competing as a team while playing for a very worthwhile cause – our young women who will one day take our places in this great organization. Please help us succeed both now and in the future.

We are looking for raffle items from vacation rentals to smaller items. If you have something or know of someone who might donate such items please let Robin or Cindy know.

Sincerely,

Robin Kofler & Cindy Crilley
Tournament Co-Chairs

Robin.kofler@yahoo.com and ctcrilley@yahoo.com

**INFO FOR GOLF CHAIRS REGARDING FOUNDATION DAY
AND
SHE CHAMPIONSHIP – SEPTEMBER 9th, 2024**

1. When you (or your club pro) collect the \$10.00 (tax deductible) contributions for the Scholarship Fund at your low net qualifying club event, you should send a check (or checks) payable to the GCWGA Scholarship Foundation. **These checks should be sent to Robin Kofler at 24 Muirfield Lane Blue Ash, OH 45241**
Please send checks by August 1, 2024
2. **When your Foundation Day event is put together, please be sure that everyone plays to 85% of their handicap and that no one plays with more than 36 strokes. This will provide the same playing criteria as the SHE Championship at Blue Ash.**
3. Once your club's team members have been determined, one of them should be appointed the captain and she will be the person responsible for collecting the \$85.00 (greens fee, cart, luncheon and donation to Scholarship Fund) from each of her teammates and then sending a **check to Robin Kofler at 24 Muirfield Lane Blue Ash, OH 45241** **Please send checks by August 15th, 2024**
4. In the event that any of your 4 lowest qualifiers cannot play in the SHE Championship, you should take the next lowest player from your qualifier, so please keep records.
5. Note that if the SHE Championship cannot be played due to rain on the rain date, playing participants will be refunded \$50. **NOTE: We will still have the cookout and raffle on that day so please plan on coming rain or shine.**
6. **You should remind your team members that there will be a raffle and other events at the tournament so they will want to be sure to have cash, checks or credit cards with them to participate.**
7. If you have any questions, you can contact Robin Kofler
robin.kofler@yahoo.com Co-chairman for the GCWGA SHE Championship Tournament.



**Greater Cincinnati Women's Golf Association
SHE Championship Tournament
Monday, September 9th, 2024
Rain date: To be determined
Blue Ash Golf Club
Two Net Best Balls of Four
Shotgun Start – 10:00 a.m.
Cookout & awards – following golf**

PURPOSE: To determine the overall winning team from the GCWGA member clubs' low net qualifying event that is to be held throughout the summer. The SHE Championships Tournament is designed to provide contributions to the GCWGA's Scholarship Foundation.

ELIGIBILITY: Entries are open to the 4 lowest qualifying players from each club's low net qualifying event. Those players must have posted at least 10 18-hole scores between 2023 and 2024 and have a GCCA GHIN handicap index. Everyone will play at their home event with their handicap index at 85%; at the Championship, handicaps will be adjusted for the slope rating at Blue Ash and played to 85%, with **no one receiving more than 36 strokes at either event.** (The handicap index as of September 6th, 2024 will be used.)

ENTRIES: All entries must be submitted on the attached form or a copy thereof. Entries must be sent via U.S. mail **to be received by August 15, 2024.** Entry fee is \$340.00 per team. Check should be made payable to the **GCWGA Scholarship Foundation.** The entry fee includes greens fee, cart, cookout and a \$5.00 contribution to the Scholarship Fund.

FORMAT: The championship tournament is a one day, four-ball stroke play competition. Four players score with their two best net balls. The lowest total score of the two best net balls of the four competitors on each hole will determine the winner. The field is limited to one foursome from each member club. In case of a tie, the winning team will be determined by a reverse scorecard playoff.

PRIZES: A traveling trophy will be awarded at the end of competition to the team with the lowest 2-net best ball total. This SHE Championship Trophy is to be displayed at the winning team's club for one year. Second and third places will also be recognized.

NOTICE: After receipt of entry, contestants will receive confirmation, by **email**, of their participation in the tournament. **Provide an email address on the entry form for the team captain to receive this confirmation. Captains should then advise their team members. If an original participant needs to withdraw, the captain should take the next lowest player from her club's low net qualifying event.**

REFUND: **No refunds will be given after September 1, 2024.** If the Championship is cancelled due to rain, \$50 refunds will be given to playing participants. NOTE: We will still have our cookout and raffle (fund raiser) on that day.



**Entry Form – SHE Championship Tournament
BLUE ASH Golf Course
Monday, September 9th, 2024
10:00am Shotgun**

**Entry Fee - \$340.00 --- Check payable to GCWGA Scholarship Foundation
– To accompany entry**

NO REFUNDS will be given after September 1, 2024

Mail to: Robin Kofler at 24 Muirfield Lane Blue Ash, OH 45241

Must be received by August 15, 2024

Club: _____

Team Captain _____ **Email** _____

GHIN Number _____ **HDCP Index** _____

Member #2 _____ **GHIN#** _____ **HDCP Index** _____

Member #3 _____ **GHIN#** _____ **HDCP Index** _____

Member #4 _____ **GHIN#** _____ **HDCP Index** _____

I agree to the Championship regulations attached hereto. I agree that there are certain risks inherent in the game of golf and accept personal liability for all such risks. I agree that this entry is subject to rejection at any time, including during the Championship, by the GCWGA. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

Signature of Applicant

Date

GCWGA Scholarship Foundation Foundation Days Tournament

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<i>Please make copies if additional sheets are needed.</i>									
Please do NOT send cash!! If you receive cash, please write a check in total for the combined cash.									
Send this form with your clubs money by August 1, 2024									
Robin Kofler 24 Muirfield Lane Blue Ash, OH 45241									
<p>Note: the GCWGA Scholarship Foundation is a 501C3 organization. All donations are tax deductible. Your canceled check serves as your receipt. For donations in excess of \$250, a letter will be sent. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Robin Kofler or Cindy Crilley.</p>									
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		Ctcrilley@yahoo.com							

Foundation Day

2024

The Greater Cincinnati Women's Golf Association (GCWGA) grants scholarships to local female high school seniors. They are chosen based on character, achievements and involvement in the sport of golf. In 2023 we granted 10 women with \$3,000 to help with their tuition.

The S.H.E. tournament (Scholarship for Higher Education) is our main fundraising event. The event will be held on September 9th at Blue Ash Golf Course.

Each club holds a Foundation Day where the 4 lowest net scores form a team to play in September.

We ask for a \$10 donation to participate, but if you would like to be generous, please do so!

Checks should be made out to GCWGA Scholarship Foundation and mailed to Robin Kofler with the Foundation Day Form. Please send checks by **August 1st, 2024**. Robin's address: 24 Muirfield Lane Blue Ash, OH 45241.

Robin and Cindy are in charge of the Silent Auction and raffle during the SHE tournament so if you would like to donate anything let one of us know.