

WOMEN'S NINE HOLE GOLF ASSOCIATION

THE WNHGA CORENA GREEN CLASSIC FOR JUNIOR GIRLS

History

The Corena Green tournament is named in honor and memory of a WNHGA director. Corena Green graduated from Stanford University and taught school for several years before joining the WAVES, the women's branch of the Navy. It was here that she met her husband. After World War II, they moved to Marin where their three children began school. While the children were young, Corena was involved with the usual activities of PTA, little league, and scouting. She was also a reporter for the local paper. Her organizational skills were apparent in her work with each of these.

After they moved to Southern California, Corena used her journalistic talents as an editor of the Palos Verdes newspaper and added golf to her interests. The seeds of her future role in the Women's Nine Hole Golf Association (WNHGA) were planted as she became aware of the discrepancy between opportunities for junior golf competition for her daughter and her sons.

Upon moving to Los Altos and joining the Los Altos Country Club, Corena became active in the women's nine-hole group. She helped organize them and served in all positions, including captain. She was nominated and elected to the Women's Nine Hole Golf Association Board from the Peninsula Area and served two terms, including one as president in 1988.

It was during her second term of office that Corena first promoted the idea of junior golf for girls. WNHGA had supported junior golf, but it soon became apparent that girls were relegated to secondary consideration. The idea of a special tournament for girls only, funded by WNHGA, was developed.

Corena's sudden death in 1990, during her last year on the WNHGA Board, was a shock to all who knew her. Her many friends throughout the WNHGA clubs wanted to create some sort of memorial, so in consultation with her family, the WNHGA Corena Green Classic for Junior Girls golf tournament was developed.

The success of the tournament has been ensured by the ongoing support it has received from all the WNHGA member clubs. The money received covers breakfast, lunch, tee prizes, award trophies, and college gift certificates given to the girls.

This tournament is open to any girl between the ages of 8 and 17. She does not have to be a member of any WNHGA club, but she must have played some golf and have some basic knowledge of the game and the rules.

General Information Regarding the WNHGA Corena Green Classic for Junior Girls

The WNHGA director-in-charge of the Corena Green Classic will work with a WNHGA member club to organize the tournament by following these guidelines:

- Held on host club's course during July/August
- Requires eighteen holes that are both walkable and playable by girls ages 8 to 17
- Number of players varies, approximately 75 to 104
- Players to walk course (may use hand carts)
- Carts to be provided at no charge for marshals and photographer's assistants (WNHGA directors)
- Carts needed for markers to take girls to and from starting holes
- Markers to walk with each group
- Dining facilities required for up to 250 people for breakfast and lunch

The participants in the Corena Green Classic will be girls:

- who are ages 8 through 17 on the date of the tournament;
- who are sponsored by a WNHGA member club, but do not have to be a member of that club (WNHGA to assign sponsor clubs for those girls not belonging to a WNHGA club);
- who have played golf and have some knowledge of the rules; and
- who pay an entry fee entitling them to breakfast, lunch, tee prizes, and awards.

WNHGA will award gift certificates to the college or post high school institution of their choice to the best players in the 14–17-year age division, payable upon enrollment in the school.