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# MONTHLY MULLIGAN

HIGH MEADOW RANCH LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION



Winter/Spring 2022

VOL 3



## Save the Dates!

- 1) First Play Day 18 Hole--January 6, 2022
- 2) 1st General Membership Meeting--January 6, 2022  
(after Play)
- 3) First Interclub Play Day-Thursday Jan 27, 2022
- 4) Mad Hatter 2022 Invitational - May 5, 2022



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**Jenny Calkins**  
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**Natalie Taylor**  
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## The President's Tee Box

*Happy New Year!! I am so excited to start 2022 as a member of such an enthusiastic and dedicated Board of Directors. Our goal is to make HMRLGA the very best it can be for everyone. Our ladies have a great year planned for us so get ready to have some fun!*

*Our first 18-hole Play Day will be January 6, followed by our first General Membership Meeting. We hope everyone can attend this meeting – 9-holers and 18-holers - whether you play on 1/6 or not. We will be collecting applications for the 2022 season at this meeting. Application forms will be sent to you in late December. In addition, we will be covering a lot of great stuff at this meeting so you won't want to miss it!*

*A new exciting option will be added to the application this year – Interclub Membership! As you probably already know, we accepted an invitation to join Northwoods Interclub. You should have received an e-mail from Stacie Strine that provided details to help you decide whether you want to join Northwoods Interclub as a member of HMRLGA. If you have any questions, please reach out to Stacie, who is our Interclub representative or Becky Price, our alternative representative. I think 2022 is going to be great!*

*Life is Better with Golf,  
Cathy*

*"The most important shot in golf is the next one."*

*Ben Hogan*



## COACHES QUIZ

1) Do you use your arms or body when chipping?

2) Is there a weight shift in chipping?

Chipping is actually done with the rotation of the rib cage with the arms connected to the golf club. In chipping we would like to eliminate wrist motion and keep the arms connected to the body. Yes, there is a weight shift in chipping. Although it is slight but the weight should shift in the direction of the target. We need a weight shift to help to hit slightly down on a chip shot. Please feel free to come to the academy and get some help on this wonderful golfing skill of chipping.

Coach Roger

### CLINICS

Monday 10.00 - Operation 36

Wednesday 9.00 - Ladies PDP Clinic

Saturday 10.00 - All-Comers Clinic



### Individual Golf Instruction

Contact: Roger Stebbins  
rstebbins@highmeadowranchgolf.com

## Tournaments to Play

Feb 26, 2022 - Feb 27, 2022--Texas South Four-

Ball Championship

Sterling Country Club

Houston, TX +1 281 304 1400

Mar 14, 2022 - Mar 15, 2022

Kathy Whitworth Invitational

Mira Vista Golf Club

Fort Worth, TX +1 817 294 6600

## Tournaments to Watch

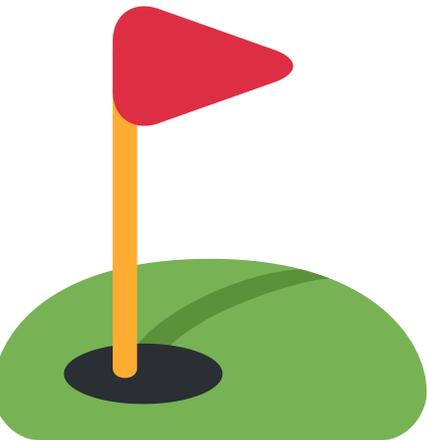
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FEB 17 - 20, 2022 The Genesis Invitational

The Riviera Country Club, Pacific Palisades, CA • Purse: \$10,500,000

MAR 10 - 13, 2022 THE PLAYERS Championship

TPC Sawgrass, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL • Purse: \$20,000,000



OH NO!! NOT THE CHIP  
SHOT!?????



# CHIP SHOT



Please not the  
chip shot!!!!

Definition: *It's a short game stroke where the ball carries into the air and then rolls an equal distance (or a slightly longer distance) than it carries.*

## 1. Club Selection

Before you even think about hitting the shot, you'll need to select the proper club. You should try to select a club that will give you many options on the types of shots you can hit. A sand wedge is a good option for this, but a gap wedge or lob wedge can work, too.

## 2. Intended Loft

Adjust the loft on the club either by opening up the clubface to add loft or leaning the club forward to take away loft. The amount of loft you use will be determined by the type of shot you are trying to pull off.

## 3. Lean Shaft

Next, you'll want to determine how much shaft lean you want to play your shot with. Usually a good rule of thumb is to lean the shaft forward more when you want to create additional roll.

## 4. Maintain Balance

With the club and shot type selected, now you're ready to hit the shot. Remember to maintain balance throughout the swing and properly pivot in order to make the proper contact.

## 5. Maintain Loft

Pivoting will also allow you to maintain the loft on the club and keep the clubhead stable. A firm wrist through contact will also assist with this stability and promote crisp contact.



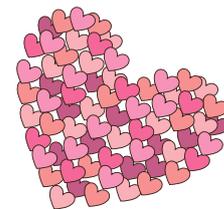
## Member Spotlight

### Mary Bracken



I grew up in the South Hills of Pittsburgh, Pa (go Penguins & Steelers!) The oldest of 10 children (yes, Irish Catholic Family). That's where I met my high school sweetheart, Bill, who I've been married to for a "lot" of years (51).....During that time we moved 14 times (but who's counting), from different cities in Ohio, Pittsburgh, Buffalo, Chicago & then Houston in 2002. We've raised three sons, all of whom are happily married & have blessed us with 6 amazing & wonderful grandchildren ages 5-19. I love being "Grandma Mary" but unfortunately, they all live in the Chicago area and Madison, WI. We make frequent road trips there to visit. While raising our boys I worked full time & part-time at various times as a registered nurse in a hospital setting. I was always interested in skin care and later, studied & became a licensed Esthetician and started working for Dermatologists. I retired from these professions when we moved to Houston. I then became involved in charitable giving & management of related organizations. I also got involved in management of key aspects of our HOA. My hubby was on the high school golf team & has passed his passion for golf onto me & our 3 sons. My favorite time on the course was Mother's Day when we'd go to church & then head out to the course to play as a five some. Over the years we've traveled to many parts of the world - always with our golf clubs - to such special places as Ireland & Scotland to name a few and many top-rated courses across the US. My hobbies include landscaping, gardening and home maintenance/repair projects. HMR was one of our favorite courses to play after we moved here. However, we eventually joined Champions for a few years where I tried the ladies league. It was too intense & competitive for me. I'm an average golfer that enjoys the social aspects of golf the most. I joined HMRLGA in 2014 (with Casey's encouragement) and found it to be perfect for me. I continue to appreciate all the friendships, fun opportunities, support & encouragement the ladies have given me over the years.

### Jenny Calkins



My hometown is Lake Charles, LA. In the late 60s my dad built and ran a driving range. My siblings and I had to pick up golf balls after the customers hit. We had no tractors just a basket. I still remember when we got our first golf ball 'picker upper'! It held about 25 balls. I really hated that job! Most of my family golfed but I was more into other sports. It was not until I moved here that I started golfing consistently. I had been a runner for many years, completing 2 marathons and many 5 and 10K's.

My husband, Jim and I met while running! When we decided to build a house, anticipating retiring, we chose HMR after looking at golf lots from Baton Rouge to Houston. I am grateful for the HMRLGA. Through the league I've met many new friends. I've found that women helping women to golf creates a more consistent and calming golfing experience that leads to long term enjoyment.



# MEMBERS CORNER



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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

*Mary Bracken 1/15*

*Stacie Strine 1/28*

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

*Cyndi Svoboda 2/1*

*Maria Reid 2/8*

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

*Natalie Taylor 3/15*

*Linda Fankhauser 3/22*



Please visit YOUR HMRLGA website for Membership Applications, By-Laws and much more!

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

"The only time my prayers are never answered is on the golf course."

Billy Graham



# MEET YOUR NEW BOARD FOR 2022!



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*Picture L-R Cyndi, Becky, Natalie, Cathy, Tara, Coleen, Jenny*

