

## Dalton Ranch Women's Golf Association

The following is a brief narrative account of the beginning of the Dalton Ranch Women's Golf Association.

On September 1, 1994, Fal Wood, our Head Pro, met with a small group of Durango golfers to determine whether or not there would be interest in forming a Women's group at Dalton Ranch to include other local women in addition to the members already belonging to the Dalton Ranch Golf Club. The following were in attendance: Daphne D'Agostino, Frances Burnham and Peggy Schroder. Members of Dalton Ranch Golf Club (DRGC) in attendance were Marilyn Dougherty, Doris Douglass, Charlotte Willard and Jane Knott. There was enthusiasm for this proposal and it was noted that there were many other golfers in the area who would certainly be interested. It was decided to proceed and Doris Douglass was unanimously elected to become the first President of the Dalton Ranch Women's Golf Association. She asked Jane Knott to prepare tentative By-Laws to be subsequently reviewed by the DRGC members.

Fal Wood suggested that Dalton Ranch have a Fall Invitational for members of the 4-Corners' area golf clubs. The date was set for September 29, 1994.

The Fall Invitational was attended by 48 women from Cortez, Aztec, Pinon Hills, San Juan, Pagosa and Hillcrest Golf Clubs. There were three hostess members: Doris Douglass, Marilyn Dougherty and Dolly Turner. It was a flighted event and the format was Low Gross, Low Net individual play. Many stayed to have lunch at the Club House.

On October 6, 1994 the Dalton Ranch Women's Golf Association was accepted into the Four Corners' Team Play Association.

On November 5, Jane Knott had a meeting at the Club House to review the proposed By-Laws. Attending were Fal Wood, representing Dalton Ranch administration, Doris Douglass, Cindy Bryniarski and Marilyn Dougherty. Several revisions were made and copies were given to those present to further consider desirable changes.

On December 3, another meeting was held to consider adoption of the By-Laws with the same attendees. There was further revision and with agreement by all present, the proposed By-Laws were adopted. Fal offered and all agreed to have them put into the computer for print out as needed.

Also at this meeting December 3, the members present agreed to accept an office for the 1995 season as follows: president – Doris Douglass, Vice-President – Cindy Bryniarski, Treasurer – Marilyn Dougherty and Secretary – Jane Knott.

At this same meeting it was decided to set the date of May 4 to hold an organization meeting for local golfers with play to follow. Dues for the season were set at \$25.00. Fal offered reduced greens fees for women playing with the group Thursdays, our regular

play days. Fal also offered to have "Dalton Ranch Women's Golf Association" added to the Dalton Ranch stationery for our use.

It was also decided at this meeting to have an Invitational Tournament trying to secure the date of June 29, entry fee to be \$40.00, green fees and carts included on Tournament Day.

Subsequently, Nick Turner volunteered to be sole sponsor for this event with the informal understanding this would amount to \$1000.00.

Looks like we're well along with plans and prepared to start the 1995 season in full swing.

Jane Knott  
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