

Hello Zone 4 golfers

Given the major health concerns we are facing at this time I don't think you will be too surprised to get this message from me. I am contacting you to let you know that we have cancelled all team games for the 2020 golf season. After consultation with the zone Team Chairs' we agreed it would be the wisest decision for the safety of our golfers to cancel the remainder of the team games. We have already cancelled the May game. The Chair of Zone 3 and I agree that Team One games will be included in the cancellation.

There are many reasons to cancel but one of the major reasons is that not all golf courses are open now, or are just opening; one course that I am aware of in our zone has made no commitment as to when it will open and that club has a team two and a team three. From what I am hearing, clubs have not met yet and are unsure how many of the women will be playing this summer so organizing for team games will be challenging and we do not want to add any stress to Club Captains and Team Captains.

Secondly, travel is a major issue. Most vehicles are not able to have passengers two meters apart so each player would need to drive her own car. Not being able to carpool for a game in Squamish when your home course is Burnaby is not a reasonable option.

Another reason for cancelling is that all the socializing aspects of the game are not available – no morning coffee and no lunch after the game. One of the reasons for team is to provide an opportunity for club members to meet other golfers in our zone.

Of course, we are disappointed that there will be no team games but the absolute #1 priority is to keep our women golfers safe and virus free. If, and when, you are playing at your course please remember how devastating this disease can be and follow all the health orders and guidelines.

On behalf of your Zone 4 Women's Committee executive we send caring thoughts your way and appreciate all you are doing for your members at this difficult time.

Regards.
Ann Warrender
Chair
Zone 4 Women's Committee