



# WOMEN'S TRANS NATIONAL GOLF ASSOCIATION

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### TRANS WILL HOST A STROKE-PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP IN 2013

Henderson, NV – The first stroke-play amateur championship conducted by the Women's TRANS National Golf Association will be hosted by Schaffer's Mill Golf and Lake Club (Schaffer's Mill) in Truckee, CA on July 9-12, 2013. This 72-hole event will mark the 83<sup>rd</sup> year that TRANS has invited top women amateurs from around the world to compete for the prestigious title of TRANS CHAMPION.

In making the decision to change the format of their national championship from match play to stroke play, the Board considered the number of seasonal championships conducted by the United States Golf Association and other national associations in which match play determines the champion. The consensus was that the players would like a mid-summer stroke play event as a different kind of challenge. In addition, a stroke play event gives the players a more definitive conclusion in order to make airline departure plans.

When Schaffer's Mill and the TRANS began discussions for the 2013 hosting of the championship, the staff and membership eagerly endorsed the plan and are excited that it will be the first national championship to be staged in their currently under construction "new clubhouse".

The stroke-play format will be limited to 120 contestants with the lowest handicap indexes who have entered by May 26, 2013. After 36 holes of play, the field will be cut to the lowest 60 scores and ties and the competition will continue for an additional 36 holes when a TRANS National Champion will be named and the George IV Sterling Silver trophy will be presented. After 36 holes of play, TRANS will continue to award the junior, the senior and the championship medalist trophies and prizes. Also, the Howell Team trophy will be presented to the two players from the same club or university whose combined 36-hole score is the lowest of the teams who have registered to compete for the team event.

From the Golf Magazine, December 2012 edition, Second Annual Travelin' Joe Awards Section: **New Reason to Love Johnny (Miller) – 'I'm highly impressed by the deft contributions at Schaffer's Mill near Lake Tahoe, where he and the late John Harbottle created a playable, strategic mountainside gem.'**

#### **About the Women's Trans National Golf Association (WTNGA)**

WTNGA has conducted the TRANS Amateur Championship since its inception in 1927 at various country clubs across the United States who invited TRANS to their course. TRANS is one of the longest consecutively running women's amateur championships in the country and it continues to draw a strong field of career amateurs and LPGA hopefuls alike. Among its many champions and/or competitors are Brittany Lang, Paige MacKenzie, Nancy Lopez, Lorena Ochoa, Grace Park, Judy Bell, Carol Semple Thompson, Babe Didrikson Zaharias and Patty Berg.

At the 2012 Championship, 11 countries were represented by the field.

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