

Women's golf journey to feature top amateur players

Stouffville area resident Marlene Streit has agreed to act as a senior adviser for the inaugural Toronto Star Women's Amateur Golf Tournament scheduled for July 25 to 28.

The combination stroke and match play event is to include 120 Canadian female amateur golfers from within a 98-kilometre radius of Toronto.

"It's going to be a great tournament," said Streit, who is to be joined in her advisory capacity by noted Canadian female golf pro Sandra Post.

Streit believes the tournament will be closely contested. "I think it's going to be really competitive."

Streit, whose unprecedented 11 Canadian Women's Amateur titles, six Ontario crowns and three United States Golf Association national championships have made her a fixture in the Canadian Golf Hall of Fame, is considering entering the tourney herself.

"I just might play," she hinted. The tourney is open to members of any of the 89 Greater Toronto Area Golf Association (GTAGA) clubs.

Streit feels an open competition such as this is just what's needed to advance the cause of female amateurs in Canada.

"I think it's just a great thing. That's what the players wanted — more tournaments."

She said it will be a big plus to have an event that allows amateurs of all age brackets to compete against one another.

"It's what the young players need, to go up against the best

golfers of all ages."

With so much emphasis on pro golf, Streit feels the event will allow female amateur golfers to share the spotlight.

"Too often we get caught up in all the pro stuff. We need this."

The ladies tournament comes a year after the GTAGA held a similar competition for male amateur golfers.

It plans to run the two events on an annual basis beginning this year.

GTAGA president, CEO and executive director Glenn Goodwin, who founded the organization in 1998, said Streit's contribution has already been substantial.

"I met with Marlene for lunch and asked her opinion," said Goodwin.

"Within 20 minutes she had told me the perfect format for the tournament."

All 120 golfers will engage in 18 holes of stroke play July 25 at the Thornhill Country Club, with the top 54 going on to play another 18 the following day. The field will be reduced to 16 when the scene shifts across the street to the Ladies Golf Club

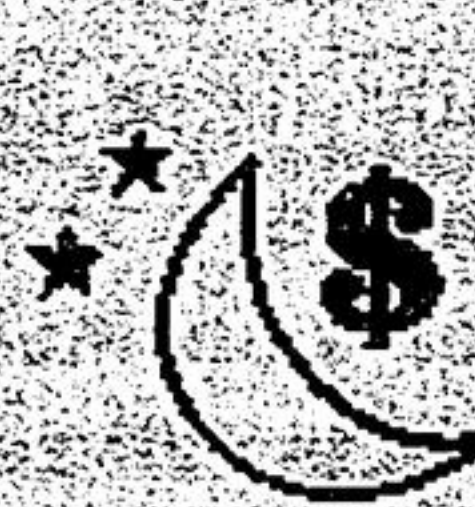


MARLENE STREIT: Will act as senior adviser for the event.

of Toronto for the final two days.

The last day sees the final four golfers play a semi-final round in the morning, with the two survivors going at it in the afternoon to decide a winner.

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- (a) the widening and reconstruction of Fourteenth Avenue (Y.R. 71) from Kennedy Road (Y.R. 3) to the Canadian National Railway (CNR) tracks approximately 850 metres west of Kennedy Road (Y.R. 3), in the Town of Markham, to a basic width of 32.0 metres with additional widenings at cuts, fills, water course crossing and intersections, to provide a basic four lane road with a continuous centre left-turn lane;
- (b) the installation of traffic control signals and associated illumination at the intersection of Fourteenth Avenue (Y.R. 71) and McDowell Gate;
- (c) the carrying out of all related works and undertakings in connection with the above; and
- (d) the acquisition of the necessary lands and interest in lands for the works described above.

Pursuant to section 300 of the *Municipal Act*, the Transportation and Works Committee of the Regional Council will, at its meeting to be held at 9:00 a.m. on the 5th day of April, 2000 in Committee Room "A" at the Regional Administrative Building located at 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket, hear any person who claims that his/her lands will be prejudicially affected by the by-law and who applies to be heard. Anyone wishing to be heard is requested to advise the Office of the Regional Clerk, attention Elma Stevenson, (telephone 895-1231 or 731-0201, ext. 1303). If any party entitled to be heard does not attend at the hearing, the Committee may proceed in his/her absence and he/she will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

The proposed by-law and plans showing the proposed works may be inspected at the office of Paul Jankowski, Director, Design and Construction Branch, at the Transportation and Works Department located at the Regional Administrative Building at 17250 Yonge Street, Newmarket (telephone 895-1200 or 764-6345, ext. 5088).

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