

victorious, this time over Ann Middlemas. In 1958, with Mrs. Verne Smith as president, the tournament was held in Sanford the week of April 8th. Handicaps had to be 20 or less and the Sanford Women's Golf Association hosted the tournament. The champion was once again Grace DeMoss with Ann Middlemas the runner-up.

Closing out the decade, FWSGA journeyed to Panama City with Helen Sherman as president. This time Ann Middlemas finished first over Barbara Green.

THE SIXTIES

The sixties decade of women's amateur golf belonged to Nancy Roth (Syms) who won the FWSGA Championship five times: 1960, 1963, 1965, 1966 and 1968. In addition to our tournament, she won the Doherty, the North-South, the Southern, the Eastern and the British Ladies Amateur. She also played on two Curtis Cups in the sixties. Maureen Crum placed second to Nancy three times in the Florida Women's State Championship, finally winning at Ocala in 1967.



Mrs. William Syms

In October 1969, the FWSGA Tournament Manual was revised. At that time and for many years following, the most important person was the chairman of the host club. She was in charge of all the committees that were made up of club members. The FWSGA loaned the host chairman and committee \$200.00 for operating expenses, which was to be repaid to the State Treasurer at the end of the tournament. The low 176 handicappers would qualify on the regular day specified and all over that would qualify on a date prior to that date. There were a lot of ladies and a lot of work to do!!

The Junior Girls Championship was begun in 1960. From 1960 through 1992, the Junior Girls Championship was held in conjunction with a Junior Boys Invitational. During the sixties, twice Roberta Albers, Laura MacIvor, and Tammy Bowman won the girls' championship.

THE SEVENTIES

It was Alice Dye's turn to dominate the state amateur in the seventies. Three times champion and one runner-up and who knows how much more she would have won except for severe bouts of tendonitis, which forced her to withdraw from several events.

In 1971, Tammy Bowman, after a stellar junior career, claimed victory at Sebring. Nicki Reuterfeldt won at Port St. Lucie in 1972 at the St. Lucie Hilton Country Club Resort. At the annual business meeting, Mary Gilette Brown reported that the Junior Boys Invitational and the Girls State Championship would be held at Lehigh Acres in June of 1972. At the Board meeting in 1972, Mrs. Guy Tucker, the President, urged all delegates to ask their clubs to use the new USGA formula for rating courses - the formula was total yardage divided by 180 plus 40.1. The Board chose Lehigh Acres for the site of the 1973 Championship. Emily Brown was the President of FWSGA. Mildred Schwab Walsh, a former Broadway star, played in her 38th FWSGA tournament; she first played in 1931 at Mt. Plymouth. There were 213 entries to qualify for the 176 spots in the tournament. Alice Dye, wife of noted golf course architect Pete Dye emerged victorious after several very tenuous matches. Her words after the final round were. *"I've played my heart out, and I'm beginning to think I should pay them more money for my entry fee because I've played so many holes."* Alice Dye won the Indiana State Championship a record nine times and played on the 1970 Curtis Cup team.



Florida Women's State GA President Emily Brown, Alice Dye, Nicki Reuterfeldt