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# The Tee Times

*The official newsletter of the Stoughton Country Club*

## General Manager's Corner

Stoughton Country Club "101"

"101" refers to the basic principles in a particular field. In the case of Stoughton Country Club, we're talking about aspects of Club Management. We use this "101" concept when hiring. We hire nice people knowing we can train them to do whatever is needed, but we can never train an unpleasant individual to be genuinely nice. When training staff we emphasize that they greet the member with a smile, be friendly and use their name.

As a manager, it is important to practice "101" as well. We try to provide clear communication, both verbal and written. In addition, we want to guide staff on a career path, recognize conflict and work to resolve issues quickly.

In the bar, our "101" supports the staff to make a tasty, consistent drink using fresh ingredients at a fair price. As well, we provide a wonderful atmosphere to enjoy those liquid libations.

Dining and restaurant "101" means we will strive to provide good quality food that people enjoy, in a pleasant dining experience over and over again.

Golf instruction "101" allows us to improve your golf game using some basic principles once again. PGA stands for "Professional Golf Association" and with instruction, it stands for Posture-Grip-Alignment:

- Posture: learn to properly stand and address the ball.
- Grip: learn the proper way to put your hands on the grip.
- Alignment: simply learn to aim.

With all of these "101" basic principles being utilized and the previous leadership of Steve Hlavacek over his tenure at SCC, we are poised to get through the ultimate "101" ... the next 100 years.

Welcome to 2023, year number 1 of the next 100 years of excellence at Stoughton Country Club.  
Welcome to year 101!

Brad Calaway, PGA  
Golf Professional and General Manager



## What's with the orange and blue-shirted Junior golfers?

It's the JR PGA League U13 participants.

Join the team.

Play with friends.

Learn the game with expert coaching.

Girls and boys ages 6 to 13 of all skill levels are playing competitive team golf representing Stoughton CC.

13U: Must be no older than 13 years old.

The minimum age here at Stoughton CC is 6 years old.

It's a two-player pair, match play scramble format from appropriate tees. Every 3 holes (1-3, 4-6-7-9) is worth a point or flag. Teams with the most points win the match. U13 9 holes. Matches are played on Sunday afternoon and sometimes Monday afternoon.

We're looking for kids interested in joining the team this year and representing Stoughton Country Club to compete against other Clubs including, The Oaks, Lake Ripley, and Nakoma CC.



*Star pupil, Matthew LePine, is shown here with an approach on #1.*

We will model practice time to simulate a match, work on swing fundamentals and learn the rules of golf.

The season is from May through July and playoffs for All-Stars possible in early August.

PGA Jr. League is bringing friends, families, and communities together through golf.

To be a part of it, or to learn more contact our Golf Professional, Brad Calaway at [brad@stoughtoncountryclub.com](mailto:brad@stoughtoncountryclub.com) and please visit <https://www.pgajrleague.com>.

# Introducing



Stoughton Country Club is excited to introduce our newest addition to the kitchen staff:

Assistant Chef, Guillermo Rojas.

Guillermo was the Chef at the Big Sky restaurant, in downtown Stoughton for 5 years before it's closing in late October.

He is currently working full-time at the Jet Room restaurant and will be working at the Club on Tuesdays, Fridays, and special events.

Guillermo has lived in Madison for the last 20 years. When he's not working, he enjoys watching sports.

Please find the time to welcome him to the Club and enjoy dinner.

## Welcome New Members

- Jim & Dona Backus – Senior Couple
- John & Karen Bottorff – Social
- Jason & Tricia Charleston – Social
- Parker Kruckenberg – New Junior Golfer
- Steve & Julie Larson – Social
- Laurie & Brian Mell – Social

# Welcome!

## News From Behind the Bar

by Tim Gille, Bar Manager

*Bar Features for April*

**MEOMI Pinot Noir**  
California  
Expressive dark berry, juicy strawberry, and toasty mocha flavors.  
8 glass     32 bottle

**BUTTER Chardonnay**  
California  
Aromas of apple pie and a rich creaminess surround you at each sip. Aged in oak, this wine sees brightness, complexity, and depth in its creaminess  
8 glass     32 bottle

**Bring on Spring Martini**  
Not your usual gin based martini... it's made with vodka!  
Smooth as silk, with a delightful kick!  
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**NEW TUESDAY SPECIAL**  
Enjoy a 1/2 priced bottle of wine with dinner.  
This applies to any wine. Dine in only.



## Golf Tip

by Darcy Kelly, Teaching Pro

SWING into SPRING 

Happy 2023!

Hooray for signs of spring! Extended daylight and birds chirping are surely very good signs for golfers!!

In the last newsletter, we discussed a couple of suggestions to gain more consistency in our golf game.

Let's quickly review this. Your practice swing and golf shot should incorporate a balanced setup and a good solid grip every time!

Your game plan for consistency should be simple and repeatable! If it is simple, there is a much better chance it can be repeated. One to two swing thoughts is plenty.

Now put this all together.

- Include balance and a good grip in your preset routine.
- Have one or two swing thoughts that you have practiced and will continue to use when you play.
- A golfer cannot change an old habit in one hour or one day. You must stick to the plan, be patient and stay positive!!

I look forward to an enjoyable season servicing the community of SCC!

Darcy

## To Keep You Laughing



We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Rita Jeffreys. Please know you are held closely in our thoughts and in our hearts during this difficult time.

## Proper Dress at the Stoughton Country Club

### A reminder of the Club's dress code:

The intent of the dress code is to ensure that all members, their families, and guests enjoy the Club in a pleasant atmosphere and help sustain the quality of membership and standard of excellence upon which Stoughton Country Club was established. Proper attire while at Stoughton Country Club is not only important in the clubhouse but also on the golf course and surrounding areas of the club. Compliance with the dress code policy by family members and guests is the responsibility of the member.

When members and guests arrive at the Club not in compliance with the dress code it is not the intent to embarrass or harass the member or guest. The following day they will receive a phone call from the General Manager reminding them of the dress code requirements for their next visit.

### ***Tuesday and Friday night dining room expectations:***

Hats, caps, and hoodies are prohibited. Denim is permitted and must be free of holes, tears, and un-tattered.

### **Recommended attire:**

#### Men and Boys:

Dress shirts, collared golf shirts, or sport shirts with sleeves, turtlenecks, mock turtlenecks, sweaters and sweater vests, golf jackets, golf shorts, Bermuda shorts, walking shorts (mid-thigh length), traditional slacks, and khakis. Hats and caps should be worn with the bill facing forward.

#### Women and Girls:

Sleeved or sleeveless blouses, shirts or golf shirts with or without a collar, turtlenecks, mock turtlenecks, sweaters, sweater vests, jackets and golf jackets and pullovers, golf shorts, Bermuda shorts, walking shorts (mid-thigh length), golf skirts, skorts, capri pants, golf slacks, and golf dresses. Hats and caps should be worn with the bill facing forward.

### **Unacceptable Attire:**

- T-shirts (plain, logoed, or athletic)
- Gym shorts or workout attire
- Cotton collarless t-shirts
- Basic tank tops, halter tops, or midriff tops
- Cut-offs
- Overalls, cargo shorts/pants, carpenter's pants, and sweatpants
- Excessively large or inappropriate logos on clothing
- Micro-mini skirts (with the exception of appropriate tennis skirts used as a crossover for golf). Our standard is set by the typical length of golf shorts/skorts.

These are not permitted on the golf course, practice fairway, or putting green. You will be asked to return with a collared shirt (or other appropriate attire), or you may purchase appropriate clothing from the golf shop. Golf shop staff will be responsible for determining what is or is not appropriate when members and guests arrive for golf.

Stoughton Country Club would like to provide an enjoyable dining and golfing environment for all members and guests.

# 2023 Junior Golf Program

**Sign Up Today!**

## STOUGHTON COUNTRY CLUB INVITES YOU TO ITS 2023 JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM!

The program is open to juniors from Stoughton and the surrounding communities!

Throughout the six-week program, each junior participant will learn:

- Rules & Etiquette
- Course Management & Strategy
- Putting & Green Reading
- Pitching & Chipping from Multiples Lies
- Bunker Play
- Full Swing Iron Play & Driving

**Dates: \*NOW held on MONDAYS\***

**June 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>**

**July 10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>**

The inclement weather make-up date will be August 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Sessions will consist of:

**Ages 6-8:** Six, 45-minute instructional clinics with the possibility of on-course instruction.

**Ages 9-12:** Six, 60-minute instructional clinics with the possibility of on-course instruction.

**Ages 13-17:** Six, 45-minute instructional clinics followed by an hour of on-course play. Each on-course session will be related to what was learned during the 45-minute instruction.

### Times • Availability • Pricing:

#### Ages 6-8

- **11:30 am to 12:15 pm**
- Limited to 16 participants
- **\$120 Member Price \$108**

#### Ages 9-12

- **10:15 am to 11:15 pm**
- Limited to 16 participants
- **\$160 Member Price \$144**

#### Ages 13-17

- **8:00 am to 9:45 pm**
- Limited to 16 participants
- **\$200 Member Price \$180**

**Registration for the Junior program will close on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.**

**Please contact the golf shop at (608) 873-7861 to sign up!**

\*Member Price refers to juniors who have memberships or are relatives of a golf or social member of Stoughton Country Club.

We ask that each participant bring their own clubs. Stoughton Country Club does not have junior loaner clubs. Also, each participant should have soft golf spikes or tennis shoes. No sandals or other sports cleats.

This program will be instructed by Ryan Millsap, SCC Golf Professional, and Darcy Kelly, SCC Teaching Pro.

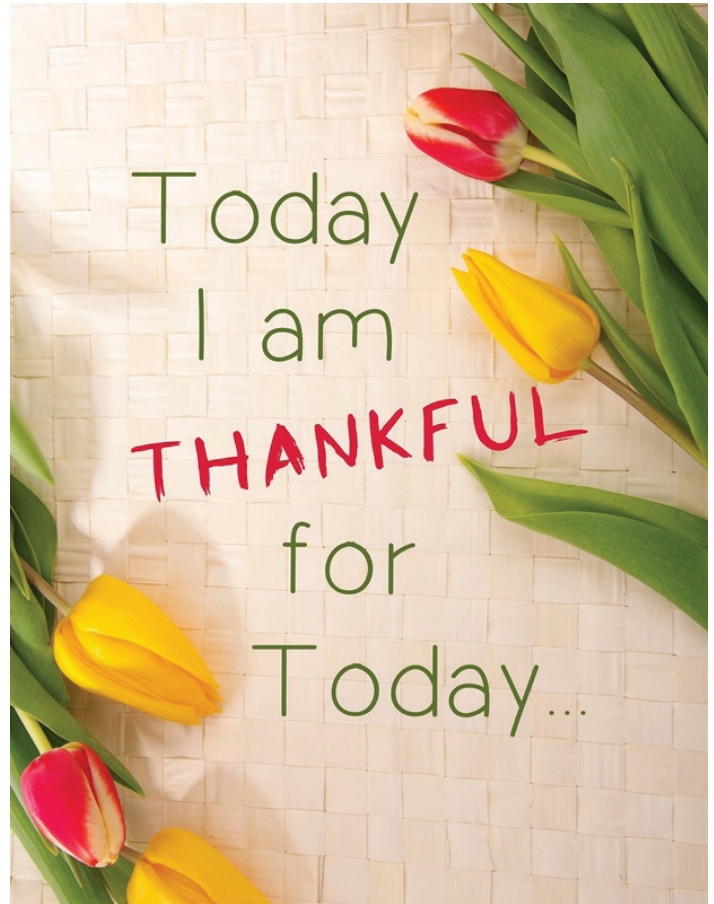


# “Some members are snowbirds; some members seek the snow!”

The “Wisckiers” at Cascade Mtn.



From left to right: Dave Mannis, Jim Brandt, Eric Smedal, Steve Peterson, Rick Conroy



As we continue to work towards providing the best possible experience to our members, we always welcome your suggestions, questions, and feedback. If you have any suggestions or questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us!

You may utilize the suggestion box located in the bar area or send an email to [sccboardsecretary@stoughtoncountryclub.com](mailto:sccboardsecretary@stoughtoncountryclub.com). This email is monitored periodically, so please keep that in mind.

**2023 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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# What's Happening

## APRIL

- 9 (Sun):** Easter Brunch and Egg Hunt
- 10 (Mon):** Stoughton High School Golf Invitational
- 18 (Tue):** Euchre Fun Night – Member Representative Needed
- 28 (Fri):** Bourbon and Wine Tasting

## MAY

- 6 (Sat):** Kentucky Derby Party – Member Representative Needed
- 14 (Sun):** Mother’s Day Brunch
- 16 (Tue):** McFarland Chamber Golf Outing
- 17 (Wed):** Women’s Spring Fling – “A Night at The Oscars” theme
- 20 (Sat):** Member Mixer Golf Event with DJ – Blue Smoothies
- 28 (Sun):** Memorial Day Golf Outing
- 29 (Mon):** Classic Matches & Presidents Cup Start

*\*Please note: Events and dates are subject to change or cancellation if not enough member interest, etc.*



**EUCHRE FUN NIGHT**  
**TUES, APRIL 18, 2023**  
 REGISTRATION: 5:30 P.M.  
 CARD PLAYING: 6:00 P.M.  
**CONTACT THE OFFICE TO CLAIM YOUR SPOT BY APRIL 11!**  
 (608) 873-7861 OR  
 ADMIN@STOUGHTONCOUNTRYCLUB.COM  
 Watch for additional information!  
**We are in need of individuals to assist with planning this event. Please reach out to the office if you are interested.**



Please remember, we are looking for assistance with planning and successfully carrying out the events. If you are interested in working with us on any of the events throughout the year, please reach out to the office.