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# The Tee Times

*The official newsletter of the Stoughton Country Club*

## General Manager's Corner

*by Brad Calaway, PGA*

*General Manager & Head Golf Professional*

Well, just because the kids are back to school and it's after Labor Day does not mean that things are slowing down at Stoughton Country Club. Your maintenance staff has been very busy providing excellent course conditions, a new practice area tee, improvements to hole 3 tee, and the obvious filling in of the bunker on hole 6.

The Clubhouse dining room, bar area, Founders' room, and main entrance hallway are all getting makeovers. This is just the tip of the iceberg. Club President Troy Wieser mentioned in his President's Letter that we have been working hard on the long-term strategic planning for Stoughton Country Club. This plan will be presented on October 18th from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. and I hope you will attend.

The membership continues to add new members and we look forward to having strong numbers for 2024.

Ryan Milsap has done an excellent job in his first year as the Assistant Professional with our member events, Junior golf instruction, and Pints and Pitching. Teaching Professional, Darcy Kelly has taken the Chip-n-Sip lessons to the next level. Golf shop attendant, Don Siebert has been a great addition to the staff.

It's truly hard to find an area of the operations that is not trending upward.

We could not do this without a supportive membership.

Thank you all for being a part of year 101.

Growing the game,  
Brad Calaway, PGA

# Golf Tip

by Darcy Kelly, Teaching Pro

There are many course-management strategies to help lower a golfer's score. Let's look at one possibility to try!

As you get closer to the green, how many times is your focus on hitting the ball at the flag?

Many times a higher percentage shot, a wiser choice, is to aim for the middle of the green. At least you have a little wiggle room in case you don't hit it straight. When the shot to the green requires a 9 iron or higher, the pros aim for the middle of the green. This is according to data from Tour players all over the world.

"Golf is about how well you accept, respond to, and score with your misses much more so than it is a game of your perfect shots."

~Dr. Bob Rotella





**THANK YOU!**

Thanks to the professionals at AAA Seamless Gutters, the maintenance shop got new gutters and leaf guard installed.

Long overdue and very welcomed to keep Mark and his staff off the ladders.



welcome

**Please join us in welcoming the following new members to SCC...**

- Rhonda Davis
- Ed Heckman
- Nicholas Martini
- Mike Murphy
- Marc Nordstrom
- Dan O'Brien
- Ashley Stolen
- Larry & Dottie Swalheim

Take a moment to say "hello" and introduce yourself!

# Club Championship 2023



**Thank you to all who participated in the Club Championship this year.**

Shown, 6-time Champion Matt Ellingson and multiple-year Champion Gayle Dyreson.

In addition to the Championship Flight winners, we'd like to congratulate the following Flight Winners:

Women's Net Flight Champion: Chris Peterson

Men's Senior Champion: Mike Gehrke

Men's C-Flight Champion: Mark Keller

Men's B-Flight Champion: Jim Peterson

Men's A-Flight Champion: Brett Staaland



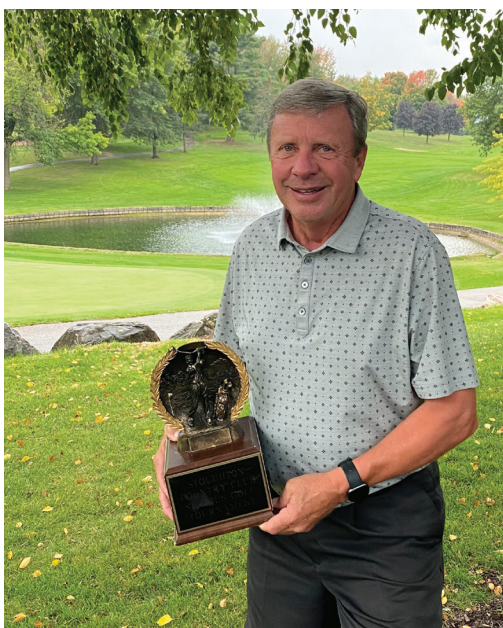


**Rick Carl**  
Hole #6  
130 yards  
9-Iron

# CONGRATULATIONS!



**Mark Keller**  
Hole #3  
139 Yards  
9-Iron



## Seriously Good!

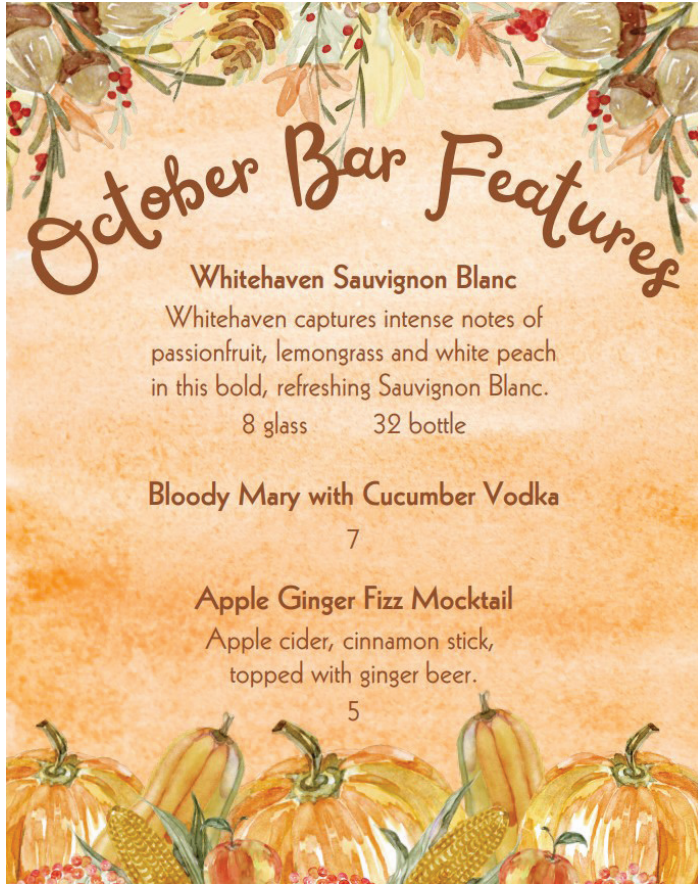
Jim Peterson is shown holding the trophy for the 19th annual Serious Golf Tournament. Jim shot 73, despite a double bogey on his last hole. Fine play, from the even better person. Big thanks to Peter Foy for heading up this tournament that will be 20 years running next year.

The participants donated food and money to the Stoughton area Food Bank. In addition to the \$660, these 23 participants donated three full boxes of well-needed food.

Seriously an event to be proud of!

# News From Behind the Bar

by Tim Gille, Bar Manager



**October Bar Features**

**Whitehaven Sauvignon Blanc**  
 Whitehaven captures intense notes of passionfruit, lemongrass and white peach in this bold, refreshing Sauvignon Blanc.  
 8 glass      32 bottle

**Bloody Mary with Cucumber Vodka**  
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**Apple Ginger Fizz Mocktail**  
 Apple cider, cinnamon stick, topped with ginger beer.  
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**HOLE 6**

**BEFORE**

**AFTER**

Thanks to a generous donation by a member and the donated heavy equipment expertise of Mark Rosenbaum, Hole 6 got a much-appreciated makeover.

The very costly bunker (cost to maintain and costly to our scores) has been filled in and sodded with fairway grass.


The before and after pictures are amazing! Thank you to Mark Livingston and his staff for making quick work of the transformation.

It is not often we can create many happy members at no cost to the Club.

For those who will miss this bunker, I'd be happy to provide pictures from before the project began. It was simply too costly for the budget to keep.

## Reminders:

- Bar service is no longer available on Mondays for the remainder of the season.
- Wednesday night dinner service ended September 20.



**Why did the ghost go to the bar?**

**For the boos!**

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## OCTOBER

**5 (Thu):** Men's Bash

**10 (Tue):** **Octoberfest – Beer Tasting – Member Representatives Needed**

**19 (Thu):** Men's Severe – Sublime Golf Event

**21 (Sat):** Ott Fest

**22 (Sat):** **Hole in One Club Party**

**31 (Tue):** **Halloween Dinner – Come dressed in costume! Trick or Treating for the Children!**

## NOVEMBER

**2 (Thu):** Gobble Gobble Golf

**4 (Sat):** Badger Away Game Party

**7 (Tue):** Cribbage Tournament – Member Representative Needed

**18 (Sat):** "Drive-in" Movie Night – Member Representative Needed

**23 & 24 (Thu & Fri):** Club Closed for Holiday

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