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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

It's spring and the weather allowed us to officially open the golf course. According to SCC golf course superintendent, Mark Livingston, this is the earliest opening day in his 21 years with the Club. It is springtime in Wisconsin, so expect some highs and lows. We will possibly have some snow this spring before we are in the clear.

The members that have played during these early March days have been happy with how the golf course came through the winter. Mark and his staff spent many hours picking up sticks, branches, and dealing with some downed trees before our March 11th opening.

We will continue to bring out the ball washers, and sand bottles, and yes, eventually the range balls will be available as weather permits.

The practice range will start the season by hitting from the range mats only. The newly seeded grass area should be available in May. Please remember that the practice facility is limited to 200 yards and is not intended for use with clubs you hit further than this max distance.

We are pleased with how the par 3, hole 6 looks with the fairway grass replacing the giant bunker. This hole 6 bunker was filled in on September 15th. Mark and his crew along with Mark Rosenbaum did an excellent job which has it looking great already this season.

The golfers are enjoying our new GPS-equipped golf carts. These units will be on all 24 of the Club leased carts and are available for installation on any member-owned cart. The cost including installation is only \$300. Those interested in adding this to their cart, please contact Ryan Milsap or Mark Sankbeil in the golf shop.

We now have a bar committee, made up of board members, members, the bar manager, Tim Gille, and yours truly. We had our first "specialty" drinks available on Friday (March 15th), and they were a big hit. Watch for more improvements in the bar and of course, many new specialty cocktails.

Assistant Golf Pro, Ryan Milsap has all our golf events available for sign-up on Golf Genius. Please visit the SCC homepage, and click the "Members" tab, event registration, and golf event registration for information, cost, and eligibility.

We are looking forward to everyone participating as much as possible in 2024. In particular, the Men's and Women's Classic partners match play. This event is the perfect way to meet and play with members of the Club. Find your partner or let the golf shop staff help you find someone to partner with. This Classic Match Play is truly a wonderful opportunity.

On behalf of my very talented staff, we look forward to seeing you at the Club or on the golf course very soon.

Growing the game,

Brad Calaway, PGA

From the Grounds Crew

by Mark Livingston
Golf Course Superintendent

The course opened on March 11, which is the earliest opening in the 20-plus years I have been at Stoughton Country Club. The mild winter was good to the course, and it came through in great shape. The lack of frost and deep snow allowed the course to drain and firm up earlier than normal.

One thing we all need to remember is that it is still early spring. The course will not really wake up for a couple more weeks and at that time we can start mowing on a regular basis. In the meantime, it is important for everyone to tiptoe around the course as much as possible. Make sure you keep your carts on the paths when possible and avoid single riders. This extra wear and tear will show up later in the season with compacted areas not able to survive summer stress. Also, be very diligent about ball mark and divot repair. The turf will not heal until it starts growing vigorously so those ball marks will be there for a while.

Last fall we completed several projects. We leveled and sodded 3 tee, filled in and sodded 6 sand trap, and built a grass tee for the practice area. 3 tee will open later this spring as we don't want it to get beat up before it even starts growing. The sodded area on 6 is open for play but I ask that golf carts don't drive in that area. The tee on the driving range will take some time to fill in. I would guess that it will open in midsummer, until then use the hitting mats only.

I am looking forward to this upcoming season. The early spring has allowed us to get some projects done earlier than normal which will hopefully free us up for additional detail work this summer.

I look forward to seeing everyone on the course.

News From Behind the Bar

by Tim Gille, Bar Manager

APRIL DRINK SPECIALS

Get ready to sip on some exciting new drink specials heading your way!

Keep those taste buds on high alert for all the scrumptious details!

More information to come!

The taste of these fresh, elegant cocktails was quite delightful!

Watch for the next craft cocktail specials to be announced!

Friday Night DRINK SPECIALS



<p>KEY LIME MARTINI Stoli Vanilla, Whipped Vodka, Dr. McGillicuddy's Raw Vanilla, Licor 43, Lime Juice, Pineapple Juice, and Cream \$14</p>	<p>BOSCH BULLEIT Bulleit Bourbon, Peach Liqueur, Honey, Lemon, and Ginger Juice \$12</p>
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Limited quantities available for you to enjoy.

Golf Tip

by Darcy Kelly, Teaching Pro

My husband & I were invited by a good friend to hike Mt Kilimanjaro, located in Tanzania. My first thought was, WOW, it's definitely a sign, let's do it!

Highlights:

- Made it to the top - 19,431 feet, but it was so much more than that!
- Not only a physical challenge but a huge mental effort as well!
- A journey and an adventure! Our group of nine hikers went from being strangers to becoming trusted friends. Ages ranged from 48 - 72 years young! Seven men & two women. Our common goal to reach the summit took a backseat as our team displayed a no-person left-behind attitude!
- We had plenty of time to learn about each other's lives. Including but not limited to discussing careers, other travel experiences, our families, life's joys and sorrows, and so much more!
- Our other family was the amazing staff of porters, our lifeline! They carried tents, duffel bags, food, water, etc. always with a smile! They taught us Swahili, the native language, in songs & common words. They also taught and displayed how their simple, modest, lives were full of happiness, even while working very hard for what we would consider very meager pay.

My takeaways:

- Too many to list them all!
- Be open to new adventures when they present themselves to you!! And it doesn't have to be international.
- Get comfortable being uncomfortable. For example, I really don't like heights but I'm getting more comfortable.
- Simplicity is refreshing.

These same takeaways with a golf twist:

- Adventures and journeys! That is golf! Enjoy and embrace it!
- Get comfortable! Try one of your clubs that you don't use very often. Practice, be positive, and be patient!
- Simplicity! Don't get too fancy for your own good!

I look forward to seeing you all for another great golf season!

Darcy



Playing Times Reminder:

As we move into April, the official WSGA start of the golf season, we want to offer a reminder to all members of the available playing times. **The regular set Women’s Day (Wednesday) and Men’s Day (Thursday) guidelines are back in effect.**

Limited play, or no play, is allowed during restricted times, such as scheduled events. Students (*not on their own membership*) may play on weekends when accompanied by their parents or with golf shop permission. When a holiday falls on a weekday, play is the same as on weekends. All golfers are allowed to play seven days per week per the schedule below.

DAY	MEN	WOMEN	STUDENTS (not on own membership)
Sunday	All Day	All Day	May play with golf shop permission.
Monday	All Day	All Day	All Day
Tuesday	All Day	All Day	All Day
Wednesday (“Women’s Day”)	Men may golf in the morning prior to Women Only Play. Men must be at the turn by 8:30 am or complete play by 11:00 am. Men are also welcome after 3:00 pm.	All Day	Students may golf in the morning prior to Women Only Play. Students must be at the turn by 8:30 am or complete play by 11:00 am. Students are also welcome after 3:00 pm.
Thursday (“Men’s Day”)	All Day	Women may golf in the morning prior to Men Only Play. Women must be at the turn by 8:30 am or complete play by 11:00 am.	Students may golf in the morning prior to Men Only Play. Students must be at the turn by 8:30 am or complete play by 11:00 am.
Friday	All Day	All Day	All Day
Saturday	All Day	All Day	May play with golf shop permission.

- Tee time reservations may be made two weeks in advance. Book tee times through the website’s online booking system (www.stoughtoncountryclub.com) or the Stoughton Country Club app.
- Please check in at the golf shop when you arrive to play. It is important for the golf shop staff to know who is on the course.

All golfers (members, students, guests) must wear Country Club golf-appropriate attire. Men are required to wear collared shirts and golf slacks or Bermuda-length shorts. For women, a polo-style shirt (with or without collar), golf dresses, pants, shorts, or skorts. Please call if you have questions.

April Bar and Restaurant Hours:

Monday
No Bar, Lunch, or Dinner service

Tuesday
Bar: 10:00 a.m. - close
Lunch Service: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Dinner service: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday (**WOMEN'S DAY**)
Bar: 10:00 a.m. - close
Lunch service: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
No Dinner Service

Thursday (**MEN'S DAY**)
Bar: 10:00 a.m. - close
Lunch service: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Dinner service: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Friday
Bar: 10:00 a.m. - close
Lunch service: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Dinner service: 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday
Bar: 9:00 a.m. - close
Lunch service: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sunday:
Bar: 9:00 a.m. - close
Lunch service: 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Please Note: Hours are subject to change with the guidance of the General Manager if there is no need for member food or beverage services.

welcome

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

Peter Howery
Maggie Korslin and Mike McGrath
Frederick Merizon
David O'Brien
Aiden Vosberg


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

**SCC no longer receives mail
through the P.O. Box.**

*Please address mail
correspondence to:*

3165 Shadyside Drive
Stoughton, WI 53589

*Just a
Reminder.*



SPRING Sale!



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What's Happening

APRIL

- 3 (Wed):** Wine and Paint Night
(6:00 p.m. registration; event 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.).
- 6 (Sat):** Private Event
- 8 (Mon):** Stoughton Highschool Boys Golf Invitational
- 16 (Tue):** Euchre Night. Sign up today!
- 23 (Tue):** Cribbage Tournament. Sign up today!

MAY

- 4 (Sat):** Member Mixer Golf Outing. Sign up today!
- 11 (Sat):** Private Event
- 12 (Sun):** Mother's Day Brunch – More info to come!
- 15 (Wed):** Women's Golf Spring Fling
- 21 (Tue):** McFarland Chamber Golf Outing
- 21 (Tue):** Euchre Night. Sign up today!
- 24 (Fri):** Live music featuring the Lounge Lizards (5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.)
- 25 (Sat):** Memorial Day Golf Outing. Sign up today!
- 27 (Mon):** Classic & Presidents Cup Matches Start
- 27 (Mon):** Memorial Day

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

HOW TO SIGN UP:

Sign up for events by visiting the SCC website – Members tab– Event Registration and select the event you are interested in.

How to complete the sign up online:

- Click the link or visit the SCC website - stoughtoncountryclub.com/event-registration/
- Select the event you'd like to sign up for.
- Select the green register button.
- Select the number attending (use the drop-down arrow).
- Select the green "Check Out" button.
- Fill in the additional needed info if you are signing up more than one attendee.
- Scroll to bottom
- **Click green "COMPLETE ORDER" to reserve your spot.

