

OCC Newsletter

November 2021

President's Message...

OCC Members-

As Fall is fully upon us and the golf season is coming to an end so is my time as President of the Oswego Country Club. I am extremely honored to have been afforded the privilege of serving in this role. OCC is a special place, and we are extremely fortunate to have this amazing facility in our community.

In my tenure on the board, I have seen whirlwind of changes take place at the club. The club decided to fully renovate the clubhouse and locker room facilities. We operated through the pandemic and managed to stay open to golf with only minor inconveniences to our membership. We saw our way through changes in key positions at the club in the restaurant and pro shop twice. We implemented a new membership incentive that helped rebound the club from diminished membership numbers after a couple years of high resignations. I'm proud to say that with all that we have been able to have three consecutive years of positive financial results. Much of that success is because of the extremely talented and hardworking team we have in place at OCC. I owe our Greens Superintendent, Scott Peters, restaurant proprietor Tammy Morgia and our Head Golf Pro Mike Hogan an enormous debt of gratitude, each of you and your teams make OCC the amazing experience that it is.

I would be remiss if I did not thank all my fellow board members that I had the privilege to work alongside of the past seven years. Thank you all for the many spirited conversations and long nights working towards making OCC all that it can be. I encourage any member who truly enjoys what we have to offer at OCC to volunteer and run for the board. It is a rewarding experience and crucial to the long-term success of the club that we maintain an active and engaged board of directors.

Regards,

Dan Dorsey Jr.

Club President



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OCC 2020-21 Board of Directors

Dan Dorsey, Jr.	President
Peter Cullinan	1st Vice President
Ben Frary	2nd Vice President
Marilyn Magner	Treasurer
Jennifer Boalt	Recording Secretary
Jack Blum	Board Member
Mark Brunschweiler	Board Member
Ken Cherchio	Board Member
William Crist	Board Member
Chris Dain	Board Member
Elizabeth Dorsey	Board Member
Zachary Farden	Board Member
K.C. Maniccia	Board Member
Tyanna Westbrook	Board Member
Tammy Murphy	Restaurant and Bar
Scott Peters	Grounds Superintendent
Michael Hogan	Golf Professional



**Century Tavern and
1897 Dining Room
Fall Hours
Saturday & Sunday: Noon to 4
Monday: 11 to 3
Tuesday-Friday: 11-8**



The Course...

The course will stay open until it's covered in snow. Days with frost or with frozen ground will require a delay or closure. We will continue to clear leaves by blowing and mulching to make next spring's cleanup easier as well as fall golf more enjoyable.

We have sent one of our three main pumps to get inspected and rebuilt.

The Board has given approval to purchase a new tractor and mower for the roughs. With the wet weather this summer, the roughs never slowed down!

**Oswego CC GC Supt
Scott Peters**



On the Pro Side...

Say it ain't so. I can't believe that it is November already. It seems like just yesterday we were opening the Golf shop for the season. Time flies when your having fun and boy were we having fun. The golf shop will be locked up for most of the winter. I am meeting with a few reps to see if we might be able to put some orders in for a holiday sale.

All carts and guest sign in will now be done in the restaurant at the back bar. Please be sure to sign in for any guests or carts. You will need a fob to get in the golf storage or locker room. If you need something from the golf shop don't hesitate to contact me for arrangements.

Thank you everyone for a great season. I feel very blessed to have such a supportive membership. Everyone is supportive and respectful to the outside staff, Connor and myself. I look forward to next season. Have a safe winter.

Michael (Hoagie) Hogan
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Facilities...

What a great month October was for being the end of the normal golf season. I'm still holding out for some more decent days and look forward to golfing into December like last year. With the leaves changing colors and the flowering mums, the course and grounds look amazing. To be honest, I spent more time golfing this past month than I did fixing stuff.

Maintenance activities performed during October include:

- Re-routed a power cable in the snack shed that was being caught up on supply containers.
- Graded the corner of the snack shed where erosion has started creating a sink hole.
- Fix an in-wall water leak that supplies the outside faucet to the maintenance building.
- Replaced the breaker and switch to the kitchen exhaust fan. Unfortunately, this did not solve the problem of the fan motor tripping the breaker on startup. A vendor will be brought in to further investigate the problem.
- Installed a new cellar post below the dinning room area. The old post succumbed to years of oxidation until gravity took over.

The new furnace for the locker room has arrived and will be installed shortly. The outside drain line for the locker room sump appears to be blocked. I will attempt to clear this blockage before I seek support from a vendor.

One last thing, there is an area in the dining room outside the kitchen where the floor is heaving up. A section of carpet will need to be removed to investigate the issue. I will coordinate with Tammy on the best time to perform this work. Until then, be careful walking in this area.

If you have any facilities improvement suggestions, please let me know.

Thank you

Mark G. Brunschweiger

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ANNUAL MEETING

**The Annual Meeting will be held on
Sunday, November 14th @ 3 p.m.
All Life Memberships and Golf Memberships**

(1 vote per family)

(excepting High School and College Memberships)

are eligible to vote

Please plan on attending!

Following the meeting a light meal will be served.

Look for more details and

the complete agenda

to be posted on

November 4th



Greens Committee...

As we move to the colder weather, especially on those days hovering near freezing please look for announcements about limited play due to frost and/or wet conditions restricting cart use. The best way to care for the course and in particular the greens is frequently to not allow play or carts on the course.

The Board at its November meeting authorized the purchase of a replacement tractor for the Kubota that is used primarily for pulling the large rough mowing deck, deep tine aerifier and mulching of leaves in the fall. The current tractor has over 10,000 hours on it and has been showing its age with needed maintenance and equipment challenges. The decision to purchase this now was made based on the dealer's suggestion to place the order now so we have it for spring – as many people have experienced extended wait times for purchases like vehicles – so too with tractors. Additionally, the Board authorized the replacement of the Progressive large rough mowing deck which is also very old and showing its age. This is the large unit used for the rough and mulching of leaves. Both units will be like-for-like replacements with the newer model versions.

If you have positive comments for the course and its condition please let Scott, Neal or any of the grounds crew know – they take great pride in the course and would appreciate the feedback. If you have any suggested enhancements please let a member of the Greens Committee know – Jerry Altimonda, Mark Mayo, Connie Sideris, PK, Kevin Dorsey, Zach Farden, Deana Masuicca or me.

PS – keep fixing ball-marks – be they yours or others that were missed.

Pete K. Cullinan
Greens Committee Chair
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Constitution...

Proposed Changes to OCC Constitution at 2020 Annual Meeting – November 14, 2021:

Proposed Change 1 to Section 4.02. Election and Term.

Current wording:

A. Directors' Terms & Limits. Directors shall be elected to serve three (3) year terms unless elected or appointed to serve for a lesser period of time to complete an unexpired term. The three (3) year terms shall be staggered such that three (3) Directors' terms expire each year. Directors completing a single term shall be allowed to run for re-election as a Director, however, Directors completing a second consecutive term, whether the terms were full or partial, shall not be eligible to succeed themselves.

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Explanation for proposed change:

During the current year and recent past there have been challenges to identify potential new directors from the membership. The change is proposed to allow Directors who are interested in continuing to serve on the board the option of doing so. As currently written a director may only complete two consecutive terms.

Proposed Change 2 to Section 7.01. Audit Committee.

Current wording:

Section 7.01. Audit Committee. There shall be an Audit Committee comprised of no less than three (3) Club members who shall be charged with reviewing the accounts of the Club and reporting to the Board and membership. The Treasurer will be available to assist in this review as needed.

Proposed wording:

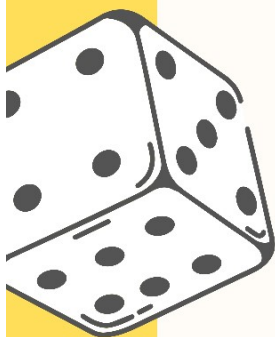
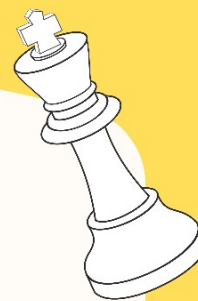
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Explanation for proposed change:

Current practice does not engage an Audit Committee every year. Removal of "There shall be" allows the Audit Committee to be utilized when deemed necessary rather than a standing committee. Addition of "An Audit Committee may not be required every year at the discretion of the Board." Allows the Audit Committee to be as needed which aligns with current practice.

Submitted by
Pete Cullinan
Constitution/Bylaws Chair

Social Committee...



LADIES GAME NIGHT

Spare Your Time for Fun

**First Thursday
of the month at
6:00**

**NOVEMBER GAME:
LEFT, RIGHT,
CENTER**



Time to Test Your Brain

OCC Trivia Night

November 11

**SIGN UP AT THE BAR ANY
TIME OR BY 6:00 AT THE
EVENT. TEAM CAN BE UP
TO 8 PLAYERS.**

GAME BEGINS: 6:30

COST: \$10 PER PERSON

**(PROCEEDS GO TO THE
KIDNEY FOUNDATION)**