

OCC Newsletter

September, 2021

President's Message...

OCC Membership-

As many of you are aware we had a very serious medical situation arise during the Men's Senior Club Championship where Robert "Beaver" McCrobie suffered a heart attack. Due to the quick actions of his playing partners and others Beaver was able to get the life saving care that he needed. On behalf of the entire membership, I would like to thank Rick Lenahan, Nick Dellapenna, Chris Carpenter and Ben Stevens and any others I am not aware of. You are all heroes, and we thank you. I have attached a letter I recently received from Beaver to the entire membership that he asked to be shared with the entire membership.

August 20th, 2021

To: Dan Dorsey Jr. Oswego Country Club President

Mike Hogan PGA Professional

Connor Goss Asst. PGA Professional

Board of Directors

Oswego Country Club General Staff & Grounds

General Membership Oswego Country Club

To all,

On August 14th during Round 1 of the Sr. Club Championship, a medical event occurred that involved me at the 16th hole. I am able to write this today because of the quick instincts and actions of my round partners, Rick Lenahan and Nick Della Penna, Chris Carpenter in the group near us, the Pro Shop and other members that were close in proximity and contributed to the effort.

In a medical event that no one had any expectation of (especially myself), these actions taken by all, will allow me to participate another day at our club. In full cardiac arrest, the immediate actions by Rick and Nick, the support actions by Chris, the quick response getting an ambulance in route, transporting the defib to the location from the pro shop and ambulance directions by Chris Dain, allowed me to regain life. I will share a moment with you in our discussion with the attending St Joseph's doctor, he stated more than once that "who ever took action in CPR, the ambulatory guidance, caring for me until professional help arrived, saved my life and minimized/eliminated any internal organ and brain damage risk".

There are not any words to express to any of them or our membership on how gratified my wife, my family and myself are. The response and how it played out is just one example of the first-class people that make up our membership. We all have our gripes on how things should be or could be, but we are all part of this club for enjoyment, fun, comradery, competition and enjoying the game that mesmerizes all of us at times. I will be forever grateful of the outpouring from members with their in-person greetings, cards, texts, etc, it is truly humbling to know that people care so much.

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Recovery is underway and I will soon be back at the club, only because of the courageous acts by our fellow members, who stepped up in a time of extreme circumstance and did something that is one of the most sacred acts known to mankind, to save a human life. For those who also helped that I do not know about at this time, we thank you.

So, when you see these members whom to me are truly heroes, please acknowledge them, and to the ones I don't even know who helped, our gratitude is immeasurable to all of you.

Best regards to all and I will see you soon,

Bob "Beaver" and Julie McCrobie

Bob is recovering and I've heard has even been up at the club hitting a few putts. Beaver on behalf of the entire club we are thrilled that you are on the road to recovery, and we can't wait to see you up at the club!

Dan Dorsey Jr.
Club President



OCC 2020-21 Board of Directors

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Century Tavern and 1897 Dining Room

Summer Hours

Open Mondays for lunch!

Century Tavern

Dining Room

Monday-Friday 10:45 a.m. – Close

Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m.-8 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday 10:30 a.m. – Close

Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m.– 3 p.m.

The Course...

Fungal problems come with the heat, humidity and excess moisture. We try to minimize the conditions that help cause damage. This involves cleaning as much cut tissue off the fairways after mowing. By blowing, the heat and moisture that is trapped under the clippings is reduced. We finished adding sand to all of our traps recently as well as working up the existing sand.

Scott Peters
Golf Course Supt.



On the Pro Side...

Wow! August was a whirlwind. I think this August will not be soon forgotten by many of our members and staff. We certainly have an outstanding group of people that any professional would like to be able to associate their name with. Congratulations to all of you champions. August certainly has been a busy month. We added 22 champions to our list in August. It was great to see all the new friendships and rivalries that blossomed out of this month. I would like to thank you all of our groups that play for also opening their doors and making any member feel like they have a place to play.

On the pro shop side of things, I would like to remind everybody that your pro shop credit is to be used by October 21st and will not carry over. I have no problem placing orders if your item is not in stock. Some of the effects from the virus are still very prevalent with stock issues. If we get your order placed before the deadline your credit will still be valid. If you were given a physical gift certificate (i.e., mg tee gift) we do not have them in your credit book until you give us the certificate to put on your account. All league credit should be installed by the end of the week. Please don't hesitate to ask if you think there are any errors.

Keep in mind we will have both the High School and College teams out on our course now also. Members might want to just take a quick glance of when they are playing to avoid a crowded tee. Let's have a great September. Play, Play, Play!

Michael (Hoagie) Hogan
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Facilities...

We made it through the hot summer days of August and as we move to our Fall season some of the best weather for golf is upon us; At least that's what I think. I want to give a big Thank You to Tammy and her staff for keeping us well fed, and more importantly, well hydrated on the course during those hot humid days. Also, best of luck to the staff members who will be going back to school this Fall. Be safe and hope to see you next year.

Maintenance activities performed during August include:

- #3 and #14 Tee Box stairs replacements are now complete and have been painted.
- Restored power to the dining room Northeast outlets.
- Snack Shed service shutters were repaired and added a new hasp on the outside.
- Grease trap was pumped out by the vendor
- Water cooler by the score board experienced a catastrophic failure of the bearing to the heat exchanger cooling fan. I was able to find a new fan on Amazon and completed the repairs.
- The sidewalk from the Pro Shop to the Club House was edged to help alleviate water that collects and pools up during heavy rain. Of course, we need some heavy rain now to see if this solution works.

It's that time of year when we begin our Budget process. I have a few Facilities upgrades that I would like to see get done next year and will be obtaining quotes. If anyone has any suggestion to improve our facility, please let me know so we can get it in the budget. Please note, putting in a video camera for #9 green is not part of Facilities. I believe that project is best suited for the Social Committee.

Thank you,

Mark G. Brunschweiger

mbrunsc@yahoo.com



Nominating Committee...

The country club will be electing our board of directors at the annual meeting in November. If you are interested in running for the board, or have any questions about time commitment, responsibilities, or any other aspect of board service, please get in touch with the chair of the nominating committee, Chris Dain. Feel free to call him at 315-592-1085. You can also contact any other member of the country club's Board of Directors.

Handicaps...

USGA GHIN has recently upgraded their application to include a Golf with GPS feature. To use this feature select Play with GPS at the Home Screen of the USGA GHIN smartphone app. Users will then be able to record hole by hole scores with an additional perk. Users can now view a map of the current hole and the distance to the center of the green from anywhere on the course by tapping the GPS button. Also, by tapping any position on the map, the application will show you the distance from your current location to that position and the distance from that position to the center of the green.

There is an optional \$40 per year upgrade to Enhanced GPS that includes:

- Approach Heat Maps - see a heat map of the green to plan where to hit your approach shot
- Putt Break Maps – view a map of the green that shows the slope on the green
- Shot Tracking - track the distance and location of every shot from tee to green
- Distances to Green – see the distances to the front, center and back of every green

A 7-day free trial of Enhanced GPS is included with your regular GHIN membership. I have found this Enhanced feature to be very helpful at unfamiliar courses but overkill to use at our own course.

As always please feel free to reach out to me with any handicap questions/problems.

Ben Frary
Handicap Chair



Social Committee...



This summer has been a busy one. This past weekend we held the Adult Child Tournament. There were 20 teams participating in the event. The rainy weather did not hold off, but everyone made the best of it. In the end the kids took over the bar with Tammy and her staff moving the "snack shed" indoors. There were a lot of new faces participating along with a lot of returning members; everyone was a winner in this event.

On September 11 there will be an Appreciate the Pro/Course Superintendent Tournament. Let's get everyone out there to show our appreciation for the excellent job they both do! On September 24th we are going to try having a Glow Ball Tournament in place of the last Nine, Wine and Dine of the season. Be on the lookout for flyers advertising both events.

The Social Committee meets the second Wednesday of every month at 5:30 in the bar area. As we move into the fall and winter planning events will become more of a challenge. Consider joining the committee and helping us out with fresh ideas and more hands!

Submitted by KC Maniccia

Greens Committee...

If your shots have been a little off center – especially on the front nine – you likely noticed the addition of sand in many of the traps and a mid-season deep tine penetration of the traps to break up and loosen the sand. The addition of the sand and the deep tine efforts should show marked improvement in our traps and consistency when hitting out of them.

The Committee also discussed some additional dead or challenged trees on the course and went on a field trip to look at several of these with Scott. As you approach the dogleg on #14 you will notice a severely diseased maple on the right – we asked Scott to have his crew remove this tree which shouldn't affect play at all. On 17 one of the old black cherry trees on the left just beyond the fairway trap is leaning and has been affected by poison ivy vines, the tree was already starting to show fall colors which is not a good sign. We asked Scott to have his crew remove this tree as well – but this still leaves several additional trees in the cluster to keep errant shots in check. We asked Scott to reach out to an arborist for their opinion on the likely longevity of three other trees – a large ash between 14 and 17 prior to the hill on 17 – this tree is heavily decayed at the base on the 14 side but otherwise looks health. The maple on the right side of the fairway in the hump area of 17 – there appears to be significant decay on portions of this tree. A large oak to the left of the tee on #7 which appears healthy but a wire can be easily pushed deeply through the base at ground level. Once we have the arborist's opinion on the health of the three trees we will make a decision on what actions to take with them. Additionally, we looked at some of the Scotch pines between 1 and 7 that have the potential to affect the growth of the hardwood trees that have been planted in that area – since this is not an immediate tree health concern the consensus was to wait for the course master plan to see what insights it might provide for the trees in that area.

Lastly equipment, we discussed equipment and the need to prioritize the course needs for replacements going forward – Scott is working up a list and we can develop a potential plan for future replacement on a predictable schedule. We also discussed the option of a leasing plan for equipment turnaround that will be explored to allow for predictable budgeting. Currently our main equipment focus is to replace the Kubota tractor that is used to pull the rough mower as well as the aerification equipment, we will be looking to purchase both these pieces of equipment in 2021 so they are here and ready for the start of the season. Additionally, Scott will be having one of the irrigation pumps (we have 3) removed during the winter and refurbished. We have seen degraded performance on at least one of these pumps and will have a company refurbish it and give us an idea of whether the other two should be done at the same time or on a staggered schedule.

Keep fixing your ball marks as well as any others you see. A quick comment on divots – with the advent of the divot mix on carts, it appears that people aren't replacing divots when they could be. If you take a solid replaceable divot please replace it. Unreplaced divots do have an impact on the mowers and cause down time for the equipment when the mowers become clogged (think of some of the par 3 tees as an extreme). If the divot can be replaced – replace it, if there is no divot to replace then use the sand mix.

If you are happy with the course conditions please mention it to Scott, Neal or any member of their crew. If you have any suggest improvements please mention it to a member of the Greens Committee – PK, Mark Mayo, Connie Sideris, Kevin Dorsey, Zack Farden, Jerry Altimonda, Deana Massuicca or me.

Pete K. Cullinan
Sr. EP Specialist – Site
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OSWEGO COUNTRY CLUB

GLOW GOLF

ADULTS ONLY

SEPT 24 7:30 PM

Raindate Sept 25

*Captain
and Crew*

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in PROSHOP
BY SEPT 16**

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*MINIMUM 2 MEMBERS PER
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&

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Day

Saturday 9/11/21

2 p.m. Shotgun

Captain and Mate

Par 3

\$35 per person

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entree

~Honorarium

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Hoagie and

Scott

Sign Up in the Proshop
questions please contact

Mary or John Stevens

343-5100

Should you be unable to play,
cards may be dropped off at the

Proshop

BUCCANEER BOOSTER GOLF TOURNAMENT



REGISTRATION FORM

4 PERSON CAPTAIN & CREW FORMAT
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2021

Oswego Country Club
1:00PM SHOTGUN START
Sign-In Starts at 11:30AM

CAPTAIN'S NAME: _____

CAPTAIN'S ADDRESS: _____

CAPTAIN'S TELEPHONE: _____

CAPTAIN'S E-MAIL: _____

CREW MEMBERS INFO

NAME/E-MAIL: _____

NAME/E-MAIL: _____

NAME/E-MAIL: _____

COST: \$500 PER TEAM ALL INCLUSIVE

Includes 18 Holes of Golf, 2 Carts per Team,
On-Course Games, Dinner Immediately Following

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Sean Callen at (607)-327-2039

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>
Mar-27	Sat	8:00-12:00	Volunteer Clean-up Day	Mark Mayo/Scott Peters
May-1	Sat	9:00 shotgun	Men's Draft Tournament	Proshop
May-4	Tue	8:30 mod. shotgun	Women's 18-hole League begins	Jennifer Boalt
May-5	Wed	9:00-11:30 alternate sides	Women's Early League begins (9)	Marilyn Magner
May-5	Wed	3:00-5:30 alternate sides	Men's Twilight League begins	Dave Johnson
May-10	Mon	Course closed until 4:00	Greens Aerification	Scott Peters
May-11	Tue	Course closed if needed	Contingency Aerification Day	Scott Peters
May-11	Tue	3:00-5:30 alternate sides	Men's Twilight League begins	Paul Osetek/Larry Heintz
May-13	Thu	3:00-5:30 alternate sides	Women's Twilight League begins	Julie Sterio/Vicki Furlong
Jun-2	Wed	9:00-11:30 alternate sides	Women's 9-hole League begins	Marilyn Magner
June-6	Sun	1:00 shotgun	Pro-Member	Pro Shop
Jun-7	Mon	10:00 shotgun	Oswego Health Tournament	Pete Cullinan/Michele Hourigan
Jun-12	Sat	12:00-1:00 1 st tee	Post-Standard/AIM Event	Pro Shop
Jun-18	Fri	5:00 shotgun	Couples League/Wine and Dine	Social Committee
Jun-21	Mon	10:00 Shotgun	Oswego-Fulton Chamber Tourney	Sarah Broadwell
Jun-28	Mon	1:00 shotgun	Summer 4-Ball Event	Pro Shop
Jul-1	Thu	8:00-10:00 both sides	Junior League begins	Liz Dorsey
Jul-10	Sat	1:00 shotgun	Member-Member	Ken Cherchio
Jul-11	Sun	1:00 shotgun	Member-Member	Ken Cherchio
Jul-12	Mon	8:00 & 2:00 shotguns	United Way Event	Lexi Wallace/Kate Davis Pitsley
Jul-13	Tues	8:30 shotgun	Women's Formal M-G	Jennifer Boalt/Nancy Patka
Jul-23	Fri	5:00 shotgun	Couples League/Wine and Dine	Social Committee
Jul-24	Sat	12:00 1 st tee	Jr. Club Championship	Pro Shop
Jul-26	Mon	11:30 shotgun	Will Barclay Event	Amy Campbell
Jul-31	Sat	2:00 shotgun	Couples Member Guest	Social Committee
Aug-4	Wed	9:00-12:00 both sides	Women's 9-Hole M-G	Marilyn Magner/Liz Dorsey
Aug-6	Fri	9:00 shotgun	Men's Member-Guest	D. Dorsey, Jr.
Aug-7	Sat	9:00 shotgun	Men's Member-Guest	D. Dorsey, Jr.
Aug-8	Sun	9:00 shotgun	Men's Member-Guest	D. Dorsey, Jr.
Aug-14	Sat	10:00-12:00 1 st tee	Sr. Men's Club Championship	Pro Shop
Aug-14	Sat	12:00 1 st tee	Jr. Club Championship Semi-Final	Pro Shop
Aug-15	Sun	10:00-12:00 1 st tee	Sr. Men's Club Championship	Pro Shop
Aug-15	Sun	12:00 1 st tee	Jr. Club Championship Final	Pro Shop
Aug-17	Tue	8:30 shotgun	Women's Informal 18-Hole M-G	Jennifer Boalt
Aug-19	Thu	10:30 shotgun	Senior Men's Member Guest	PK
Aug-21	Sat	3:00 modified shotgun	Adult-Child Tournament	Pro Shop
Aug-23	Sat	9:00-1:00 1 st tee	CNY PGA Event	Pro Shop
Aug-27	Fri	5:00 shotgun	Couples League/Wine and Dine	Social Committee
Aug-28	Sat	8:00-11:00 1 st tee	Men's/Women's Club Champ.	Pro Shop
Aug-29	Sun	8:00-11:00 1 st tee	Men's/Women's Club Champ.	Pro Shop
Sep-1	Wed	8:30 shotgun	SWDGA Event	Deana Masuicca
Sep-7	Tue	Course closed until 4:00	Greens Aerification	Scott Peters
Sep-8	Wed	Course closed if needed	Contingency Aerification Day	Scott Peters
Sep-11	Sat	2:00 shotgun	Par 3 Pro Appreciation Tournament	Social Committee
Sep-13	Mon	All day	Fairway Aerification	Scott Peters

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Sep-14	Tue	As required	Fairway Aerification	Scott Peters
Sep-18	Sat	1:00 shotgun	Buc Boosters Event	Sean Callen
Sep-25	Sat	11:30-1:30 1 st tee	SUNY Fall Invitational	Mike Howard
Sep-26	Sun	11:00-1:00 1 st tee	SUNY Fall Invitational	Mike Howard
Oct-9	Sat	9:00 shotgun	Stableford Tournament	PK
Oct-12	Tue	Early morning	Back Nine Aerification	Scott Peters

Possible Social Events

Sep-24	Fri	5:00 shotgun	Couples League/Wine and Dine	Social Committee
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It's September- Isn't it??