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The Tee Times

July 2012 Issue

Gary Schilling: Online Editor

Ramblings From The President

Summer is here and the course has dried out from the spring rains, in fact we're watering the greens already. With the dryer fairways, Richie Beers told me the other day that he drove the green on 16...good job.

We had the Stamford Open a week ago and by all account the course was in fantastic shape...thanks Kenny and crew. The food that Gabrielle's provided was a huge step up from last year. Jon and Pam in the pro-shop had all the details organized. And the tone in the air was very upbeat. I think all participants had a good time.

Speaking about tournaments, the Invitational is coming up August 10th through the 12th. It is our 75th and surely will be memorable. Gabrielle's is serving a sit down prime rib dinner to participants and their guests. It sure would be nice to have a full field, so please spread the word to anyone possibly interested.

Steve Sibbern is organizing some informal golf/dinner events. The next is July 15th. Check in with Big Jon for details.

June 13th we had our first Open Forum meeting. Thanks to all who came and, more importantly, shared their thoughts. It seemed much more positive than the tension filled ones from last year, which for one, I was thrilled. The board uses the suggestions and thoughts brought up as a guideline for possible changes to the course and its policies, after all, it's you're your club and want it to reflect what you want it to be. Again thanks.

Enjoy the summer and hope to see you out there.

All the best,
Tom Bartodziej

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Turf Talk

Anyone who has played our course this season knows what great condition it is in. This time of the year keeps the crew busy mowing the fairways and rough. The greens are healthy and the scheduled treatments to them are on schedule. Because of the dryer weather conditions the crew has been able to work on some of the wetter areas on the course. A good example is the area behind the 6th green which has been cleared and cleaned up. The last week of June the crew will be working on the area around the pond

between 7 and 9.

Grounds Superintendent, Ken Cole, said a number of our members have volunteered their time to help keep the course in good condition. Charlie Palm has been working the bunkers, Ted Archibald has been weed whacking and Ira is still working his orange Kubota tractor wherever needed. Ken also wanted to let "the ladies" know how much he and his crew appreciate their cookie and cake donations and that they are looking forward to the zucchini bread season.

DID YOU KNOW?

Situation: Your ball has landed within a foot or so of a wooden post in the roped off section in front of the 6th green. The post and the rope will interfere with your next shot. What do you do?

Some golfers would pick up the post and place it on the ground along with the rope and then take their approach shot to the green. Right or wrong? Press the buzzer, sound the bells – this is wrong.

The right call is to take a free drop to an area where you have a full stance and swing, no closer to the hole. Do not take the posts out of the ground.

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2012 Men's Stamford Open



The event was well attended despite some inclement weather on the first day of the tournament.

The Men's Stamford Open Golf Tournament took place on Saturday and Sunday, June 9th and 10th. During Saturday's best ball competition the participants wore a variety of rain gear as the weather conditions for most of the day was a steady downpour. Due to the conditions, the scores for the day were a little higher than usual. Sunday was warm and sunny as the teams played a scramble format. Below are the winners in each of the three flights:

Standing	1st Flight	Score
1st Place	Brad Anderson/Paul Roach	129
2nd Place	Rich Meade/Dave Anderson	130
3rd Place	Gov Govern/Carrie Trappenburg	131
2nd Flight		
1st Place	Jim Craig/Tom Lamport	124
2nd Place	Tony/John Michalowski	125
3rd Place	Jason/Mike O'Donnell	125
3rd Flight		
1st Place	Ben Curns/Rich Nolan	125
2nd Place	John Reed/Jim Lamport	126
3rd Place	Bob Loesel/Ken Campisi	126

From The Board

The Board of Directors held a Board/Members open forum meeting on June 13th that took on the theme of "moving on". Club President, Tom Bartodziej, opened the meeting by saying, "There are some people that think that last year's open forums were a waste of time, but the Board has taken them seriously. We have looked at all the suggestions made and have acted on many of those ideas." He then explained some of the following changes the Board has made for this year.

The Board worked hard this past winter rewriting a concessionaire contract and then

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awarded the contract to Chris and Michelle Caiazza, the owner's of Gabrielle's in Stamford. The Caiazza's have renamed the club restaurant, Gabrielle's on the Hill. Anyone who has eaten at our club this season is aware of the big improvement over last year.

Kenny Cole has been hired as our new course supervisor and Jon Langer is now running the Pro Shop.

A new membership drive has been aided with the introduction of a new 50 play membership for senior golfers, a reduced new member fee and a new scheduled membership payment plan. These new options and the fact that regular membership fees have not increased over last year have helped increase the club membership. To date the club has 35 new members for 2012. It should be noted that our membership has been decreasing over the years and this year is the first increase in total membership in about five years.

During these difficult economic times cost saving procedures have been put in place. The club's operating expenses have been brought down. Examples of cost reduction include employee reduction costs and a new outside mechanic for the course maintenance equipment that has cut repair costs dramatically.

A new Thursday night league has been started to help defray the income lost from the cancellation of the Tyco League. There are 14 teams playing on Thursday nights.

Stamford Golf Club can now be found on GolfNow.com, a popular and widely used website for making tee time reservations. It will now be easier for non-local golfers to make tee times at our club. Hopefully our presence on this website will draw new golfers to our course.

After Tom was finished with his presentation the meeting was opened to input from those club members present. Everyone agreed that the club can not sustain itself on membership fees alone and that we need to find more ways to attract outside play.

One member said he has noticed the course is almost empty during weekday afternoons and that maybe we should reduce green fees to increase play. The Board noted that this year we run a Thursday \$100 for a foursome special, a Wednesday \$25 senior special and reduced Twilight fees. Another suggestion was made that the club look into targeting special groups such as law enforcement, volunteer fire fighters, teachers, military veterans and nurses. A suggestion was made to run an "appreciation week" for each group at \$25 green fees.

The group discussed the possibility of running a fund raising event to increase income for the club. It was pointed out that in the past the club ran successful "driveway fund" events. The group thought that the membership would support a fund raiser event if it was targeted for a specific purpose as opposed to the proceeds going into the general fund.

Two possible projects for the club to consider were talked about during the meeting. One was the refurbishing of the clubhouse patio. The Board reported that they are awaiting an estimate for repairing the large crack in the patio foundation. Resurfacing the patio floor and new tables and chairs were suggested by the members. Those present also discussed bringing electricity to the "Shack" and installing a flush toilet. Everyone agreed that both projects need further investigation and discussion before any decisions can be made.

All those that attended the forum felt that these types of meetings are valuable, as much information and ideas were exchanged. The Board said that it would look into initiating some of the ideas brought up at the meeting.

As a reminder, any club member or shareholder may attend and address the Board at any Board meeting. Please contact Jackie Lamport prior to the meeting.

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Calendar For July

July - President's Cup second round matches throughout the month
 4th - Holiday
 6-8th - Men's Delaware County Tournament at Delhi
 7th - Gabrielles Bar-B-Q
 10th - Jr Golf course closed from 9:00 to 12:00 noon
 13th - Knights of Columbus Tournament
 15th - 4 person, handicapped, scramble event with dinner - 1:00 PM
 17th - Jr Golf course closed from 9:00 to 12:00 noon
 18th - Ladies Inter-county Match - 9:00 AM - Check with Pro Shop for open play
 24th - Jr Golf course closed from 9:00 to 12:00 noon
 28th - Ladies Queen of the Catskills Tournament - 9:00 AM
 31st - Jr Golf -- course closed from 9:00 to 12:00 noon. This is the Jr's final week

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Ladies Inter-County League

Five ladies from our club traveled to Fonda, NY on May 17th for the organizational meeting for the Ladies Inter-County Golf League.

Presently there are over 40 women golfers from five clubs in the league. 11 of our women represent the Stamford Golf Club. JoAnn Rockefeller is the Vice President of the League and Frances Archibald is the Stamford representative.

The year's first competition will be on July 12th at Canajoharie. Stamford will host a competition on July 18th.

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6-6-6 Club Event A Success

Neither a late morning downpour nor a few late afternoon showers dampened the spirits of those golfers who took part in the June 3rd 6-6-6 club event. 30 golfers played in the event that ended with a burger and brats dinner, complete with salads, baked beans and corn on the cob.

The format of the tournament had 2 player teams competing in best ball, scramble and modified alternate play. All teams were handicapped, which set up a level playing field. The winners were the team of Artie Sprague and Chris Barker with a net score of 63. Second place went to John Reid and Kenny Campisi and the third place team was the husband/wife team of Ted and Frances Archibald. All the other teams battled it out for the honorary title of "last place team," which was earned by Liv and Ruth Baker.

The longest drive for men was won by Steve Sibbern and Nicole Axtel won for the ladies. Closest to the pin honors went to no one, as no one landed their drive on the green. (How sad is that?)

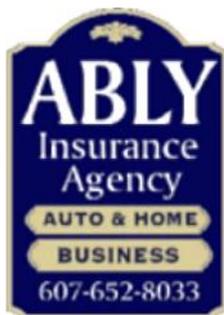
All those who played give a big thank you to the organizers of the event, Steve Sibbern and Jon Langer.

75th Annual Men's Invitational Golf Tournament

The Stamford Golf Club Men's 75th Annual Men's Invitational Tournament will be held on August 10, 11 and 12. The cost of the 3 day golf tournament, which includes breakfast daily and a sit down prime rib dinner on Saturday night, is \$120 for members.

The qualifying round for the championship flight will be Friday. All other flights will be determined using a heavy emphasis on established handicaps and Friday's round results. Plan on being a part of this 75th celebration.

Tournament Committee: Tom Bartodziej, Ken Cole, Mark Archibald, Tim Flower and Jon Langer



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July Club Event Scheduled For July 15th

Steve Sibbern has planned another club golfing event that is scheduled for Sunday, July 15th at 1:00 p.m. All the golfers that played in the June 6-6-6 club event were pleasantly surprised at how much fun they had.

July's golfing event will be a scramble format. Sign-up as a 2 person team and Jon Langer will pick the 4 person event teams according to handicaps. Steve said, "Besides making the teams as even as possible, our aim is to get everyone playing with golfers they don't usually play with. Although prizes are given, these events are designed to be fun golf. A good social outing."

The cost of the scramble event is \$25 for club members and \$45 for non-club members. This includes golf and a dinner afterwards. Join as a member/member team, a couples team or invite a friend and play as a member/guest team.

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A new shipment of clothing apparel has been received by the pro shop. New shirts for men and new tops for the ladies as well as other items should be on the shelves by the time you read this. Don't forget, all members get a 20% off discount on non-sale items.



Pam has started some "fun stuff" in the pro shop. This month she has a "guess the number of tees" contest for \$1 a chance. Later this summer she has trivia contests planned. All proceeds will be used to help pay for the replacement of office equipment.

Just a reminder, it would be helpful to the staff if you clean out any paper, beverage cans and bottles and any other trash from your golf cart upon returning the cart at the end of your round. Trash cans for bottles and cans are located by the outside entrance of the pro shop.

Jon Langer reported that Jim Schouller had a hole in one on the first hole. This is his 8th lifetime hole in one, 6 at Stamford Golf Course. Jim was playing with Doc Archibald, Tim Flower and Gary Schilling.



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They Said It...

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I'll shoot my age if I have to live to be 105. ~ Bob Hope

New York State Law – NYS Liquor Authority

Each year as our Concessionaires apply for their liquor license the NYS Liquor authority applies new regulations to our facility. This year is no different. So the Board would like to take a minute to remind you of the following:

New this year there will be no alcoholic beverages allowed in the pro shop. If you were planning to take a beer into the pro-shop and shoot the breeze with Jon, please don't.

You cannot bring alcoholic beverages onto the Golf Course. They must be purchased on site. So support our concessionaire and buy all your beverages from the bar.

These are the two State regulations that may pose a problem for the Club and the Concessionaire so the Board would ask all members to please comply with these regulations and support our concessionaire.

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This And That...

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Junior Golf starts in July.

The following lunch conversation about small dogs as pets was overheard in the clubhouse: "As far as I'm concerned, there are two kinds of dogs. "There are hunting dogs and there are punting dogs." Someone please call the SPCA.

Members of our Women's Inter-County Team played at Windham County Club on June 8th and said it was heart rendering to see the devastation inflicted on the course from last years hurricane/flood. 4 holes were totally destroyed so the entire course had to be redesigned. The only hole that stayed the same was #1. The course is now a little smaller with a course rating of 67 for women. There are no par 5's. Considering the challenges they had they have done an amazing job of getting the course ready for play.

Sign up in the Pro Shop for the 4 person scramble event on July 15th.

Jack Harmon was proud of getting a birdie on #11. His playing partner, Dave Callahan came clean and said Jack's 3rd shot was a skulled screamer that struck the pin and went in. Nice shot Jack. Thanks Dave, for setting the record straight.

Remember to arrange your second round President Cup matches. It's the player listed on top of the list who is responsible for contacting his/her foe.

If you like to play Mah Jongg we have just what you need at the Stamford Golf Club. There is a group of women that meet every Monday at 4 PM till whenever to play Mah Jongg. The ladies have a great time and anyone can join them. Bring your Mah Jongg set if you have one but most of all bring a friend. Hope to see you there. It was Tuesday night, June 12th and as usual it was pouring rain for league play. While the men cancelled their league, 4 ladies from the ladies league ventured out onto the course and completed 9 holes of golf. Not only did they play, but they scored a 35. Where were the men? Rumor has it many went home, while some stayed looking for dinner at the club. Let the record show – Ladies 1 - Men -0 (as in zero)

Put September 5th down on your calendar for the Rally for the Cure Tournament. Tee off will be a shotgun at 3:00 p.m.

The Tee Times is in need of contributors for "This and That," as well as articles and ideas. Contact Hubie or Randy

Bunker Etiquette 101

I don't know if it's because sand traps are high maintenance or the original designer of our course felt that the small, undulating greens were enough to frustrate any golfer, but Stamford Golf Course has very few bunkers. In fact, you will only encounter bunkers on 6 holes. The first bunker doesn't appear until the 5th hole where you will find a small fairway bunker 50 yards from the green. It's so small that I'm not sure if this is a real bunker or just an area where sand was dumped because grass doesn't grow there.

The next hole with a bunker is the par 3 eighth hole where there are 2 sand traps, one on either side of the fairway. They don't come into play unless you hit into the large maple tree on the left and your ball drops straight down into the trap or your ball is short to the right side and lands in the bunker close to the cart path. Somehow I have managed to be in both way too often.

On the back 9 you will discover 4 holes with bunkers. My guess is that the course designer thought that the rollercoaster green on number 10 wasn't difficult enough, so a greenside bunker was placed on the right. On the bright side, it does stop your ball from rolling into the woods. Number 15 is the next hole with sand. On a sunny day you will find 2 good sized bunkers behind the green. If it rains the day before you play your round these bunkers will be replaced with 2 good sized ponds, minus alligators and water moccasins. That leaves two holes with sand traps. Number 16 has 2 traps protecting the green and on number 18 there is a sand trap on the right side of the green that you don't know exists until the folks watching from the clubhouse patio start rolling on the floor in laughter.

A few weeks ago I hit my approach shot on number 16 and watched my ball bounce twice on the green, roll up the steep embankment and then roll back down as it headed for the hole. The ball kept going, and going and going until it ended up in the right side bunker. When I stepped into the trap I noticed the sand was fluffed up and deeper than usual. This meant two things. I was going to add 2 or 3 strokes to my score getting out and Charlie Palm has been doing his magic maintaining our bunkers. For the past few years Charlie has volunteered his time and services keeping our sand traps playable. In June, Charlie started restoring the bunkers from the winter weather and has added new sand to many of them.

I got into a discussion with Charlie about the proper way to rake a bunker when, not if, your ball lands in the sand trap. What follows should be common sense, but is a good review for all of us:

Enter the bunker at the lowest point. Do not enter by stepping off a higher rim as you will leave deep footprints in the sand. To speed up play it is perfectly legal to take the rake into the bunker with you before you hit your ball. Be sure to place the rake down so it doesn't interfere with your shot. Once you hit your ball out it is your responsibility to leave the bunker in the same or better condition than the way you found it. Begin by raking your divot and then back out of the trap, raking your footprints. Rake both towards you and away from you to get the smoothest results. Do not pull too much sand. It is ok to leave shallow furrows caused by the tines of the rake. If you need to rake the steep portion of a bunker be sure to push the rake and sand away from you so as not to pull excess sand away from incline. After you have worked your way out of the bunker and the sand is level you need to decide what to do with the rake. Do you leave it in the trap or do you place it on the ground outside the trap? There is no rule dictating how the rake should be placed. It is recommended that you place the rake outside the trap, parallel to the line of play and in an area where it is less likely to interfere with play.

Like I said, it's all about common sense when it comes to bunker etiquette. According to Charlie, one other common sense thing to think about is, if you want the bunkers to be free of divots and footprints, keep the ball in the fairway.



Members at the Headwaters tournament from left to right: Leon & Evie Johns and Bob & Lucy Jessen



Members at Headwater Tournament from left to right: Bev Hartwell, Francis & Ted Archibald and Dave Hartwell.

Stuff You Didn't Know You Didn't Know

1. Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.
2. Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:

Spades - King David
Hearts - Charlemagne
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