



# THE SCORECARD

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GOLF JOHN MALINOWSKI



Welcome to the inaugural issue of our monthly member newsletter! While I realize that October may not be the optimal time to start such a publication with the golf season winding down, I'm sure you all know that the spring and summer months were hectic. With a change in golf management, loss of key staff members and heavy

play on the course, I'm happy to transition into the quieter late fall/winter months and catch my breath. I appreciate the support and understanding that you showed – and continue to show.

As this newsletter hopefully indicates, one area of focus for us will be heightened communication. Landscapes Unlimited supports this goal and has provided Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club with a new website and email system. We will continue to work on improving the ways in which we share information, and encourage you to open your emails, visit the website and find us on Facebook. I also

urge you to share your comments, questions and concerns with me. My door is always open (except when I'm working on bank deposits – you'll quite often find it closed then!).

I'm looking forward to attending the Golf Closing Banquet on November 7. As I recall from last year, I'll have my work cut out for me trying to keep up with all of you on the dance floor. I watched a little "Soul Train" in my day, so I may have a few moves of my own to share. Do you really want to miss that?? Make sure you reserve your spot and turn in your money to the Golf Shop!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

The Golf Closing Banquet and Dance will be held on November 7 from 6-10 pm at the Ocean Pines Yacht Club. The cost is \$50 per person, which includes dinner, dancing, hors d'oeuvres and dessert. More information is available on the Ocean Pines website members' home page. Please turn in your money to the Golf Shop by October 31.

## OTHER NEWS

The Annual Bavarian Hops Match on September 11 raised \$2905 dollars for charity. Frank Ruggiere won closest to the pin on #7 and the Bavarian Hops Hat for the year. Jim and Connie Phipps were the winners of this year's skin. Thank you to Ernie Stiles for his tireless dedication to making this a fun and worthwhile event.

## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT RUSTY MCLENDON

My crew and I continue to work hard at keeping the golf course in great shape. Aeration, which was completed in the middle of August, went well. It was the first time the course had been fully aerated in three years. As you know, the weather was hot and dry for

most of the summer and into the beginning of fall, but the course has held up well despite those conditions.

We are now preparing for leaf season and are putting together a winter to-do list, which will include leveling

irrigation heads, removing trees and continuing with preventative maintenance on our equipment.

Our next project will be to begin deep-tine aerating fairways and approaches in mid-October.



## LADIES' ASSOCIATION NEWS

Meg Herrick was the winner of the LGA Governor's Cup on September 1. Thirty-one contestants came out to play and enjoyed beautiful late-summer weather.

Elinor Lees and Carolyn Neal were the winners of the Ocean Pines Ladies' 9-Hole Golf Association Member-Member tournament on September 22. They fired a net 28 on the front nine.

On September 29, 24 wom-

en participated in the Pink Lady event, which raised \$1119 for Atlantic General Hospital to pay for mammograms for women who are unable to afford them. Carolyn Neal, Lynn Schneider, Betty Holloway and Pat Beisler were the first-place winners.

Upcoming Ladies' Association activities include the Sadie Hawkins event on October 13 and Closing Day on October 27, which will in-



The Pink Lady group was looking good in the event's signature color.

clude a "Happy Play" followed by lunch and a meeting. All ladies are especially encouraged to attend Closing Day as

officers will be elected, including next year's president, Lynn Schneider.

## MEN'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

**OPMGA  
FIREBALL  
Four Club  
Tournament**  
Thursday October 22, 2015 at 8:45 A.M.

This past Men's Day Event, now in its second year, has achieved a life of its own. To participate, simply find the sign-up sheet in the Men's Locker Room and think about which four clubs you will put in your bag.

- Give your \$10 Entry Fee to El Prez
- Play with any 4 clubs in your bag, leave the rest home!
- Prizes for the top 3 Places
- Fireball Toast to the winners!
- 100% handicap

As of October 1, the current Men's Association standings for Player of the Year are Bob Kessler (1st), Nelson Fenwick (2nd), J. Phipps (3rd) and Ron Olszewski (4th). Play was rained out on Thursday, October 1, so the September 24 rankings still stand.

The winners of the Men's Association Member-Member Tournament on September

12 were Pete Gomsak and John Viola, who shot a net 57 despite the day's rainy conditions.

The last official Men's Day will be October 15. Unofficial play will continue every Thursday as weather allows.

The Fireball Four Club Tournament will be held on October 22 at 8:45 am. The cost is \$10 per player, and the sign-

up sheet is in the men's locker room. Start thinking about the four clubs you'll be playing with that day.

Plans are now being made for the annual Winter Bash in Crystal River, Florida. Although you don't need to make a firm commitment, please let Nelson Fenwick know if you are interested in participating.

## NEW AT THE GOLF SHOP



Have you noticed the Golf Shop's new Ocean Pines Golf & Country Club private label merchandise? We have a nice selection of shirts, sweatshirts and sweaters with custom Ocean Pines tags. This entire collection is currently 25 percent off, which is even better than the 20 percent discount members enjoy on all regularly-priced merchandise every day.

Don't forget that we are happy to special order merchandise for you that may not be carried in the shop. There is no additional cost for this, and you'll still receive your 20 percent member discount. Just ask any of the Golf Shop staff and we'll see what we can do to accommodate your request.