



# THE SCORECARD

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GOLF JOHN MALINOWSKI



I'm excited to announce that next week, Ocean Pines Golf Club will introduce its new family and junior tees. You'll notice in the fairways orange and green tee markers that designate where the players using these tees will tee off. In the near future, we'll also put green and orange circles on the cart path to mark where the tees are located. The purpose of the

family and junior golf tees is to enable anyone who wants to play Ocean Pines Golf Club to have a choice of yardages in order to increase their enjoyment of the game that we all love. It's one more way that we're trying to make golf fun and accessible to more people.

I have been sharing this news with those who have participated in our junior and ladies clinics. We will also send out a press release that will explain to the public the intent behind the new tee markers. I hope all of you will feel free to pass the word along to those you might know who have been reluctant to play golf in Ocean Pines because they

feel the course is too difficult for beginners or who are looking for a way to play a faster round.

On another note, over the next several weeks, as the days get shorter and the temperatures begin to drop, our outside staff will start to decrease. If you have the opportunity, please take a moment to thank those who assisted you throughout the season, whether they helped you load or clean your clubs, got your round started or checked on you on the course. The hard work that they do each morning, afternoon and evening helps the golf course to operate smoothly.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**October 6**

*Live Music in the Tern Grille with Frankie Moran*

**October 17**

*OPLGA Pink Lady Event*

**October 19**

*OPMGA Fireball Four-Club Tournament*

**November 11**

*Member Banquet*

*The Members' Council is looking for candidates for the 2017 Council; two spots need to be filled. Those interested can share their interest with Ron Olszewski.*

## HANDICAP/RULES COMMITTEE GERI FASULO, CHAIR

### Staying Up North or Heading South?

The MGA/LGA golf season at Ocean Pines Golf Club is winding down. Both leagues have had a busy season. The active season for posting scores in Maryland runs from March 15, 2017 through November 14, 2017. Scores made where a golf association has declared an inactive season must not be accepted for handicap purposes, i.e. New York,

Maryland. However, scores made in an area having an ACTIVE SEASON, e.g. scores made in Florida, the Carolina's, etc., must be posted as soon as practical, even if the golf club from which a player receives a handicap index is observing an inactive season. If you are a member at more than one club, you are required, under the MSGA, to post a score to both clubs' handicap roster in order for your handicap index to be legiti-

mate. You can be set up as a multi-member, which allows the scores to be routed to your other account – GHIN to GolfNet and vice versa. Your respective pro staffs should be able to set this up for you.

### Bad Things that Happen to our Greens

What are some of the really bad things that happen to our greens? Driving golf carts too close to the edges; players dragging their feet on the

greens and not fixing their own and others' ball marks, both hurting the greens for several days; lifting the ball out of the cup with a putter, thereby damaging the edges of the cup; general overuse; walking across the greens after a snowstorm packs down the snow and hurts the grass; ashes from cigarettes or cigars or humans! One man had his remains spread on the green. His memory lived on, but the grass did not.

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## LADIES' ASSOCIATION NEWS

### Governor's Cup

The OPLGA held its Governors' Cup championship on Tuesday, Sept. 12. The winner of this year's net-score tournament was Deb Schwertner. Other flight winners included Diana Earhart, Light Henderson, Susan Morris, Frankie Gomsak and Joan Sarisky.

Director of Golf John Malinowski presented awards to the winners at a luncheon at Taylor's immediately following the event.

The Governors' Cup trophy was originally presented by

and named for the Ocean Pines Board of Golf Governors, an elected group of golf members now known as the Golf Members' Council. The annual tournament is a long-standing Ocean Pines women's golf event.

### Pink Lady Event

On October 17, the OPLGA will hold its yearly Pink Lady Event, which raises funds to help provide mammogram screenings through the Eunice Q. Sorin Women's Diagnostic Center at Atlantic General Hospi-



*From L-R: Governor's Cup Champion Deb Schwertner, Director of Golf John Malinowski and flight winners Diana Earhart, Light Henderson, Susan Morris, Frankie Gomsak and Joan Sarisky.*

tal. This year the event is being held in honor of Elinor Lees, a longtime OPLGA

member and frequent club

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## MENS' ASSOCIATION NEWS

Congratulations to Harry van der Vossen and Ron Rider on their stunning victory in the final tournament of the 2017 OPMGA season. They beat the team of Roger Gardner and Art Henshaw by a match of cards; both teams had 12 under par net scores of 60.

There were two closest to the pin holes: #5 and #16. Both holes were won by the team of Don McMullen and Mike Bahr, with Mike doing the heavy lifting on those holes. The big money came in the birdie pool where Club Champion Tom Furlong cleared birdies on holes #9

and #18.

Thanks to Joe Lynch and Bill Hickey for a first-rate job in managing the event and to Walt Lischak for his efforts in arranging another great lunch.

**Results:** 1st place Harry van der Vossen and Ron

Rider, 60; 2nd place Roger Gardner and Art Henshaw, 60; 3rd place Ron Olszewski and Bud Humphries, 61; 4th place Frank Brown and Al Fasulo; 5th place Bill Thomson and Tom Cronin, 63

## HANDICAP/RULES COMMITTEE

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### Watch Out—Frog in the Cup

If a player makes a hole-in-one but a frog in the cup knocks the ball out of the hole, does the ace count?

It's tricky. For the ace to count, you must make sure the ball was at rest in the hole, and the frog was the

reason the ball came back out of the hole—Rule 18-1. If the ball immediately pops out and you're still on the tee, you likely wouldn't be able to confirm that the amphibian was the culprit and must play the ball from where it lies. Note: If the frog deflected the ball in motion after a stroke on the green, the stroke is cancelled, and you'd

have to replay the ball from where you were—original position.

### Miscellaneous Info

If you are flying at 35,000-45,000 feet, the altitude should not have any effect on your golf balls. Temperatures running around 50 degrees would negatively

impact ball velocity by about 1.2 percent. After two hours your golf balls should return to normal temperature. The optimal temperature for a golf ball is around 74 degrees, just in case you were wondering!

## LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

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champion, who lost her valiant battle with cancer earlier this year.

The Eunice Q. Sorin Center is dedicated solely to women's health and diagnostic services. It is a "one-stop shop" for mammography and bone density exams

as well as non-invasive alternatives to some breast surgeries. Their donation will help women who cannot afford these services to receive free mammograms and related services.

On Thursday, October 19, the OPMGA will also be contributing donations to this charity.

## BAVARIAN HOPS MATCH



Thank you again to those who supported this year's Bavarian Hops Match either

through playing or making a monetary donation. A total of \$3,793 was contributed.

A check in the amount of \$2,429 will be sent to the Cancer Research Institute (the total for which includes a single donation of \$1,000). A check for \$1,364 will be sent to the ALS Association.

## FALL BANQUET AND DANCE

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 11, 2017 6:00 P.M.-10:00 P.M.

**WHERE:** Lighthouse Sound Restaurant

**COST:** \$55.00 PER PERSON

**ENTERTAINMENT:** DJ Dino from 107.9 FM will play music for dining and dancing and will take requests for your favorites



### Butlered Hors d' Oeuvres

- Swedish Meatballs,
- Tomato, basil, and garlic Bruschetta
- Vegetable Spring Rolls with sweet & spicy Thai chili dipping sauce

### Entrée (Choice of)

- Chicken Cordon Bleu with a Pommery Mustard Beurre Blanc Sauce
- or
- Prime Rib—Oven roasted and served with au jus
- or
- Broiled Salmon with a Lemon Dill Cream Sauce
- Red skin potatoes & Asparagus
- NY style cheesecake with fresh strawberries
- Coffee, Tea and Soda Included



*Cash Bar; Happy Hour drink prices will be available  
Half priced bottles of house wine are available for purchase - \$15 ea*



Special Request: We encourage each couple to bring a toy (\$15 max value) that will go to The Toys for Tots Program supporting local children in need.

Make checks payable to Ocean Pines Golf Members' Council. Checks must be received by November 4<sup>th</sup>  
Please mail or return this stub to the Pro Shop with your payment. Contact Scotty Wheatley ([scottyw717@gmail.com](mailto:scottyw717@gmail.com))

**Please check selection per person:** Chicken / Prime Rib / Salmon

Chicken / Prime Rib / Salmon

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Total of your check:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Flyer subject to change*