



# THE SCORECARD

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF GOLF JOHN MALINOWSKI



With summer starting and our junior golf camp program ready to begin, now is an appropriate time for me once again to extend my thanks to the Golf Members' Council for the sets of junior clubs and for the money to purchase additional junior sets. Not all of

our junior program participants have their own clubs, and having sets on hand allows us to reach players who may not have been able to otherwise try out golf. Reaching a new generation of golfers is key to growth-of-the-game initiatives, and these donations allow Ocean Pines to be a part of the trend.

Please note that grass range tees open on Wednesday, June 7, weather permitting. This also means that the covered enclosure at the back of the range will be closed while we are hitting off of the front grass area.

Regarding the ongoing

clubhouse renovations, the hallway between the locker rooms and the upstairs entry should be finished over the next couple of weeks.

Finally, our annual junior golf tournament is scheduled for Wednesday, July 19, and we have already received some online registrations. Volunteer help has always been an integral part of this event, so I'm hoping that many of our golf members will once again be willing to help. I'll ask again as the tournament date draws closer, but please don't hesitate to let me know in the meantime if you'd like to assist.

Happy hitting!

### ELINOR LEES

*It is with much sadness that we announce the passing of golf member Elinor Lees on Thursday, June 1 at the hospice facility in Baltimore where she had been for over a week suffering from advanced metastasized melanoma.*

*The funeral service will be held June 10 at the F. John Ramsey Funeral Home, 1 Main St., Franklin, NJ 07416, telephone 973-827-7050.*

*Cards, which may be sent to Bill Lees at Elinor's daughter Tracy's house at 4424 Rudetown Rd., Hamburg NJ, 07419, would be appreciated.*

## HANDICAP/RULES COMMITTEE GERI FASULO, CHAIR

### "MANNERS" OFTEN VIOLATED

The following are some rules of etiquette that players unintentionally violate – sometimes we forget our "manners" when playing the game. The following are some "manners" we need to pay attention to.

*Showing up fewer than 15 minutes before your tee time*  
This puts the rest of the tee

times in "delay mode" and does not sit well with your fellow players or the starters.

*Putting too many balls on the putting green*  
Don't "hog" the green – two balls should do it

*Failing to pick up the flag stick*  
Remember the saying, "First in picks up the pin."

*Cart path only today?*

Carry more than 1 club to your shot and hope you have chosen the correct clubs—do not run back and forth to your cart because you will only slow down play.

*Lost ball*  
Don't look longer than five minutes for your ball or anyone else's. Don't belabor the search—just move on. The new Rules of Golf in 2019 will only allow three minutes!

*Annoying behavior*  
Don't talk to a fellow player's ball—it's annoying. Standing behind someone when they putt or on the side of a player is also annoying.

*Through line*  
Did you just walk on a player's "through line" on the green? A putter's line ex-

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## LADIES' ASSOCIATION NEWS

The OPLGA-9 is happy to welcome 10 new members so far this year: Martha Arthur, Debi Ball, Betty Cross, Suzanne Eccleston, Linda Frew, Paula Gardner, Nancy Lopes, Maggie Miller, Susan Pantone, Joan Stearn (returning member) and Dottie Stoltz (returning member).

All women in Ocean Pines

are invited to join our league. For more information, please contact Olga Novy at [novsnet33@gmail.com](mailto:novsnet33@gmail.com).

On June 6 the OPLGA held its Member/Member event. Upcoming events include Flag Day on June 13 and our Member/Guest on July 11.

## MEN'S ASSOCIATION NEWS

The 2017 OPMGA Ryder Cup Tournament is scheduled for Saturday-Sunday, June 24-25. The entries will be divided by handicap into two competing teams, and play will consist of four 9-hole matches over the two days: 2-Man Scramble, 2-Man Best Ball, 2-Man Alternate Shot and Single Match Play.

This event doubles as the OPMGA member-guest; it is open to all OPMGA members

and their guests. Members are encouraged to bring a guest, but bringing a guest is not required.

Walt Lischak is working on a special Saturday night dinner for this event—details will be made public shortly. Trust Walt...it will be good! Lunch after Sunday's matches is also included. Entries can be left at the Golf Shop to the attention of Jim Beisler.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Demo Day

Ocean Pines Golf Club will host a TaylorMade Demo Day on Friday, June 9 from 4-7pm on the driving range. Come out and test the company's new irons, woods and wedges.

### Live Entertainment

First Class will perform live in the Tern Grille from 4-7pm on Friday, June 9. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a drink and meal while listening to some great music!

### Sunday Social

Walt Lischak and Lynn Schneider are working on the first Sunday Social for 2017 on Sunday, June 11 with a 3pm shotgun start; Light fare will follow at 5:15pm. This event,

sponsored by the Golf Members' Council, is open to the public; couples, single golfers and foursomes may register. Teams must be comprised of males and females. The cost is \$22 per person, which includes light fare and prizes, plus applicable cart and greens fees, which may be paid the day of the event. The fee for light fare only is \$16 per person.

Sunday Socials raise money for the Golf Members' Council junior golf scholarship fund. With the newly reconstructed Tern Grille, this is a good chance to restart social activities at the course. The deadline to register is Tuesday, June 6. Checks made payable to Ocean Pines Members Council may be turned in to the Golf shop to the attention of Walt Lischak.

## HANDICAP/RULES COMMITTEE *Cont. from p. 1*

tends two to three feet past the hole. This is essential to know because if a player's ball misses the cup it usually ends up in the "through line."

### *Tee box*

If you carry a bag, do not place it on the tee box. Bag stands tends to scuff up the hitting areas and they can also be in a fellow player's "striking vision."

### *Protect the green*

Walking across the green

carrying your bag is a no-no. The extra weight can make an imprint on the green—keep your bag off the "dance floor."

### *Driving range*

Try to keep proactive divots on the range in a vertical line—don't chew up the practice area with scattered practice shots.

### *Cell phones*

Continually being attached to your cell phone goes against the spirit of being with friends

and being "one" with nature. Use of cell phones on some courses is actually against the Rules as it causes a distraction

### *Gimmies*

Are you not being charitable enough on tap-ins or are you going overboard and giving 8-foot downhill putts?

Remember your manners and have fun out on the course!

Also, we know it has been

a bit difficult posting your scores since the Golf Shop hasn't had the handicap terminal up and running yet. Please post scores from your home computers, your cell phones or ask the personnel in the shop to post your scores for you. Downloading the OP Golf app also allows you to post your scores from your phone.