



Waveland Golf Association

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THE WAVE

SPRING MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL FOOLS DAY

The 1997 Waveland Golf Association Spring meeting is scheduled for April 1, 1997 at the Waveland Golf Course Club House. Sign up will begin at 6:00 p.m.. An introduction of your "97" WGA board members and golf course Pro and staff will begin at 7:30.

Two WGA memberships are available. You may join the Waveland Golf Association and with your membership you will receive a USGA approved handicap service. Also in joining the WGA you can join the WGA League which entitles you to play in Tuesday night league play. In joining the Waveland Golf association you not only belong to one of the most prestigious golf associations in the city but you also can play for the club championship, match play

tournament, or the coveted league championship trophy.

There is not a cut off for WGA membership but 192 players is the cut off for league play. This year we will be asking for your preferred tee off time and may be assigning times. More to follow. Sign up will begin at 6:00

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

If you are interested in owning and operating your own golf cart on the city golf courses you still have the opportunity to do so. The Parks and Rec. Dept. will allow private carts registered by April 30, 1997 to be grandfather in for life. Call the DM Parks and Rec. Dept. for more information.

WGA DUES INCREASE

The WGA has not had a price increase since 1993. We will be increasing the dues this year \$2.50 to off set additional costs. More info to follow.

NEW BADGE PRICING FOR THE "97" SEASON

The unrestricted badge has been eliminated for the "97" season and has been replaced with the green card. The "Greenie" cost \$150.00. It's purchase allows the golfer to buy greens fee rounds at a discounted price any day of the week. The restricted badge was reduced in price and the irrigation fee has been included. The price of this badge is \$425.00 and can be used Monday thru noon on Friday. Two new badges are being introduced in "97". Husband/Wife and Senior Husband/Wife. These badges offer savings of \$100.00 over "96" prices to married couples who have individually purchased the restricted badge or senior badge in years past. Senior and Junior badges will remain the same as the "96" badges.

BOARD MEMBERS AND ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE "97" SEASON

The Waveland Golf Associations board has three new faces added for the 97-98 seasons. These new members in addition to the already existing board make up your 1997 WGA Board of Directors.

Jim Rasley - President
Mark Leachman - Vice Pres.
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Jim Calvert - League Chair
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Dick Helverson
Scott Helverson
Jim Jeffries
Brent Johnson
Tim Johnston
Dave Spiering
Clair Sumner
Bob Vanscoy - PGA Professional
Scott Wallace - Course Superintendent

Committees are in the process of being formed to provide you with information and activities for the upcoming golfing season.

"SOFT SPIKES" HIGHLY ENCOURAGED

In the Des Moines area 4 out of 5 private country clubs have mandated soft spikes only. The results have had immediate impact on the condition of the greens.

The USGA currently released a study conducted on spiked shoes and the impact on golf course greens. Each golfer averages 56 paces per green (except Roger Cleven who averages 306 paces per green). Most golf shoes have 12 spikes per shoe and will leave 672 spike impressions on each green. 12,100 spike impressions are left by each player every round. With the average daily round played this equates to 2,500,000 spike impressions left on the greens per week and 72,500,000 spike impressions left per month. Our golfing season in Iowa is about 7 months so if my math is correct the golfers are leaving 507,500,000 spike impressions on the greens per year. No wonder I can't make a three foot putt!

Currently in and around the Des Moines area we have 11 public Golf Courses that will be participating in a three year process to eliminate the spiked shoe and mandate the soft spike. This will not only

benefit us, the golfers with a smoother putting surface but also help in getting quality greens by lessening the spread of disease's to the green.

The Des Moines area public golf courses may be the pioneers in the state to adopt this policy but I will assure you we are not the first in the country. It was reported at the USGA Greens and Grounds annual meeting that 70% of the public golf courses represented had mandated soft spikes or were doing so this year.

As we all are aware changes are occurring daily in the golfing industries. Golf ball designed to fly farther, bigger is better. Titanium heads, bigger sweet spots, graphite shafts and the list goes on. All these are designed to make us better golfers and they do. Now it is time to allow our great games the opportunity to get even better. SMOOTH GREENS.

To start this process out this years Men's and Women's city golf tournaments will mandate that all participants wear soft spikes!

As stated, this is a three year process but to assist in getting the ball rolling Waveland will be offering the soft spikes at a reduced price.

Also all new golf shoe sold at Waveland from now on will have the soft spike factory installed. It's about time we come out of the dark ages and realize the changes made in the golfing industries goes beyond just the equipment used and is applied to the golf course itself.

CHANGES AT THE WAVE

As you drive around the borders of Waveland golf course you can look and see the changes that have occurred throughout the years. We now have 15 of our greens covered the winter months. We have two new tees that have tremendously improved holes #2 and #16. There are plans for the reconstruction of #3 green and #7 tee as funds become available.

The club house this spring will be going through a small construction period with a new roof being installed and additional projects identified and acted upon. New golf carts (tops included) will be added for your renting pleasure. And as in past years I'm sure we will all be surprised of new and additional services Director of Golf, Bob Vanscoy will add. Thanks Bob !!!

After a brief conversation with Scott Wallace, Greens and Grounds Superintendent, his spring has been busy. Spring projects for the golf course include: A new storm sewer in front of #18 green (this is in progress), overseeding fairways, edging bunkers and adding sand to all, repairing tee benches, repairing and patching cart paths, additional tree plantings, deep-tine aeration of all greens, sodding various area around the course, and trying to add additional drain tile in certain fairways. All this and keep up on the MOWING. Good luck Scott ! One additional project that will get completed this year will be the cart path on #3. This project started two years ago by the WGA and has made a tremendous difference in the condition of grass in the fairway. In completing this project there will be a continuous cart path from tee to green utilizing the woods.

Every year the WGA has a spring and fall clean up day and this year is no exception. We will again be having a clean up day (date to be announced). You can make the difference by volunteering a few hours to help make THE WAVE beautiful.

WGA WELCOMES KENT KEHLENBECK

A new member of the Greens and Grounds staff has been hired to assist in making THE WAVE better than ever. Kent Kehlenbeck has accepted the position of Assistant Superintendent of Greens and Grounds. Kent brings many great qualities needed to assist the already terrific staff in the improvements on the golf course. Kent is a native of Nebraska (we won't hold that against you). He is married and has 5 children (wow). After an extensive background check I have found out Kent has an AAS in Horticulture from Iowa Lakes Community College, was a assistant superintendent for 7 years at Syracuse Ne. Country Club, spent a summer at Brooks Golf Course working on the grounds crew and a summer at Spencer Municipal on the grounds crew (must like the lake area). He was the assistant superintendent at Spencer Country Club for one year and spent two years as head superintendent at Nebraska City Municipal. I also found out that Kent was the head superintendent at Highland Country Club In Iowa Falls for one year and has spent the last 1 1/2 years at Glen Oaks. Welcome Kent



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EVENTS AND LEAGUE SCHEDULE
1997

APRIL 1	SPRING MEETING (WGA & LEAGUE SIGN UP)
APRIL 15	LEAGUE DRAFT
APRIL 29	FUN NIGHT
MAY 6	LEAGUE NIGHT
MAY 13	LEAGUE NIGHT
MAY 18	WAVELAND 2 PERSON BEST SHOT
MAY 20	LEAGUE NIGHT
MAY 27	LEAGUE NIGHT
JUNE 3	LEAGUE NIGHT
JUNE 10	LEAGUE NIGHT
JUNE 14	WAVELAND 4 PERSON
JUNE 16 & 17	PRAIRIE TOUR (PRO EVENT)
JUNE 17	LEAGUE NIGHT
JUNE 21 & 22	WOMENS CITY
JUNE 23	JIMMY MUTO - 4 MAN
JUNE 24	LEAGUE NIGHT END OF 1st HALF
JUNE 27 & 28 & 29	MENS CITY
JULY 1	LEAGUE NIGHT
JULY 8	LEAGUE NIGHT
JULY 15	LEAGUE NIGHT
JULY 22	LEAGUE NIGHT
JULY 29	LEAGUE NIGHT
AUGUST 5	LEAGUE NIGHT
AUGUST 9	WAVELAND 8" 4 MAN BEST SHOT
AUGUST 12	LEAGUE NIGHT
AUGUST 19	LEAGUE NIGHT END 2nd HALF
AUGUST 26	DIVISION PLAY OFF
SEPTEMBER 2	LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP & FUN NIGHT
SEPTEMBER 9	FALL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 21	RYDER CUP 2 MAN
OCTOBER 12	CHILI MAN