

THE WAVE

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League Sign-Up

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- Sign-up at 6:00 p.m. meeting to start a 7:30.
- Sign-up yourself and one other person.
- Cost \$40.00 for full membership \$30.00 for association only.
- Hole-in-one during league play worth \$100.00.

The 1999 WGA Spring Meeting will be held Tuesday April 6th.

The sign-up will begin at 6:00 P.M. with the meeting to begin at 7:30. This year in an attempt to speed up the sign-up process for all involved you will only be allowed to sign-up yourself and one other person.

Please have all the necessary information for the person you are signing-up, if you do not have this information the person will not be allowed to sign-up.

Once again the cut-off number will be 192 golfers or all those who show up at the meeting. No early sign-ups are going to be accepted this year in an attempt to keep the number at 192. Last year's league had 212 members and while, we are not trying to discourage membership in any way, we would like to try and keep the number of members to as close to 192 as possible.

The cost for the league once again will be \$40.00 which includes your

handicap, league play and one infamous raffle ticket.

An Association membership is also available for \$30.00 which includes all but league play.

The agenda for the meeting will follow those of past years with introduction of the Board Members, the Waveland Staff and the infamous raffle.

Refreshments will be available as always beginning at 6:00 p.m. and lasting until it lasts.

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Liquor License in Jeopardy

A few misguided individuals may indeed be harming the opportunity for all to enjoy their favorite alcoholic beverage.

A law prohibits alcoholic beverages from being brought to facilities that have a liquor license.

People have in the past brought their own beer to the golf course instead of buying it from the concession stand. Then drink it on the course or in the parking lot after playing.

This must stop!

This has become a big problem and has been brought to the attention of the Parks Board.

Don't be surprised if the Des Moines Police Department is seen cruising the lot on Tuesdays looking for offenders.

This will also be monitored by the staff at Waveland. Members of the Board and interested members of the association. If you are caught

breaking this law you will be asked to leave and not come back. Lets not let a few individuals spoil the fun for everyone by getting the liquor license at Waveland suspended or even revoked.

We would all like to think that the members of the WGA are responsible and will understand the severity of this situation.

New Handicap System for WGA

The Iowa Golf Association offers the only certified USGA handicap in the state of Iowa. Through the IGA all golfers in the state of Iowa can have a handicap that is updated on a regular revision schedule computed by GHIN in accordance with the USGA handicap guidelines. A handicap is a means of leveling the playing field as it allows players of all abilities to compete on equal grounds. The cornerstone of any handicapping system is an accurate course rating. The IGA follows USGA principles and rates courses with well-trained individuals.

Posting your score where you play

is one of the unique aspects of the GHIN service. The IGA encourages all players to post their scores at the course where they play and that score will be routed back to their home club following successful transmissions to the USGA. The IGA offers the Golf Handicap and Information Network (GHIN) which is contracted through state and regional golf associations to over 1.8 million golfers. Golfers who have a GHIN number will have the ability to post their scores in more than 40 states and have that score routed back to their home club. The IGA will have a posting season in which scores are accepted for handicap purposes.

The premise of a posting season is that during the months of April-October golfers are playing under normal conditions. Each golfer will be supplied with a new index every two weeks that can be attached to his plastic membership cards.

In order to participate in this new system our computer for posting scores will be upgraded to specifications supplied by the IGA and USGA. The board is in the process of purchasing this new equipment and it will be ready to go at the start of the season. Post your scores !!!!

League Times Extended

We all have experienced the difficulty of teeing off during a night when all 212 members play.

In an attempt to alleviate this problem Waveland has agreed to extend the time of league play and additional half an hour. League will now be allowed to tee off starting at 3:30 p.m. and continuing until 6:00 p.m.

Because of the change, players wanting to play 18-holes on Tuesday will need to tee-off no later than 12:30 p.m.

We hope that this will help the back-log of players that have become so familiar to those teams playing the back-

nine on league night.

We are also going to try and get players to commit to an approximate tee-off time to try and make the wait a little shorter on Tuesday's. A place for tee-times has been included on the sign-up form. Please try and fill it out!!!

League Tee Times extended

to 3:30 -6:00 p.m.

Storm Damage '98

In late June of 1998 a horrific storm rolled through Central Iowa. As Granger, Johnston and the Northeast side of Des Moines was nailed with winds in excess of 100 mph.

Mother Waveland was spared with only minor damage. Due to the

large amount of rain associated with this storm, numbers 13, 10, 18, 7 and 3 sustained 5-10 feet of water flowing through the course. The large amount of water did its damage by knocking the bridge on number 2 off its pilings. This caused Waveland to close for one week while the staff put their efforts into

cleaning up the mess. Some trees sustained minor damage while others not as healthy were uprooted.

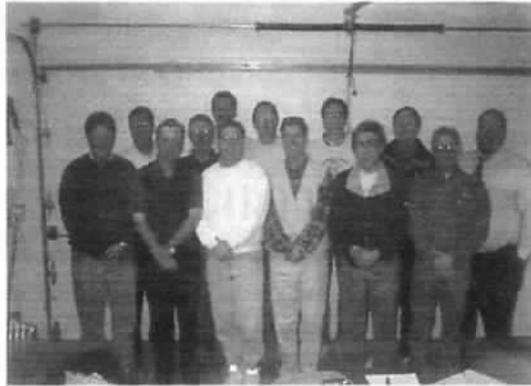
The total cost of cleaning up the course and replacing the damaged bridge was in excess of \$100,000.00. Lets all Hope for better weather in 1999.

Meet The Board

Welcome to The 1999 WGA season.

We look forward to another exciting year of golf in one of the largest nine-hole leagues in the nation.

1999-2000 President is Mark Leachman. Vice-President is Joe Finn. Secretary and Treasurer is Jim Rasley. League Chairman is Jim Calvert. Match Play and Scratch Tournament Committee, Joe Finn, Dick Helverson, Jeff Frame, Jim Jeffries and Kirk Grier.



1999 Board from Left:
Back Row: Jim Rasley, Jim Calvert, Don Greenlee, Jim Jeffries, Kirk Grier, Dick Helverson, Jeff Frame.
Front Row: Bob Vanscoy, Larry Larson, Mark Leachman, Tim Johnston, Stan Richard, Joe Finn.
Not Pictured: Scott Helverson, Clair Sumner.

Senior Open to Des Moines

The 1999 USGA Senior Open Golf Tournament is being held at Des Moines Golf and Country Club the week of July 5-11.

During this week we will not be having league play.

We encourage all members to attend the tournament and experience this event which promises to be a recording setting tournament.

Projects For '99

Every year the WGA picks a few projects around the golf course that need special attention.

We all feel that year in and year out we get many hours of enjoyment that giving a little back is good.

Some of the projects that will get attention this year are as follows:
The creek in-between #3 and #7

(remove the scrub trees and brush). #5 tee enlargement (asphalt behind the tee removed). #4 tee (build stairs from the cart path to the tee area). #16 tee (Plant flowers and bushes behind the tee). #2 tee (mail box & post installation for scorecards and pencils).

If any WGA member has additional suggestions on projects that need attention please let any WGA

board member know so they may get your suggestion on the list.

Also volunteers are needed to complete these projects. A sign up sheet will be posted two weeks in advance to the work days in the Pro shop.

Please don't hesitate to give a little time back to Mother Waveland !!!

Tournament Results and Recognition

Congratulations to Vince Castillo for winning the Scratch Handicap Tournament in July.

Because Vince was unable to play in the Tournament of Champions, runner-up Phil Hodges represented Waveland at the tournament and did a fine job.

Dick Helverson defeated somebody for the Match Play Championship. Congratulations Dick!

Every year we have many steak and / or rib nights. This year will be no different as we plan at least 3 steak nights and 3 ribs nights.

P.S. Thanks to David Ladd for his

wonderful ribs. We look forward to having him do more this year.

Thanks also to the staff at Waveland for all the help they provide to these evenings, as we would not be able to have them without their assistance.

WGA 1999 Schedule

LEAGUE PLAY

April 6 th	Spring Sign-Up	July 6 th	No League (Senior Open)
April 20 th	Draft	July 13 th	10 th League Night
May 4 th	1 st League Night	July 20 th	11 th League Night (Steak \ Rib Night)
May 11 th	2 nd League Night	July 27 th	12 th League Night
May 18 th	3 rd League Night (Steak \ Rib Night)	Aug. 3 rd	13 th League Night
May 25 th	4 th League Night	Aug. 10 th	14 th League Night (Steak \ Rib Night)
June 1 st	5 th League Night	Aug. 17 th	15 th League Night
June 8 th	6 th League Night (Steak \ Rib Night)	Aug. 24 th	16 th League Night (End of 2 nd Half)
June 15 th	7 th League Night	Aug. 31 st	Play-off (Steak \ Rib Night)
June 22 nd	8 th League Night (End of 1 st Half)		
June 29 th	9 th League Night (Steak \ Rib Night)	Sept. 7 th	Awards Night

EVENTS

WAVELAND	May 9 th	4 Person Best Shot
WAVELAND	June 13 th	4 Person Best Shot
WAVELAND	June 17 th – 20 th	City Golf Tournament
WAVELAND	July 24 th – 25 th	WGA Scratch/Handicap Tournament
WAVELAND	August 21 st	4 Person Best Shot
WAVELAND	September 12 th	4 Person Best Shot
WAVELAND	October 10 th	4 Person Best Shot (CHILI MAN)
