

THE WAVE

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League Sign-Up

- Pre-Registration Must be Postmarked March 28th
- Sign-up at 6:00 p.m. until number reaches 192. Meeting to start at 7:00 p.m.
- Tee Times will again be taken at the pro shop for league nights.
- Cost \$40.00 for full membership \$30.00 for association only.
- Hole-in-one during league play worth \$100.00.

New League Sign-Up Procedure Pre-Registration by mail

The 2000 WGA Spring Meeting will be held Tuesday April 4th.

In an attempt to control the numbers of the golfers in the league:

The WGA Board has unanimously decided to change the method of registration for the league this year.

We are sending this newsletter to every member of last years' league.

If you want to join the league this year please fill out the registration form inside the newsletter and mail it back with a Postmark of March 28th 2000!!!!!!!!!!!!

We all have experienced the frustration of waiting until 6:30 to tee off after arriving at the course at 4:30. The reason this happens in the number of golfers in the league.

Last year we had 242 golfers in the league.

The ideal number is 192.

In order to reach this number we are trying pre-registration.

If you were a member of last's years league we have sent you this newsletter.

If you want to join The League for the year 2000 please fill out the registration form inside the newsletter.

This Registration form must be post-marked by March 28, 2000.

If you know anyone who wants to join the league or doesn't read the newsletter, get them a copy of the registration and inform them of the deadline!!!!!!!!!!!!

A lottery will be held the night of the

meeting to fill the remaining spots until the number of golfers reaches 192!!!!!!!!!!!!

All pre-registered golfers are encouraged to attend the spring meeting for the annual raffle and free refreshments, not to mention the renewal of old friendships

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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Around the Course with "Jim"

Each and every year something changes at the Wave. Last year was no exception, due to a power failure combined with an untimely heat wave a number of greens were damaged.

The worst hit was number six green, as fate would have it number six needed to be rebuilt and re-seeded. This has been completed and play should resume on the green by June 1st.

This new green with subtle undulations, will be a challenge to all.

The new cart path on number three has been completely paved from the ladies tee to the green.

This was a WGA project from the start and has paid dividends by keeping carts off the fairway and allowing grass to grow unencumbered by traffic.

Lets keep up the good work and use the *Path*

If you haven't noticed the WGA added a score card mailbox on number two tee, (Small improvement but nice addition).

New projects for 2000 include: Cleaning the area in front of number two teeing ground. Removing asphalt path from behind number five tee and enlargement of the tee box. Remove the white 1950's

Vintage chainlink hedge from around number ten tee and replace this with bushes and edging.

If time will allow, we would also like to plant a hedge in between five tee and one green and clean the area between number three green and seven tee.

This appears to be a pretty aggressive schedule , but without a plan nothing gets done.

Members are encouraged to help in these projects and suggest any others. . Feel free to contact the Pro shop or any board member with suggestions.

New and Improved

The past six months have been extremely exciting for the Citizen's Golf Committee.

You may or may not know the cities three golf courses are run by the Des Moines Parks Department. However, are funded by the golfers through an enterprise find.

This year's excitement has been due to: bidding out new contract for professionals to run our courses, a change of management at the Parks Department and a push for a master plan.

The results have been pleas-

ant however painstaking throughout.

The bids came back in November with Mr. Bob Vanscoy being awarded a five year contract (with options for an additional five years) for Waveland and Grandview operations.

Mr. Ned Chido was awarded the same conditions at Blank.

Management at the Parks Department has made a few changes. Mr. Don McLaughlin has been moved to manage other departments within the Parks Department and is being replaced by Mr. Doug Romig.

Doug brings many years of management experience and will be a great addition as we move to the future.

Speaking of the future the golf committee has begun to assemble a master plan for all three city golf courses.

More information will be passed along as it becomes known.

The Board

Welcome to The 2000 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, Dick Helverson and Dave Spiering.

Additional board members are Don Greenlee, Scott Helverson, Kirk Gier, Jim Jeffries, Jeff Frame, Stan Richard, Larry Larson and Clare Sumner.

Framers Corner

How to Properly Fix Ball Marks on the Green

Here are some do's and don'ts from Golf Digest October 1999

Do Not replace the loose piece of turf taken out by the ball. It will only die and delay the healing process.

Do Not pry up the center of the depression with the repair tool, which exposes the soil and will delay the healing process.

Do Not insert the repair tool and twist it. This only breaks more turf loose.

Do toss the loose piece of turf taken out by the ball.

Do insert the repair tool just outside the back of the ball mark. Pull the turf towards the center of the mark. This stretches undamaged turf over the mark, speeding recovery. Repeat this motion on all sides of the mark.

Do gently tap the repaired area with your putter.

Do fix your ball mark and one other that someone didn't.

Thoughts from the Pres

Who knew we'd be playing golf at the Wave in the middle of December.

Now driving west on 235 all I see are white tarps over the greens, wishing I could hit that perfect driver down 16.

Then that last memory comes back into my head as I snap into the trees OB. Damn it seems like yes-

terday. I wish I was playing today, but spring will be here soon and the tarps will be coming off and we will be playing again.

But who cares if you snap hook off of sixteen, it's just being out there that counts.

Not sitting in an office or out making sales calls, but out on the course where it's just you and your

ball with 18-holes of enjoyment.

It's a place to get a piece of mind or lose it, if you don't have the right frame of mind.

It's a game you can love or hate, or both, all in a four hour period.

That's what keeps us all coming back time and time again.

Tournament Results and Recognition

Congratulations to Bob Woodyard for winning the Scratch Handicap Tournament in July.

Bob shot 73-71-144 to claim the title in a close finish. Ryan Bircher, George Turner and Greg Hampton were all in contention.

Bob played at the Tournament of

Champions in Atlantic where he was "Damn proud to finish the tournament"

Steve Walters defeated somebody for the Match Play Championship. Congratulations Steve!

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.