

THE WAVE

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League Sign-Up

Register by Mail

- Pre-Registration Must be Postmarked April 1st
- Sign-up for Match Play 6:30 p.m. Meeting to start at 7:00 p.m.
- Tee Times will again be taken at the pro shop for league nights.
- Cost \$50.00 for full membership \$35.00 for association only.
- Hole-in-one during league play worth \$100.00 (you will be shamed into buying a keg of beer with the cash)

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Waveland Golf Association Spring Meeting April 6

The 2004 WGA Spring Meeting will be Tuesday April 6th at 6:30 p.m.

As in the past we will be registering for the league by mail. This process has proven to be an effective and fair way to manage the number of members.

Applications must be postmarked by Thursday, April 1st and are included in this newsletter.

The Board voted this spring to increase the association and league dues \$5.00. Association and league dues are \$50.00 and for the association only is \$35.00.

League President Jim Rasley stated "we have not had an increase in three years while the handicap system has. The league has been absorbing this increase. In order to continue weekly payouts an increase is needed."

The Spring Meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. As usual, the agenda will be the introduction of Board Members, the Waveland Staff and the up coming league schedule.

Full league membership includes a USGA Handicap, league play on Tuesday night, WGA Club

Tournament, and a gift. One free ticket will be issued the night of the meeting but as always, extra raffle tickets can be purchased before the meeting for the infamous raffle. Refreshments and snacks will be provided.

This year besides being able to sign up for match play we will have a table set up with clothing apparel on display which you can order anything with the WGA logo on it.

Make sure you mark your calendars for the 6th and we will see you

Des Moines City Tournament June 17th – 20th

Dating back to the early 1900's Waveland has been the site of the Des Moines Men's City Golf Championship. Des Moines area golfers from Country Club members to the Public players try to match their skills against the best competition in town as well as the treacherous hills of Waveland. But it doesn't

stop there. Changes over the years have allowed the best and not-so best to come out and enjoy the largest golf tournament held in the state of Iowa. Past years have seen entries for this event creep near the 400 participation level and all are guaranteed 36 holes of competition. As always the staff at Waveland led by Bob Vanscoy, have

done an outstanding job of running this event. Our association, The WGA has played a big part in the operations end of this event by spotting balls and marshaling holes. Volunteers are needed and again, the team captains and the league members will be asked to support this event. More to come at the spring meeting.

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The Board

Welcome to The 2004 WGA season.

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

2003-2004 President is Jim Rasley. Vice-President is Jeff Frame. Secretary and Treasurer is Mark Leachman. League Chairman is Chuck Hensley. Match Play Committee, Dave Spiering and Terry Melton. Tournament Committee, Larry Larson, Joe Finn and Mark Leachman. Clothing Committee, Terry Melton and Jim Calvert. Allianz Committee, Kevin McIlhon and Dave Spiering.

Additional board members are Jack Huff, Max Sickles, Clair Sumner and Kevin Heitz

Thanks, Jason!!!

We want to thank Jason Marvelli for his years of service working at Waveland. Jason has always worked hard to help make the WGA run smooth. Jason has taken a Pro/Management position at the Indianola Country Club and will be missed by all.

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Match Play Title for 2003

Kirby Wilmore defeated Val Smith in the finals of match play to take the title. Box Car Mason and Jim Garbison were runner ups. Congratulations to all players for their great play.

Sign up for match play and double your league fun for the 04 season

Rules are the same, we sign up the first sixty four players, you have two weeks to play your match. Players are paired at random and you arrange your own match time. The W.G.A. handicap at the time of the match is used. The winner posts results on the board. A sign up table will be set up at the spring meeting. Ten dollar entry fee. Remember! we take the first sixty four so sign up early. Have a great 2004 season. Dave & Terry

Joke of the Month

After a particularly poor game of golf, a popular club member skipped the clubhouse and started to go home. As he was walking to the parking lot to get his car, a policeman stopped him and asked, "Did you tee off on the sixteenth hole about twenty minutes ago?" "Yes," the golfer responded. "Did you happen to hook your ball so that it went over the trees and off the course?" "Yes I did, how did you know?" He asked. "Well," said the policeman very seriously, "Your ball flew out onto the highway and crashed through a driver's windshield. The car went out of control, crashing into five other cars and a fire truck. The fire truck couldn't make it to the fire, and the building burned down. So, what are you going to do about it?" The golfer thought it over carefully and responded... "I think I'll open my stance a little bit, tighten my grip and lower my right thumb."

Allianz Champions Tour – May 17th through May 23rd

This year, the *WGA* has again been selected to marshal hole # 8. As in the past, the WGA has accepted this honor. All of the past participants can attest to our membership body how fun and exciting it is to be involved with this undertaking. We are seeking 20 to 30 volunteers to work this event. The tournament dates this year have been moved from September to May 17th-23rd. Glen Oaks will host this years tournament. Being a volunteer requires no monetary cost

other than that of each individual's volunteer fee. It gives our group significant visibility among an extensive, golf oriented audience. Marshaling duties include crowd control and noise control around tees and greens as well as in high traffic areas around hole # 8. We will be inside the ropes and clearing paths to make easy access for players, their caddies and scorers. Due to this role, marshals come into the closest contact with the golf greats as well as an inside the ropes, front row seats to the weeks action.

Marshals will pay the standard volunteer price of \$75.00 a person and will receive: Cutter and Buck Volunteer Shirt and Wind Shirt, Imperial Volunteer Hat, Badge that will give you entrance all week, One (1) Week long pass for a guest, Meals during work shifts, parking all week and a party. Typical work shifts are 4 to 6 hours. We encourage all interested *WGA* members to be a part of this exciting opportunity. Sign up sheets will be available at the clubhouse beginning April 6. Come join us for a terrific golfing experience!

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WGA LEAGUE SIGN UP 2004

REMIT BY THURSDAY APRIL 1st 2004 TO: MARK LEACHMAN JR.
1118 57th ST.
DES MOINES IA. 50311

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY/ZIP _____

_____ WGA ONLY \$35.00

_____ WGA & LEAGUE \$50.00

_____ CHECK IF NEW MEMBER

THE WAVELAND HAS BLOCKED TIMES FROM 3:30 TO 6:00 PM FOR WGA PLAY PREFERRED TEE TIMES AVAILABLE IN PRO SHOP. YOU CAN PLAY AT ANYTIME ON TUESDAY. JUST MAKE SURE YOU USE LEAGUE SCORE CARD. PUT IN WGA BOX WHEN FINISHED. THANK'S AND HAVE A GREAT YEAR!

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: WGA

-----TEAR HERE-----

WGA 2004 SCHEDULE LEAGUE PLAY

APRIL 6 th	SPRING TEE OFF	JUNE 29 th	9 th LEAGUE NIGHT
APRIL 13 th	DRAFT NIGHT	JULY 6 th	10 th LEAGUE NIGHT
MAY 4 th	1 st LEAGUE NIGHT	JULY 13 th	11 th LEAGUE NIGHT
MAY 11 th	2 nd LEAGUE NIGHT	JULY 20 th	12 th LEAGUE NIGHT [STEAK NIGHT]
MAY 18 th	3 rd LEAGUE NIGHT	JULY 27 th	13 th LEAGUE NIGHT
MAY 25 th	4 th LEAGUE NIGHT [STEAK NIGHT]	AUGUST 3 rd	14 th LEAGUE NIGHT
JUNE 1 st	5 th LEAGUE NIGHT	AUGUST 10 th	15 th LEAGUE NIGHT
JUNE 8 th	6 th LEAGUE NIGHT	AUGUST 17 th	16 th LEAGUE NIGHT [STEAK NIGHT]
JUNE 15 th	7 th LEAGUE NIGHT	AUGUST 24 th	PLAY OFF NIGHT
JUNE 22 nd	8 th LEAGUE NIGHT [STEAK NIGHT]	AUGUST 31 st	OPEN DATE
	END OF 1 st HALF	SEPTEMBER 7 th	AWARDS BANQUET [STEAK NIGHT]
			GRILL @ 5:30 / MEETING @ 7:00

WAVELAND TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

WGA CLUB TOURNAMENT TBA

CHECK BATHROOM WALLS AND PRO SHOP FOR OTHER TOURNAMENTS

DES MOINES CITY GOLF TOURNAMENT JUNE 17TH-20TH