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September Two Thousand Thirteen



There is nothing like a beautiful golf course early in the morning. All of the pictures in this issue of Tee Times are from the 2013 Invitational and were taken by Elijah. We would like to thank Elijah for sharing the pictures with us.

THIS AND THAT

- Women's Better Ball Tournament for SWGA members, Sunday, September 15 after SWGA meeting. Pick a partner or contact Carol Wyberanec to help arrange. Sign up sheet in ladies locker room.
- Good to see Bob Preston and Artie Sprague back at the course.
- Elijah Treski and Justin Rybecki were part of a foursome that took place at a "Heart of Gold" benefit tournament at Oleout Golf Course in August.
- Men's Fall Scramble Tournament will be held on Sat and Sun, August 7 and 8.
- Last night for men's Tuesday night league is September 24th. Dinner will be served.
- The Thursday night Open League will play the last round on Thurs, September 26th. Dinner will be served.
- Sign up for the September Impossible Pin Club Event scheduled for 1:00 p.m., Sunday, September 29th. Four person teamed by the club.
- Keep October 6th open for the closing dinner. Scheduled for 5:00 p.m. More info to follow.
- The annual Pig Roast Fund Raiser will be held on Sunday October 13th at 12:00 noon. This is the last major get together for the year. Plan on attending.



Stamford Golf Club Committees :

Members in attendance at the open forum asked for a list of committees. The following is a list of the committees and their respective members.

House: Rob Turner, Larry Frazee Jr., Jackie Lamport and Pres. Tom Bartodziej Hubie Bianco

Greens: Pres. Tom, Larry Frazee Jr., and Ken Cole


Tournament: Pres. Tom Bartodziej, Mark Archibald, Tim Flower, Steve and Ken Cole

Marketing: Steve Sibbern

Pro Shop: Hubie Bianco,

Annual Meeting / Nominations for Board Position

The annual meeting will be held on November 7, 2013. Any stockholder interested in running for the Board this year should send a letter of intention to the board. There are two positions up for election this year. Of those positions Tom Bartodziej, current board president, will seek re-election while Steve Sibbern is stepping down after serving for the past 3 years. The Board would like to thank Steve for his dedication and hard work.

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From the Pro Shop

As we march inexorably toward the fall (and yikes! the winter), the days are growing shorter and twilight falls upon us a little sooner. So it's only natural to take our twilight specials and move them earlier in the day! Now through the rest of the 2013 season, friends and guests of Stamford Golf Club can play 18 with a cart for \$25.00 after 1 p.m. on the weekdays and 2 p.m. on weekends. Spread the word and get that buddy who's been stuck in his hammock all summer to get out and play some great golf at an exceptional price!

September will be a very busy month for us. We are hosting the Fall Scramble, the Joe Beck tournament, the Rally for the Cure and a few other special events. The high school golf season is in full swing as well and SGC is home to 3 of the local schools, so check in with the Pro Shop about dates with school matches. I have been in direct contact with the coaches in regard to their team's conduct and golf etiquette. If anyone observes conduct or play outside the regular scope of golf in regard to the high school matches, please contact the Pro Shop and we will handle any issues with the coaches. A few of the high school golfers are very new to the sport and may still be nervous and unsure about certain points of golf etiquette so we sincerely appreciate everyone's patience and understanding.

I am seeking male and female members who are interested in sitting down to talk about the possibility of forming teams for inter-club home and away matches. I am confident our members are some of the best and most competitive golfers in the area. Wouldn't it be fun to build a Yankees/Red Sox type rivalry with neighboring courses? Our very own mini-Ryder Cups, if you will? We see college football teams competing for trophies and bragging rights against their rivals all the time. Why not spice it up a bit and show other clubs and the community the skills we hone at SGC are the real deal?

Curiously enough, numerous golf manufacturers are unveiling new products in the upcoming months. Titleist will be offering their new 714 AP1 and AP2 Irons soon and the buzz on the Pro Tour is that they are excellent. Just ask Jason Dufner. Taylormade's new Slidr driver is out and available now. One of our members picked up the club and is very impressed with its performance and its ability to customize a draw or fade bias. If anyone has any interest in new products due to be released soon, please stop in the shop and see me.

Keep hitting them straight and true.

Yours truly,
Elijah Treski

2013 LADIES PRESIDENT'S CUP RESULTS

Flight A Champion - JoAnn Rockefeller

Runner-up - Lucy Jessen

Flight B Champion - Helen Gorchach

Runner-up - Ruth Baker

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The Club Championship Tournament was held on Sunday, August 18th. The 2013 Club Champions are Steve Hubbard and Bonnie Lockett. Low net winners are Bob Loesel and Mary Sherwood. Congratulations to all.

MEN'S TUESDAY NIGHT LEAGUE SECOND HALF STANDINGS AS OF WEEK 7

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| 1st place | - Gibbons/Perry | 17.0 points |
| 2nd place (3 way tie) | Barker/Jaret | 15.5 points |
| | Nicholson/Michalowski | 15.5 points |
| | Hoffman/Minor Jr | 15.5 points |
| 3rd place | - Hartwell/Palm | 14.5 points |

THURSDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE STANDINGS AS OF AUGUST 28

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|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| 1st place | - Frazee/Darmody | 13.0 points |
| 2nd place (2 way tie) | Reed/Marschilok | 10.5 points |
| | Sibbern/Bryan | 10.5 points |
| 3rd place (2 way tie) | Lamport/Keck | 9.0 points |
| | Frazee/Bartodziej | 9.0 points |



WOMEN'S INTERCOUNTY LEAGUE

Stamford women hosted the final competition of the Ladies Intercounty League 2013 season on Wednesday, August 7th. Twenty-nine participants from Nick Stoner [Caroga Lake], Cobleskill, and Canajoharie gathered in Stamford for the event. Once again this year, the threat of a thunder and lightning storm, loomed ominously over the field, but teams finished the event without umbrellas. The competition was vigorous in each flight and in many cases required the matching of cards to determine winners.

Thanks to Ken Cole and his staff the course was groomed, in excellent condition—and challenging as always. Jim Mullen and his “Gabrielle’s on the Hill” staff served a delicious and varied luncheon buffet for participants as they finished play. The carts were immaculate and parked ready for the shotgun start. Elijah welcomed our guests, explained local rules, assisted with scoring and announced tournament winners. He was accessible and “behind the scenes” throughout the event. Once again Marion Hoagland came to the rescue to assist with scoring...thank you Marion!

Stamford will be hosting the Fall Intercounty Meeting on Wednesday, September 18th at 9 a.m. Following a breakfast meeting, including presentation of championship prizes and election of officers for 2014, ladies will culminate a successful season with a non-competitive play day!

| A FLIGHT | Name | CLUB | Score |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| 1st Low Gross | JoAnn Rockefeller | Stamford | 83 |
| 1st Low Net | Janet Marnane | Stamford | 68 |
| 2nd Low Net | Lucy Jessen | Stamford | 73 |
| 3rd Low Net | Evie Johns | Stamford | 73 |
| B FLIGHT | | | |
| 1st Low Gross | Mary Sherwood | Stamford | 94 |
| 1st Low Net | Ruth Baker | Stamford | 78 |
| 2nd Low Net | Bev Hartwell | Stamford | 81 |
| 3rd Low Net | Jackie Swenson | Stamford | 82 |
| 4th Low Net | Barb Donnelly | Nick Stoner, Caroga Lake | 83 |
| C FLIGHT | | | |
| 1st Low Gross | Nancy VanDeusen | Cobleskill | 101 |
| 1st Low Net | Barbara Biancucci | Canajoharie | 77 |
| 2nd Low Net | Dor Loomis | Nick Stoner, Caroga Lake | 78 |
| 3rd Low Net | Joyce Jaret | Stamford | 78 |
| 4th Low Net | Helen Warner | Cobleskill | 78 |

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2013 MEN'S INVITATIONAL

Although the number of participants were down from previous years, the enthusiasm and the golf games of those who played were high. A heavy rain forced the cancellation of Friday's qualifying round which meant that the golfers were seeded and matched up in flights according to their handicaps. After the rain storms passed, Saturday and Sunday were sunny and warm, perfect weather for golf.

This year's invitational championship came down to a battle between Pete Schaaf and Brad Anderson of Delhi. Pete won on the 15th hole after making a birdie. This was the second invitational championship won by Pete, as he won for the first time in 2003. Pete, who grew up on Long Island, started playing golf at Stamford as a youth when he and his family summered at their second home just a mile or so from the golf course. Pete wasn't the only winner in the Schaaf family at the tournament. Pete's Dad, Pete Sr., won 1st low net in the consolation round.

Results for the tournament are as follows:

CHAMPIONSHIP - 1st place - Pete Schaaf

2nd place - Brad Anderson

Flight 1 - 1st place - A. Lorimer -

2nd place - R Vanvalkinburg

Flight 2 - 1st place - J Natale -

2nd place - T Michalowski

Flight 3 - 1st place - E Matthews -

2nd place - B Hendee

CONSOLATION ROUND

1st low net - P Schaaf Sr -

2nd low net - Adair

1st low gross - R Curran -

2nd low gross - J Barber

BEATENS

Championship flight - 1st place - C Trappenburg -

2nd place - M Bafey

Flight 1 - 1st place - S Hubbard -

2nd place - J Beczak

Flight 2 - 1st place - J Michalowski -

2nd place - R Himes

Flight 3 - 1st place - R Turner -

2nd place - J Wyberanec



Club Stock Available

Anyone interested in purchasing club stock should send a letter to the Board indicating your interest and the number of shares you would like to purchase. The following is a synopsis of the current policy:

1. All requests for stock must be made to the Board in writing.
2. A minimum of five shares must be requested.
3. No More than 25 shares can be requested at one time. This is to allow the Board to address multiple requests
4. No more than 50 shares can be owned by any Shareholder.
5. Requests for stock will be acted on by the Board on as follows:
 - a. Persons requesting stock for the first time will be given priority.
 - b. Stockholders with 24 or less shares of stock will be addressed next.
 - c. Stockholders with 25 or more shares of stock will be last.
 - d. Within each of these categories stock will be issued on a first come basis which will be determined by the date the request letter is postmarked.
6. The Board will issue stock in the following months of the year. March, June, September, December

We Need Your Help Finding Shareholders

The following is a list of shareholders whom we are unable to contact. These shareholders may be deceased or we don't have a current address for them. .

David R. Hillson, James Carson, Pete & Linda Songdale, Walter J. Dempsey, Max Frank, Hugh Graham, Jean Harwood, Shawn Loveless, Carol Luckenbach, Rita Moore, David Relgrod, Carolyn & Peter Terzian, Jay Wickham, and Holgar Eklund.

If you know any of these shareholders or their family members please contact Jackie Lampert at 607-538-9624

GOLF HUMOR

A sports reporter told Phil Mickelson, "You are spectacular. You really know your way around the course."

Phil replied, "It's easy. The holes are numbered."

The bride was escorted down the aisle and when she reached the alter the groom was standing there with his golf bag and clubs at his side.

She asked, "What are your golf clubs doing here?"

The groom looked her in the eye and replied, "This isn't going to take all day, is it?"

ONE SPECIAL TREE

Golf wouldn't be golf without trees, just ask my friend Harry who has hit a golf ball into just about every tree on the course. There are maples and oaks and ever-green trees that sometimes seem to be as big as giant redwoods. Perhaps the most elegant tree on the Stamford Golf Course is the massive red maple on the men's ninth tee box, especially in the Fall when it looks like a giant fireball of red leaves.

As you drive a golf cart around the course you will see a number of memorial trees identified with plaques attached to wooden posts. Many are in memory of loved ones who have past on, like the red maple behind the first green in memory of Chris Roman, a young man who died way too early in life. Behind the second green is a pin oak, planted in memory of Robert Beers and near the fifth green is a red maple in memory of Herb Trapenburg. Some trees have been planted to celebrate a special occasion, such as a hole-in-one made by Gordon Guisti and one celebrating the 25th anniversary of a couple simply identified as "Gail and Bruce."

Pine trees can be seen all over the course. Norm Swenson, who passed away last October, single handedly planted all the huge evergreen trees that identify the 150 yard markers on all the fairways. Of course they were only knee high when he planted them. After finishing that project he just kept planting more trees wherever he thought they were needed. If your golf ball has ever landed behind the line of pine trees along the right side of the fifth fairway, you can thank Norm.

On Friday evening of this year's Men's Invitational, Norm's wife, Jackie, and the Swenson clan, held a family memorial for Norm under the tall pine tree on the left of the 13th fairway, just before the 13th green. This was the spot that Norm wanted his ashes to be spread. Jackie refers to the tree as "the perfect tree." They then planted a small pine tree in Norm's memory, which can now be seen as you look to your left from the men's sixth tee box.

You have to hand it to Norm, he picked the perfect spot to watch us as we hit our drives into the woods on the 6th and then watch us land our approach shots on the 7th green only to roll downhill into the thick rough. He can see us hit our drives into the tall pines on the 8th fairway and then watch us take three strokes to hit our balls out of the sand trap in front of the 13th. I can't stop thinking that as we try to master his favorite sport, ole Norm will be looking down on us with a big grin on his face. Heck, he might even let us hear that infectious laugh of his bounce off the mountain tops of Stamford if we listen hard enough. Rest in peace old friend.

MEN'S INVITATIONAL HONORS RICHIE BEERS

There aren't too many club members that can say they have played in the 25th, the 50th, the 75th and the 76th Stamford Men's Invitational. In fact, I can only think of one – Richie Beers. This year the club honored Richie at the Men's Invitational.

Richie has been a part of the Stamford Golf Club since he was 12 years old, when he spent his summers as a caddie. While he didn't make a lot of money lugging those golf bags around the course, he did receive something valuable. Richie learned the right way to play golf, including the rules and the proper etiquette. When Richie was at his best he carried a 6 handicap. Long time friend Jim Schouler said, "Richie always plays by the rules. I remember when I stepped on his ball on number 14, pushing it into the ground. Richie refused to take a drop and played it as it was. He sure took a lot of swings getting that ball out. He was pretty quiet for the rest of the round."

Rich has served as a member of the Board of Trustees of the golf course and has served on the tournament committee. Perhaps Richie's most important accomplishment here at the Stamford Golf Club is his dedication and commitment to teaching the area youth about the game golf through his years of mentoring in the junior golf program.

It doesn't take a stranger long to realize that Richie is quite a character who has a quiet, but funny sense of humor. He loves to give out those zingers, both on and off the course. As some of our lady golfers say, "He is quite charming – at times." Most folks around the club have a good story about Richie and while they are all in good fun, some are best left out of print.

Richie Beers is, above all else, the ultimate gentleman. While his demeanor on the course sets the standard that all golfers should strive for, his off the course values are the standard that all people should live by. We are all blessed to have Richie as a member of our club and to have him as a friend. Congratulations, Richie.

SWGA MEETING

Be sure to plan to attend our Fall meeting scheduled for Sunday, September 15th at 9:00 a.m. There are some important issues to be discussed and the election of officers for 2014. Nominations so far: President – Carol Wyberanec. Secretary – Judy Kramer. Treasurer – Bonnie Lockett. Vice President – open at this time. Please submit nominations. Brunch type refreshments will be served. Women's Better Ball Tournament will follow the meeting.