



President's Letter

Roger Laime

President's Message

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." to quote the opening line of a Tale of Two Cities written by Charles Dickens. I think that this is apropos for the situation that society finds itself. I find happiness and comfort spending time with my immediate family as I am sure all of you do too, but it is the separation from most others that is the hardest. Who could have predicted that a virus could have caused such a commotion amongst the entire population of the United States and the world!

On a positive note, it appears that golf courses will continue to remain open and this gives everyone the chance to get outside and enjoy the warmer weather. If we (I) could just get rid of the double bogies, then it would make the walk around the course more enjoyable.

The course is in impeccable condition and my compliments to the Superintendent and maintenance crew for a wonderful job in waking up the course after the winter. I also want to credit the Chief of Security (Pro) and his staff as well. Things have been working quite smoothly despite the many restrictions, the cleaning, the increased number of players, and successfully starting the leagues up this spring.

Henry's on the Green has reopened with a limited take out menu and has a cart running on most days. The Board will continue to work with Henry's to expand their business as the law permits and we all look forward to a time when the Pro Shop and the Clubhouse can reopen.

I feel like I have been sending out messages to the membership to keep you up to date on the situation since it seems to change on a daily basis. As always, if you want to reach me to discuss anything, please send me an email at roger.laime@aeacom or call me on my cell phone at 518-772-7754.

Be safe and think summer.

Roger Laime



Treasurer's Report

Rick Funaro

May 15th, 2020

The lone bright spot continues to be our membership. We continue to have an excellent spring with new members signing up, especially within the last 2 to 3 weeks.

This year, we set our budget at \$600,000 and we are expecting to exceed that. At this time, we are currently projecting dues at \$620,000. Additional members will only increase this amount. As I put this together on 5/11, we have a number of golfers interested in joining BSCC.

We continue to lose revenue in greens fee and carts as compared to 2019. In preparing financial reports for the Board, we have decided on reducing our projected revenue only as we incur the losses vs trying to project out into the future what our losses might be. So I will report to the Board and this Treasurer's report each month on those losses compared to the previous year. So, through the end of April, we are \$13,077 behind in greens fee revenue. For

carts, we are \$12,516 behind 2019. Each month I will reduce our projected revenue target by these amounts.

We received our Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan under the CARES Act. The money was deposited into a special account we created on April 14th. We are tracking our labor, mortgage interest, and utility costs in a spreadsheet to ensure we spend all of our loan money in the appropriate manner within the 8 weeks we have to spend it. At the conclusion of this period, we will provide all of the necessary documentation to BSNB and ask for the loan to be forgiven.

This year we have our iPad working for use on the beverage cart. This will allow for a more accurate accounting of member charges on the cart. They will bring up your account and you will be asked to sign for your purchase. This should eliminate any of the account errors that had occurred in the past when they wrote down your number on a piece of paper and entered them later into the system. As always, please be sure when signing, it is your account.

A friendly reminder we will be checking who is late in making their payments starting June 1 (those who have a balance from April) and those individuals will be put on the no play list. If we keep on top of this, we won't have to expend hours upon hours tracking members down once the season is over. I ask for your cooperation and understanding.

With the renovation of the men's locker room complete, there seems like there is more interest in using a locker this year. Once we open the clubhouse to members, you will be able to select a locker and get a lock from Bri. She will document what lock you have, give you the combination and give you a locker tag to put on your locker. I'm working with the finance committee and the Board to determine if a small nominal charge would be appropriate. More to come on this. Please check out the attached photo for a glimpse of the renovated locker room.



As always, if you have questions on anything that I have mentioned or you have been wondering about, please email me (tucats@nycap.rr.com) or talk to me when you see me at the course. I would be happy to provide you any info you need.

Sincerely,
Rick Funaro,
Treasurer



Membership Report

Cindy Walkanowski

Spring is finally here, sort of. By the time you are reading this, the weather may actually be in line with the calendar. Regardless of the temperatures and the news, it is Golf Season. I know many of you have been out enjoying the best of BSCC. You may noticed many new faces, that is because have many new members. Welcome to the new members, the returning

snowbirds, and the rest of us that just don't want to leave the Northeast in the winter. Enjoy the season.

2020 New Members	
Michael Cavotta	Single
Anthony Cavotta	Student
Matt Jones	JE
Justin Robbie	Student
Jeffrey Nudi	Single
Jake Baxter	JE
Collin Cunningham	YA
Erin Poole	Single
Kyle Mau	JE
Derek Pedrick	Single
Mike Bissaillon	Single
Josh Loucks	Student
Dylan Prehoda	JE
Alex Mastrianni	JE Couple
Sarah Schmitt	JE Couple
Matthew Seymour	JE
Nick Flaherty	JE
Tom Ellis	Single
Kennedy Swedick	Child
Nicholas Spoor	Young Adult
Benjamin Roberts	Young Adult
David Renko	Young Adult
William Chapman	Young Adult
Geno Derubertis	Student
Tyler Prehoda	JE
Chad Bardin	JE

Colby Obrecht	Young Adult
Ryan Duff	JE
Donald Nash	Single
Larry D'alberto	Single
Chaz Colucci	Student
Nick Hoskin	JE
Lucas Maloney	JE
Andrew Faragon	JE
Connor Bolger	Young Adult
Sam DiNallo	Child
Nathan Hill	Child
Tom Carrigan	Young Adult
Pat Clare	Young Adult
Chris Jenkins	Couple Restricted
Jessica Johnson	Couple Restricted
Lane Jenkins	Student
Matthew DiSorbo	Young Adult
Lucas Audi	JE
John Murphy	Child of Member
Ryan Kelley	JE
Mike Courtney	Single
Mason Courtney	Child of Member
Reese Courtney	Child of Member
Carter Lamport	Student
Joe Schmidt	Young Adult
Josh Barlow	Young Adult
Aaron Rawson	Student

CLUB COUNT 5-2020

Class Description	Count	%
Corporate	12	3.09%
Couple-spouse restricted	20	5.15%
Couple-Unrestricted	32	8.25%
JE Couple	6	1.55%
Jr. Executive Age 25-26	26	6.70%
Jr. Executive 27-29	17	4.38%
Jr. Executive 32-33	6	1.55%
Jr. Executive 30-31	6	1.55%
Lifetime Member	4	1.03%
Member Children	8	2.06%
Senior Couple 70+	25	6.44%
Senior Single 70+	38	9.79%
Single	108	27.84%
single w/children	9	2.32%
Social	19	4.90%
Student	20	5.15%
Summer Couple	2	0.52%
Summer single	3	0.77%
Weekend Single	4	1.03%
Young Adult	23	5.93%
	388	100%



Superintendent's Report

Steve Solsky

Seems like we have all been on a roller coast the past month around the club. Open golf course. Close golf course. Open back up. Cold weather for 3 days. Then we get a day that is just beautiful, warm and sunny. Nothing seems to be a constant other than how good the golf course looks right now. I have been here 15 years now and I don't recall the turf looking this green and this tight this early in the season. If we were allowed to have a tournament know we should be playing the ball down for sure. I am very pleased on how the course came out of winter and I am excited to have healthy turf starting the season. Should make for great conditions all season.

We did our spring aerification to the greens a few weeks ago. We deep tined the greens with a machine that aerates at about an 8-inch depth with solid tines. This deep aerification breaks up clay so water can move down through the soil better. Then we aerated with another machine to pull a plug at about a 3/8 of an inch diameter. These small holes still pull a lot of material out of the green. The idea is to use a lot of small holes so the greens will heal up faster. The greens were then cleaned and rolled and then top dressed with sand. The process went really smooth and the greens have since healed up very nicely. Because we did our spring aerification this year, I think with our current state of this epidemic we will not aerify the greens in September like we usually do. This will give the members their greens in good shape thru the summer and into the fall. Without losing the couple weeks after Labor Day from aerifying.

We have started back up with our last greens surround project. 13 was started last fall with all the old sand and old sod being removed. A couple weeks ago we started with the bunker on the left first. The bunker edges were top soiled so that we have a nice edge. Then the area was raked and cleaned and then sodded. After the sod, then we put in our bunker liner. Finally, the new sand was put into the bunker. Next, we have turned our attention to expanding the green in the back. It is really tough finding a fair pin on this green throughout the season. So, we are adding a flatter area to the back of the green. The root zone mix was added this past week. It was leveled and compacted. Next, we will move bent grass sod from our nursery to the back of 13. Once the green expansion is sodded, we will order the last of the sod to finish sodded the entire surround. This is a large project to do in-house. It takes us away from taking care of the golf course. We try to balance both course maintenance and doing these projects. Thank you for your patience.



Golf / Assistant Treasurer

Tony Lupino

Well the golf season has finally opened. We are playing with the limitations put upon us by the State of New York.

We are all hoping that our world will get back to normal soon but it looks like it might take a while. The board is doing what it can to keep expenses down but some expenses can't be stopped or eliminated. This past weekend we finally got the okay to use golf carts, one person per cart. We only have about 47 golf carts so the availability of carts especially on weekends is going to be tough. Members have priority over guests and outside play.

The tee times are now ten minutes apart instead of the usual eight minutes so we can keep our social distancing as mandated. Todd and his people are working on how to set up the tee times on weekends. With the extended time between tee times, the one person per cart rule and the 360 or so members it gets a little tricky.

It looks like the weather is slowly getting better and the leagues are finally starting to play. The ladies started last week, the senior league is starting this week and the Tuesday men's league is starting next week. Todd will do his best to see that everybody gets to play when they want to. We just have to be a little patient.

We have great owner/members, if we all work together, we will get through this. Stay safe and healthy.

Tony Lupino

Gleaning From Past Newsletters

Tucker

Tucker July 2007 Fox

Steve Solsky reports that the drainage on # 7 was completed quite quickly because of the acquisition of the excavator. Also, the new tee on #15 will be ready by next soring. Bill Martin, Steve Ludwin and Randy Alexander donated their time to construct the pesticide building near the cart barn.

Tournament Results

Club Match Championship: Champion Flight: 2nd Dave Wellington

1st Flight: 1st, Ron Symanski, 2nd Tom Hudy

2nd Flight: 1st, John Monahan, 2nd: John Caputo

President's Cup:

1st: George Mahoney

2nd: Steve Ludwin

6th: Win Wachtel, Pete Kanches

9th: Rick Funaro, Bill Glyndmyer, Jack Cottrell

Men's Senior Member/Member

2nd Gross: Tony Lupino, Larry Ulrich

1st Net: Al Squire, Jim Holmblad

Women's Member/Member 1st Gross: Heidi Harkins, Sue Delanoy

2nd Gross: Sue Kahler, Claudia Mahoney

1st Net: Rayette Johnson, Lauri Petraske

2nd Net: Betty Thorhhill, Penny Mannat

3rd Net: Max Tucker, Gail Wayand

4th Net: Jan Federice, Pat Joseph

5th Net: Beth Bassett, Brenda Adams

Men's Member/Member

Championship Flight: 2nd: Larry D'Alberto, Dave Fizer

B Flight: 1st Gross: Tony Merola, Jim Bryant, 2nd: Hal Van Earden, Pete Kanches, 3rd: Paul Steves, Sty Morris 1st Net: Hal Van Earden, Pete Kanches, 2nd: Ed Rufer, Jim Smith, 3rd: Paul Steves, Sty Morris

C Flight: 3rd Gross: Steve Ludwin, Dave O'Connor, 2nd Net: Tim Ball, George Mahoney 3rd Net: Bob Carbonneau, Mark Thornhill

D Flight: 2nd Gross: Bruce Kay, Ken Stevens, 3rd Gross: Fred Decelle, Gary Lyons, 1st Net: Bruce Kay, Ken Stevens, 2nd Net: Fred Decelle, Gary Lyons

August 2007 Fox

President Dick Cody's letter in The Fox mentions we have 335 playing adults and that the

board had defined the cap as 375 playing adults.

Tournament Results

Men's Member Guest:

B Flight: 1st: Stan Ziobrowski, Norm Korniak, 2nd Tied, Tucker, Jim Fisher, Doug and Greg Calvey

C Flight: 2nd: Bob Hartman, Mike Sivik

E Flight: 2nd: Pete McNamara, Jack Ryan

F Flight: Dick and Gus Cody

H Flight: Winston Wachtel, Tom Bentley

Women's Member/Guest:

Gross A Flight: Sue Mansfield and Sue Kahler's team

Gross B Flight: Debbie Cottrell and Max Tucker's team

Parring the 17th

Tucker

Golf is a reflection of the ego. One has expectations and when these expectations are not satisfactorily realized, one takes, shall we say, ego-reinforcing compensatory actions to rationalize the shortfall. Often, these explanations are manifested by the simple means of an expletive, softly muttered, after witnessing the pitiful results of a truly ugly swing.

"Golly Gumdrop!" one might remark, after watching a \$3 ball disappear from the civilized world.

Expletives are a traditional part of golf and are often directed against the various components of the game that cannot respond, such as the wind, the ball, the lie, the bounce, Mother Nature and the guys in front of you who are slower than a tax refund.

Other golfers will actually place the blame on a specific body part and will punish the organ or appendage as though it were a thing totally apart from himself, like kicking the dog when your football team loses.

Professionals have been known to smack their delinquent hands or bonk their heads with a club, to teach the offending body component a lesson they hope will not soon be forgotten.

In George Plimpton's book *Bogey Man*, he describes playing in a pro-am with a professional who, after a particularly bad shot, would saunter into the woods, stand in front of a tree and hit his head against it.

The compensatory action may also take the form of launching the invidious club into an orbit meant to demonstrate to the rest of the foursome that this particular shot did not meet with your wholehearted approval. If one chooses to employ this particular means of expressing a degree of disappointment, it is important to keep the throwing arm rigid and follow through on the desired flight plan's trajectory and direction. It's also wise to throw it ahead of you in the interest of quick play.

Legend has it that Tommy Bolt, the John Daly of golf in the 1950's, once asked his caddie what club he should use on an approach shot of about 160 yards. When the caddie suggested he hit either a sand wedge or a two iron, Bolt questioned the caddie's sanity. The caddie then pointed out that these were the only clubs left in the bag after a series of club trashing and throws that Bolt had gone through in the previous holes.

The PGA is quite specific on the act of destroying one's errant club. If you grasp each end of the club while rendering it useless, you are within their guidelines. Seriously.

A.J. Balfour, in an essay on the subject in 1890, suggests, "holding the club upright, the head resting on the ground, then placing one foot on it and kicking it with the other, just at the point where the head and shaft are bound together."

Anger can only fulfill the prophecy it laments, especially in golf. I once played a round in a club championship with an opponent known for his temper. On the first hole, he was distracted by a golfer on an adjacent hole and lost the hole in a humiliating manner. There was no doubt in anyone's mind that the match was decided then and there.

Golfers with intemperate tempers are compensating for their inconsistency; for their inability to make the shot they know in their hearts they can make. But their club throwing, their expletives and their ill temper are lost on those who know the golfer's game. The temper tantrum is a desperate means of explaining that the golfer can do better than the shot he just displayed. But in the end, a golfer who denies the reality of his ability will never have fun, because he will never achieve the expectations that his ego has set for him.

Golf is a game. Games are supposed to be fun.

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