

Royal Oaks

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT by Jim Senescu



Well folks, here we are again. As we round out an eventful fiscal year, we faced yet our fourth reason for closures at the Club. First it was snow last year, then it was the Governor pandemic shutdown, and then it was smoke and haze, and now we have frost issues, and now more snow, literally as I write this article. However, protecting our golf course from damaging conditions is vitally important to our most prized asset. Our golf course has suffered a beating in the last year. In order to maintain what is arguably the best Club in the Northwest, we must make some sacrifices.

On the issue of these hard decisions that must be made by leadership, none of us want to have to make these calls, but we must. As I am poring through the emails from members upset about the recent closures, understandably so, I took note of one comment by a wise member of our Club. He said: "it is not what happens to you, it is how you react to what happens to you." Attitude is everything when we are faced with any type of disruption or change. Thank you, Gregg, for sharing that important reminder.

Despite adding emails to your inbox, it continues to be our goal to keep the membership abreast of any changes in the operations of the Club. Further, as soon as possible in the next few months, we hope to hold either a Town Hall, or at the very least our Annual Meeting, to encourage member input. As always, you can always communicate with the Board by emailing suggestions@royaloaks.net and we will review and respond to your inquiry, and direct your message to the appropriate Committee or Board.

In other news . . . Your Nominating Committee has been working hard to develop the Slate of Committee and Board positions and we are thrilled to report that the number of applicants were high, and the competition was stiff. We look forward to rolling out an approved Slate in the next few weeks.

The LRPC Committee continues to work toward prioritizing both needs and wants for the improvements we hope to accomplish at the Club. COVID has slowed the process down, but progress is being made. Most importantly, they are crunching the numbers on how we can fund these needs and wants.

The Board is closing in on two years of work to update our By Law's. Stay tuned for a proposed ballot for improved edits.

In final news, I want to send warm wishes for a speedy recovery to our own Board member, Bill Schwartz, who is recovering from some medical issues. We miss you Bill and look forward to seeing you out at the club soon.

Stay safe, and most importantly, stay sane!

2020-2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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President	Jim Senescu
Vice President	Stephen Cobb
Secretary/Treasurer	Ken Mogseth
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Jason Powell	Albert Schlotfeld	Petr Burunov
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FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER by Marcia LaFond



After hearing feedback from several members, it's clear that some members may not be familiar with how the decision making process works at Royal Oaks. I.e.; Club Governance. Before discussing the basic features of the Club Governance Model, it is important to define two terms. The first term is

governance, which is the "making and administration of policy." The second term is policy, which is "a course of action or directive from a person of higher authority." I sometimes hear that the Board develops policies and the General Manager implements them, but that's not quite correct.

Policies flow down through our organization – from the bylaws to the Board to the committees to club management and then to the staff – with each level of authority being subject to the policies of higher levels of authority. This simple clarification avoids the misconception that only the Board sets policy. How these policies are set encompasses the work of the Club's Committees. Almost all clubs have committees that make recommendations to the Board. These committees consist of members who serve as volunteers (e.g., Golf Committee, Green Committee, House Committee, Membership Committee and Finance Committee). Committees offer critical member input and sharing of ideas. The committee makes a recommendation in the form of a motion to the Board. The Board may send this motion back to the committee for consideration, or the Board approves the motion and it becomes a policy.

Good governance is about discussing and supporting an issue and using every effort to promote the success of a policy or recommendation that is to be implemented, this includes both directors and management. The key is to realize that all parties are part of the same team and with the same goal of enhancing the organization and promoting member satisfaction.

LETTER FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Many club members may come to a committee with different experiences and perspectives, all of these perspectives are invaluable to forming recommendations to the Board. Listening and responding to member input is a factor critical to any club's success. This is why we created the suggestion box email, (suggestions@royaloaks.net) so members have an avenue to ask questions or send in suggestions. Please feel free to use this valuable tool. The Board wants the opportunity to hear the opinions of the membership on issues of concern.

The 2021 Nominating Committee consisted of five members; Stephen Gould, Bo Hepler, Kathy Landers, Kristy Weaver and Matthew Lee. The Nominating Committee has the important responsibility of selecting members to serve on committees and the Board of Directors. In essence, they are choosing the future leaders and decision makers of your club. Thank you to all of the members who graciously volunteered to serve the Club. The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate of officers and committee members that will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on April 29th.

President: Steve Cobb

Vice President: Ken Mogseth

Secretary/Treasurer: Jason Powell

Board of Directors: Patrick Cotter and Eric Merrill

House: Jenny Brown

Membership: Monte Phillips, Sheila Guernsey

Golf: Dave Camp, Shawn Nicolaides and Mike Roll

Finance: William Moore and Janice Mathern

Green: Bart Rylander and Terri Hall

The Annual Meeting may be virtual this year but we hope to have you all here on April 30th. This meeting is very informative, and you will hear reports on the financial status of the club and the accomplishments of each committee. All members are encouraged to attend.

See you at the Club,
Marcia



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January 22, 2021

Dear Friends,

We just finished a very challenging year, and thanks to donors like you, people in Clark County are being fed. In fact, more than ever. 2020's COVID brought many challenges and a never-seen-before client need, along with a matching volume of food. Your generous donations allowed food to be purchased, sorted, and delivered. Kids and families are being taken care of because of you. Thank you for your generous financial support during 2020. You make the mission of Clark County Food Bank possible: to alleviate hunger and its root causes. According to our records, here is a list of your 2020 contributions.

Date	Gift Amount	Fair Market Value	GL Code	Gift Type
9/29/2020	\$1,311.87	\$0.00	Corporate	Check

Total Tax Deductible Amount: \$ 1311.87

Two goods or services as defined by the IRS have been provided in consideration of the total gift amount. Your total gift amount was calculated by summing the Fair Market Value of any gifts.

The trust you place in us with your financial investment is not one we take lightly. We work hard to maintain appropriate financial controls and methods, and have passed the most stringent of financial audits again this year without any findings. If at any time, you would like to review our financial reports you can find them on our website at clarkcountyfoodbank.org. Additionally, feel free to call and speak with me personally or any of the members of our Board of Directors.

We appreciate the chance we have to partner with you to provide critical food and hope to so many families and individuals in our community. This year, we were forced to adapt and change in almost every way in which we operate. This included how we got food, sorted and prepared food, and especially how we distributed food. New donors and new volunteers filled the gaps that COVID created. It was exhausting, but it was also inspiring.

Through your generosity, we were able to distribute more food than ever before to the people who need it most. We will not give up on our goal to make sure that all people in Clark County have access to fresh nutritious food. Thank you for your role in helping us make this happen.

Mary Horita,

Alan Hamilton
President, Clark County Food Bank

Royal Oaks Country Club
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**The Lord's and Ladies Committee donated
\$1,311.87 to the Clark County Food Bank in
2020.**

GOLF SHOP NEWS by Scott Leritz, Head Golf Professional



With golf season right around the corner, our 2021 Golf Events Schedule has been finalized. Based on 50,000 rounds forecasted for the upcoming year (45,000 rounds played in 2020 with 6 weeks of closure) and a normal average of 38,000 rounds per year, our golf events schedule has been simplified. The goal of a smaller events calendar is to offer more open tee times for our members. The new schedule will be available in paper form at the main office and golf shop. An electronic version can also be viewed on the club website.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

Monday, 1 st	Handicap Posting Season Begins
Tuesday, 2 nd	18 Hole Ladies Opening Day-10am shotgun (9 Holes)
Friday, 5 th	9 Hole Ladies Opening Day-9am shotgun (9 holes)
Saturday, March 20 th	Men's Season Opener-tee times from 7am-1pm

APRIL

Friday, 9 th	Open Member Play-8:30am shotgun
	Masters Tournament-1:30pm shotgun
Monday, 12 th -Wednesday, 14 th	Spring Course Maintenance-golf course closed for play
Thursday, 29 th	Annual Meeting-6pm

MAY

Saturday, 1 st	Ladies Member-Member (round 1)-8:30am shotgun
	Men's Member-Member (round 1)-1:30pm shotgun
Sunday, 2 nd	Men's Member-Member (round 2)-8:30am shotgun
	Ladies Member-Member (round 2)-1:30pm shotgun
Tuesday, 11 th	18 Hole Ladies "Pairs" Tournament-tee times
Friday, 21 st	9 Hole Ladies Roundtable-9am shotgun (back 9)
Saturday, 29 th	Men's Red Tee Tournament-tee times from 7am-1pm
Monday, 31 st	Memorial Day-course opens at 7am
	Memorial Day Couples Scramble-tee times from 11am-1pm

COURSE ETIQUETTE REMINDERS

As the season gets back into swing and more players visit the golf course, it is important to remember several key pace of play factors.

- ◇ Please be ready to **play** golf 10 minutes prior to your tee time
- ◇ Play "ready" golf throughout the round
- ◇ Place push carts and bags on the side of the green nearest the next tee
- ◇ Read and line up putts while other players are doing the same or in between putts so you are ready when it is your turn to play
- ◇ When you hole out, proceed to the next tee even if your group hasn't finished the play of the hole. This is especially important when playing in a group of 5 players.
- ◇ Call in your food and drink orders after teeing off on #8. This will eliminate the need to wait for an extended period of time at the turn.
- ◇ All of the above suggestions will help make the round more enjoyable for you and those playing behind you.

CURRENT MERCHANDISE PROMOTIONS

The Titleist Pro-V1 loyalty program is back. Purchase 3 dozen golf balls and receive a 4th dozen at no charge.

We are also offering a Foot-Joy glove promotion. Buy 5 gloves (StaSof or Hyperflex models only) and receive a 6th glove at no charge.

If you are interested in ordering, please contact a member of the golf shop staff for more details.

INSTRUCTION CORNER

As teaching professionals, we are asked on a daily basis about how to be more consistent with the full swing. When evaluating a person's swing, I always ask myself the following questions:

- ◇ **Fundamental #1-Does the golfer hit the ball far enough to play the course?**
- ◇ **Fundamental #2-Does the golfer hit the ground in the same spot consistently?**
- ◇ **Fundamental #3-Does the golfer control the curve of the ball consistently?**

Normally, one or more of the above questions is answered as a **NO**. Even though the best ball strikers have swings that look wildly different, they all possess the above three fundamentals. The winter & spring is the best time to work on swing changes. If you are interested in learning more about implementing the three fundamentals into your full swing, please contact one of the Royal Oaks Teaching Professionals for an evaluation.

WORLD GOLF HANDICAP SEASON

Posting season is here!

Posting begins March 1st.

Please check your GHIN account to make sure it is set up correctly.

Some have had trouble logging into their account.

If you have trouble, please reset password through the GHIN app or ghin.com

When do I post?

You play at least 7 holes.

You play under a stroke play or match play format.

Your score can be peer reviewed.

You can post on ghin.com, the ghin app, the Royal Oaks app, or at several posting locations at Royal Oaks.

When do I not post?

Playing a practice round or playing lesson.

When number of clubs are restricted.

Playing in events such as scrambles, alternate shots, etc.

You are playing alone.

Play fewer than 7 holes.

Anytime you are not posting, please tell the golf shop.

What is the max score I can take on a hole?

NET DOUBLE BOGEY is the Max score you can take.

Net double bogey = double bogey + any strokes you receive on the hole

AUDUBON SANCTUARY by Jani Aden and Donna Schwanke

Our nesting box project has been very successful. As many as 125 Chickadee, Swallow and Nuthatch babies have been hatched from our nesting boxes in one year. We are planning on the Royal Oaks Bird Cam being available through the Royal Oaks website again this year. Our 30 nesting boxes are monitored frequently during the nesting season by Audubon volunteers. We make note of the first appearance of nesting materials, how many eggs and what they look like. We note when and how many eggs hatch and when they “fledge” or leave the nest. This data is sent to Audubon International. The last couple of years we have had a couple of our nesting boxes claimed by bumblebees. No problem. We are always in favor of more pollinators.

The Chickadees and Swallows are the dominant nesters at Royal Oaks but the Nuthatches in recent years have arrived and start off the season with as many as 7 eggs in one nest. Nuthatches are active, agile little birds with an appetite for insects and large, meaty seeds. They get their common name from their habit of jamming large nuts and acorns into tree bark, then whacking them with their sharp bill to “hatch” out the seed from the inside. They creep up, down, and sideways without regard for which way is up, They are often found at feeders and will travel with Chickadees and other feeder birds.



Nuthatch details provided by Cornell Lab of Ornithology.

CLUBHOUSE NEWS by Brandon Roberts, Clubhouse Manager

I'm really beginning to find my footing in my new role as Clubhouse Manager. I thoroughly enjoyed my 9 months as the Membership and Marketing Director, but also feel I can better put my skills and background to use working with the Hospitality team. I've hit the ground running as dinner service has been highly active in the early part of 2021. Now that we've gone to indoor dining at 25% capacity, we've been able to sell out the restaurant nearly every Friday and Saturday. As we remain in a limited capacity regulation, we would highly recommend making reservations to ensure that we can take the absolute best care of you and your guests.

You will begin to see new faces around the Club as we have began the hiring process as we ramp up for the busy season that 2021 will surely bring us. Please feel free to say hello and engage with the new staff as we work through the onboarding and training process.

Indoor events are again being allowed under limited capacity regulations. Please remember that we are still bound to social distancing guidelines, masks must be worn when indoors and not seated at a table. Standing to socialize while indoors is still prohibited by Washington State Guidelines.

Chef RJ and I, have been working closely on plans to get back to normal operating hours and menu offerings in the latter portion of March. We can look forward to new and interesting options on the lunch and dinner menu, Wednesday buffets eventually making a return, as well as staying open later into the evenings. Exciting things are on the horizon!

Cheers,

Brandon Roberts



Spring



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BIRDS	CALF	GARDEN	LAMB	SNAIL
BLOSSOM	CATERPILLAR	GRASS	NATURE	SPRING
BUGS	CHICKS	HATCH	NEST	SPROUT
BUNNY	FLOWERS	INSECTS	RABBIT	TULIP
BUTTERFLY	FROG	LADYBUG	ROBIN	WORM



MEMBERSHIP

Royal Oaks

WELCOMES OUR NEW MEMBERS:

**If you see new faces around the Club,
please introduce yourself and welcome them to Royal Oaks!**

Inna Drachen & Brian Morton
Connor Bielat
Devra & Michael Doiron
Salvatore Muscardin
Donald & Tracy Rigby

Michael & Kathee Milner
Dean & Robin Ludwig
Cameron & Cheri Dore
Philip Hogue & Shiela Flores
Brad & Jeanetta Milner

Brian & Ciara Stone
Jon & Nichole Goodrich
Jesse & Crystal Paull
John & Carrie Marples
Joseph & Karen Anfuso



GOODBYE & GOOD LUCK

Sandra Fischer
Stefani & Randy Williams
Jarl & Angie Arnston
Wesley & Marge Boyer
Trace & Zenia Bringhurst

Ken & Sherri Fisher
Gary & Kelli Wart
Becky Willey & Phil Sherman
Scott & Tammy Salvato
Richard & Lynn Miller



The staff at Royal Oaks would like to send our deepest sympathies to the friends and family of Jack O'Donnell, Bea Beall, and Ladd Ziegler.

MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHIP by Aaren McDonald

Hello ROCC Members—

I just started as the Membership & Marketing Director in the beginning of February and I am thankful to be at such a wonderful club with a chance to settle in before the peak season is here. I have worked in membership and marketing at two other private clubs and I've been playing golf since age 5. I actually grew up on Willamette Valley Country Club and played competitive golf through college at the University of Wisconsin—Madison. I am looking forward to teeing it up with many of you soon! I feel very fortunate to be at a club with such a phenomenal golf course and club experience.

For a membership count update, please check out the table below. We start out this month with 19 Members on the Wait List which means there is one more spot on the list that permits access to the club while they are waiting for an opening! Please let me know if you have any friends or family that are interested in membership. Happy golfing!

Aaren Ziegler McDonald

Membership and Marketing Director

Reminder

You can earn up to 5% credit of the initiation fee when new member applicants identify you as sponsor on their application.

Quarterly Membership Update

Category	2020	2021	% Change
Proprietary	439	437	-.004%
Corporate	33	30	-.09%
Intermediate	30	30	0%
Club Owned	0	0	0%
Social Medical	3	8	+1.66%
Total	505	505	
Resignation List	0	0	0%
Wait list to GET IN	6	19	+2.17%

THE FITNESS CORNER by Rich Freedman



DEAR MOM & DAD

Most articles I write for the Divoteer concern adult fitness and golf. I hope you enjoy the topics and information I pen, but for this edition I'd like to switch gears and comment about fitness for the younger generation i.e., those in the 5-20-year-old range. After having coached and trained collegiate golfers for six years as well as working with the 5-13 age group with the Summit Golf Foundation, I have some observations and recommendations.

I don't know of any parent that doesn't want their child to succeed in whatever path they choose. Some may turn out to be artists, doctors, engineers, auto mechanics or some may even become professional athletes. Fitness and good health certainly apply to all ages, but to those who desire sport specific training for their young athletes there's no simple answer.

Young children are like sponges. They absorb information but are for the most part a blank slate when it comes to experience, so they can sometimes be easier to influence. If mom or dad are avid golfers, there's a good chance that a son or daughter will try and emulate them (but not always). If this does happen and said son or daughter really takes a high level of interest in a specific sport, what's the best way to get them to progress? What kind of coaching and training do they need? Is complete immersion in the sport the best thing for a young child?

From a coaching perspective I have always viewed my job as primarily protection and correction. Children should be protected both physically and emotionally and corrected in both behavior and physical performance when appropriate, but much depends on their age. A five-year-old needs to develop general physical skills, eye-hand and body coordination and self-confidence. An 18-year-old collegiate athlete needs both general and specialized training plus technical instruction including considerable practice and play, not to mention the occasional behavioral modification.

Communicating with each of these age groups is also a challenge. A five-year-old has a limited attention span and the collegiate athlete has a mind-set that's, well, sometimes just as challenging. Every kid is different in some way with unique needs and learning abilities. This makes coaching as much an art form as a science.

How hard to push a young child in a certain direction is a parental decision. Some push very hard in one direction and others let a child find their own way with minimal influence. There is no proven right or wrong way but consider this: proper physical and emotional development makes for a fully functioning young adult. Play (running, jumping, climbing, tumbling, etc.) is important for physical development in the earlier stages of life. Just letting a kid play and discover their own abilities under the watchful eye of a parent is a strong option which prepares a young child for discovering their skills and preferences.

Here are a few "factoids" and some of my personal learnings that should be helpful to parents & grandparents:

- Adolescent growth spurt normally begins about age 10-13 for girls and 12-15 for boys; bones and muscles are growing and hormones are increasing. Most physical development during the adolescent phase comes from this maturation process and strength training should be directed toward learning proper form but not with the intent of significant muscle building. Skill development and muscle recruitment patterns are more important. Growth plate injuries are not uncommon during this time.
- Preventing obesity is very important during these periods of rapid growth as fat cells can proliferate. Regular exercise and proper diet are positive factors in setting the conditions for lifelong weight management and obesity prevention.

- Children have an immature temperature regulation system so they are more susceptible to heat exhaustion and heat stroke than mature adults; as a result, they cannot sweat or shiver as well as adults. Thermal injuries are serious for children so dressing them appropriately for temperature conditions is critical.
- For specific sports where building endurance requires either long distance training or interval protocols, such activities should be carefully supervised. Pushing immature body systems can have negative long-term effects and starting too early with high intensity training can result in “burn out” even in the teenage years.
- Child development is likely best with a balance between physical, social and intellectual endeavors.
- Contact sports such as football, boxing, etc. can result in head trauma that can have long- lasting effects. Avoiding concussions and understanding its symptoms are critical for both parents and coaches.

In summary, my youth coaching experience has left me with two really strong considerations when training kids:

Managing young, developing emotions are most difficult. Disappointment and failure are powerful events, whether real or perceived, that can shape young personalities and behaviors. Giving a child encouragement that failure is a part of learning may work for many, but not for all. Special care, especially for those with lesser skills or disabilities is critical.

Injury prevention is equal in priority to managing fragile and developing minds. With seemingly boundless energy, a hurt child can feel both frightened and isolated. As parents and coaches, we need to understand when injuries are minor and when to seek professional medical help.

Have specific questions about your son or daughter? Email me for more information.

Now, a quick factoid for adults. If you watched the most recent Super Bowl you saw 43-year-old Tom Brady perform at the highest level in his sport. I’m sure genetics played some part, but his physical conditioning and nutrition has always been top notch. Proper training and nutrition always make a huge difference at any age not only in sports’ performance, but in living a vibrant, energetic and healthy life.

Dempsie and I both are committed to helping members achieve their physical potential. Contact us for information about how our training programs can help you achieve a higher level of fitness.

(Note: you must call or text us to make an appointment to use the Fitness Center due to Washington State COVID guidelines)

Rich Freedman is a consulting Master Fitness Trainer, certified TPI Golf Fitness Instructor and Managing Partner of Gol-fit.com/Bess Box Technologies. He is available for training at the fitness center and writes for the Divoteer providing research on both golf and fitness matters to the ROCC staff.

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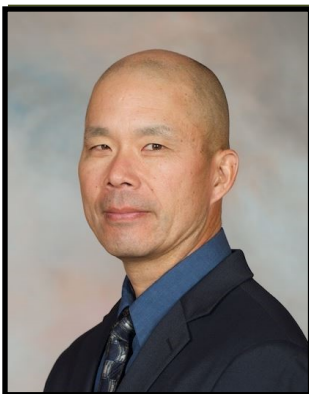
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RUB OF THE GREEN by Gordon Kiyokawa



Spring is right around the corner! The Crocuses and Daffodils have been sprouting and are almost in bloom which signifies that warmer temperatures are near.



During February, we've been busy with a few projects. Addressing the green sand dams has been our primary target in attempts to eliminate problematic locations on greens as depicted below. We began with #1 green and also installed additional drainage within the green. These locations are not only issues during the winter/wet season, but provide challenges to us during the summer season with irrigation and water movement and the creation of inconsistent surface firmness.



A huge "congratulations" to our longtime Equipment Manager Brandon Ahola. Brandon, who has been a dedicated employee of the club since 1989, recently completed the Equipment Management Certificate Program presented by the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA). Brandon was required to pass eight different and difficult proficiency exams to be awarded this honor. Brandon is one of only a handful of Golf Course Equipment Managers in the entire **world** who has successfully completed and passed this curriculum.



CONGRATULATIONS



Hole In One Joey Smith

12/4/2020
Hole #16
215 Yards
Driver
Squirrel Tees
1st Hole in One



Hole In One Harold Bluestein

1/14/2021
Hole #16
174 Yards
5 Iron



Hole In One Andrew Bielat

1/14/2021
Hole #8
175 Yards
6 Iron
1st Hole in One



Hole In One Dick McLuer

1/25/2021
Hole #8
145 Yards
8 Iron
No Photo

Be sure to have Hole In One Insurance when you ACE it!!!

Cost: \$5 every time someone in the group makes a hole in one.

Payout: 50% in cash and 50% in Golf Shop credit to the person who makes the hole in one.

Sign up now for your chance to cash in on the pot!

Please call 360.256.1250 or email alaina@royaloaks.net



O.W.G.A by Judy Bergs

Spring is just around the corner and it is time to start thinking about 18-hole golf opportunities for 2021. I want to encourage any and all who qualify to become a member of the Oregon Women's Golf Association (OWGA).

This organization was founded in 1926 by eight private club representatives as the Portland Women's Golf League, and was given its current name OWGA in 1927. Through the years the association has grown to include several other private clubs throughout the state of Oregon. Royal Oaks was invited to join in 1987 and remains as the only club from Washington.

Membership is open to any woman member of Royal Oaks with a USGA Index of 30.0 or lower. Also you may join anytime during the season that your index qualifies you. Annual Membership fee is \$130 which covers our Golf Genius website and other services. The cost of playing at each club is \$30 which includes lunch. You can play every course or whichever ones you want. Registration for each play is done online. You can register with one home course friend or simply be paired with players of similar handicaps. Carts may be requested and charges billed directly to your Royal Oaks account. There are payouts for gross and net in all flights.

Courses to be played in 2021 are Oswego Lake, Columbia Edgewater, Portland Golf Club, Waverley, Pumpkin Ridge, Oregon Golf Club, Tualatin CC, Arrowhead Golf Club, Willamette Valley CC, Corvallis, Rogue Valley, Astoria, Pine Ridge, and Illahe. This year Royal Oaks will not be hosting a play due to the recent decision made by the Board of Directors. The 18 Hole Opening Tournament will be held at Oswego Lake Country Club on Monday, March 29, 2021. This will be followed by 13 more events throughout the season and ending with a two day tournament at Oswego Lake September 27-28.

It is the best golf deal in the state and provides a venue to meet many wonderful women. Those that were members in 2019 and 2020 were emailed an invitation to join again this year. You should have received it on February 1. Others interested in joining start by contacting me. I will assist by answering any questions and getting you included in the Golf Genius player roster for OWGA. My contact information is below.

Judy Bergs, Sr. Director OWGA

Email: gregb9@msn.com Cell: 360-903-2534

O.S.W.G.A. 2021 Play Dates

Tuesday, **April 20th** - *Columbia Edgewater Country Club*

Tuesday, **May 18th** - *Royal Oaks Country Club*

Friday, **June 11th** - *Tualatin Country Club*

Friday, **June 25th** - *The Dalles Country Club*

Wednesday, **July 14th** - *Michelbook Country Club*

Friday, **August 6th** - *Illah Country Club*

Tuesday, **August 17th** - *Willamette Valley Country Club*

Wednesday, **September 1st** - *Portland Golf Club*

Wednesday, **September 8th** - *Orchard Hills*

Sunday, **September 12th** - *Oswego Lake (3pm Mixer Event)*

Tuesday, **September 21st** - *Riverside*

Friday, **October 1st** - *Astoria Country Club*

Wednesday, **October 20th** - *Waverley Country Club (Closing Day)*



LADIES 9 HOLE by Tammy White

Spring is almost here and you know what that means – the Ladies 9 Hole Group is back! While writing this I am looking out the window at A LOT of snow and dreaming of a beautiful warm spring day for our season opener. What warmed me to the core (besides my coffee) is that I just got off phone with ROCC and learned that we can do our roundtable luncheons ... Yippee! This makes me happy!!

The Ladies 9 Hole Group plays every Friday morning. We welcome all ladies, whether you are new to the game or have been playing for many years. We play Friday mornings with tee times beginning at 8am and once a month there is a roundtable meeting and luncheon.

If you are new to our group, please be sure to sign up in the main office first, then sign up to play using either Foretees or in the Golf Shop. If you have been in the group last year, your membership will automatically renew.

Our season opener will be Friday, March 5th, check in at 8:30. This is a computer picked 3-person scramble with a 9:00 shotgun start, followed by luncheon (menu and cost still to be determined). Registration is currently open on the ForeTees Event page.

Gail Young has decided to step down as Captain so I am looking for a co-captain; if you are interested in learning more as to what is involved please contact me and we can discuss.

As you all know, a lot of activities were cancelled due to COVID last year. But it appears that things are starting to get back to some normalcy for our group. I am working on the calendar of events for our group and will have all that information for you at our Opener.

Please feel free to contact me anytime if you have any questions.

Cheers to a fabulous 2021 season!

Tammy White
425-221-9698



LADIES 18 HOLE by Leona Weedman

Welcome Ladies to the 2021 golf season! Opening day is March 2nd, so get it on your calendar. Looking forward to a fun filled season with old and new golfing friends. We have 7 tournaments planned for the year that are sure to be great fun!

We encourage all ladies with a handicap of 40.4 USGA index or lower to join our merry throng. If your are already a member you will be automatically enrolled. If you have not been a member in the past please call the office and they will get you enrolled.

We would like to congratulate last years trophy winners!

Memorial Trophy: Wendy Sheasgreen

Captains Trophy: Joan Jarboe

Most Improved Golfer: Barb Anderson

If any new or old members have any questions please give myself or Linda a call.

Leona Weedman, Captain: 360-798-9882

Linda Whitworth, Co- Captain: 503-680-6676

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THE MOST ACCURATE HOURS,
MENUS, EVENTS, AND
CLUBHOUSE NEWS.



dining room minimum
spending schedule

1000 - 3939

Three Month Minimum - \$165

August 1 - October 31

November 1 - January 31

February 1 - April 30

3940 - 6833

Three Month Minimum - \$165

September 1 - November 30

December 1 - February 28

March 1 - May 31

6834 - 9999

Three Month Minimum - \$165

July 1 - September 30

October 1 - December 31

January 1 - March 31

*Some member numbers may not fall in
line with this schedule. Please call the
office if you have questions.*