

BOARD OF DIRECTORS LABOR DAY STEAK FRY

Monday, September 6 5:00pm - 7:00pm \$35 per adult | \$20 per child (under 10)

Your Board of Directors will help Chef cook up your steaks at this annual event. Join us on the deck for a traditional steak fry. A great way to wrap up the summer with friends and family.

Casual Attire
No Regular Dinner Service
Masks will be required while gathering your food





FALL EQUINOX Q&A with CHRISTOPHER SMITH

Wednesday, September 22 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Join us for a Complimentary evening with ECC's Instructor of Instruction. This evening he'll be sharing some thoughts on what he calls, "pulling yourself out of golf's rabbit holes." RSVP Required.

PATRIOT GOLF DAY HIT & GIGGLE

Wednesday, September 1

Alongside the Hit & Giggle, we are raising money for Folds of Honor, contributing towards the education of children and spouses of wounded and deceased servicemembers. Even if you don't golf, you can donate to this great cause through the Golf Shop.



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Kelly Sutherland
Club President

As we round the corner of 2021 - a busy year at Eugene Country Club - I can truly say that it has been an honor to serve as President and a distinct pleasure to work with the many individuals serving on our boards and committees. I had an appreciation for these efforts and contributions coming onto the Board of Directors in 2019, though have been amazed at the accomplishments of this hard-working team.

Those who have served as Club President can surely appreciate that there is no shortage of feedback received over the course of a one-year term. I have been very fortunate to receive an overwhelming number of compliments earned by the efforts of the dedicated committees and professional ECC staff. It is also true that I have received the occasional complaint or criticism. Of course, this is appropriate and not unexpected. We're anxious to hear from you and strongly support and encourage members to share their experiences with Rich Spurlin and other members of the management team who can respond directly. Rich and his team are focused on being the best caretakers of our Club.

Please keep an eye out for the Annual Membership Satisfaction Survey that will be arriving to your email inbox in mid-September. It is not intended to replace our face-to-face encounters, though it is an important tool as we assess current activities and plan for the future. If you set aside 8-10 minutes to share your thoughts, you'll be providing invaluable feedback to the ECC management team, club committees, and Board of Directors.

Also arriving to the emails of our Regular and Life members on or about September 21, will be the documents supporting the decisions to be made at the Annual Membership Meeting on Tuesday, October 12. As a reminder, the voting materials are sent to both married individuals who are recorded as the members under each Regular and Life membership. While both individuals have access to the online voting platform, only one (1) vote per membership (the first vote recorded) is counted. While the use of absentee ballots, and now an online voting platform has added convenience for members, it has also nearly doubled member engagement in the decision-making process to nearly 60% of all eligible voting memberships.

Among the decisions that await the membership, is the election of four (4) individuals to serve on the Board of Directors. My deep appreciation to Dave Swenson and Brenda Kuehn, as well as their respective committees, for putting forth a strong slate of eight (8) candidates to serve a three-year term effective January 1, 2022:

David Dowling	Pam Perkins	Rick Skeie	Randal Whipple
Stacy Koos	Steven Ritchie	Mike Welt	Catherine York

While the Nominating Committees have performed their due diligence to put forth these candidates, the Bylaws allow for additional names of individual members to be submitted before September 12. The proposal of any additional individual members to be considered for election to the Board, or any other requests for discussion of additional business not on the agenda, must be accompanied by a signed petition of twenty (20) Regular or Life members by the September 12 deadline. Please approach me or any member of the Board of Directors if you have questions about the club governance process.

Soon after the election of directors on October 12, the Board of Directors will begin evaluating appointments to the Finance, Membership, House, Golf, and Greens committees. There are several committee positions that will turnover at the end of 2021. If you have an interest, please complete and return the Committee Volunteer Interest Form, which is available on the Club's website under Member Central / Member Forms. Copies of this form can also be found in the men's and women's locker rooms. This form has recently been updated to allow members to share more about their qualifications and interest in serving.

Thank you for your continued support of Eugene Country Club.

Sincerely,

Kelly

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DINING ASSESSMENT

Based on the first letter of your last name, the dining assessment billing cycle begins on the first date listed and ends the following month on the second date.

A - G 26th - 25th H - O 10th - 9thP - Z 17th - 16th

CLUBHOUSE DINING HOURS

BREAKFAST

Saturday 7am – 12pm Sunday 7am – 12pm

LUNCH

Tuesday 11am - 3pm
Wednesday 11am - 3pm
Thursday 11am - 3pm
Friday 11am - 3pm
Saturday 12pm - 3pm

BAR MENU

veryday 3pm–6pm

DINNER

 Monday
 5pm – 8pm

 Tuesday
 5pm – 8pm

 Vednesday
 5pm – 8pm

 Thursday
 5pm – 9pm

 Friday
 5pm – 9pm

 Saturday
 4pm – 9pm

 Sunday
 4pm – 8pm

New Member Information

We want to welcome the following members:

Tobey Ritchie & Pate Tuisue | Regular Cohen & Buffy Ritchie | Regular Brandon Gough | Regular

ONLINE ORDERING MAKES THINGS EASIER!

Did you know that you can order from the Clubhouse's menu -- even while on the Course, at home, or out and about around town? It's a great time to test out the Online Ordering feature on the ECC Website and App.

It's as simple as logging into the website or app, clicking into the Online Ordering menu item, and choosing what you'd like to eat!

And when you would prefer to dine in, PLEASE make sure to make a reservation! Due to staffing shortages, advanced notice makes things so much easier on our staff. Thank you!

ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, October 12, 2021 I 6:00pm Dinner I 7:00pm Meeting*
*Depending on the pandemic mandates at the time, the meeting may be
moved online via Zoom, similar to last years meeting.

Regular and Life Members, please save the date for the 2021 Annual Meeting of the ECC membership!

We will once again be utilizing Electronic Voting. This makes it even easier for members to make their vote count and allows for more Regular and Life members to help impact the direction of the club. Please keep an eye out for an email, which will reintroduce how the process works.

EA PHOTOGRAPHY BACK @ ECC IN OCTOBER

We would like to announce that we will be updating and reproducing our pictorial membership album. With this membership recognition program, we are confident that our members and incoming members will have more opportunities to get to know each other. A letter will be emailed soon with more information. We appreciate your participation.

SEPTEMBER POOL HOURS

Through September 7

Regular Hours with Poolside Café

Wednesday, September 8 - Friday, September 10

9:00am - 11:00am Lifeguards on Duty

11:00am - 3:00pm Unsupervised Swim (no lifeguards)

3:00pm - 8:00pm Lifeguards on Duty

ACCESS TO TENNIS COURTS

The gates on the south side of the Tennis Courts have and will remain available for access after the Pool closes.

"PLEASE BE KIND TO THE STAFF WORKING TODAY"

The ECC Management Team and Staff aim to always say "yes" to our members. This past year has been tough on the national job market, with an extreme decline in individuals open to working. Unfortunately, the Club hasn't been immune to this staff shortage, which unavoidably equals a smaller ability to provide additional services. Please know that your Club Team is determined to continue excellent daily services.

Thank you to our amazing members for your understanding, patience, and grace -- it is sincerely appreciated!

EARLY CLUBHOUSE& COURSE CLOSURE

Monday, September 20

All Clubhouse and Course services will close at 3:00pm in order to thank our hardworking staff for a successful summer season.

Upcoming Events

See back page of newsletter for the September calendar.

OCTOBER

- 12 Annual Meeting
- 22 UO Golf Fundraiser "The Noz"
- 24 Trunk or Treat Halloween Party
- 27 Women's Closing Luncheon
- 29 Comedian Night featuring Turner Sparks

NOVEMBER

- 02 Women's "You Turkey"
- **04** Men's Turkey Shoot
- **08** Irrigation/Bunker Project Scheduled Completion
- 09 Women's Pass the Baton
- 25 Thanksgiving Take Out Meals

DECEMBER

- 03 Women's Holiday Luncheon
- 05 Pro Shop Open House
- 07 Gingerbread House Decorating
- 11 Brunch with Santa
- **24** Christmas Eve (club closed)
- 25 Christmas Day (club closed)
- 31 New Years Eve Celebration

SWING ON CANCER

Wow! The generous ladies of ECC raised \$6,175 for the Oregon Cancer Foundation!

9-HOLE WINNERS

1st Place Jo Fisher 2nd Place Marilyn Powers 3rd Place Marci Gilday



18-HOLE WINNERS

Amy Adams-Schauer & Janice Eberly 1st Place (Tie) 1st Place (Tie) Donna McCoy & Judy Blue 3rd Place

Jean Phelps & Libby Englander

4th Place (Tie) KP #5

1st Place

Katie Ready

Cindy Whipple

Connie Redhead

Stephanie Osborn

4th Place (Tie)

Kate Kloos & Stephanie Peters Cindy Whipple & Stephanie Osborn

2nd Place (Tie)

Ann Hansen

Bev Buckley

Willa Rosin

Blind Draw

Jean Phelps

18-HOLE BEST BALL RESULTS

1st Place 2nd Place 3rd Place Sally Greatwood Kim Esrig Kym Londahl Robin Spears Libby Englander Cindy Adkisson Jean Phelps Dee Knode Bev Buckley Bev Peck Dayl Spagnolo Donna Yamanaka

KP #12 Long Drive Susan Roberts Kim Esrig Genie Duy Dee Knode **Best Costume** Carol Widmer

Closest to the Pin #12 Cindy Adkisson

Katie Ready

9-HOLE BEST BALL RESULTS

2nd Place (Tie)

Susan Woody

Dayl Spagnolo

Blind Draw

Karlyn Campbell

Longest Drive #18

(top left-Carol Widmer) 18-Hole Rock & Roll! (both right) 9-Hole Driving Miss Daisy!





18-HOLE SEPTEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

07 | Pairings / Sweeps I U of O Fundraiser MYOF / Sweeps* 21 I MYOF / Sweeps

9-HOLE SEPTEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

01 | 9-Hole Meeting N8 - 1 Ritchie's Trophy 14 | U of O Fundraiser Regular Play 15 I Regular Play*

Emerald Empire #2

*Aerification is scheduled for September 21-22

U of O FUNDRAISER

Tuesday, September 14 | 9:00am Shotgun Grab your green and yellow attire! Show your support for the U of O Women's Golf team and have a chance to tee it up with some of the Lady Ducks! 9-holes followed by brunch.

IT'S A BOO-TIFUL DAY! 9-HOLE EVENT

Wednesday, October 13 | More information coming soon!

SAVE THE DATE

WOMEN'S CLOSING LUNCHEON

Wednesday, October 27

Women's Board Elections

NOMINEES

President: Carol Berkman Vice President: Willa Rosin Secretary: Kate Coughlin

Treasurer: Karen Smeed 18-Hole Chair: Ann Hansen 9-Hole Chair: Dayl Spagnolo

The ballot for the 2022 Women's Board election will be emailed out, just like last year, on September 10. A few physical ballots and ballot box will be available in the Locker Room. Please remember to vote before September 24.

Congratulations to our Champions and Runners-Up listed or pictured below.























CHAMPIONS

Ginny Burkey
Justin St. Clair
John Murphy Jr.
Paul Weinhold
John Pennington
Tim Cling
Casey Moore
Kelly Beckley
Denny Collis
Kim Esrig
Susan Anderson
Esha Reddy
Owen Davis-Piger

RUNNERS UP

Kate Kloos David McMahon Robin Spears Donna McCoy Timothy Morach



Bill Morach
Golf Professional

I hope everyone is getting more and more excited for the changes on the golf course. The holes that have been completed look amazing! There are a few things we can do to help the Greens crew during the construction time: #1 – Do not drive your cart in any freshly sodded areas. If you see a stake/chain, observe it! Walking on fresh sod does not do any damage, but a golf cart can cause real problems. #2 – Replace divots whenever possible. #3 – Rake all bunkers after splashing your shot onto the green. Give your shoes a light tap with your wedge after exiting the bunker and before walking onto the green. #4 – Fix your ball mark plus one more. #5 – Help your guests, or new members that you have sponsored, with these golf course rules of etiquette.

Did you know our 10-year average number of rounds is 30,000? In 2020, ECC members and guests played just over 40,000 rounds – amazing! YTD in 2021, we have played 29,500 rounds. If the weather is similar to last fall, we could reach 43,000 rounds.... that, my friends, is a lot of golf!

GREAT SHOTS OF THE MONTH!

Congratulations to ECC Women's Champion, Ginny Burkey, for once again qualifying for the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur. Best of luck in Alabama!

Nice job to Mike Curtis for making his fourth career Hole-in-One. Mike used his 8-iron from 123 yards while playing hole #12 at Ocean Dunes.

Great shot to John Knutson for making a "ho-hum" eagle on hole #13. John told his putter to "take a seat" and just knocked-in a sand wedge from the fairway.

Great shot, as well, to Dick Jones for making an eagle "2" on hole #18. Despite inaccurate rumors of Dick using driver/driver, it was actually a driver/5-iron. Not only is it great to have you back playing, it's even better to have you back hitting quality golf shots. Nice job!

And finally, a big congratulations to O'Jay Omlid. After a big drive on #16 and a medium-sized shot of tequila, "O" hit his 3-wood onto the green and calmly rolled-in a 20-foot eagle putt. Let that be a lesson to you all: birdie shot follows, but if you want to make eagle, take a shot between the tee shot and second. Thanks, O'Jay!

Congratulations to Steve Edman for recently bettering his age. Steve, at 75 years old, had a great round of 73. Nice job!

"Well, that's nothing!" said Rich Hicks, who recently shot his age for the 100th time! Wow – just wow! Great playing, doc!

GOLF PRO SIGHTING IN SISTERS, OREGON

On the way back from a Pro Am in Prineville, Bill got a flat tire in Sisters Oregon. We are not sure why a majority of the men and women of Sisters felt the need to help a golf pro out. Maybe it is his baby-soft hands or the fact that



he was having Kim read directions aloud of how to change a tire. Sometimes when you coordinate your hat, shirt, belt, pants, socks and shoes, people feel you might need help in other areas. Regardless of the reason, we are in debt to the citizens of Sisters for helping to get our golf pro home safe and sound. -- Nancy Swenson



Tim Cloninger *Superintendent*

The golf course improvement project is moving along at a good pace, with the new holes on 1-3 are now open for play and the new East Putting Green open as well! Currently holes 4-6 are closed for renovation work.



(above) Excellent root depth and density on the new east practice green. This green was seeded with Pure Distinction Bentgrass on May 13.

I hope everyone has had an opportunity to enjoy the new holes and the new practice green. The new holes will take some time to mature until the full benefits of the renovation work are realized. The bunker sand needs some time to compact and settle. The new mow lines on the fairways will take time to tease down as well. You will start to see these early holes really take shape at the end of fall this year.

When you are playing the new holes you will probably notice some scars from the renovation work. During the renovation on holes 1-3, the temperatures were 90 plus degrees. With all of the traffic from the renovation work and the installation of a new irrigation system, it was extremely challenging to keep the turf healthy. I think our staff did a great job limiting the damage by having two hand-waterers on construction



holes at all times. After the renovation work, we go through the hole to sand topdress the imperfections. The renovation work moving forward will have less damage to turf as temperatures are improving. All of these imperfections will heal over the winter.

I think so far the biggest visual improvement has been the work done on hole 2. The approach area is a dramatic visual from the tee. I've had several members ask me if that is considered the green. That approach area is intended to be similar to the approach on hole 11. The reason for having a short cut approach like that is to give the golfers more shot options around the green. The short cut approach will also keep the turf surface more uniform, as ryegrass is less likely to encroach into that mowing height. Before this renovation project, the ryegrass contamination in the collars and approaches was a regular concern for members. We are addressing that with the bentgrass approaches and collars.

Greens and fairway aerification is scheduled for the week of September 20. The greens are in excellent condition heading into the fall season. The aerifications we have done on the greens have really improved the root depth and overall health of the greens. This summer was hot, but our greens were able to remain strong through the season because of the agronomic practices that are performed throughout the year. The fairways are improving each year as we continue to perform a core aerification and topdressing in the fall and in the spring. This summer we had less localized dry spots than

previous summers. However, we still have a ways to go until the fairways are considered strong from an agronomic standpoint. The week of September 20, we will be core aeryfying fairways and sand topdressing.

Cheers,

Tim

(left) Aerial shot of the newly renovated hole 2. The new bentgrass approach will be mowed tighter than the fairways. Once this new turf matures, there will be more definition between the approach and the green.



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WINE TASTING & DINNER NIGHTS WITH HAWK & HORSE VINEYARDS

Tuesday, September 28 | Wine Tasting

5:00pm - 7:00pm Complimentary Tasting in the Lobby Wine selections from Hawk & Horse Vineyards will be available to sample and purchase. Vineyard owner, Mitch Hawkins, will be on site to chat and answer questions.

Wednesday, September 29 | Wine Dinner

5:30pm Cocktails | 6:00pm Plated Dinner w/ Wine Pairings \$150 per person

A TRUNK OR TREAT HALLOWEEN PARTY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

Sunday, October 24 | 3:00pm - 5:00pm

The clubhouse parking lot will be transformed into a spook-tacular arena of dressed up trunks! Dress up, bundle up, gather candy treats, participate in fun Halloween games, and grab your own pumpkin too!

\$15 per child

*Costumes are not required, but always very appreciated!

SAVE THE DATE FOR **ECC'S FIRST COMEDY NIGHT!**

Friday, October 29 | 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Turner Sparks has visited country clubs around the US and the world, entertaining with smart, clean, and politics-free humor. After postponing last year due to the pandemic, we're ready to finally welcome a night of laughs! Come early and enjoy a meal or drink from our bistro and cocktail menus.

\$25 per show ticket I Bistro & Cocktail menu available We ask that attendees be 18+ -- thank you.

THANKSGIVING FEASTS TO GO!

Order Forms will be Available in October

Even though the pandemic mandates are always in flux, the Club is dedicated to providing a quality holiday experience for our members. We'll have turkey, ham, a selection of savory sides and fresh salads, fresh baked rolls, and scrumptious desserts. This is THE way to prepare a carefree yet luxurious Thanksgiving!

The Clubhouse and Course will be closing at 3:00pm on Thanksgiving Day.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Regular Pool Hours 9-Hole Women's Meeting 9:00am Shotgun Hit & Giggle Patriot Golf Day 5:30pm Shotgun	Regular Pool Hours Golf Committee 11:00am	Regular Pool Hours	4 Regular Pool Hours
5 Regular Pool Hours	Regular Pool Hours BOD Labor Day Steak Fry 5:00pm - 7:00pm No Regular Dinner Service	7 Regular Pool Hours	House Committee 11:30am Pool Hours 9:00am - 11:00am 11am - 3pm Unsupervised 3:00pm - 8:00pm	Pool Hours 9:00am - 11:00am 11am - 3pm Unsupervised 3:00pm - 8:00pm	Pool Hours 9:00am - 11:00am 11am - 3pm Unsupervised 3:00pm - 8:00pm	11 Regular Pool Hours
12 Regular Pool Hours	Women's Board Meeting 9:00am Water Fitness 9:00am - 10:00am Relief Nursery Fundraiser	14 Women's UO Fundraiser 9:00am Shotgun	15	16 Water Fitness 9:00am - 10:00am	17	18
19	Aerification Course Closed Final Water Fitness 9:00am - 10:00am Club/Course Close @ 3pm No Regular Dinner Service	Aerification Course Open at 2:00pm	Aerification Course Open at 10:00am Fall Equinox Q&A with Christopher Smith 5:30pm - 6:30pm	Membership Committee 11:30am	24 Women's Past Presidents 8:30am Shotgun	25
26	Finance Committee 12:00pm	28 Hawk & Horse Vineyards Wine Tasting 5:00pm - 7:00pm	Hawk & Horse Vineyards Wine Dinner 5:30pm Cocktails 6:00pm Dinner	Board of Directors 6:00pm		



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