



## STOUGHTON COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

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### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

*By: Ted Waskowski*

We have hired a new chef, Daniel Minnema. Daniel comes to us from the Cannery Grille, a very nice restaurant in Sun Prairie. Daniel became available when the owner of the restaurant and building decided that he no longer wants the time commitment of operating a restaurant and leased the building to an operator who will change the format. Daniel gave notice on July 27 and we expect him to start by August 10.

Daniel has experience that makes us eagerly await his arrival. He was worked in several country clubs and understands what members want. He prides himself on his Friday night fish fry, consistently high quality food and interesting specials. A special point of emphasis for him is tracking the time it takes to deliver meals. Based on our experience at the Cannery Grill, we can all expect that our food will arrive promptly after we order and will be excellent. Please come in and try his food and please continue to let us have the benefit of your thoughts and comments as they are invaluable.

### **GOLF SHOP NEWS**

*By: Steve Hlavacek*

We have several golfing events coming up and hope that you can participate in these fun events.

### **MENS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

Saturday, August 24th, and Sunday, August 25th. You can sign up on line at the WSGA

website or sign up in the golf shop. This is a great event for you to showcase your golfing skills you have been working on throughout the summer and to meet other members.

### **WOMENS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**

Wednesday, August 14th, and Wednesday, August 21st. Sign up in the golf shop.

**CLUB HORSE RACE** Sunday, September 15th. Auction and team drawings will be on Friday night September 13th at 7:30. This is event for both men and women. Sign up in the golf shop. You asked for it, so let's see if we can get enough teams for a full field event.

**SUPERINTENDENTS CUP** September 29th at 12:00 Noon. This event is a *BIG HOLE SCRAMBLE, SEVER - SUBLIME*. This is a handicapped event, so get your own team. If you don't have a team we will pair you. Open to all members and guests. \$50.00 per player with the benefits going towards a planned half way house and bathroom on hole number 13. This will include a cook out after golf on the patio. Both of our Superintendents will be playing the event, so come out and support these guys for the great job they have done. Sign up is in the golf shop.

### **END OF SUMMER TAILGATE PARTY**

Friday August 30th on the Patio from 6 PM to 10 PM. We will have tailgate food, burgers, brats, corn and all the water melon you can eat. Price is \$12.50 per person. We will have music on the patio for dancing. **WEAR YOUR FAVORITE TEAM COLORS** and join us for this fun event.

A big thank you to Ken Lepine who cleaned and repainted our Country Club sign. This took a lot of work and he did a great job. If you see Ken around, tell him thank you.

August 26th and 27th, Aerification of the Golf Course.

### **MANAGER'S MEMO**

*By: Steve Hlavacek*

We are looking forward to our new chef, Daniel Minnema, who will be starting very soon. He has experience working at Golf Clubs and should be a great fit here at the club.

Thank you to all of our members who support the club by dining here. We are hopeful that our dining room will again become a place that our members are proud to come and bring a guest. Please remember that we need your help by making a reservation for Friday Night Dining.

We want to say thank you and goodbye to Lydia Ginther, who will be leaving us after many years working here at the club. She will be going to Chicago where she will be working for an accounting firm and starting another adventure in her life. Lydia worked in the Golf Shop, tended bar and worked as a server and did a great job for us. We will miss her dedication, hard work and her great sense of humor. Wishing her the best!! If you see her around please wish her well.

Christine Temby, our banquet manager, submitted her resignation effective the end of July. Christine has a full time teaching position and a new house that is occupying most of her time. Claire Schuller, one of our employees, will be taking over the responsibilities of Dining Room Manager/Banquet Manager. Claire has worked in the golf shop, tended bar and worked as a server. In addition, Claire has helped share the responsibilities of Dining Room Manager since Kay Page left. If you have any questions about parties or banquets here at the club, please contact her here at the club.

We also would like to thank Lauren Halverson for her dedicated service to the club. Lauren will be moving to Missouri to attend graduate school. Good luck Lauren, you will be missed.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

*By: Mark Livingston*

This summer has been a welcome change from last summer. The cooler temperatures along with timely rainfall has left the course in great condition. The pump house has ran maybe a quarter of what it did last year and we have spent very little time hand watering droughty areas.

During the last week of July we started mowing down some of our native areas on the new nine. We did this so we can make some herbicide applications to help them "clean up". Many of long grass areas have weeds that germinate after the grass grows to a height which makes it difficult to spray. By spraying in late summer/ early fall we hope to have a more uniform look to the native areas.

This year we will be aerating greens the week after the club championship. If the weather cooperates we will doing the old nine on the 26<sup>th</sup> and the new nine on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Getting them aerated early allows them to heal up quickly so we can enjoy some nice fall golf.

Get out and enjoy the nice weather we have had recently. See you on the course.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

*By: Steve Swanson*

Despite the late start this year our net income is actually ahead of last year by \$10,000. Restaurant revenues are identical to last year while bar and course revenues are down approximately \$16,000. Total revenue is down by \$13,000; however this is more than offset by a decrease of \$23,000 in total expenses. The expense reduction can be largely attributed to the late start. The board has been discussing a list of priorities for both the course and clubhouse. Some are more pressing than others such as

an ongoing plumbing problem in the restrooms. Other than that there is nothing imminent, however the clubhouse is starting to show its age and it is only prudent that we start to plan for this inevitable financial impact. To that end the board asked one of our members, Robin Stroebel, to work with the board to come up with some interior design ideas. Feel free to review a copy of these located in the pro shop. Thanks to Robin and her firm Interior Logic for the hard work on this for nothing other than out of pocket costs.

### **LADIES AUXILIARY**

*By: Marge Gerber*

The auxiliary meetings during the month of July were full of festivity. July 3rd saw many ladies attired in red, white and blue. The gathering on July 17th was held during very hot weather. Many members were dressed accordingly with bright colors. The last meeting for this month will be July 31st.

Once again, we have had little old or new business. Everything is running very smoothly.

The hostesses for the July 3rd gathering were Inez Toepfer and Fran Kingery. Gloria Murray and Bev DeGroot attended to the July 17th meeting. Marian Rambo and Lois Rothen will be in charge of the July 31st affair. All of these ladies do a wonderful job of decorating the tables and tending to the bookkeeping duties.

The victors in bridge this month were Karin Campbell (twice), Marita Hettinger, and Shirley Erickson. The high scorers in euchre were Sharon Folbrecht, Lois Rothen (twice) and Bev DeGroot.

We ladies share fun times during the luncheons, meetings and card playing. We continue to hope that our auxiliary group will see more lady members participating. It is a lovely way to spend a Wednesday afternoon.

## August 2013

| Sun   | Mon   | Tue  | Wed  | Thu  | Fri   | Sat   |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|---|
| <b>Club House</b><br><b>(608)873-7861</b><br><br><b>Golf Shop</b><br><b>(608)873-8464</b> |   |  |  |  |   |   |
|   |   |  |  | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b><br><b>Junior Club</b><br><b>Championship</b><br><br><b>Member</b><br><b>Dining</b>                                   | <b>3</b><br><b>McFarland</b><br><b>Alumni Golf –</b><br><b>28 players</b>     |
| <b>4</b>  | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b><br><br><b>Chip n Sip 3<sup>rd</sup></b><br><b>lesson</b><br><br><b>Seniors</b><br><b>Tournament</b> | <b>7</b>   | <b>8</b><br><br><b>Convertible</b><br><b>Club Dinner</b> | <b>9</b><br><br><b>Member</b><br><b>Dining</b>  | <b>10</b><br><br><b>Class of 1968</b><br><b>Reunion</b>                       |
| <b>11</b>   | <b>12</b><br><br><b>Golf Outing &amp;</b><br><b>Dinner – 24</b><br><b>golfers</b>       | <b>13</b><br><br><b>Lions Golf</b><br><b>Outing</b>  | <b>14</b><br><br><b>Women’s Club</b><br><b>Championship</b><br><br><b>Ladies</b><br><b>Auxiliary</b>                     | <b>15</b>  | <b>16</b><br><br><b>Member</b><br><b>Dining</b>   | <b>17</b><br><br><b>Felly Reception</b>                                       |
| <b>18</b>   | <b>19</b><br><br><b>Special</b><br><b>Olympics</b><br><b>Business</b><br><b>Meeting</b> | <b>20</b><br><br><b>Special</b><br><b>Olympics</b><br><b>Business</b><br><b>Meeting</b>                      | <b>21</b><br><br><b>Women’s Club</b><br><b>Championship</b>  | <b>22</b>  | <b>23</b><br><br><b>Member</b><br><b>Dining</b>   | <b>24</b><br><br><b>Men’s Club</b><br><b>Championship</b><br><br><b>FOLKS</b> |
| <b>25</b><br><br><b>Men’s Club</b><br><b>Championship</b>                                 | <b>26</b><br><br><b>Aerification</b><br><b>Front Nine</b>                               | <b>27</b><br><br><b>Aerification</b><br><b>Back Nine</b>   | <b>28</b><br><br><b>Rain Date</b><br><b>Women’s Club</b><br><b>Championship</b><br><br><b>Ladies</b><br><b>Auxiliary</b> | <b>29</b>  | <b>30</b><br><br><b>Member</b><br><b>Dining</b><br><br><b>End of</b><br><b>summer</b><br><b>tailgate party</b><br><b>6-10</b> | <b>31</b>   |



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