



STOUGHTON COUNTRY CLUB

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: John Quam

Fall is upon us and as we approach the later months of the golf season, I want to bring the membership up to date on the projects the board is working on.

Both advisory committees have held multiple meetings and are making some great recommendations for improvements to the club. Stay tuned for more information as these committees submit reports and the board determines how to move forward with their recommendations.

The board has spent a considerable amount of time looking at Point of Sale Systems (POS) for the club and after many demos, we have made the decision to make a change to a new POS system called "Club Prophet". Club Prophet is a fully integrated Golf, Restaurant & Beverage Management software system that has been in business for over 25 years. We are excited that this system has many great features of transparency that include an option for members to login to their account from the Country Club website, check current billing statements, customer history and has options to pay online. We expect to have the new system up and running in November.

The finance committee, led by Dean Retzleff, has spent countless hours working on accounting records, internal control policies, department inventory practices and has made great progress so far.

The Building and Grounds Committee, headed by Dave Bisbee, has a new option for bathroom renovation at a significantly lower cost. We are also working on fund raising ideas to cover some or all the cost of the project.

Member Courtesy on the Course

From time to time it becomes necessary to remind our members of certain behaviors that are not consistent with a private golf club. We want our fellow members and guests to enjoy our club every time they tee it up here at the Stoughton Country Club.

These suggestions come from your fellow members and are not directed at anyone in particular but are suggested as positive comments to improve our club:

Golf Carts are a necessity for many of our members and some members require a red flag that allows them to go nearer the tees, greens and off the cart paths. These flags are for members that have a medical excuse or have some sort of physical disability, age, or other impairment. The rest of cart owners and users must abide by the club rule that golf carts must stay on cart paths near greens and tees and outside of the blue lines.

Our course was in great condition this year and we want to thank our members for their diligence in repairing divots and ball marks on the greens.

Golf attire seems to be a growing concern at Stoughton Country Club, and we are receiving more and more complaints about tee shirts and gym shorts. This should not be something that needs to be policed by the staff, as all members know golf attire etiquette. Please dress appropriately!

Slow play can be a frustrating situation for anyone who finds themselves behind a group that is playing slower than what they might be used to playing. A good rule of thumb is one we adopted twenty-five years ago, "Par Playing Time for 18 holes is 4 hours 15 minutes". This is assuming the course is somewhat busy and you are not playing by yourself at 6:30 in the morning when you can play 18 holes in an hour.

Other times, if you feel like you are holding other players up, and we all know what this looks like, people leaning on their clubs, groups lined up in back of you, this is when you need to let these players pass even though you are playing within the Par Limits. Courtesy is certainly what we advocate when you are on the course and there is a faster group to your rear.

Members who live on the course hear and see some behaviors that are not always pleasant and not in keeping with the standards that are acceptable for our club members. Golf carts with their wheels off the cart paths, loud and boisterous golfers, public urination, and indifference to property owners who live on the course, are all behaviors that need to be corrected.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Club House (608)873-7861 Golf Shop (608)873-8464						
1	2	3 Ginny Horn Memorial Service	4	5 Men's Bash	6 Private Party	7 Wedding and Reception
8	9	10 Oregon Town & Country	11 Ladies Auxiliary	12	13	14 Wedding and Reception
15	16 Stoughton Hospital Foundation	17 Stoughton Bridge Marathon	18	19	20	21
22 Hole in one Party 3-5	23	24	25 Ladies Auxiliary	26	27	28 Wedding and Reception
29	30	31				



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