



# Fairway News

*The Newsletter of the Oneonta Country Club*

*October 2009*

## **President's Message: Bruce Carroll**

Well, Fall is here and it feels more like the Summer that we didn't have. This only means one thing; there is more golf to be played. The golf course is in great shape, as it has been all year, so this is a good time of year to enjoy it. Todd has had the greens deep tined to make them softer and to allow the water to be absorbed into the soil for better root growth, which should continue to make the course better and better. Todd, thank you and your crew for doing a great job all year. Speaking of great jobs, we should congratulate Paul on his tremendous play in the tournaments he has played in this summer. He has represented our Club very well. It wasn't in the local paper, but Paul finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the Leatherstocking Seniors Tournament in early September. When you see Paul, give him a pat on the back!

You will be receiving a nomination letter in the middle of October for voting members on the Board. If you are interested in serving on the Board we are asking that you send a short letter of interest to the office so that it can be included with that letter.

There are many people that help keep the Club going the way it does and I want to thank all of you. If I start mentioning names, I'm sure that I will leave out someone, so I will not do that, but I have to mention the great job Office Manager Marie does with the help of Alice and our Club Manager Bruce Milavec. Again, thanks to everyone!

## **Paul Jaycox, Head Golf Professional**

### **Events for October**

Thursday OCT 1 – OHS Alumni Tournament – 12:30 Shotgun  
Friday OCT 2 – Hartwick Alumni – 12:30 Shotgun  
Wed OCT 7 – Impossible Pin Stag Day – 12:30 Shotgun  
Thurs OCT 15 – Fall Roundup – 11:00 Shotgun

### **Fall Hours of Operation**

8-6 (Bag Room and Cart Storage will remain open until all play is finished)

Please be careful of Frost this time of year, if walked or played on, damage can be done to the grass.

The Golf Shop will be open Daily in November, weather permitting. Hopefully we will have plenty more golfing days left in 2009!

## **Greens Committee, Kurt Schulte**

Well we've already had several frost delays this fall. Seems like we just got done with frost delays from the spring...probably because we just did. If you recall, we last had frost in June so we went two whole months without frost (which I suppose can be normal, albeit depressing, for this area).

Be patient when there is a frost. We have several greens that the sun doesn't get to until mid-morning, so you won't be allowed out on the course until the frost in those areas has melted.

The greens were deep tined aerated and are recovering nicely. I watched as the practice green was done and was amazed at the difference underfoot between the part of the green that was aerated and the part that wasn't. It was like walking from concrete onto carpet. It showed how compacted the greens become over the course of the year.

The leaves are starting to come down and Todd and his crew (Ken, John and Garrett) will try to keep up with them, and the mowing, and their other duties as best they can. This year Todd has been asked to do his job with a limited crew while staying under budget. He has done so and then some. Our crew has gone above and beyond. Todd told me the other day that Ken has not taken a day off since April. If Ken needs to attend to personal matters during the day, he comes in the night before to work his hours. We are fortunate to have such dedicated employees. Please keep this in mind....you will be given a chance to show your appreciation.

## **General Manager, Bruce Milavec**

### **CALLING ALL MEMBERS!!**

It's that time of year when we need to look ahead and ask members to step forward and express their interest in serving on the Board of Directors of the club. According to the OCC By-Laws, "the Board of Directors shall have the control and general management of the affairs and business of the Corporation". Current directors who are not running for reelection are Tom DeLaurentiis, Larry Leahy, Frank Preston and Dan Robinson. Bruce Carroll IS seeking reelection. The board generally meets once a month so there is not a huge commitment of time. If you are interested in running for the board please submit your name (and a brief biography to be included with the Primary Nominations for Directors) to the office as soon as possible but no later than October 13. Please consider taking an active role in the

future of the Oneonta Country Club!! Thank you.

## **WGA, Diane Terry and Joan Martin**

### **2009 Summary**

President's Cup Winner - Mary Ebberts  
President's Cup Runner - Up-Patty Burke

Margaret Bunn Winner - Emi Gaisford  
Margaret Bunn Runner - Up-Heidi Hofbauer-Buzzy  
Babe Zahara Trophy - Mary Ebberts

Club Champion - Heidi Hofbauer-Buzzy  
Club Champion Runner - Up-Mary Ebberts  
1<sup>st</sup> Flight Winner - Andrea Strom  
1<sup>st</sup> Flight Runner-Up - Patty Burke

Ringers:

#### 18 holes

1<sup>st</sup> Gross - Mary Ebberts, Heidi Hofbauer-Buzzy, Sue Nesbitt  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gross - Betty Ann Evans  
3<sup>rd</sup> Gross - Chris Mitchell  
1<sup>st</sup> Net - Laverna Foree, Kathy Grygiel  
2<sup>nd</sup> Net - Gail Hess, Betty Schulte  
3<sup>rd</sup> Net - Nancy Odorizzi

#### 9 holes

1<sup>st</sup> Gross - Laurie Zimmiewicz  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gross - Bonnie Smith  
1<sup>st</sup> Net - Phyllis Gunther  
2<sup>nd</sup> Net - Mary Mansbach, Sally Tyler

Most Birdies 18 Holes & Most Birdies one hole - Mary Ebberts  
Most Birdies 9 Holes - Bonnie Smith, Laurie Zimmiewicz

Most Improved Golfer 18 Holes - Mary Ebberts  
Most Improved Golfer 9 Holes - Paula Holleran

Broke 100 First Time - Patty Burke  
Beat the Pro - Mary Ebberts, Nancy Odorizzi, Patty Burke,  
Julie DeLaurentiis, Heidi Hofbauer-Buzzy.

### **2009 WGA Member / Member**

August 27, 2009

A warm, sunny day greeted the 36 golfers who took part in this year's WGA Member / Member. Many of the ladies arrived in golf shirts from courses across the US to celebrate the theme "From Tee to Shining Tee". The rainbow colors looked great against the green backdrop of our beautiful course. After lunch we all sang "God Bless America" to add

to the celebration. This year's winners were:

18 Holes 1<sup>st</sup> Gross Sue Nesbitt / Betty Ann Evans  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gross Kathy Holmes / Sandi Collins  
1<sup>st</sup> Net Linda Smith / Karen Bazan  
2<sup>nd</sup> Net 3-way tie:  
Emmy Gaisford / Mary Ebberts  
Ellen Whipple / Marcia Foote  
Gail Hess / Lisa Grayson

9 Holes 1<sup>st</sup> Gross Laurie Zimmiewicz / Bonnie Smith  
1<sup>st</sup> Net Sally Tyler / Phyllis Gunther

A bottle of "Shooting Star" wine was presented to each of the proximity prize winners:

#10 closest to the pin - Emmy Gaisford;  
#11 longest drive - Patty Burke;  
#6 straightest drive - Nancy Odorizzi;  
#1 longest drive - Laurie Zimmiewicz (9 hole);  
#6 straightest drive (9 hole) - Bonnie Smith

We truly shone from tee to tee, and we invite all of our WGA members to join us in 2010...it's a great day with good friends. Great golf is not guaranteed, but a good time surely is!

(The Committee):

Sandi Collins, Sally Tyler, Andrea Strom

### **MGA, Mark Grygiel**

Last Stag day will be October 7th, it will be our Impossible Pin tournament and we will have heavy hors d'oeuvres after. Food will be provided by the MGA. This will also be our annual MGA meeting and it will be my last as the President. I apologize for not being as involved this year as I have in the past, but other things outside of the MGA and golf took priority. I have enjoyed my time as the President, and hope I have done things that have made the golf experience here better for everyone. So please everyone - come out and enjoy the last stag day, our rain date is the following day on the 8th and if that does not work, it looks like we could try the following week .

#### **Reminder:**

**Contributions can be made to the  
ONEONTA COUNTRY CLUB FOUNDATION  
Contact Larry Leahy for additional information**

