

# YOU CAN WIN \$100.00

APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2010

MONDAY NIGHT

6:00PM

Clarkston Golf and Country Club



**CLARKSTON GOLF  
& COUNTRY CLUB**  
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Clarkston, Washington 99403

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WHO WILL BE HANDED THE GOLDEN LADLE?

WHO WILL BE HANDED THE GOLDEN  
SPATULA?

WILL LARRY WALK AWAY WITH BOTH??

All participants must have their soup & pies to the Club by 5:30pm, Monday April 5<sup>th</sup>. Soups must be brought in a self warmer/crock-pot.

The club will provide serving utensils for the soups and pies.

Tasting will be done by the members and contestants.

Please have enough soup for 50 one ounce servings for the tasting.

Pies will be judged on their appearance, general appeal and creativity prior to tasting.

Chef Steve will prepare homemade breads for us to have with the soup. Please provide a list of "main" ingredients to be displayed with your soup and pie.

Winner of the soup will receive

"THE GOLDEN LADLE"  
AND \$50.00

Winner of the pie contest

"THE GOLDEN SPATULA"  
AND \$50.00

DON'T FORGET THAT THE NCAA FINAL FOUR CHAMPIONSHIP BASKETBALL GAME WILL BE ON THE BIG SCREEN IN THE LOUNGE

For more details and to place your entry, please call Jennifer at the Club 758-2546. You can also pick up an entry in the lounge. All entries must be confirmed by April 4th!

### STAFF

**Judy Stewart** ..... Office Manager  
**Doug Phares** ..... Golf Pro  
**Mike Waisanen** ..... Superintendent  
**Steve Judy** ..... Asst. Superintendent  
**Steve Pretz** ..... Exec. Chef  
**Jennifer Witters** ..... Operations Manager  
**Nicole Tachell** ..... Dining Room Supervisor

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Bill Wykoff** ..... President  
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**David Witthaus** ..... Director

### CLUBHOUSE HOURS DINING HOURS

Monday..... CLOSED  
Tuesday (lunch only) ..... 11 a.m.-3 p.m.  
Wednesday-Friday ..... 11 a.m.-3 p.m.  
..... 5 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Saturday ..... 11 a.m.-4 p.m.  
..... 5 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Sunday (lunch only)..... 11 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

### LOUNGE

Monday..... CLOSED  
Tuesday-Saturday ..... Open at 11 a.m.

**NOTE:** In the event of special parties, functions or large groups of members, the cocktail lounge hours will be extended to accommodate the membership. However, to comply with the state laws, Tuesday through Saturday may not exceed 2:00 a.m. and Sundays may not exceed 12 midnight.



# Clarkston Golf & Country Club

Newsletter

CLARKSTON, WASHINGTON



MARCH 2010

### FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope you have all had an opportunity to see the recent improvements in the facility and to sample the excellent food that is emerging from our kitchen. By the time you receive this message, Steve Pretz, our new Executive Chef will have introduced a new menu that combines old favorites with some tantalizing new offerings. He has also promised some calorie-conscious offerings for those of us that are striving to regain our youth. I have sampled several of the soups and they have been uniformly excellent.

At a recent special meeting, The Board met at Northwest Media Productions to review the results of the membership survey. Although the current sample is only 93 respondents, relative to the expectation for open surveys, this is a fairly high response rate. In any case, the results were extremely encouraging. Overall, members seem very satisfied with the club, 98.8 percent of the respondents expressing agreement or strong agreement with the statement that they are pleased with the club. Sixty percent believe that the club needs only to maintain existing services and not pursue improvements. Golf and Dining are most important to members with structured social events following.

Overall, the food and dining evaluations were satisfied or very satisfied, but several comments suggested that the food preparations were declining in quality and there was concern that the kitchen staff needed to be more presentable. If you have had the opportunity to dine with us since the Kitchen reopened in January, you will have noted an improvement in both of these areas. Respondents also expressed room for improvement in communication. We have begun using email notification for general communication and event reminders, and this has been well received. If you have not already done so, make sure that your email address is current on your club profile. It is also possible to write it on the bottom of your dining or bar ticket, and it will be loaded into the system by the office staff.

There was little interest expressed in childcare, but that is partly explained by the fact that 88 percent of the respondents do not have children living in their home. In terms of improvements, most often mentioned were the irrigation system and expanded practice facilities. In general, respondents were highly satisfied with facilities, with some taking exception to the driving range. Another area of concern is the consistency of bunkers, but that should be resolved by the end of this year when all of our bunkers are remodeled and filled with the new sand. By the end of the month you will have an opportunity to play from the newly configure bunker on 18, which looks like a big improvement.

All in all, the survey points up a high degree of satisfaction with the club facilities and services. I think that in large part, this response is attributable to our dedicated staff that goes beyond the expectation to provide exemplary service. Construction projects in the past month have made important improvements in the facilities. Positive changes in the Kitchen will bear fruit in the coming months. The sunshine and unseasonably warm weather is attracting more golfers and membership is again on the upswing. We have some very attractive promotions in place, so bring in some prospective members, show them around the facility, and help us grow.

*Bill Wykoff  
Board President 2009-2010*

### New Members

#### Certificate Promotional

John Lemm  
Charles McCall  
Richard and Kim Mitchell  
William Cable

#### Student

Kelsey Haycock

#### Out of Town

Mike McPherson

### Join us on Friday Nights

Drink Specials Every Friday Night

Friday, March 12th - Micro Draft Night

Friday, March 19th - Wine Night

Friday, March 26th - Snake River Clam Diggers

**Drinks and Appetizers on  
Special ALL Night!!**

**SUPERBOWL SCRAMBLE  
CLARKSTON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB  
FEBRUARY 7, 2010  
MODIFIED STABLEFORD SCORING**

<b>CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT</b>			
<b>GROSS</b>		<b>NET</b>	
JOEL DAHMEN & KYLE ROGERS	46	BOB MACKIE & DENNY SOLLER	50
CHRIS JARRETT & TONY AZZARA	45	JOE VALACICH & MIKE MCPHERSON	50
MIKE ROTERS & ORIN BAUGHER	44	BRUCE HUNT & JEFF ADAMS	47
		JAY SUTTON & JOE STUMPH	44
<b>FIRST FLIGHT</b>			
<b>GROSS</b>		<b>NET</b>	
KEITH OLSON & MATT OLSON	38	LARRY PRINE & DENNIS PRINE	62
DAN ANDERSON & DAVE WEAKLAND	37	LYNN MARTIN & TODD MARTIN	48
GREG MCCALL & DARREN MCCALL	33	PHIL WAGGONER & NED CANNON	48
LOREN SCHNEIDER & JIM HAALAND	33	DICK JACOBS & JIM WITTERS	47
		DICK OLSON & ERIC OLSON	47

CONGRATULATIONS TO LARRY PRINE FOR HIS SECOND CAREER HOLE IN ONE. HE USED AN 8 IRON FROM 129 YARDS.

**LADIES**

CAROL WICKWARD & HELEN HENRY	33	LINDA RUTHUFF & LOIS GEARY	45
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**MENS SKINS**

<b>GROSS \$58 ea.</b>		<b>NET \$48 ea.</b>	
#4 2 K. OLSON / M. OLSON		#1 2 ANDERSON / WEAKLAND	
#9 3 MACKIE / SOLLER		#7 1 PRINE / PRINE	
#12 1 PRINE / PRINE		#9 2 MACKIE / SOLLER	
#17 2 ANDERSON / WEAKLAND		#11 3 ANDERSON / WEAKLAND	
#18 2 HUNT / ADAMS		#12 1 PRINE / PRINE	
		#18 2 HUNT / ADAMS	

**LADIES SKINS**

<b>GROSS \$16 ea.</b>		<b>NET \$12 ea.</b>	
#7 2 SCHNEIDER / WITTY		#4 2 RUTHUFF / GEARY	
#9 3 WICKWARD / HENRY		#10 3 RUTHUFF / GEARY	
#13 5 SCHNEIDER / WITTY		#13 4 SCHNEIDER / WITTY	
		#18 3 HOUGH / BRAY	



*Glenn & Jennifer Witters  
would like to invite you  
to celebrate our marriage*

*Married February 27th, 2010*

*Reception  
Saturday - March 13th, 2010  
4:00 - 7:00  
Clarkston Golf and Country Club*

*Bring no presents please  
Your presence is our gift.*

**2010 GROUNDHOG TOURNAMENT  
CLARKSTON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB  
FEBRUARY 6, 2010**

**CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT**

<b>GROSS</b>		<b>NET</b>	
1ST JOEL DAHMEN	70	1ST CLIFF CARRICK	72
2ND JAY SUTTON	74	t-2ND AL CRIDER	73
t-3RD JEFF ADAMS	76	t-2ND MIKE MCPHERSON	73
t-3RD GABE ALEXANDER	76	t-4TH JD STORM	74
		t-4TH DENNY SOLLER	74

**FIRST FLIGHT**

<b>GROSS</b>		<b>NET</b>	
t-1ST BRUCE HUNT	80	1ST BERNIE STOREY	67
t-1ST CURT JOHNSON	80	t-2ND MIKE HENRY	74
3RD PETE SPELLMAN	85	t-2ND JIM WITTERS	74
		4TH KEITH OLSON	75
		5TH KIP BARNETT	76

**SKINS**

<b>GROSS</b>		<b>NET</b>	
#4 2 BOB MACKIE		#6 2 GLENN BRAND	
#10 3 JEFF ADAMS		#8 3 MIKE MCPHERSON	
#12 2 BERNIE STOREY		#13 2 GABE ALEXANDER	
#14 3 ROBIN MCKENZIE		#14 2 ROBIN MCKENZIE	

**THE PRO SHOP**

What a difference a year makes. Last year we were battling snow, cold and rescheduling tournaments and this year we are already mowing green grass, let's hope we didn't use up our all of our good weather. You'll find the list of upcoming events somewhere in this newsletter but I'll take up some space and hit the highlights. The restrictions on Wednesday (Ladies Day) and Thursday (Men's Day) go back into effect beginning on the 1st. Men's Opening is Sunday March 7, Thunderbird March 20, Bruce Jackman Couples Opening March 21 and the 8-Man Invitational is March 27 & 28. In addition to these events there are 2 high school tournaments March 8 & 22, both Mondays, and the LCSC Invitational March 15 & 16. Lots of tournaments, spring fever and team practices put some heavy demands on the course which makes the next few weeks the very busy and there will obviously be some interference with your golf plans but we'll do what we can to get you out on the course. Since this is our busiest time of year it is a good idea to back into the practice of calling ahead or better yet check the website for conflicts.

March 14 is when we get back to daylight savings which of course means more time for golf and more time for practice. The range will be staying open longer; we pick up the balls nightly and need to close about 90 minutes before dark to get that done. Mike and the guys did a fantastic job on the bunker renovation on #18 and hope to open it for play soon, until then please treat it as ground under repair.

Thank you for making the send off party for Adam such a success. Your generosity and friendship over the years really meant a lot to him and his family and he's doing well in Gillette.

**Upcoming Events**

<u>March</u>		<u>April</u>	
3 Ladies Opening Day	10:00 Shotgun	5 IEPGA Pro-Am	7:30 - 2:00 both nines
7 Men's Opening Day	9:00 Shotgun	6 COURSE, SHOP & RANGE CLOSED	(Spring Green Aerification)
8 Bantam Invitational	7:30 both nines		
15-16 LCSC Invitational	7:30 Shotgun		
20 Thunderbird @ CGCC	1:00 Shotgun		
21 Jackman Couples Opening Day	9:00 Shotgun		
22 GNL League Match	9:00 - 11:00 tee times both nines		
27-28 Clarkston 8-Man	Sat. 8:30-2:00 / Sun. 9:00 shotgun		



**FROM THE FAIRWAY**

Temperatures are predicted to be slightly below average this month and normal precipitation rates. The temperatures in February were very comfortable. We will see the plant come out of its dormant state this month as the soil temps rise into the mid fifties. Our soil temps in February were in the high forties. Once the grass starts to grow we will see the ball sitting up better and any damage from the dormant season will begin to heal.

The course will be set for regular play by the first tournament in March. The date for greens aerification is Tuesday April 6th. The course will be closed Tuesday April 6th. Wednesday we will be doing the finishing touches to the greens but the course will be open. This spring we will be deep tinning the greens with solid tines. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation during this time. Aerification is an important practice to help reduce compaction and promote good root growth along with air and water infiltration. Having a healthy plant will keep it stronger during the stressful times of the year.

We completed the bunker on 18 and have enough sand to complete one more decent sized bunker. We have a shipment of bunker sand budgeted this spring to complete the remaining bunkers. Water cooler huts and the irrigation control buildings will be replaced by March. Our mowing schedule will increase as temperatures rise.

Remember to use the cart paths whenever possible and to follow cart traffic signs. Keep your carts fifty feet from putting greens. Please fix your ball mark and one more to maintain a smooth putting surface. Sand and seed is available at the pro shop. Please remember to return your sand and seed bottles at the end of your round. If you have any questions or comments stop me on the course or call me at the maintenance facility.

*Thank you, Mike Waisanen, Superintendent*

**Social Committee Report**

Just a reminder to those of you who want to share their cooking and baking talents with the membership, the Soup and Pie contest is just around the corner. We are looking forward to tasting all the great soups and pies, so see Jennifer in the office to pick up your rules and sign up for the event happening on Monday, April 5th. We have some great money prizes and ribbons to give to the winners. Not to mention you can enjoy this great food while watching the final of the NCAA tournament.

The last function this spring will be our "Fishing Derby" for the children. Jerry Hume is heading this up and it will be a great event for a family get together. Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 16th, and plan a fun day at the club fishing in the ponds.

Don't forget Bunko on Tuesday, March 9th.

*Julie Jacobs, Social Chair*