

Grants Pass Golf Club



TEE to GREEN NEWS

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January 2011

Welcome New Members

Roy & Doreen Echols 541-890-5532

So Long Old Members

Sonja Fields

January Events

13 Board Meeting 5:30pm

Greetings from Your President

I would like to thank the current Board of Directors for their vote of confidence in electing me to serve my final year on the Board as your President. A special thanks to outgoing President, Marv Ransom, for his outstanding service.



Tom Jarvis
President

As we move through the holidays towards the 2011 golf season, the Director of Golf, along with all of the committees, are working hard to make sure next year will be another outstanding golf club experience for you as a member.

On December 2, 2010 we had our annual stockholder's meeting. Mr. Ken Behymer presented the yearly financial report. I want to thank Ken for another excellent review of the club's financial situation. For those members who were unable to attend, I can tell you that your club is financially sound, and we are in a comfortable position to meet our obligations in these troubling times. We are way above the curve in meeting our debt service requirements. Members can receive a copy of this report at the business office.

At the annual meeting, two distinguished service awards were presented. It was the Board of Director's honor to recognize John Spetter and Pat Chanquet for their years of dedicated and outstanding service to the Grants Pass Golf Club.

I hope everyone took advantage of the great deals at our Pro Shop Christmas sale. The entire day's events, including the Civil War Game, were enjoyed by all. Thank you to Robin Jones for donating the extra big screens for the game. A special thanks to Rob and his staff for another enjoyable Christmas Party dinner.

In closing, and on behalf of every member, I want to thank each of our employees who work so hard on a daily basis to make the Grants Pass Golf Club a great place to be a member.

Happy Holidays
Tom Jarvis

Revised Rates for 2011

Members should take note that the following rate changes have been adopted beginning January 1, 2011 as follows:

	<u>2011 Rate</u>
Annual Member Cart Lease Program:	\$ 700.00 paid annually
	\$ 800.00 paid quarterly
Junior Greens Fee:	\$ 10.00 9-Holes
	\$ 20.00 18-Holes
Annual Member Range Ball Program:	\$ 195.00 paid by Feb 15th
	\$ 230.00 after Feb 15 th
Second + Player:	\$ 43.00 paid by Feb 15 th
	\$ 50.00 after Feb 15 th



Matt Reams
Director of Golf

Golf Operations

Happy New Year 2011!

As we embark on the season ahead we introduce the 2011 Tournament Calendar (see attached insert). Please take some time to review our calendar with the dates and times provided and begin reserving your personal schedule for the events you most want to play in.



It is an exciting time to be a member of Grants Pass Golf Club, and 2011 is no doubt setting up to be a year of increased membership activity as we set our sights on positive gains towards a full membership! Lots of golf tournaments for men, senior men, couples and ladies as well as complimentary guest days, member socials and much, much more!

Improved for this year is the 2011 GPGC Tournament Manual. This complete manual serves to provide members with all of the information you will need to compete in GPGC Tournaments. Members are strongly encouraged to view this document in advance so as to familiarize yourself with all of the changes now adopted for 2011. Tournament rules, specific schedules, format descriptions and much, much more have been compiled into one document for members to reference at anytime by going to your website at www.grantspassgolfclub.com One example of a newly adopted change for players who elect to play GOLD tees in club events is provided in the excerpt below:

Men Members:

- Play from the GOLD Tees is intended to recognize the shorter hitting player with a consistent equitable competitive option. Play from the GOLD Tees is not meant to be a strategy in itself that changes from one event to another.
- Before electing to play from the GOLD Tees, research shall show that 12 of the last 20 player scores posted for handicap are from the GOLD Tees.
- Player understands that electing to play from the GOLD Tees in tournament play is also electing to play all remaining tournaments from the GOLD Tees for that ENTIRE CALENDAR YEAR.
- Players electing to play from the GOLD Tees shall have their handicaps adjusted accordingly as directed in the USGA Handicap Manual.
 - ◊ Handicap will be adjusted for the course slope and course rating from the GOLD Tees (usually, but not always -2 strokes).
 - ◊ Handicap will be further adjusted for the difference in course rating between the applicable tees (-2 strokes from white tees to gold tees)

This excerpt is just one of many tournament policies that have been edited/changed from seasons past. Members are encouraged to review the entire Tournament Manual in advance of the season start to insure we are all playing by the same rules and expectations in 2011.

2011 Range Plan – Enroll Now!

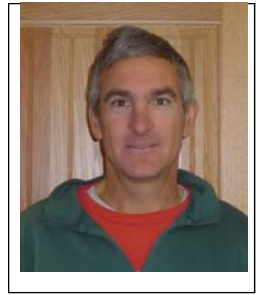
The members range program is a calendar year range program (Jan – Dec) that provides year round unlimited range balls for one low discounted price. Members who have participated in 2010 will automatically be renewed for 2011 while those members who want to enroll must contact the golf shop to enroll.

Those members who enlist by February 15th receive a 15% discount off the standard annual price while those who wait will pay the full annual price. The member range program is structured for 1 person with discounted prices for each additional family person added. Make your game better in 2011 with lessons, practice and great prices. Contact the golf pro shop to enroll today.



from your Superintendent

December is always a busy and challenge month for the maintenance crew. The weather conditions can take you out of any game plan that may be in place the day before. One of important goals we had heading into this winter was to keep up with the falling debris that can happen with any wind event. The debris pile up can make finding a golf ball difficult. The idea was to have the entire crew involved with this effort right from the start rather than doing other tasks. The results have been a fairly clean golf course on daily basis. We will stick to this approach until all the leaves have come down. Another project that was important to complete before winter was the drainage behind five green. This line starts



John Delaney
Course Superintendent

with two surface basins to the right of six blue tee and runs the entire length of the hole. It is two feet in depth and filled with pipe and rock that allows for ground water to enter into then travel down and out of that area; keeping the water from spilling onto the cart path. Other important projects that have been finished are the privacy screen around the Port - ta-Potties and the gutters around the cart shed. Moving forward, our winter ahead is filled with a long list of projects to better the golf course and your playing experience and we will continue to keep you informed through the monthly Newsletter and Monday Memos as the timing of each project arrives.

As always, if you have questions, comments or suggestions for the conditioning of our course, please feel free to contact me at anytime.

John Delaney
Golf Course Superintendent

High School Golf Junior Players Clinic

High School Golf is just around the corner. In the interest of preparing students for a successful high school season, Matt and Jeff are presenting a 6-week high school student clinic covering full swing, short game, putting and course management. This clinic has room for as many as 12 high school students aspiring to play for their respective high school golf teams. Clinics will be held on Saturdays from 1-3 pm beginning on January 8th and follow the schedule below:



**Saturdays — January 8, 15, 22,
and February 5, 12, 19**

*If the scheduled Saturday weather is bad we will use that Sunday as the make-up. Junior fee for this clinic is just \$110.00 per player. Contact the golf shop to sign-up and commit your game to a new and improved season!

A Proposed Members New Year's Resolution List to benefit EVERYONE!

1. I resolve to fill divots on the course with sand & seed mix and to do so evenly at dirt level so as to not damage the mowers.
2. I resolve to always properly rake the sand bunkers in a consistent and even manner to leave the bunker in as good or better shape than when I went into it.
3. I resolve to properly repair my ball mark and one other on every green.
4. I resolve to drive/park my golf cart on the hard surface only to avoid scarring cart path turf edges with unneeded traffic.
5. I resolve to maintain a pace of play that is always consistent with the group in front of me and when my group is unable to do so, I will invite faster groups to play through.
6. I resolve to enjoy Grants Pass Golf Club with a smile at every chance I get and to be courteous and genuinely helpful to my fellow club members.
7. I resolve to remind myself with every visit that I am a partner in one of the best and most beautiful golf clubs in southern Oregon.



Great Shots for November

Manuel Delgado had a Hole-in-One on #2 from 124 yards with a 9 iron on November 1st
Don Blacksmith had a Hole-in-One on #13 from the white tees with an 8 iron on November 28th

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