

February 2008

Message from Captain Tom Knoflick

JIM KNIGHT will be speaking to us on Tuesday about **READY GOLF**. Some tips:

- . The first golfer ready should tee off. Don't stand on "honors".
- . Be aware of the group in **FRONT** of you. Look **AHEAD** not behind.
- . Think about your next shot as you drive to your ball.
- . Minimize practice swings on the course.
- . Watch where your ball lands and line it up with something on the course so time is not lost
- . Take several clubs with you as you walk to your ball.
- . Don't worry about who is away. When it is safe to hit make sure you are ready.
- . Get your pre-shot routine completed while others are hitting. Then hit it!
- . Drive the cart as a team. While one player walks to his ball, the other player drives to his ball. **DO NOT** wait for player to return to the cart before proceeding to the next ball.
- . The first player whose ball is on the green should drive the cart to the appropriate position behind or beside the green.
- . Study your line of putt while others are preparing to putt.
- . Leave the green and immediately drive to the next tee. Then put your clubs away and take out the club you use next.
- . Record scores at the tee, not greenside. Slow players are usually unaware that they are playing slowly. If there is an entire hole open in front of you, your group is playing too slowly, pick up the pace!

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 9: Daylight Savings Time Begins

March 11: Board Meeting at 9:30 in the Bar (everyone is welcome to attend)

March 18: Monthly St. Patrick's Day Breakfast and Irish Doubles Tournament

March 23: Easter Sunday

2008 Roster , Rules, and Schedule Booklets are now available. Please pick one up at the breakfast meeting.

Welcome back Keith Pricer



Monte Jensen passed away suddenly on January 16.

A Memorial "Celebration of Life" was held on Saturday January 19, 2008 at the Sierra Presbyterian Church led by Pastor Tom Naylor, fellow LWW Men's 9er. It was attended by around 200 friends and family including many 9ers. It was a very uplifting experience.

Tom shared many memories on and off the golf course and ski slope as well as other activities that Monte was involved in. He concluded his comments by saying something to the effect that Monte "skied" into the life hereafter just as he had done on the slope, very quickly.

Tom, then opened the service for others to share their memories. Rick Kahil was first to speak and read Tom Knoflick's message as representing the 9ers and added a few words saying that Monte would describe his game as: his "towaradance" was good but his "furthernence" could use some improvement.

Many family and friends spoke and shared their memories. Several other 9ers, including John Short and Ray Gutendorf also spoke.

The formal service was followed by a reception in the church hall.

Golf Committee News from Bob Martin

Golf Central – A new web site for Lake Wildwood Golf

On February 7, a new golf web site was announced. The information about golfing at Lake Wildwood has been update, enhanced and expanded. If you wish to see it go to the Lake Wildwood web site (www.lwwa.org), click on “Activities” and then click on “Golf”. Once at *Golf Central*, you can enter it into your *Favorites* or *Book Marks* list for direct access in the future. Comments and suggestions are welcome.

Tree Trimming on Hole #14

As I had previously told you, the Golf Committee at its December meeting considered a request/suggestion submitted by a Lake Wildwood golfer to trim some trees on #14. At the January meeting, the request for major surgery was turned down but Ken was asked to do some cosmetic surgery. They were at it while we were playing last Tuesday and I thought it improved the appearance.

Golf Fees for 2008-2009

Jim Knight reported at the February 12, 2008 meeting of the Golf Committee that the software company that maintains the Tee Time System will be able to implement everything necessary for the proposed new fee system. Therefore we will be moving to a two-tier system for annuals. He will not know the actual fees until closer to the end of the year but it is expected to be in the neighborhood of \$775 for a Limited Annual (75 rounds) and \$1,075 for an Unlimited Annual. The over-the-counter cost for 9 holes will go from \$15 to \$20.

I am happy to tell you that the two features I proposed and lobbied for will be in the new plan. 1) Members of the two 9-hole clubs, who have a Limited Annual and when playing on Tuesday in their club's shotgun, will only be charged for one half a round. Therefore, if you go out 50 Tuesdays for 9 holes you will still have 50 18 hole rounds left. 2) All golfers with a Limited Annual will be able to play Twilight Golf with no charge. The final definition of Twilight Golf has not yet been made, but it probably means after 5:00 p.m.

New Trees around the #1 Green

Concern was expressed about the new trees recently planted at the #1 green. Ken Wolford says that the root systems are sufficiently far away that they will not disturb the green. Shading of the green would only occur late in the day, when it won't be a problem. These trees were planted in accordance with the Golf Master Plan.

Golf Committee Membership

The membership of the Golf Committee is changing quite a bit. Both Frank Chilberto and Doug Dorfmeier have resigned for personal reasons; in addition, one other member-at-large position expired and we have some new club representatives. Linda Campbell is the new Ladies' 9-Hole Club representative (replacing Jane Butler); Cathy Hendrickson is the new Ladies' 18-Hole Club representative (replacing Diana Mortara); Tom Watson is the new Men's 18-Hole Club representative (replacing Ed Lauchner). 3 new members-at-large will be named at the next meeting of the Lake Wildwood Board of Directors. And Duane Mayfield, Maddie Graham and I are remaining.