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FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER AND DIRECTOR OF GOLF ANDREA KNOX



Happy Holidays to everyone! As we close out 2016, we truly have much to celebrate. The golf course is in great condition (hurricane and all), our men's, ladies and nine hole golf leagues are enjoying enthusiastic participation, a full calendar of dining and club events all wrapped up the camaraderie and support that is makes this such a great community. Tremendous effort and caring is put forth every day to make this club the place you want to be and enjoy with your friends and family. Thank you to everyone, members and staff alike - that make all this happen!

Speaking of celebrating, join us at the club with your friends and neighbors for two great holiday parties we have planned for December. "Margaritas and Mistletoe" is the theme of this year's Christmas Party on Saturday December 10th. Tropical Casual wear is encouraged so pull out your favorite Tommy Bahama shirt and best Beach Chic, but think twice about the flip flops if you plan to hit the dance floor. Chef JP is creating a delicious dinner menu to compliment the Margaritas, and DJ Vern will be spinning a mix of fun Christmas trop-rock beach music to help you dance the night away. Reservations required.

From the casual Christmas party to a more formal "After 5" atmosphere; come ring in the new year December 31st with dinner, dancing, party favors and champagne toast. Check out the flyer later in this newsletter for the details and make your reservations early! Happy New Year!

Whether you are looking for a gift for the special someone or maybe even your self, be sure to check out the 12 Days of Christmas Sale that will be running December 12 thru the 23rd in the Golf Shop. Each day will feature savings on something different and help you with your holiday shopping. Still not sure what to get? Gift Cards are always available and are super easy to give! Look for the flyer later in the news letter for each days sale feature.

You may want to think twice about the extra libations on New Year's Eve if you are planning to participate in our 2nd Annual Wide Open Golf Tournament on New Year's morning! This event is meant to challenge your game so you will want to be sharp! The format is Individual Stroke Play minus your Handicap Index and flighted by Tees. You can choose to play the Black!!!!, Blue!!!, or White Tees for the Men and Women will play the Green Tees! Entry Fee for Golf Members is \$40 plus applicable golf fee (\$20 must be in cash, will be collected by the committee and distributed back out to the winners in each flight. Optional Closest to the Pin and Skins games will also be available) . More details and registration available in the golf shop! May the wind be at your back and your putting stroke steady. Are you up for the challenge?

While we're talking golf, the next event you will want to participate in is the Mixed Couples Member Guest on January 22nd. Revived last year, this one day tournament with an afternoon shot gun followed by dinner was a big hit last year. Invite your friends, neighbors or let us help pair you up - just plan to play and have some fun!

The 12 Days of SALE

Sale runs December 12th thru the 23rd in the Golf Shop.

Pick up a Sale Flyer today and check out all the great gift ideas and savings! Don't forget to use up your Credit Book money by 12/31/16. Page 2 Volume 3: Issue 12

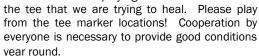
"This winter I have set out to solve the issue we traditionally have with weak tee tops throughout the colder months."

TURF TALK BY: TJ WEST

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and would like to wish all a safe and happy holiday season! As I write this newsletter, we have gone 46 days without measureable rainfall! It is a well-known fact that Grand Haven does not like dry weather. With the lack of rain, windy days, and low humidity, keeping the turf moist has been an uphill battle. We hope for a break in the dry conditions, however the extended winter forecast shows continued dry weather.

Recently I have been asked many questions in relation to the placement of tee markers and the tee box in which they are located. This winter I have set out to solve the issue we traditionally have with weak tee tops throughout the colder months. This past summer we were able to slightly increase the size of numerous tee tops. However, tees that need it the most (white tees on a few holes) did not give us much area to increase the size. In September we began moving tee markers to other tees in order to rest our smaller/more heavily used tees. This has been most apparent on holes 3, 5, 9, and 16. Currently our schedule is to move two of the tees for a month, then they go back to the proper yardage the following month when the other two tees are moved. If that makes sense! This way the tees have a month to recover. Cold weather does not allow for quick turf recovery.

It has been pointed out to me by a few members that some member groups are ignoring the markers and still playing from



We are still removing debris from Hurricane Matthew and probably will be for some time! I am still receiving calls from Grand Haven residents alerting me to debris issues. Shaw Tree Service will begin work the week of January 2nd. They will remove the leaning/damaged trees, trim branches, grind stumps, and remove the remaining debris piles. We have scheduled Shaw to be on property for 21 days. During that time, we ask that you be aware of the tree crew and let them do what they do best! Shaw has been informed that there will be golfers around them and I have been assured that they will be as respectful as possible. Once Shaw begins work, we will be able to shift our focus to clearing line of sight issues, trimming invasive trees, and thinning out wood line areas.

I can be reached for questions and/or comments by email...twest@grandhavengc.com



GREAT GOLF SHOTS



- Suzette Sweeney scored a holing in one during the EWGA tournament in Palm Springs November 12th using a 13 wood. Suzette aced the 82 yard 12th hole on the Rancho Mirage Player Course.
- David Downes aced the 120 yard 14th hole at Grand Haven November 19th using a....David's ace
 was witnessed by Neil Brown, Michael Rozecki, and Father John McElroy.
- Larry Campbell holed a sand wedge for an Eagle 3 on the 480 yard par 5 second hole. Larry's shot
 was witnessed by De Anderson, Sam Cousino, and Dale Keller. Larry had a 76 for his best round a
 Grand Haven.
- Bob Schwarzlow Eagled the 466 yard par 5 18th hole November 9th holing a fairway shot. Bob's Eagle was witnessed by Chuck Culver, Jack Hinsch, and Tom Driscoll.
- Rick Lafond eagled the 323 yard par 4 12th hole November 23rd by holing a 70 yard second shot.
 Mr. Lafond's 60 degree lob wedge shot was witnessed by Tony Sciuto, Joe Loria, and Dennis Amone.



FROM THE GOLF SHOP BY: BILLY VANARSDALE

The U.S.G.A. governs the game. Every club in the United States that wants to use the U.S.G.A. handicap system must follow the guidelines established by them. Your

Handicap Committee does a great (and thankless) job following the guidelines set forth by the U.S.G.A. One of the responsibilities of the committee is posting scores when a player has played a round of golf that they were supposed to post but failed to do so. If a player fails to post a score as soon as practical after completion of the round (at Grand Haven, that's 72 hours), the Handicap Committee has three options:

- 1) Post the actual score made by the player;
- 2) Post a penalty score equal to the lowest Handicap Differential in the player's scoring record;
- 3) Post the actual score and a penalty score

The Handicap Committee is not required to notify the player prior to posting a penalty score. Some of you have had penalty scores posted to your record and may not realize it. This can result in your handicap being lower for the period in which it stays on your record. If you have received a penalty score it will show on your record with a capital "P" beside the score. Having a penalty score on your record is hurting you and your teammate's chances in your club and your personal competitions.

HANDICAP COMMITTEE BY: ROGER CONSOLLA & BILLY WOOD

December already? Time flies when you're old!

First we want to thank our dauntless Handicap Committee for the great work and time put in for their fellow members – Mike Ryan, Melody Kimmel, Lee Figliuolo, Dave Whitby, Jerry Johnson, Kaye Boyer-Ryan, Bob Aiken, Patty Baldini, & Bernie Hollenbeck – THANK YOU!

We figure we'll have reviewed some 8,000 2016 Grand Haven rounds by the end of this year using our random selection process - we have worked out most of the kinks, and hope the energy is worth it. A surprising negative stat is that it looks like almost $1 \frac{1}{2}$ % of those rounds resulted in penalty scores being posted – all due to the lack of posting by members. Seems very high based on experience from previous clubs. This also creates a lot of extra time put in by our pro, and extra angst for members. We think a number of people are not aware that a "P" has been posted for them, so we're going to try something a bit different starting in January.

If a member does not post on a day that's been audited, he/she will still get a "P" score posted, but also an email from the pro shop letting them know a new "P" is part of their scoring record. Hopefully, members will use this notice as an extra reminder to post all of the time (as the vast majority of our members do, by the way).

Thanks again for your cooperation - enjoy your Holiday!!!

Roger & Billy



Golf Shop Hours of Operation

Tuesday ~ Sunday 7:00 am ~ 5:00 pm

Monday

(when the course is open) 7:00 am ~ 5:00 pm

Tee Time reservations can be made by calling the Golf Shop. Tuesday through Sunday beginning at 7:00 am and on Mondays when the Golf Shop is open for play beginning at 7:00 am

Score posting after Golf Shop hours can be done from home using My GAF Golf Life.

Driving Range Hours of Operation

Mondays

When the Course is Open Front of Range 7am to 5pm Back of Range 7am to 4pm

<u>Tuesdays and Wednesdays</u> Front of Range 7am to 5pm Back of Range 7am to 4pm

Thursdays

Front of Range 7am to 4pm
Back of Range 7am to 3pm
An early close is needed to
accommodate a clean pick
for mowing the following
morning.

Fridays and Saturdays
Front of Range 7am to 5pm
Back of Range 7am to 4pm

Holiday Joy Fund



The Men's Golf
Association would like
to remind you that
this year's Holiday Joy
Fund Drive is
underway. Your
donations help
reward all
non-management
golf club,
course maintenance,
facility and kitchen
staff employees for
their diligent efforts
during the past year.

Funds may be deposited in The Holiday Joy Fund Box which is located in the Clubhouse Lobby through close of business on December 12th.

GHMGA (GRAND HAVEN MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION)

The **2016 "Tom Sweeney" Holiday Classic** has been named for and dedicated to an outstanding member of the MGA. Tom has served in many leadership roles within the MGA and will be moving to Arizona in a few weeks; he is leaving our Florida climate for the attractions of the southwest. To extend our appreciation to him for his years of faithful participation and service the MGA Board dedicates this year's *Holiday Classic* to him. The *Holiday Classic* divides the playing field into two teams created through a Captain's draft. The event covers Wednesdays, December 7 and 14. The event is similar to a Ryder Cup format in which the winning team is the team that collects the largest number of points during the two-week tournament. The *MGA Annual Holiday Luncheon* will be held immediately following the final round on December 14th.

We are honored this year to have Co-Captains heading up each team. One team will be under the leadership of **Jack "The Hammer" Hinsch** and **Tom "Too Tall" Sweeney**, winning captains of last year's event, with the other team led by challengers **Bob "Breakin'"Aiken** and **Bob "Call Home" Malone**.

The team captains attended a draft party with the Tournament Director after sign-ups were completed, Wednesday, November 30. There was a coin toss to determine the captains who would make the first draft pick. After the first pick was selected, the other team's captains made the next two draft picks. The process continued, back and forth with two draft selections each, until the entire field was selected, with the final pick going to the second drafting team.

The two team Captains met again with the Tournament Director to select the pairings for the first matches played on December 7th. Each team's players must be within eight (8) handicap strokes of each other. The opposing team will have a handicap difference of no more than eight (8). The team that won the coin toss for the draft party will be the first team to announce first two-man team. The second team will then announce its chosen two-man team to face those opponents and the first foursome. This process will continue, filling alternating sides, in all foursomes. The pairing process will repeat after the December 7th matches to determine team pairings for the final round on December 14th. Pairing meetings are open to all members of the MGA.

The game format for the tournament days are as follows:

Wednesday, December 7th: FRONT SIDE- 2 MAN SCRAMBLE- MATCH PLAY

Each two-man team hits a tee shot. The team then selects the "best drive." Both players then hit from that position. This procedure is then repeated for each shot until the ball is holed. Ball must be placed within one club length (no closer to the hole) of the "selected ball", but must remain in the "same condition." On the green, all balls must be placed "within one putter head" of the selected ball, no closer to the hole. Note: minimum two drives per player.

BACK SIDE- 2 MAN PINEHURST ALTERNATE SHOT- MATCH PLAY

For this game both players of the 2-Man will tee off on every hole. The better tee shot is selected. The players then alternate until the ball is holed.

Wednesday, December 14th: 2 MAN TEAM; FOUR BALL NET MATCH PLAY (BEST BALL)

Choose the better net ball of the 2-man team for each hole

Following the last round on December 14 the MGA Holiday Luncheon will occur at the Grand Haven Clubhouse with a sumptuous holiday banquet provided by our culinary staff.

Things will get really exciting in December, and we encourage others to join our league for the New Year. On behalf of the MGA, Happy Holidays to all.

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GHWGA (GRAND HAVEN WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION)

December is a busy month for the Grand Haven Women's Golf Association. We have our 3rd Stableford day, Seagals at Sugar Mill, our first Interclub Golf event with Hammock Beach LGA, and our holiday luncheon. We are enjoying the lovely weather and wonderful conditions

on our beautiful course.

December is also a month of giving. Every year, the GHWGA sponsors an Angel Tree in the lobby of the club house. You will see angels decorating the tree. Each angel has a request for a Christmas gift for a needy child in Flagler County. We work with the Flagler County School District on this project and we encourage everyone to take and angel or, purchase the requested item, and return the item (unwrapped) to the tree before December 16th. We are thankful for our many blessings and hope that the gifts that the gifts we provide will bring joy to a needy child on Christmas morning.



Wishing you peace and joy this holiday season.

Sheila Tebbano, President GHWGA

tebbanos@gmail.com

LGLGH (Ladies Golf League of Grand Haven)

We had our first Coastal Niners interleague tournament at Pine Lakes on November 17th. It was a wonderful day and a fun time was had by all. The nine hole tournament was followed by a delicious Italian buffet. Grand Haven gals did well and were represented on winning teams. On the front nine, Sharon Hogue was on the third place team while Barbara McCarthy was the "closest to the line" winner. On the back nine, Linda Stitzinger was a first place winner and Sandi Walker helped her team to make it to third place. Well done, ladies!!!

The winners of our November "game day" were Beth Havens and Alice LaFond. Congratulations!!!

In December we look forward to our Christmas tournament and luncheon on December 8th.





THE HUB OF THE CLUB
BY: SARAH
WELLS

It's that time of year again when my office becomes busy with questions, concerns, and renewals for the next year. On the acknowledgement form this year you will notice that I have included the Hole-In-One Club as an option to join or renew. Please note that for 2017, if you have not elected to be in the club then you will not be renewed. Also, as always if you need to check rounds history or have questions on what options are best for your family please stop by or make an appointment. I am in the office Monday-Friday 7:30-3:30. If you are not making any changes please fill out the acknowledgement form and then you may drop it off with your form of payment. acknowledgement form helps us stay up to date with any changes to phone numbers, address, or emails. If you are purchasing any cart plan, bag storage, or locker these items can be charged to your member account. I have worked with our IT department and NEW for this year you will be able to get a history printout of your uses on the 75 cart time at any time throughout the year.

As always I look forward to seeing each of you in the next few weeks through the renewal process and wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Please be reminded that dress code asks that you not wear jeans in the clubhouse, dining room or on the golf course. Please remind your guests of our dress code also so that they may be prepared appropriately.



KITCHEN CORNER BY: CHEF JP ROBERTS

DIRECTOR OF SALES BY: JERI HARPER

Chef JP & Jeri here together to tell you about catering in December! We know the holiday's can be a stressful time of year with all the shopping, present wrapping, holiday party going, and time with family and friends. We're hear to make the day's easier on you! We're offering specialized catering specifically for your holiday needs! Instead of spending time in the kitchen, let Chef JP and his team create that meal for you. Don't slave over a hot stove all day! Don't dirty your kitchen if you don't have to! Let Grand Haven create that fine cheese display for cocktail hour at the house or a complete 3 course meal with Soup, Salad. Entrees with sides and Dessert!! Doesn't matter if it's 4 or 40 guests, Grand Haven is happy to help!

Catering Ideas:

Fine cheese displays Antipasto displays Shrimp cocktail displays Homemade Dips & Chips Chef Soup de jour **Grand Haven Salads** Cold Deli Sandwich Platters Hot Deli Sandwich Platters Build your own sandwich platters Italian, Chinese, Mexican Entrees Chef JP's Signature dishes including: Slow Cook Braised Short Ribs. Bourbon Cabernet Chicken Portabella Teriyaki Fresh Atlantic Salmon Herb Stuff Citrus Pork Tenderloin Cheesecakes. Tiramisus'.

NEW MEMBERS AT GRAND HAVEN

Thomas Harry
Social Member

Trish Cafarelli Social Member

AJ Brunetti Social Member

Lorna Bolduc Social Member

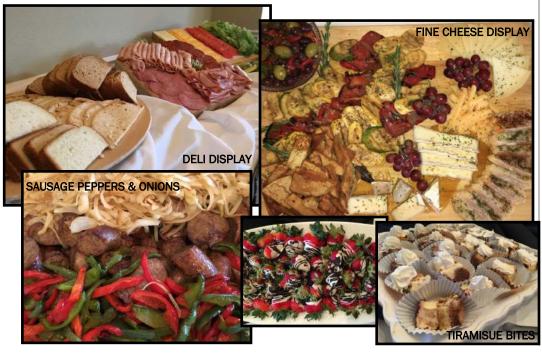


To Make Your Catering Reservations:

Contact Jeri Harper or Chef JP Roberts.

Catering reservations must be made minimum of 3 days in advance.

Keep in mind, this is a great way to utilize your Food Minimum!!!







Did you know that with the exception of tournaments, events or necessary course maintenance; we are now open for golf all day on Mondays!

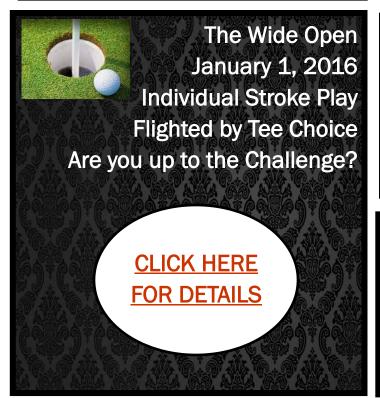
Special rates for Monday guests of members will be available, so grab your friends and neighbors and come out and play!

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Plan ahead and Save The Date! Make your reservation early

Grand Haven Member's Christmas Party Saturday, December 10, 2016 Doors open at 5:30 pm









January Birthday Bash Tuesday, January 10th 5:30-7:00 pm **Reservations Required**

Grand Haven Mixed Couple's Invitational Sunday, January 22, 2017 12:30 pm Shotgun



Tuesday, January 28th 5:30-7:00 pm Reservations Required

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2017 Golf Calendar Plan ahead and Save The Date!



January 1, 2017

The Wide Open

January 22, 2017

Couple's Invitational

February 18th & 19th, 2017 Couple's Championship

March 18th & 19th, 2017

Club Championship

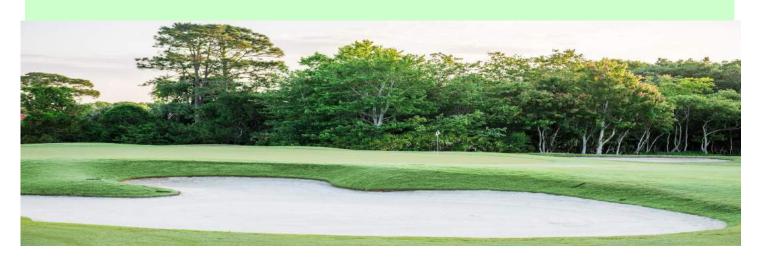
March 30th – April 1st, 2017 Women's Member/Guest

April 20th – 22nd, 2017

Men's Member/Member

May 20th & 21st, 2017

Grand Haven Cup



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SENSESATIONAL GOLF:

DISCOVERING HOW TO PLAY YOUR BEST GOLF



VIDEO LESSONS

Remember that your club head is moving up and down and around and around at the same time! Watch how clear balanced neutral movements can be achieved using my high speed video camera.

Seeing really is believing.

\$60 per Hour

or a

Series of 3 for \$150

For information or to schedule a lesson, stop by the golf shop or give Rick a call at 1-941-661-5483.







Reminder that Pro Shop tournament credits must be used by the end of the business day December 31st.



We post events,
daily specials,
and pictures on
a regular basis.
Follow our page
to receive these
updates.

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2016 Women's Member/Member

Over All Champions

\$40 Each Beth Prior & Jessie Thompson

Flight 1

1st Place Lynn Lefler & Barbara Mott	131.4	\$40 Each
2nd PlacePat Smith & Kate Theroux	134.3	\$30 Each
3rd Place Joan Callahan & Marion Hessert	134.4	\$20 Each

Flight 2

1st Place Beth Prior & Jessie Thompson	136.7	\$40 Each
2nd PlaceKaren Joyce & Jackie Morelewicz	137.2	\$30 Each
3rd Place Judy Riley & Terry Wager	138.3	\$20 Each

















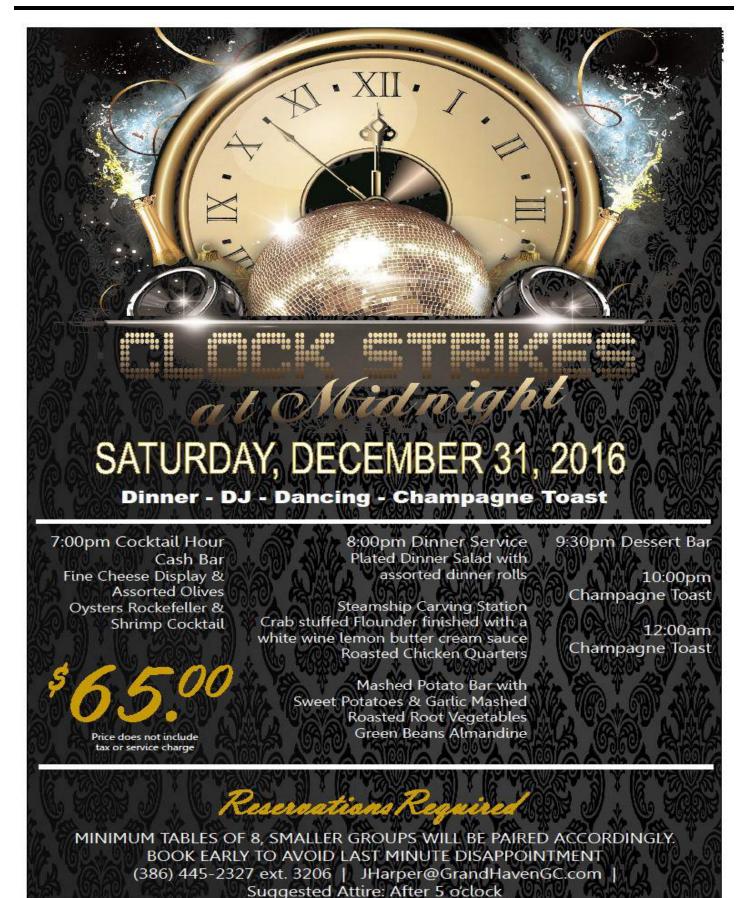














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Titleist golf balls and receive FREE Personalization of up to three lines of block text in black, blue, red, green or pink ink.

Please ask the golf shop staff for complete program details. November 1 – December 31, 2016





12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS SALE

Discounts available on in stock merchandise only while supplies last. No Rain Checks. No special orders.

Don't forget to ask to apply your credit book balance to your purchase!



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				No Dinner Service	Live Music by Kevin Quinn 4:00—5:30 pm A la Carte Dining Featuring Prime Rib	A la Carte Dining 5:30—7:00 pm
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