

OAKWOOD CONNECTION



Dear Members,

2022 is off to a go start with 6 new members in February alone. It is encouraging to see that people want to join Oakwood although the golf or pool season hasn't started yet. As always, we encourage you to invite your friends, family members and associates to join Oakwood. Anyone who sponsors a new member, will receive 2 free rounds for a new social or LTD member, and 5 rounds for sponsoring a new golfing member.

I am sure you know the state of Illinois will end its mask mandates in most facilities on February 28th. The state guidelines are: "private businesses and municipalities may choose to implement their own masking requirements." Although wearing a mask will remain a sensitive topic for the foreseeable future, we feel that at this point, members can determine for themselves if wearing a mask is necessary. We'll continue to manage the staff to minimize or eliminate any risk.

As Steve McCann, Club President, addressed in his February newsletter message, the patio pergola is showing signs of age which will require attention at some point in the near future. The House and Grounds Committee is addressing not just needed repairs, but whether to expand the project to include a more permanent roof structure. Here is a rendering of what the patio area could look like in the future. The Committee and the Board need to weigh costs and other factors as enhancements to the patio are considered. We'll keep you updated as plans progress.



Remember to mark your calendar for the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, April 26th at 6:30pm. See you at the Club soon,

Marc Struelens General Manager

Fellow Members-

If you are like me, you are probably encouraged by the recent nice weather we've had and are starting to think about getting out and playing some golf. As always, we will defer to Troy to tell us when the course is ready for play. No update right now, but look for messages from the Club if the weather continues to hold as to when the course will open.

As Marc mentioned, we have had some nice new member activity recently. While we are encouraged by the uptick, we certainly have room for more members. If you have a lead on a prospective member, just pass it on to Marc. He does a great job of "selling" Oakwood.

Our annual meeting is scheduled for April 26, 2022. The primary order of business is the election of directors to serve a three-year term ending in 2025. The terms of three current board members are expiring, Kirk Trede, Stephanie Crompton and Gary McCormick. All have indicated they will seek another term. The nominating committee has been formed, consisting of Mitch Heckenkamp, Board member, Mary Lewis and Jason Peterson. If you are eligible and have an interest in running for a spot on the Board, please reach out to a member of the nominating committee, or you can always contact me if you have questions. Look for more information from the committee and the board regarding the annual meeting as we get closer to April 26th.

If you have not had a chance to come out to the club and look at the refresh to the golf bar, we hope you will take the opportunity soon to do so. Marc and his staff did a nice job for a fairly small amount of money in brightening up the wall coverings and light fixtures in the room.

Think Spring and hope to see you around the Club (and hopefully the Golf Course!) soon.

Regards,

Steve McCann, Board President





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MARCH 3RD SHEPHERD'S PIE

MARCH 10TH CHICKEN FRIED STEAK

MARCH 17-19 CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE

MARCH 24TH FAJITAS

MARCH 31ST LASAGNA



Annual Meeting Reminder

Tuesday, April 26th 6:30pm

> 1067 US Hwy 6 Coal Valley, IL

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT



Sunday March 20th

Sunday April 10th

Play starts at 1:00pm

\$5 per person

RSVP Requested 309-799-3153



A Message from the Ladies Organization -

I wish to extend an invitation to all ladies of Oakwood Country Club to become part of the Ladies Organization. Our organization offers golf at different levels of play (18 & 9 hole), bridge/cards, and fun socialization. This is also a great way to meet members and build friendships.

Officers and Committee Members for 2022 -

President – Jan Knox Vice President – Vikki Lagerstrom

Secretary - Deb Kell Treasurer - Leslie O'Melia

Social Secretary - Deb Behan Sports Committee - Karen Williams

Bridge – Jan Gavin Rules – Joyce Aller

Auditing – Rose Barnet Member Guest – Rose Barnet

Nominating – Carol Holmes Golf Trip – Denise Killion

Waterman Cup - Cindy Erickson, Joyce Aller

I.W.G.A. Victory Charities Fund - Donna Edwards

Thank You to those who have agreed to serve. If you wish to be part of working with these committees, please contact me. We are still in need of someone to chair the Nine, Wine, and Dine golfing/fun day.

Our Ladies Spring Dinner will be in May and all ladies of Oakwood and guests are welcome to attend with more details regarding this to follow.

Come out to the club and join your Oakwood friends.

Jan Knox, President

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"It is Spring again. The earth is like a child that knows poems by heart."
-Rainer Maria Rilke





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01	PIZZA	Family Night Shepherd's Pie	tish & Chips	05
06	07	08	PIZZA	10 Family Night Chicken Fried Steak	11 Gish & Chips	12
13	14	15	PIZZA	Family Night Corned Beef & Cabbage	Corned Beef & Cabbage	19 Corned Beef & Cabbage
Euchre	21	22	PIZZA B	Family Night Fajitas	eish & Chips	26
27	28	29	PIZZA	Family Night Lasagna		





SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					APRIL FOOL'S DAY	Seafood Buffet
03	04	05	PIZZA	67 Family Night Chicken Enchiladas	08	09
10 Euchre	Ladies Night	12	PIZZA	14 Family Night Fried Chicken	15	Easter Egg Hunt & Brunch
Easter Brunch	18	19	PIZZA	21 Family Night BBQ	COUPLES GOLF GLOW BALL	23
24	25	Annual Meeting	Men's Guest Day	28 Family Night Pasta Buffet	Ladie's Guest Day	30
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Golf Shop Talk

March 2022



New Handicap Allocation

Men's Hdcp. Allocation	Ladies Hdcp. Allocation
#1 - hdcp. 13	#1 - hdcp. 5
#2 - hdcp. 7	#2 - hdcp. 11
#3 - hdcp. 17	#3 - hdcp. 15
#4 - hdcp. 1	#4 - hdcp. 1
#5 - hdcp. 5	#5 - hdcp. 3
#6 - hdcp. 11	#6 - hdcp. 7
#7 - hdcp. 9	#7 - hdcp. 9
#8 - hdcp. 15	#8 - hdcp. 17
#9 - hdcp. 3	#9 - hdcp. 13
#10 - hdcp. 8	#10 - hdcp. 12
#11 - hdcp. 14	#11 - hdcp. 18
#12 - hdcp. 2	#12 - hdcp. 6
#13 - hdcp. 16	#13 - hdcp. 14
#14 - hdcp. 18	#14 - hdcp. 16
#15 - hdcp. 6	#15 - hdcp. 2
#16 - hdcp. 10	#16 - hdcp. 8
#17 - hdcp. 12	#17 - hdcp. 10
#18 - hdcp. 4	#18 - hdcp. 4

This is the perfect time to get your clubs re-gripped for the upcoming golf season. Contact the golf shop for more info!



Driver Set-Up



An issue many golfers have with their driver is creating too much spin. Spin is caused by the driver hitting the ball off the tee with a descending strike. This type of strike causes low launch/high spin conditions. Ideally when hitting the driver you want to create high launch/low spin conditions to create maximum carry and consistency with ball flight. One of the main problems is caused from an improper set-up. Many golfers set-up with the ball position to far back in their stance with their shoulder level. To help create a high launch/low spin shot off the driver, you want to make sure your ball position is off the inside of your lead foot, and that your trail shoulder is lower than your lead. A good drill is to hit drives with something under your front foot to elevate it. This gives you a better feeling of getting the lead shoulder higher at address...just remember to turn through the ball and finish on your lead side through impact!





2022 To Do List



• Hole in One Club: All 2021 members will be carried over to 2022.

If you would like to be added or taken off this list, please let us know in the golf shop.

• Sign up for the Majors Pool: \$100 gets you in for a chance to win some great prizes!

All four of the 2022 Majors & John Deere Classic. Limited to the first 70 entries

- Update Bag / Push Cart Storage: Let us store your clubs, making it easier to just show up and golf
- Want to save some money on cart rental? Sign up for a cart plan Savings of \$1-\$3 per cart rental
- Update Handicap Services: Sign up for a handicap or deactivate your current service.
- Season Long Match Play: Fun competition all season long!

Men's Team & Individual / Women's Team

• 2022 Member-Guest: It's never to early to sign up!

Men's - August 11th - 13th / Women's - July 29th

• Junior Golf: Sign up for Summer Camp

Summer Camp: Thursday Afternoons in June, July, and Early August

• Golf Ball Promotions: Buy 3 dozen & get one free!

Callaway & Taylormade - Unfortunately Titleist will not be running their promotion this year

• Looking for some new clubs: Attend a demo day

Titleist, Callaway (4/24 & 6/11), Taylormade (5/1) Mizuno, Cobra, Tour Edge (4/24)

- Looking to Improve your Game? Sign up for a lesson or attend a clinic
 - Men's Clinics Thursday @ 5:30pm May 5th, 19th, 26th
 - Ladies Clinics Thursday @ 5:30pm May 4th, 18th, 25th
 - Lesson Packages Available Buy 4 lessons get 1 free
- Handicap Allocation has been updated
 - We have made some changes to the handicap allocation
- Follow us on Social Media: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram







Junior Golf Summer Camp

Instructors

Head Golf Professional Eric Drane, PGA eric@oakwoodgolf.org

Assistant Golf Professional Nic Wadsager nic@oakwoodgolf.org

Age Groups	Nickname	Holes	Time	
13 – 18	Big Oaks	6-9	2:00pm – 5:00pm	
9 - 12	Little Oaks	2-3	3:30pm – 5:30pm	
8 & Under	Pee Wee	1	5:00pm – 6:15pm	

Students in each group will receive 60 minutes of instruction followed by playing their assigned number of holes out on the golf course. Appropriate tees will be set up in fairways to ensure a level of fun and competition.

Parents/Guardians will be asked to help supervise their children while out on the golf course.

Please arrive to class 5 minutes before the starting time – We will meet on the putting green.

Schedule

June: 2nd / 9th / 16th / 23rd / 30th

July: $7^{th} / 14^{th} / 21^{st} / Fun Day$: July 28^{th}

Junior Club Championship: August 4th

Topics covered throughout the program

Safety

Proper golf course etiquette

Sportsmanship

Basic rules of golf

Putting, Chipping and Pitching

Driver, Fairway Woods, Hybrids, Irons

Course Management

Season Long Match Play Events

Men's Team Event

Member/Member Teams

Format: 1 of 2 Best Ball Match Play - Net

Entry Fee: \$25 - trophy & prizes

Women's Team Event

Member/Member Teams

Format: 1 of 2 Best Ball Match Play - Net

Entry Fee: \$15 - trophy & prizes

Men's Individual

Format: Individual Match Play Net

Entry Fee: \$25 - trophy & prizes

Group 1 - HDCP 0 -10

Group 2 - HDCP 11+

SIGN UP DEADLINE: APRIL 30TH



EASTER BRUNCH and EGG HUNT Saturday April 16th



BRUNCH AT 10:30AM EGG HUNT AT 11:45AM



Easter Sunday Brunch



<u> 2022 Tournament Schedule</u>

Front 9

<u> April</u>

22nd - Couples Golf Glow Ball

27th - Men's Guest Day

29th - Ladies Guest Day

May

11th - Men's Opening Smoker

14th & 15th - Stroke Play Championship

20th - Couples Golf Fishing Night

24th - Ladies 9 Wine & Dine

30th - Memorial Day Stroke Play

<u>June</u>

4th - Velie Cup @ Oakwood

5th - Velie Cup @ Geneva

7th - Waterman Cup @ Davenport

10th - Ladies Guest Day

12th - Super Sunday

15th - Heaven & Hell

15th - Waterman Cup @ Pinnacle

18th - Divorce Open

21st - Waterman Cup @ Oakwood

22nd - Men's Guest Day

24th - Couples Golf Karaoke Night



Back 9

July

10th - Super Sunday

13th - Men's Trifecta

22nd - Couples Golf Pool Party

24th - Parent-Child

28th - Ladies Member-Guest Pairings Party

29th - Ladies Member-Guest

30th & 31st - Club Championship

August

6th & 7th - Club Championship

11th - 13th - Men's Member-Guest

18th - Solon Golf Trip

19th - Couples Golf Trivia Night

22nd - Solheim Cup Opening Ceremony

26th & 28th - Solheim Cup

September

5th - Labor Day Stroke Play

11th - Senior Play Day

21st - Men's Closing Smoker

23rd - Couples Golf Par 3

October

2nd - Super Sunday Chili Open



BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 10AM - 5PM

FOOD SERVICE

MONDAY & TUESDAY CLOSED

WED (PIZZA TO GO ONLY) 4PM - 7:00PM

THURS - SATURDAY 11AM - 7:30PM

SUNDAY 11AM - 4PM

BEVERAGE SERVICE

MONDAY & TUESDAY CLOSED
WEDNESDAY - SUNDAY OPEN AT 11AM

MARCH GOLF SHOP HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY OPEN 10AM - 4PM

HOURS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE
PLEASE CALL THE CLUBHOUSE
IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER

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