

Dakwood Connection

Fellow Members-

As we close the book on February and head into March, that can only (hopefully) mean golf is not too far away. While I don't want to jinx myself, recent conversations with Troy were encouraging as a result of the weather so far this winter. As we always do, we'll defer to Troy as to when the course is ready for opening.

As we announced a few weeks back, our new Manager, Paul Block, will be starting with us on March 6. He is moving to the area this week, getting himself settled, and will hit the ground running next week. We look forward to having Paul on board, and I hope you do also. Take the time to introduce yourself when you come out to the club. Our former manager, Marc Struelens, has been helping us out on a limited basis, and I want to thank not only Marc, but all of our staff, for their hard work and dedication over the last couple of months.

Our chef, Dan Crabtree, will be leaving us in early March. I'd like to thank Dan for all he has done for the Club during his time here, and we wish him well. The search for Dan's replacement is in process, and we hope to have someone on board soon. Paul, our new manager, will certainly be involved in the decision as to Dan's replacement.

New member activity has picked up recently, and as we move into our new fiscal year, we hope that momentum continues. If you have a lead on a new member, please pass it on to the office. Kelli has done a great job providing information to prospective members, and we look forward to having Paul help us out in securing new members once he arrives.

Our annual meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2023. The primary order of business is the election of directors to serve a three-year term ending in 2026. The terms of three current board members are expiring, Jim Solis, Mitch Heckenkamp and Brian Laufenberg. Brian has expressed his desire to run again, Mitch and Jim will not seek re-election, so we are looking for new board members. The nominating committee has been formed, consisting of Stephanie Crompton, Board member, Leslie O'Melia and Bob Maloney. 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. The committee will be reaching out to several members about running, so if you are contacted, I hope you will consider throwing your hat in the ring. Look for more information from the committee and the board regarding the annual meeting as we get closer to April 25th.

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

Regards,

Steve McCann, Board President



STOCKHOLDER Annual Meeting

Tuesday, April 25th 6:30pm

1067 US Hwy 6 | Coal Valley, IL

Ladies of Oakwood Organization:

March is here and those dreaded March winds will be blowing in a new season of golf and other exciting activities at Oakwood Country Club.

The Ladies Organization remains under construction as we look for new ideas for golf and social activities to encourage participation of all the Ladies of Oakwood at some level.

LADIES are invited and welcomed to all of the events on the following page as scheduled by the Pro Shop.

There will also be 18 and 9 hole Ladies tee times on specific days of the week that will be announced in our April Newsletter. Check Golf Shop Talk for dates for free clinics for Oakwood Ladies.

To further assist with reconstruction, all Oakwood Ladies will be receiving a survey via email to help with our future planning. PLEASE, PLEASE fill out your survey and return to the office via email - kelli@oakwoodgolf.org or drop off or mail no later than March 23. (If you have already filled out this survey, disregard.)

Finally, the April Newsletter will include the date for our Spring meeting in May and our journey continues.

Ladies of Oakwood Organization

Mark Your Calendars:

Ladies Guest Day - April 28
Couples Golf Glow Ball - May 5
Opening Smoker NEW for WOMEN - May 13
Stroke Play Championship - May 20-21
Memorial Day Event - May 29

Waterman Cup - June 6
Super Sunday - June 11
Divorce Open - June 17
Waterman Cup - June 21
Couples Golf - June 23
Parent Child Event - June 25
Waterman Cup - June 27
Ladies Guest Day - June 30

Red, White Blue Best Ball - July 2
Super Sunday - July 16
Couples Golf Pool Party - July 21
Ladies Member Guest - July 28
Club Championship Finals - August 5-6
Couples Golf 70's Night - August 18
Solheim Cup - August 25/27

Labor Day Golf Event - September 4
Senior Play Day - September 10
Closing Smoker NEW for WOMEN- September 16
IWGA Senior AM - September 18-21
(Oakwood Hosting - Volunteers needed)
2 Ball Scramble - September 30
Super Sunday Chili Open - Oct 8

Every Friday in March

FISH N' CHIPS FRIDAY

Only \$17 Only

Beer Battered Cod French Fries & Cole Slaw

WHILE STOCKS



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TOURNAMENT

SUNDAY MARCH 12TH

Play starts at 1:00pm \$5 per person

RSVP REQUESTED | 309-799-3153







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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						Seafood Buffet
02	03	04	PIZZA	FAMILY NIGHT POT ROAST	MASTERS TOURNAMENT	Bunny Breakfast & Egg Hunt
Brunch	10	11	PIZZA	FAMILY NIGHT LASAGNA	14	15
16	17	18	PIZZA	FAMILY NIGHT TACO BAR	21	22
23	24	Annual Meeting	MEN'S GUEST DAY	FAMILY NIGHT BBQ	LADIES GUEST DAY	Snowbird 29 Welcoming Party
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Golf Shop Talk

March 2023





Golf Shop Hours

Hours with golf course closed

Monday - Friday: 9a - 5p

Saturday - Sunday: Closed

Hours with golf course open

Monday: Closed

Tuesday - Sunday: 8:30a - 5p

Take advantage of the Callaway's Buy 3 dozen Personalized golf balls Get 1 dozen free deal!

We have sold out of our allotment of the Titleist ProV1 Loyalty Program - thank you to everyone that placed an order! I will be offering \$10 off per dozen on Titleist ProV1s for anyone who was unable to get in on the loyalty program for the month of March.

5 Minute Warm Up



In a perfect world we would always arrive 30 - 45 minutes early to our tee times so we can get a good warm up in before our round, when in reality a lot of times that just does not happen.

Below is how I handle a quick warm up when I am running short on time...

- Do a few quick stretches to get your body moving
- Hit a few shorter shots & a few full shots with your wedge
- Pick your favorite mid-iron and hit another 5 full shots
 - This is where is am paying attention my ball flight & if the wind is affecting the ball at all
- Finish on the range by hitting just a couple of drivers
- Putting green Putt 2 balls from 20-30 feet to get a feel for speed, and then try to make a couple 3 footers before you head to the 1st tee.



2023 To Do List



- Hole in One Club: All 2022 members will be carried over to 2023.
 - 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 2023 Majors & John Deere Classic. Limited to the first 120 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

2023 Member-Guest: It's never to early to sign up!

Men's - August 10th - 12th / Women's - July 28th

• Junior Golf: Sign up for Summer Camp

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

PGA Jr. League: The little league version of golf...fun for all skill levels - 13 & under

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

Callaway loyalty program still available - Titleist program is sold out.

Looking for some new clubs: Attend a demo day

Titleist (4/16), Callaway (4/30 & 6/18), Taylormade (4/7) Mizuno, Cobra, Tour Edge (5/7)

- Looking to Improve your Game? Sign up for a lesson or attend a clinic
 - Men's Clinics Thursday @ 5:30pm May 4th, 11th, 25th
 - Ladies Clinics Wednesday @ 5:30pm May 3rd, 10th, 24th
 - Lesson Packages Available Buy 4 lessons get 1 free
- Stay up to date:
 - Follow us on our socials Facebook, Twitter, Instagram
 - Sign up for our weekly e-mails The best place to stay up to date with everything Oakwood







2023 Tournament Schedule

Front 9

April

- 22-25 Missouri Valley Conference
- 26 Men's Guest Day
- 28 Ladies Guest Day

<u>May</u>

- 5 Couples Golf Glow Ball
- 13 Opening Smoker
- 20-21 Stroke Play Championship
- 29 Memorial Day Event

June

- 3 Velie Cup @ Pinnacle
- 4 Velie Cup @ Short Hills
- 6 Waterman Cup @ Oakwood
- 9 Heaven & Hell Best Ball
- 11 Super Sunday
- 17 Divorce Open
- 21 Men's Guest Day
- 21 -Waterman Cup @ Pinnacle
- 23 Couples Golf Fishing Night
- 25 Parent-Child Event
- 27 Waterman Cup @ Crow Valley
- 30 Ladies Guest Day



Back 9

July

- 2 Red, White, Blue Best Ball
- 14 Trifecta Best Ball
- 16 Super Sunday
- 21 Couples Golf- Pool Party
- 23 The Derby
- 28 Ladies Member-Guest
- 29-30 Club Championship 1st weekend

August

- 5-6 Club Championship Finals
- 10-12 Men's Member-Guest
- 17 Solon Golf Trip
- 18 Couples Golf That 70's Night
- 19-20 QC AM Tour
- 25/27 Solheim Cup

September

- 3 Labor Day Golf Event
- 10 Senior Playday
- 16 Closing Smoker
- 18 21 IWGA Senior AM
- 30 2 Ball Scramble

October

8 - Super Sunday Chili Open

Junior Golf Summer Camp



Instructors

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

Assistant Golf Professional Nic Wadsager nic@oakwoodgolf.org

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Age Groups	Nickname	Holes	Time
13 – 18	Big Oaks	6-9	1:30pm – 2:30pm
11-12	Jr. Oaks	3	2:30pm – 4:00pm
9 - 10	Little Oaks	2	4:00pm – 5:30pm
8 & Under	Pee Wee	1	5:30pm – 6:30pm

Students in each group will receive 60 minutes of instruction followed by playing their assigned number of holes out on the golf course on specific play days. Instruction days with no play days scheduled will be contest days.

Parents/Guardians are asked to help supervise their children while out on the golf course. Please arrive to class 5 minutes before the starting time - Meet on the putting green.

Schedule

June: *1st, 8th, *15th, 22nd, *29th

July: 6th, *13th

Fun Day: July 20th

Junior Club Championship: August *3rd

* Play Day

Fee

\$100 per student - Includes Instruction & Puma Golf Shoes

Topics covered throughout the program

Safety & proper golf course etiquette

Sportsmanship & basic rules of golf

Full Swing, Short Game, 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: \$30 - trophy & prizes

Women's Team Event

Member/Member Teams

Format: 1 of 2 Best Ball Match Play - Net

Entry Fee: \$20 - trophy & prizes

Men's Individual

Format: Individual Match Play Net

Entry Fee: \$30 - trophy & prizes

Group 1 - HDCP 0 -10

Group 2 - HDCP 11+

SIGN UP DEADLINE: MAY 1

Tuesday Night Golf League



Format: 9-Hole Individual Quota

Each player will play their own ball for 9 holes

Their score on each hole will determine how many points they get for that hole

Point System: Double Eagle: 12 pts Eagle: 8 pts

Birdie: 4 pts Par: 2 pts

Bogey: 1 pt Double bogey or worse: 0

Quota: Each player will have an established quota each week

The 1st week your quota will be (18) minus your 9-hole handicap

Quotas will be adjusted by 1/2 the difference of your score each week

EX: Your quota is 10 and you score 12 points in week one...your quota will be adjusted to 11 for week 2

Teams: New this year! Four man teams will be randomly assigned, and the team that plays

the best in relation to their quota for the season will be deemed the winners.

When: Tuesdays with tee times starting at 5:30pm

June 13, 20, 27 / July 11, 18, 25 / August 15, 22, 29 (rain date) / September 8 (scramble)

Entry Fee: \$100 per player for the season

Payout: Golf Shop Credit

Weekly - Top 3 paid / Season Long - Top 4 paid / Top Team

Rules: USGA Stroke play rules will govern play along with Oakwood Local Rules

Tees: White/ White-Gold / Gold - Use the tees in which your handicap is established

Note: Each player is allowed to miss (2) weeks. We will be removing the worst (2) overall scores

in relation to their quota to determine the season long winners





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6:00pm Cocktails 6:30pm Buffet Opens

\$40++/person

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