



The Mulligan

August 2011

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**August
Special**

Wanda's Bloody Mary - \$3.75

1/4 Pound Pizza Burger w/Chips - \$4.95

Congratulations!!
Chase Bocken



MCC Board of Directors
President Bill Witbeck

I would like to open this letter by saying thanks to Rick Traver and his staff for the wonderful job they have been doing with storm cleanup this year. On top of the damage Rick and his crew have been fighting a long battle with the greens this year. As most of you know we have never went this far into a season with green conditions like this. I know from conversations with Rick this has been the hardest year for him as a superintendent. We should all give him a few words of encouragement as I know he is doing the best he can.

As for the financial state of the club we are holding on (with our head just above water). It is the feeling of the board that we might have a hard time keeping up with past years as far as the bottom line. We have had many unforeseen expenses this year, equipment breakdowns, green repairs & storm cleanup. But with your help and support we hope to once again make it thru another hard season. This is a direct result of our membership & staff. We the board thank you for this!

On a much brighter side, with the great turnout we had in the last MCC tournament I would like to bring to your attention the next couple of MCC events coming up. On August 5th we have the Adult / Junior tournament. This is becoming a very large event and is a great way to spend some time on the course with your children. On August 22nd the Roll-With-It Scramble fundraiser will be held at MCC. The weekend of the 19th-21st we will be having our Club Championship weekend. Hope everyone is as excited for this event as I and the MCC staff is. A date I would you to keep on your calendar is September 24th. On that day Rick & Kristi will once again be picking teams for the "Monti Cup". If you have interest in playing in these events feel free to contact the MCC proshop @ (763) 295-4653. Also on that day our Weekend Men's Club will be having its "Gross & Net" Shoot Outs. It will include our 10 year long qualifiers (based on a system similar to the FedEx Cup) in each the "Gross and Net" standings. It would be a great event to come out and see some really wonderful golf while you hopefully are celebrating a "Monti Cup" victory!

We would also like for everyone to keep in mind we have 3 spots opening up for the Board of Directors this fall. We will be looking for replacements for myself (President), Kevin Gillette (Vice President) and Kennedy Hoffman (Director). Anyone interested in running as a candidate should contact Rick Traver or Kristi Dostal so that we can make sure you are added to the upcoming fall ballot.

Thanks for your continued support and can't wait to see you all on the course.



Kristi's Corner

Where has the summer gone.....August is already here!!! We have an exciting month ahead of us. Our MCC Club Championship is August 19th, 20th, and 21st. Friday

night we have the social scramble at 6 with dinner and Calcutta to follow. Everyone is welcome on Friday to play in the 9 hole scramble even if you are not participating in the weekend events. Saturday tee times are between 11 & 1 with putting tourney, long drive and pig roast to follow. Guests are welcome for the pig roast. Sunday tee times will run between 7 & 9 and men's 1st flight will play an extra 9 holes to determine the champ. This year there is only two signup sheets, one for men and one for women. After the first day everyone will be flighted according to their score. Within all flights there will be net and gross winners. Any questions on the format please feel free to call me. This is a great weekend for all members whether you are playing or not to come out and enjoy all the fun events. I am always looking for volunteers to help my staff and I throughout the weekend so please let me know if you are available.

We also have a great tourney coming up on Monday August 22nd. It is a memorial tournament sponsored by Roll with it. It is a great fundraiser and has the best prizes. First place wins plane tickets!!! For more information call the golf shop.

It is that time of the year where we are looking for new board members. We are in the process of putting together the ballot now for the fall election. Please let me know if you are interested in running.

Many of you will be excited to know that the bar special for the month of August is Wanda's specialty Bloody Mary for \$3.75. The new appetizer for the month is jalapeno poppers and she is doing a 1/4lb pizza burger and chips for \$4.95. Thank you all for the support in the bar and restaurant every bit counts!!!

July was a great month for members and hole in ones!!!! Sandra Lemke had one on #14 and Bill Eull had one on #7. We also had one of my juniors in junior league get a hole in one. Chase Bocken-10 yrs old made a hole in one on #7. It was a pretty special day!!!! Congrats to you all!!!

I hope everyone is enjoying this summer of golf at MCC, I know the weather has been very poor but let's hope it turns around for the rest of the season. We still have a ton of good golf to look forward to. Thank you all again for the great support this year we could not do it without you all!!!!

Cheers,

Kristi

LESSONS

Individual Lessons

30 Minutes - \$40.00

Series of 3 - 30 minute lessons - \$100.00

2 Students for 1 hour \$30.00/per person

Series of 3 - 1 hour lessons \$70.00

Individual Jr. Lessons - 1/2 Hour \$25.00



It has certainly been difficult to find the positive side of this year, and this past month has certainly not made that task any easier. We have had several storms this month which have caused some major damage to trees, the bridge on #8 and the turf. We have

lost 10 trees total, with branches being broken in many more. We lost the covered portion of the bridge due to an old willow falling on it. We also lost some turf due to the heat and humidity, while we lost other areas due to water standing. At one point one of the puddles on #12 we measured at 131 degrees, which basically means the turf got boiled.

Despite all this we have made some progress on the greens. The warm temperatures are what the grass craves and any greens that were well on their way to recovery made some substantial improvement. Others didn't fare as well since the young plants have very short root systems; it is difficult for them to draw in enough water to keep cool, especially when the heat gets in the high 90's. So greens like 16 and 17 actually took a half step backward.

We aerated the greens on the 25th, using small solid tines in an effort to expedite the healing pro-

cess. We also over seeded again during the aerating process. We will give the greens a week or two to heal and then will start sodding any areas that have not healed. While we are working to make the greens as nice as we can as soon as we can, our ultimate goal is to get them in a healthy condition so we don't have to deal with this again next year.

In an effort to help the course drain faster we have cleaned out all the plant matter from the ditches, and pulled the 14" culvert from the ditch on #13. This really allowed the water to flow and lowered the water in the pond in a couple of days. We are going to replace it with a larger culvert and position it to allow a greater amount of flow after big rains.

We were also able to repair the bridge deck on #8 and are awaiting the assessment from the insurance company on the structure to find out if we can afford to rebuild the covered portion.

By the way, I noticed the wicked witch of the west is dead under the biffy on #8. Maybe that means our bad luck is over for the year.

Have a great month and God Bless.

Take care,

Rick



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Wright Country Shotgun 8:30am</i>	2	3	4	5 <i>Adult/Jnr golf Tourney-9am Shotgun</i>	6 <i>Men's Club/Ladies Club Pub 19 Shotgun-12:00</i>
7 <i>Zachman-8am 16 Man Tean</i>	8 <i>Patrick Henry-8am Shotgun Travelers-3:15-12pl</i>	9	10	11	12	13 <i>Northsiders-8am Shotgun Nogle BDay party</i>
14	15	16 <i>8 Man-Home Calcutta Teams Picked-7pm</i>	17	18 <i>Bogey League-9am</i>	19 <i>Club Championship Friday Scramble-6pm</i>	20 <i>Club Championship</i>
21 <i>Club Championship</i>	22 <i>Roll With it-10am shotgun</i>	23	24	25	26	27 <i>Men's Club Championship</i>
28 <i>Men's Club Championship</i>	29	30	31			



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