

OASIS GOLF CLUB

Monthly Newsletter to Members

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DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Randy Tickner

The Palmer and Canyons will host 3 days of the Mesquite Amateur beginning on Tuesday May 31, Wednesday June 1 and Thursday June 2. There will be times available on Thursday on the Palmer.

Mathew is offering a 15% discount for members in the Redd Room only from June 1 through September 30. A great deal for the already low prices in the steak house.

Mathew will be having a July 4th celebration. Details will be posted in the member's lounge.

The course tours for the members were postponed due to Scott Polychronis dad passing away. It has been rescheduled for June 6 and 7 at 1:00pm.

The Canyons will be closing to the public in July. As we will be aerifying the Palmer greens at the end of June, we will keep the Canyons open until the Palmer greens are healed. This may be in the first week of July. The greens mowing schedule will be posted on the Canyons for members wishing to play during the summer.

The marshal-starter meeting was held last week. Member and guest play was discussed based on feedback from the member survey. Because some guests have difficulty listening to the first tee starter, we are going to place a laminated placard with the rules of the course in addition to the rules on the scorecard. This gives the marshals a way to approach guests and let them know the rules of play. Pace of play and driving on fairways was also discussed. It was agreed that the pace of members will always be faster than guests because of familiarity with the course and most members having a red flag which allows them to drive in areas guests cannot.

Adam Schwartz is no longer with the Oasis Golf Club. Due to problems not consistent with the Oasis Golf Club policies, Adam was relieved of his duties in May. Adam did a great job with the members and guests. We wish him the best of luck. We will move through the summer with current staff and assess the situation as we get closer to the fall.

The overseeding dates for this fall are: Canyons September 1st-16th and Palmer September 12th-30th. Both courses will be closed from September 12th-16th. Both courses will be cart path only for 2 weeks after opening.

I hope all members have a great summer and look forward to your return. Continue to monitor the web site for member updates and news. This is also a good place to keep up with members during the summer.



WORDS OF WISDOM

Laws of Golfing:

LAW 1: Your best round of golf will be followed almost immediately by your worst round ever. The probability of the latter increases with the number of people you tell about the former.

LAW 2: Brand new golf balls are water-magnetic. Though this cannot be proven in the lab, it is a known fact that the more expensive the golf ball, the greater its attraction to water.

LAW 3: Golf carts always run out of juice at the farthest point from the clubhouse.

LAW 4: A golfer hitting into your group will always be bigger than anyone in your group. Likewise, a group you accidentally hit into will consist of a football player, a professional wrestler, a convicted murderer and an IRS agent -- or some similar combination.

LAW 5: All 3-woods are demon-possessed.

LAW 6: "Nice lag" can usually be translated to "lousy putt."

LAW 7: The person you would most hate to lose to will always be the one who beats you.

LAW 8: The last three holes of a round will automatically adjust your score to what it really should be.

LAW 9: Golf balls from the same "sleeve" tend to follow one another, particularly out of bounds or into the water (see Law two)

LAW 10: All vows taken on a golf course shall be valid only until the sunset of the same day.

May 10, 2011

It is that time of year when greens meetings get more informal and more infrequent. If there is an issue to report, I shall do so, and I am always available for members to pose questions or concerns, but there likely will not be any more long reports until September.

In response to some of the survey concerns about the golf courses, Randy has scheduled two "Tour the course" sessions wherein anyone interested can join a caravan of carts and travel hole-by-hole scoping out the course and giving management input about suggested changes, upgrades, and general grooming of the course. Randy and Scott will also provide information about items that can and cannot be accomplished due to finances or simple logistics. Session one will be Monday, June 6 at 1:00 p.m. to tour the Palmer course. Session two will tour the Canyons at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7. Anyone interested can show up one or both days. Bring your suggestions.

Remember the Canyons course closes for play on July 1. The course will be open for play to members but maintenance will be minimum and several projects will be in progress. Fairway grass will likely be cut twice a week and the level will be about one inch through the green; that is there will be no distinction between rough and fairway. The greens will be cut about every other day. A mowing schedule will be posted so that members can plan to play on days the greens have been cut if they wish.

One of the Canyon course projects will be to put sod faces on some bunkers to help keep sand off the faces and in the bottom of the bunkers. The comments on the survey concerning the bunkers have been heard and work toward better-prepared and more consistent bunker sand is a priority.

On Palmer #14, a new teeing ground for gold tees will be looked into between the current teeing areas and slightly elevated to the north and east of the cart path.

Bottled water may be making a return. It is likely that the cart attendants will distribute water and there may be a nominal fee of about 50 cents. The course water tanks are filled with filtered water that is replaced daily, so it is safe and good tasting. Exact details of bottled water distribution have not been finalized.

The Mesquite Amateur will be held on both of our courses beginning on Tuesday, May 31 and running through Thursday, June 2. There will be member tee times available starting about noon on those days.



FROM THE COURSE

Scott Polychronis, Golf Course Superintendent

THE BENEFITS OF AERIFICATION

The benefits of aerating are numerous, including improving the overall health of the turf, soil compaction relief, reduction of excess thatch, reduction of potential disease, improving the water's ability to perk through the soil profile, and **most importantly improving the golfers putting experience.**

As you can see aerating does a number of things to make your golf course better. It is one of those "necessary evils" of the business that has to be done. As a maintenance staff our goal is to perform this task in a neat, clean, and timely manner. This is not a task that we enjoy, but its importance is critical. If all else fails, whether it's in your back yard (tip of the month) or on our putting greens, a good aeration will far outweigh any negatives we may encounter.

In the upcoming months we will begin aerating the golf course. The greens will be done in late June (Palmer) and early July (Canyons). The Palmer course will be done in the next 30 days. The Canyons course will be done in July. An optimist once told me how happy he was that the aeration holes on the greens knocked 3 of his puts in that were off line. Being an optimist he neglected to tell me he was a bad putter. He enjoyed his round and was happy that the maintenance staff performing a very important maintenance task.

Thanks for your cooperation.

THE CLUBHOUSE HAPPENINGS –

Mathew John

Look for summer hours for the Grill Room and the Redd Room posted in the members' lounge.

July 4th Celebration will be posted as well.

OWGA

New Officers :

Allison Webb, President
Deana Hardy, Vice-president
Diane Rapp, Secretary
Marie Hansen, Treasurer

We currently sit 4th in Southern Nevada Team Play, Red Division.

Congratulations to Deb Rees who tied for second gross in the WSNGA senior amateur. Karen Killpack, Deb Rees and Allison Web will be playing in the WSNGA Amateur on June 6.

And Lee Hansen's **eagle** on Tuesday May 24th ...she has been off golf for over a month due to injury and put one in with her 3 wood on a par 5 #12 on the Palmer. What a comeback!!

Thanks again to Marie Hansen for organizing the great golf and lunch day at Conestoga on the 31st. A beautiful day.



CONGRATULATIONS

LARRY STRICKER


Sunday May 2, Canyons #9
114 yards using a Pitching Wedge


This is his second hole in one.

PAT GREEN

Sunday, May 15, Canyons #4
126 yards using a Nine Iron

WOW—2 hole-in-ones in one household within a month!

June 2011						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 Mesquite Amateur	2 Mesquite Amateur	3	4
5	6 Men's Day Canyons 6:30	7 Ladies Day Canyons 6:30	8	9 Thursday Couples Palmer 6:00	10	11
12	13 Men's Day Palmer 6:30	14 Ladies Day Palmer 6:30	15	16 Thursday Couples Palmer 6:30	17	18
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July 2011						
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