

OASIS GOLF CLUB

Monthly Newsletter to Members



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DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Randy Tickner

The **Welcome Back Beach Party** was a huge success. Thanks to all members for joining in and making it a fun time.

Congratulations to Allison Webb for the successful **Valley Rally** to benefit the Mesquite Cancer Help Society.

Our membership drive is in full force, so please help us get the word out. If you know anyone that would like to try the Oasis Golf Club for 2012, let them know or contact me and I will get in touch with them.

This is the time of the year when we experience frost. We ask members to remain on cart paths for 1 hour after a frost delay to insure no damage occurs. Once again only 2 carts per group are allowed. We are asking members with a red flag to stay at least 30 feet from the green and prefer carts on paths near greens and tees. If you receive a letter from us, it means you were in violation.

Don't forget our **Cowboy and Cowgirl Roundup on November 19**. Hayrides, betting pen, and cow chip toss if I find enough chips. A chili cook-off will be one of the highlights. Chili from Sugars in Overton, The Press Box, Mathew John's own, our own golf course maintenance crew, the outside service employees, and I need 5 member teams. Crews from 1 to 4 are welcome. Please call me to enter a team. The OMGC and OWGA might want to field a team.

Feel free to be creative-- I've had Yvonne's green chili and know how good it is. Maybe a turkey chili this close to Thanksgiving. Please plan on large batches of chili, as this will be the main fare for the evening. Prizes for the winning chili. Judges will be selected from the guest list.



THANKSGIVING DINNER November 24

Our Thanksgiving dinner including turkey, ham and prime rib, plus all the traditional fare.

Serving from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 pm.

\$21.95 per person.
Reservations:
346-0306



Welcome New Members

Ron and Cindi Wilson

***Dennis and Carma
Summerhays***

Chuck & Kristin Endres

Larry Peterson

Richard Gray

WANTED

All you cowboys and cowgirls, gather 'round
On November 19 we know you can be found
With your cowpunching friends whom you invite
And chuckwagon fare that you know will delight.

Bring your own chili, And compete with the rest,
And we will all vote on whose is the best.
With our favorite s'mores and fires galore,
For \$10.00, there's a bandana and more.

Can you pick the spot where the livestock poop?
Or toss the longest cowchip through a hoop?
Can you dance in a line, can you lasso a steer?
Well you'll have your chance--just show up my dear!

So cowboy up at your local watering hole,
Wear your best western getup - that's your goal.
At 5:00 p.m. just 'fore it gets dark.
And you'll have all evenin' to make your mark
On this high falutin' event - even though there's no shark!

October 5, 2011

There is a membership drive going on. New trial members will pay dues only for the first year and then decide whether or not to pay the premium and join as a full member. These trial memberships will allow complete participation in all club functions.

Greens: The bunker work is ongoing. Bunkers are being eliminated in some places and reworked for easier maintenance in others. This is primarily a cost cutting action. The workers have been spending more time on bunkers than on greens. This project will help achieve better bunkers and allow more time on greens with our limited staff.

The projects from the summer are in place. Canyons #4 tee box is finished, as is the cart path on Palmer #6, and the adding of sod to the right fairway on Palmer #15. There was no money to start the reworking of #8 Palmer forward tee box.

There are few birds at this time, but Duce the bird dog is here and will continue to keep ahead of the problem.

Note that roughs are cut to 2", fairways are 1", and tee boxes are 7/8". This will not change during the winter months except that we may cut greenside collars at 7/8". The reason there have been no collars is, again, due to fewer workers available to work on the course. During the winter months, after a frost and much cart and foot traffic, the grass tends to lie down. We see workers mowing and think the grass is too short already—Why mow? Know that they are not mowing the grass. The blades are set at 1" as they are now and the mowers are mowing the divots and bird droppings to allow for improved play and a more aesthetic look. Again, they are not shortening the grass!

What follows is an editorial comment by me. It was not discussed at this greens meeting, but I'd like to remind members about how to keep the course in shape for the winter months. As soon as we get our first frost, about Nov. 15, the grass we have at that time is the grass we will have to live with all winter—no new growth will occur. So, please help take special care of the golf course to make it last as long as possible in the best condition possible. We, the members, can help enormously by being extra aware of how we use our carts. This is an old story, but the carts do the most damage to the courses of all the traffic they get. Please think about having your cart on the fairways as little as possible. Use the 90-degree rule. Drive in the rough, other non-playing areas, and on the cart paths as much as possible. Walk when you can and observe the two carts per foursome rule. All of this will help keep the course in shape for as long as possible. Thanks!

OWGA



OPENING
DAY
OCTOBER
18
2011

FROM THE GOLF SHOP

Adam Schwartz, PGA Professional



Reminders on the calendar: (see Golf Shop or [website events calendar](#) and click on Particular event for more details)

The Kokopelli Klassic – Palmer and Canyons, cocktail party November 2; Golf November 3 & 4.

Current Group Instruction schedule is on the website at [Oasis Golf Club Group Instruction](#) or check in the Golf Shop. Member clinics will be developed and are expected to commence in November.

Remember, if you have guests coming down to play, please be aware that you can book your tee times up to 60 days in advance. The rates for guests from October through April are \$65 on the Palmer and \$55 on the Canyons. Twilight guest rates are \$50/Palmer and \$40/Canyons and start after 1:00pm for member/guests. Children under the age of 18 are complimentary.

OMGC

October 17

Flight 1

Rank	Player	Gross/ Net	Winnings
T1	Doug Reed	74 / 67	\$40
T1	Jim Bowman	77 / 67	\$40
3	Doug Zinni	79 / 68	\$10

Flight 2

Rank	Player	Gross/ Net	Winnings
1	Duane Carrier	79 / 63	\$70
2	Terry Donnelly	81 / 68	\$40
T3	Rich Heintzelman	91 / 72	\$23
T3	Mark Hansen	86 / 72	\$23
T3	Ed Millham	93 / 72	\$23
T6	Bob Mason	91 / 73	\$5
T6	Bill Wells	87 / 73	\$5

Flight 3

Rank	Player	Gross/ Net	Winnings
1	Ron Hills	88 / 67	\$60
T2	Bob Cuschleg	90 / 69	\$23
T2	Ed Hutchins	93 / 69	\$23

October 24

2 Man Teams – Chicago

Rank	Team	Score	Winnings (per man)
1	C. Hansen, Hills	53	\$74
2	Donnelly, Mason	52	\$40
3	Bowman, Mulhall	47	\$30
T4	Carrier, Nicholls	46	\$20
T4	Wells, Smith	46	\$20
6	Ostlund, Wiggins	45	\$12
T7	Yost, Zinni	44	\$10
T7	McDermaid, Blind (Yost)	44	\$10

THE CHALLENGES OF WINTER PLAY

Scott Polychronis, Golf Course Superintendent



The maintenance staff would like to thank the membership for their cooperation during the over-seed and grow in process. Keeping the golf carts on the paths and giving the grass time to mature is an important step in a successful over seed. Now we move into the winter months and your cooperation, help and understanding would be appreciated.

The goal during the winter months is to make sure we do not go backwards and lose any turf due to frost damage. One of the major causes of turf damage during the winter months is golf cart traffic and maintenance equipment driving on turf when it is still under frosty conditions. Any damage now will not recuperate until the grass starts actively growing again in the spring. For the record we encountered our first frosty morning this year on Thursday, October 27.

Many times we are asked how there could be a frost delay when the temperature at **“our”** house was 42 degrees. Please keep in mind that ground temperatures are cooler than the temperatures on the wall in your back patio. The temperatures vary throughout the golf course. There are times during the winter that number 6 on the Palmer may not be free of frost until after noon, sometimes all day. Shade, location, water, etc. all play a role in determining whether or not frost will appear. Last year we had a scenario where we had snow on 11, 12, 13, and 14 of the Canyons and everything else was fine. It’s critical that we manage our turf through the winter to insure a quality golf season in the spring. What we do now influences the rest of the season.

The point here is that we cannot control the weather and frost conditions. What we can control is to minimize any potential damage by letting carts or maintenance equipment get on the turf before it is ready. Our responsibility to you and to the golf course is to keep the turf in the best possible playing condition everyday. If that means a frost delay situation or carts on paths only until the frost lifts, that’s our responsibility to do what is right, and that’s what we’re going to do.

Nobody likes frost delays but sometimes they are necessary for the benefit of all of us. Give the pro shop staff a break, enjoy a warm cup of coffee, and be patient when Mother Nature does her thing. We look forward to a great golf season, and thank you.



Valley Rally Charity Golf for the Mesquite Cancer Help Society



The first annual Valley Rally Charity Golf Tournament for the Mesquite Cancer Help Society was a smashing success. The Mesquite Cancer Help Society is a non-profit organization whose goal is: “To serve our community to the fullest extent possible with educational information and provide cancer patients with the tools necessary to understand and manage their illness”.

The October 30th golf tournament dollars were being tallied at newsletter deadline. Preliminary results look great for this worthy cause. We will let you know the final number. Eighty golfers participated in the event. Prize opportunities abounded on every hole. The work done by the Oasis Club Pros and all the Oasis personnel added so much to the effort and is greatly appreciated. Volunteers from the Cancer Help Society manned the check in and ticket tables. Thanks also to the organizing committee of Pat Green, Linda Nelden and Lorraine Oshel chaired by Allison Webb. All the volunteers and the participants made this a great day.

Special thanks to the hole sponsors:

Ron Rigatti, Mike and Vicki Bishop, The Lindi Corp, Advanced Construction, Teddy Scott and Jerry Fisher, Mike and Tomata Edwards, Larry & Tammy Warnke, John and Susan Brewer, Doug and Robin Reed, Eddie and Allison Webb, Larry Lawson, Ron and Cyndi Wilson, Yvonne Milton, Al & Juanita Kientz, Heather and Thomas Dallam, The 19th Hole, The Press Box, Premier Realty/ Barb Reece, Premier Realty/ Geno Withelder, Curtis and Marie Hansen, Linda Nelden, Blaine and Deb Rees, Bob Shively, OWGA Ladies, Max and BA Burgess, Mesquite Cancer Help Society, Jim and Terry Manwill, Reliance Connects, Casablanca, Eureka and a private donation.

A tasty barbeque followed and was enjoyed by all. The tournament winners were:

1st place-John and Susan Brewer	2nd place-Ron Rigatti and Marty Rapson
3rd place-Doug and Robin Reed	4th place-Barb Reece and Dy Dykes
5th place- Steve Wiggins & Sheryl Warfield	6th Place-Pat and Susan Mulhall
7th place-Kerry and Vicki Miya	8th place-Ed and Lenora Hutchins
9th place-Jackie Miller & Bob Cortzine	10th place-Linda Nelden and Deb Rees
11th place-Lona Wilson & Fay Schultz	12th place-Curt and Marie Hansen

What a GREAT FIRST TOURNAMENT.... You all are terrific! Looking forward to next year.

NOVEMBER 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 Ladies Day— Palmer 8:00	2	3 Thursday Couples Palmer 8:00	4	5
6	7 Men's Day – Palmer 7:30	8 Ladies Day— Canyons 8:00	9	10 Thursday Couples Palmer 8:00	11	12
13	14 Men's Day – Palmer 8:00 Stag Night	15 Ladies Day— Palmer 8:00 Staggett Night	16	17 Thursday Couples Palmer 8:00	18	19 COWBOY ROUNDUP 6:00 P.M. 
20	21 Men's Day – Canyons 7:30	22 Ladies Day— Canyons 8:00	23	24 	25	26
27	28 Men's Day – Palmer 8:00	29 Ladies Day— Palmer 8:00 King for a day	30			

DECEMBER 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1 Thursday Couples Canyons 9:00	2	3
4 OMGC Member Member Palmer 8:30	5 OMGC Member Member Canyons 8:30 Stag night	6 Ladies Day— Canyons 9:00	7	8 Thursday Couples Palmer 9:00	9	10
11	12 Men's Day – Palmer 9:00	13 Ladies Day— Palmer 9:00 Christmas luncheon	14	15 Thursday Couples Palmer 9:00	16	17
18	19 Men's Day – Canyons 9:00	20 Ladies Day— Canyons 9:00	21	22 Thursday Couples Canyons 9:00	23	24
25 CHRISTMAS Dining Closed 	26 Men's Day – Palmer 9:00	27 Ladies Day— Palmer 9:00	28	29 Thursday Couples Palmer 9:00	30	31 NEW YEARS EVE 