
Edelweiss Chalet Chatter

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NEWS FROM YOUR GENERAL MANAGER!

The sun is shining and I can see the grass on #10 tee box from the pro shop windows. It won't be long and we will be playing.....and it is snowing again, never mind. The good news for us is that it will not stay around for long. We are anticipating opening the golf course some time the week of April 7th. Whether it is April 7th or April 11th all depends on how warm and how windy it is between now and then. I would imagine we will have a better idea after Member Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 5th. This reminds me, Member Clean-up Day is April 5th from 10am until about 12:30. We will be serving lunch to all the volunteers after we are done. If you are interested, please come down and help us get the course ready for play.

May 4th is the Member Spring Kick-off Calcutta. Sign-up will be in the pro shop for all that are interested. No handicap will be needed, just be willing to have fun. There is an information sheet attached to this newsletter.

May 9th we are planning a bus trip to see the Milwaukee Brewers. The game starts at 7:05 and we are planning on leaving the Edelweiss parking lot at 2pm so we have time to tailgate. Cost will be \$75 and will include: the bus ride down and back, tailgate food before the game, a half-barrel of beer and bottled soda, and a ticket to the game. We only have room for 50 people so, if you are interested please call me right away to get on the list.

Edelweiss is starting a new league this year. It is a 2-person league open to both men and women. Teams can be 2 men, 2 women, or a man and a woman. The league will be competitive and run for approximately 16 weeks from May 1st until August 14th. They will play on the

opposite 9 holes than the current Thursday night league plays. If you are interested in play and want to find out more you can go to our web site www.edelweissccc.com and click on the leagues tab or you can come to the informational meeting on April 17th at 6pm.

Edelweiss will again be running our season long Match Play event. Deadline for sign-up will be May 12th and match will begin play May 19th. It is open to both men and women. If interested stop by the pro shop and pick up an entry blank.

Mark your calendars for The Green County Open the weekend of May 17th and 18th. More details will follow.

It saddens me to write that Anne Miller has resigned from the Board of Directors. To fill the vacant spot the board unanimously voted for John Freitag. He was on the original Board of Directors when the club was first established and he is someone who I think will do a good job in doing what is in the best interest of Edelweiss.

By far the most asked question this winter has been "What are we going to do with the kitchen?" I finally have an answer for everyone. We have contracted with a catering company from the Verona/Madison area. They currently run 4 other facilities including; the MAC Center-Verona, Picasso's restaurant-Madison, MAC Center-Stoughton, and Picasso's restaurant-McFarland. They will cater the food for most of the bigger events we have throughout the summer. They will offer a Friday night Fish Fry starting May 2nd. It is important for me to stress that if the fish fry is not well attended then we will discontinue it. If the food that is served is not to the quality that you think it needs to be or the service needs to improve, please come and talk to me about it as soon as you can. That will be the best way for us to address such problems so we can make the fish fry something you are proud of and something you want to come and experience every week.

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This, in my opinion, is the only way we will succeed. We will not offer a daily grill menu this season. We will continue to serve hot dogs, brats, polish sausages and plan to add various sandwiches, pizzas, and seasonal daily specials (chili, chicken salad) as well as a variety of buffets when business dictates, just as we did in the fall.

We now have the ability to handle member accounts. Accounts will be billed monthly and will have up to a \$500 limit. Accounts will be perfect for business owners who want to entertain clients or for families who don't want to hassle with giving their children cash to keep track of or for the member who just wants to receive a monthly bill rather than pay each time they go to the bar or purchase something in the pro shop. If you would like to set up a member account, please call me to set up a time to go over all the details.

We started selling golf clubs last year and I thought it went very well. However, the comment I kept hearing was that they were cheaper elsewhere. This year I want to let you know that we will match anyone's advertised price on golf clubs that we stock. Just bring in the advertised price and we will match it. Now there is no need for you to go anywhere but Edelweiss to buy your golf clubs. We can also custom fit you for your next set of clubs if you do not want to buy them right off the rack. Why not get a great deal on golf clubs while supporting Edelweiss at the same time? Thank you in advance.

Hopefully the golf season will start soon so we can all get outside and enjoy the weather. I know I am ready.

Jeff

HAPPENINGS FROM THE BOARD

(This is a short synopsis of the minutes of the board meeting. A complete listing of the board minutes is posted on the bulletin board in the bar entryway. Please take the time to read them. It's your club!)

February 19, 2008

Bids for three capital improvements discussed for this year were reviewed. The pond was approved and the work has begun. The new carpeting bids were reviewed with a motion to accept the bid from Floor 360, who was the low bidder. Jeff informed the board the amounts of

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the bids he has received for the grill in the bar area. No action was taken.

Dues seem to be coming in a little slower this year than in past years. This puts our actual cash balance at less than budgeted for at this time.

About 1600 postcards were mailed last weekend advertising introductory memberships. We have already gotten some response to this mailing.

Jeff was very disappointed in the way the Golf Show in Madison this past weekend was handled. The show was not advertised and, with the bad weather on Sunday, was not well attended.

The board decided not to have an Easter brunch at Edelweiss this year.

Harold Johnson and Carl Chandler have dropped their membership at Edelweiss and will be reimbursed their \$100 certificate fee. The Gary Steiner family was accepted as a new member.

FROM THE OFFICE

The first of April is almost here and, hopefully, warm weather will not be far behind. All of us here at Edelweiss are ready for spring! I'm sure that all of you are too.

The board voted at their March meeting to reimburse Anne Miller, Dick Voegeli, Ruth Duerst, and Keith Seward for their membership certificates since they are not renewing their memberships. Dick and Ruth were charter members of Edelweiss. It is always sad to see those who were original founding members have to drop their membership for one reason or another. I was also sad to see Anne drop her membership and resign from the board of directors. Anne started work here as the General Manager soon after I started working here. I enjoyed working with her and have enjoyed the time she has spent on the board.

We still have some dues to collect. I sent letters to those who have not let us know their intentions for the year a couple of weeks ago. Hopefully, if you received a letter and have not sent your dues yet, you will take care of this matter in the near future.

I look forward to seeing all of you soon!

Pat

COURSE & GROUNDS

Well, we are just about to open the doors for another year and so far the course is looking good. All of the drainage work that we have done over the last couple of years is really paying off. We have also identified some more areas that will be easy to fix and don't pose a problem for being in the way of daily play.

This Saturday we will be having our member clean up day for 2008. This year the main focus will be clearing the flowerbed on #3. We are going to be placing new fabric paper and redoing all of the plants inside this so bring your smiling faces and possibly a pitchfork or two because this is where we will be for the majority of the day.

Now it's just a matter of time until we finally open. Pray for some dry weather and before you know it, we will be yelling "Fore".

Respectfully,
Jim Scott, Superintendent

LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

Ladies auxiliary membership is \$6 for all women. You do not need to be an Edelweiss member nor a golfer to join. Please join us on the following dates:

June 11	Style Show & Luncheon
June 25	Luncheon
July 9	Ladies Only Golf
July 23	Luncheon
August 6	Luncheon
August 20	Luncheon

Ladies - mark you calendars for July 9th. It is the 9th year for our ladies only golf event at Edelweiss. Registration blanks and hole sponsor forms are available in the newsletter or at the clubhouse.

Anyone wishing to sub in the Thursday morning ladies league, contact Jane Martinson at 527-2467.

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April 5	Member Clean Up Day 10 A.M. with lunch to follow
May 4	Member's Spring Kick Off Party 1 P.M. with dinner & card party to follow
May 17	Green County Open
May 18	Green County Open
May 19	Match Play Begins
May 23	9 hole Calcutta #1 5:30 P.M. Followed by fish & chicken dinner
May 26	Start of Standing Tee Times
June 8	Calcutta #2 1 P.M.
June 29	Calcutta #3 2 P.M.
July 6	40 th Anniversary of Edelweiss 1 P.M. Dinner at 6 P.M. with entertainment to follow
July 9	NLOG 5 P.M.
July 12	McGladrey Cup Regional Golf Event 9A.M.
July 25	9 hole Calcutta #4 5:30 P.M. Followed by fish & chicken dinner
August 2	Member Guest Tournament
August 10	Calcutta #5
August 16	Club Championship
August 17	Club Championship
August 23	Swiss Cup
August 24	Swiss Cup
September 1	End of Standing Tee Times
September 13	Member's Day



Edelweiss Member's Spring Kick-off Party

Date: May 4th, 2008

Time: 1pm Shotgun Start

Event: 4 Person "Modified"
Scramble

Everyone tees off in your group. Your group chooses the best tee shot and all 4 players' then play from that spot. Your group chooses the best 2nd shot and all 4 players' then play from that spot. This process is continued until the ball is holed out.

"Modified"

Each person in the group will be given a handicap. The handicap of the four players in the group will be added together to give them their group handicap. The group handicap will determine the amount of string they will be given before play. The string can be used once per hole. It can be used to get the group back into the fairway, out of the sand, closer to the hole putting, etc. Any movement of the golf ball with the string does not count as a shot.

Matt on the Range:

Matt will be on the driving range from 11:30 until 1 offering free advice to help shake off the winter rust and get you tuned up for the season.

Cost:

Cost will be \$20 per player, plus cart if applicable. The breakdown is \$10 for the food/beverages and \$10

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for the prize fund. 100% of the prize fund will be paid back in Edelcash.

Para Mutual Betting:

All the teams will be listed on the board and you will be allowed to bet on any team you choose. 100% of the Para mutual betting will be paid in Edelcash.

Ties:

All ties will be broken by a sudden death playoff on Hole #1

**Appetizers will be served
in the bar following the
round of golf**