
Edelweiss Chalet Charter

AUGUST 2008

NEWS FROM YOUR GENERAL MANAGER!

July 5th we celebrated the 40th Anniversary of Edelweiss as an association. Thank you to everyone who came out for golf and dinner. There were certainly a lot of good photos to look through. There were also some interesting videos of the back nine being built, the old clubhouse being burnt down, and the new clubhouse being constructed. Oh yeah, and someone forgot the dessert. Those of you that were here probably realized there was no dessert served after the meal. Well, here is the rest of the story. I thought I had planned for everything but when I woke up on Saturday I realized I had not done anything about dessert for the party. I called Matt and he drove all over Madison looking for something we could serve for dessert. He was lucky enough to find enough cake for everyone. Fast forward to later that evening.....I am the MC for the night and I am doing my comedy routine thinking I'm Jerry Seinfeld. Everyone gets done eating and I am so wrapped up in my routine I forget that there is cake to serve, whoops. I remember about 10 minutes after the dining room clears out and call myself a few choice words. Sometimes I feel so smart and then I do something that makes me realize I'm not. And now you know the rest of the story.

The McGladrey Cup regional was played at Edelweiss on July 12th. The team of Ken Zimmerman, Chuck Ryman, Tom Kuhne, and either Matt or Jeff move on to play in the sectional event at Brown Deer CC, where they play the GMO. The winner of the sectional will get to play in the national event at Pinehurst Farms in North Carolina. Next time you see them, wish them luck.

Dates to keep in mind for this month: July 26th the bar area will be closed at 5pm for a private function. Thursday, August 21st is the CERTCO outing - so no standing tee times.

Saturday, August 2nd is the Member/Guest tournament. If you would like to sign-up please stop by the pro shop for entry blanks. \$30 per person (member and guest) includes tee gifts, golf, cart (we would appreciate it if you would use your own cart if you have one), prizes and dinner following golf. It is a great way for you to showcase Edelweiss to your friends and, hopefully, potential future members.

We are going to try something new this year and that is night light golf. Friday, August 15th starting at 8pm we will shotgun start. Cost will be \$20 for members and \$30 for non members and include 2 glow balls and the accessories you will need to play. Entry fee will be required at the time of sign-up and sign-up sheets will be available in the proshop.

I feel it is important for me to repeat something I have said often since coming to Edelweiss. This is your club and it is something you should be proud of. It is something that all of you own. You and your fellow members control how the club is run through a board of directors. If you do not like the policies and procedures that are put in place, then you need to come and talk to me or come to a board meeting to try to get those policies and procedures changed.

I would also like to remind everyone that my job is to work with your board of directors and do what we think is in the best interest of Edelweiss. Sometimes the decisions that are made may not always seem fair to you but those decisions are what we think is best for the club. One single person does not benefit from the sale of a shirt, the purchase of a golf club, or the rental of a golf cart; everyone benefits from it. I do not advocate buying items here because it benefits me. I do it because it benefits the club.

We need more support from the membership for the Friday Night Fish Fry if it is going to continue. The number of members that come here on a regular basis is not enough. If it is something that you want, then you need to support it.

Jim and his crew have done an excellent job of keeping up with the rain this year. I have heard many comments from non-members, and members, that we have the best greens they have played on this year. It makes me very happy to here comments like that. If you see Jim and his crew, please pass on how much you are enjoying the course this year. They will be aerating the fairways over the next few weeks. They will be a little rough for the first few days but it will be well worth it in the long run. Please play winter rules in those fairways until they heal over.

I hope that you all have a chance to come out and enjoy the nice hot weather. Please drink plenty of water to make sure you stay hydrated.

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.)

June 17, 2008

Pete asked that some guidelines be put in place regarding the size of Saturday outings. The size of the outing needs to be large enough to warrant closing the course for the outing.

We were closed two weekends in June, which has definitely hurt our financial position.

Derrick is now working in the pro shop. Ben will be working one day a week.

The grounds crew has done some tiling on hole #5 to improve drainage and the tile line on hole #11 has been cleaned out.

We have lost about 30 trees in the storms that have occurred in the past couple of weeks, including the middle willow on hole #3. Duane Shortreed will donate several Blue Spruce trees to replace some of the trees that were lost.

Ways to encourage people to patronize the bar and restaurant were discussed.

Gordon Miller was welcomed as a new member. Scott Johnson will be reimbursed \$100 for his certificate since he is no longer a member of Edelweiss.

FROM THE OFFICE

The weather the past few days has been ideal summertime weather as far as I am concerned! It has been about 80 degrees and very little humidity - perfect golfing weather. I hope that many of you have taken advantage and been out on the course.

The Ladies Outing on July 9th went off without a hitch!! Jane and her committee do an excellent job of planning this event every year.

As I prepare this newsletter, Sullivan Landscaping is here doing the work that Gene and Jo Gehl are donating to the club in memory of her parents. It is wonderful when members consider doing something like this to improve the beauty of our course and facilities.

From comments that I have been hearing in the pro shop, people are appreciating the condition of our course this year. Jim and his crew have been working very hard to keep everything in order, even with the storm damage done in early June. On

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August 2 we are having our Member/Guest Day. What a perfect opportunity to show off our course to prospective members! I hope that you have all invited someone to come and enjoy the day with you.

Pat

THE LADIES OUTING ON JULY 9TH RAISED \$790 FOR BREAST CANCER RESEARCH!

Thank you to all of the ladies who participated in this outing. We look forward to seeing you again next year!

COURSE & GROUNDS

We have completed the three new tee boxes on the course and they will be ready for play in the Member/Guest Outing. I hope that you will all enjoy the new look and the way the course plays from these positions.

We have also begun the process of aerifying the course for the season and at this time we have the fairways almost complete. I sure appreciate your understanding while we are in the way of some of you while your round is going on. But on a brighter note, getting this done will hopefully equate to more fall revenue because when everyone else is doing their aerifying in the fall, we will be healed and in great condition. Jeff and I also have set a date to do the greens and this will take place, weather permitting, on the 8th of September. Mark you calendars and if you have any reciprocals left make this a good time to use them up before the end of the year.

Respectfully,
Jim Scott

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR EDELWEISS MEMBERS

August 2	Member Guest Tournament
August 15	Night Light Golf
August 16	Club Championship
August 17	Club Championship
August 23	Swiss Cup
August 24	Swiss Cup
September 1	End of Standing Tee Times
September 8	Aerify Greens
September 14	Member's Day

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2008 Edelweiss CCC

Member-Guest

Saturday, August 2nd, 2008

Shotgun @12 pm with dinner to follow golf

Member Name

NAME _____ E-MAIL _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ Handicap or 18 Hole Average _____

(Member Signature)

Guest Name

NAME _____ E-MAIL _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ Handicap or 18 Hole Average _____

Please pair us with:

Choice #1 _____

Choice #2 _____

ALL ENTRIES DUE BY July 28th, 2008

Payment must accompany sign-up sheet

INDIVIDUAL \$30 _____ TEAM \$60 _____

