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# Edelweiss Chalet Chatter

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MAY 2014

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## NEWS FROM YOUR GENERAL MANAGER!

Welcome to 2014! I think. It sure doesn't seem as if the weather wants the 2014 golf season to start. We have had a total of 4 ok days and 1 nice day. Not the start we were looking for. Hopefully the weather turns around and everyone can enjoy the beautiful Edelweiss Chalet Country Club soon. The golf course made it through another winter unscathed and in great shape. Now we just need Mother Nature to cooperate.

Every year for the last few years I have been able to say that almost our entire crew is back again and this year is no different. We are adding one new face, Jen Germann. She has already worked a couple of shifts and I think will be a great addition to our staff. For all the staff that returns year after year it tells me they have a great work environment and that says a lot about how great the membership is at Edelweiss. You make it fun for people to work here and I appreciate that.

There have been a few changes over the winter that you should know about. One change inside the clubhouse and one on the golf course. Inside the clubhouse we tore down the wallpaper in the women's restroom and repainted everything. It looks much cleaner as the wallpaper was getting down and beat up in a few places. Once we add a few pictures I think you will agree it was a much needed project and a big improvement. On the golf course we enlarged the pond on #8. As most of you know, the area on the left side of the fairway on #8 was un-mowable the last few years because of how wet that area was. Rather than leave it unmaintained we decided to enlarge the pond and give that water a temporary place to go. Our hope is that the water will sit

there for a day or two before it recedes back to a normal level

For those of you with private golf cars, Harris Golf Car will be here May 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> for service. As part of our agreement when we purchased the new golf cars with Harris we negotiated a better price on tune-ups. As long as we can get 20 private golf cars signed up for service the tune-up price will be \$85 per car. That is great deal and is well worth the money for the long term wellbeing of your golf car. Please call them directly at 262-886-2816 and ask for John.

New for this year will be the first (I think) Member/Member Event. It will be similar to a Calcutta but more food and better prizes. This will be a 2 person event and will take place on Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup> with a lunch starting at 1:30 and a shotgun start at 3pm. Entries are available in the golf shop.

We have posted our calendar of events in the bar area and on our web site. We do everything we can to make sure we keep you updated on days that golf tee times are limited. Please keep a watchful eye in these areas. Here are some of the dates to keep in mind for this year:

Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> – Mother's Day Brunch 10am-2pm

Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup> – Club Match Play starts

Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> – Member/Member

Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup> – Member's Calcutta 2pm

Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> – FLOG

Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> – Club Championship

Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> – Club Championship

Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> – Member/Guest

Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> – Member's Day

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The FLOG will be held on Wednesday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sponsor forms and sign-up sheets will be available in future newsletters and at the pro shop desk.

Standing tee times will begin the week of Memorial Day. If you do not remember your standing tee time or want to change your time, please let us know. Standing tee times are a privilege that you have as a member: It is not a right. Please keep in mind that each tee time has a potential value of \$206 so each tee time that goes unfilled is lost revenue. Please do your part and call us at least 24 hours prior to your tee time to cancel. As has been the rule in the past, if you are a no show for your standing tee time 3 times in one season you will lose your privilege to have a standing tee time. Thank you for your understanding of this rule.

I hope to see you all soon.

Jeff

## HAPPENINGS FROM THE BOARD

*(This is a short synopsis of the minutes of the board meetings. A complete listing of the board minutes is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway by the restrooms.)*

December 7, 2013

### Annual Meeting of the Membership

There were 68 members present for the annual meeting with a total of 51 certificates represented.

The terms of directors Tim Abraham, Steve Sailing, and Dennis Thoman expire this year. Steve declined to run for the board for another term. Gary Steiner was nominated to replace Steve on the board with Tim and Dennis serving another term.

Don Benning, the accountant from the firm of Benning Group, LLC of Monroe spoke to the membership regarding the financial condition of Edelweiss. Last year was an exceptionally good year for Edelweiss.

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President Pete Eddington thanked Michael Durst who has been doing our monthly financial reports for the past seven years. He introduced Larry Price who has volunteered to help Pat with preparing the monthly financial reports.

Pete told the membership that we have renewed our loan with the Bank of New Glarus for 10 years. The entire mortgage will be paid off in the 10 year life of the note.

Dick Hartman, Membership Chairman, reviewed the changes in the membership at Edelweiss for the past year. We lost 22 members and gained 22 new members. At the end of the season we had 225 certificate holding members.

December 7, 2013

### Board Organizational Meeting

The purpose of this meeting was to elect officers for the 2014 season and set the date of the next board meeting.

Pete Eddington, President, Dick Hartman, Secretary, and Richard Arn, Treasurer will all keep their offices for a second year. Tim Abraham was elected Vice President.

The next board meeting will be on January 18, 2014.

January 18, 2014

Pete Eddington gave the board members the committee assignments for the 2014 season. Most of the work of the board is done in committees and then committee recommendations are presented to the entire board for approval.

Most of the outings that we had last year are coming back again with the exception of Certco. They are going to a larger golf course for their annual outing.

A tree drive will be started at the Super Bowl party so that more trees can be planted on the course next fall.

February 18, 2014

Jeff will be sending a mass email to members reminding them that they can earn \$100 in edelcash if they refer a new member to Edelweiss.

The First Tee program that Edelweiss participates in will furnish golf equipment to the school to encourage interest in golfing. The cost is \$3600 but Jeff will seek donations or do fund raisers to cover the cost.

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The work on the pond on hole #8 has been done. The pond was tripled in size lengthwise and made about two feet deeper.

March 18, 2014

A new Point of Sale system was installed this winter and Jeff, Tom, and Jay have been trained in using it.

Committees have met and are preparing for the 2014 season.

#### **FROM THE OFFICE**

Wow, it seems like forever since I have had to put out a newsletter!!!!

This spring has not been very good for golf – at least so far. Hopefully the weather will improve soon. After the winter that we had, we deserve a nice spring and summer, don't you think?

We have several new members this season. We welcome Brandon Laufenberg, Jackson Emerson, Scott Pederson, Jerry Butts, Steve O'Neil, Mike Wirth, Marty Schmidt, J.P. Longseth, Tom Woodmansee, Shawn Amacher, Dale Nafzger, and Eric Jensen. When you see these people on the course, say hi and welcome them to Edelweiss!

We have a few members who have not paid their dues. If you are one of those people and want to set up a direct payment plan, please let me know.

Hope to see you all out here golfing in 70 degree weather SOON!

Pat

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**REMEMBER MOTHER'S  
DAY IS COMING!**

**EDELWEISS WILL ONCE  
AGAIN BE SERVING A  
DELICIOUS BRUNCH  
CATERED BY MIKE NEVIL  
FROM THE CHALET  
LANDHAUS.**

**MAKE YOUR  
RESERVATIONS SOON!**

