

MISSOULA COUNTRY CLUB

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NEWSLETTER OF THE MISSOULA COUNTRY CLUB



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BY RON SVIEN



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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.

BAR SERVICE HOURS

Sunday – Saturday 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.

LUNCH SERVICE HOURS

Sunday – Saturday 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

DINNER SERVICE HOURS

Thursday – Saturday 5 p.m. – 9 p.m.
(See calendar).

The March 14 membership informational meeting was very informative, and those who attended were able to interact with the Board and Management and were provided a very detailed course analysis by Superintendent Ask. The Eagle Fund capital expenditures and Bylaw amendment proposals vote will be counted by the Ballot Tabulation Committee on April 19. The results of this vote will be posted on the website, in the clubhouse and sent to the membership via e-mail on that day.

Golf Course Update: 9 holes were opened for play on March 22, and the entire course was opened for play on March 25. From all indications the golf course made it through the winter in great shape, and we are very pleased with the results stemming from the fall maintenance program that was implemented in September, October and November.

As of March 15 we have a new menu and from the comments received, the membership seems to be pleased. From a financial perspective, the Club is performing much better than the same period last year. Through February 2011, Bar/Dining reflects a Net Ordinary Income Profit of \$6,916 as compared to a loss of (\$9,552) in 2010 – a betterment of \$16,468. Total operations Net Ordinary Income through February 2010, reflects a profit of \$28,018 as compared to a loss of (\$3,637) in 2010 – a betterment of \$31,655 as compared to 2010. Food COGS and Labor Cost Percentages have improved, however, more is needed and Melissa and I are working on this. As of 2/28/11 MCC has an Eagle Fund reserve balance of \$416,195.

We have extended the 2011 Membership Drive through April 30. Please help MCC by promoting memberships to your friends, relatives and associates.

2011 MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

February 15 – April 30

- ⇒ Regular, Business or Associate Membership Initiation Fee: **WAIVED**
- ⇒ **5 Year** Vesting Schedule
- ⇒ **24 Month** Membership Agreement

May 1 – August 31

- ⇒ Regular or Business Membership Initiation Fee: **\$1,500**
- ⇒ Associate Membership Initiation Fee: **WAIVED**
- ⇒ **5 Year** Vesting Schedule
- ⇒ Appreciation Sponsor Fee: Regular or Business **\$500**
(MCC Members Only)

September 1 – December 31

- ⇒ Regular or Business Membership Initiation Fee: **\$3,000**
- ⇒ Associate Membership Initiation Fee: **\$1,500**
- ⇒ **5 Year** Vesting Schedule
- ⇒ Appreciation Sponsor Fee: Regular or Business **\$500 / Associate \$250**
(MCC Members Only)

ETIQUETTE

BY THE RULES AND GAMES COMMITTEE

Members, it is the responsibility of the Pro Shop staff to keep track of and monitor play, so lend them a hand by remembering to check in and register before you play!

Remember we have a small driving range hitting area, so if you have been hitting balls for a long time and other members are waiting, please step aside and allow them to hit balls.

Be courteous to your fellow golfers – always play 18 holes in 4-hours or less!

Missoula Country Club 2011 Tournament and Event Schedule

April	8	Friday	High School Invitational
April	16	Saturday	High School Fundraiser AM
April	21	Thursday	Men's League Dinner
April	26	Tuesday	Women's League Play Begins
April	28	Thursday	Men's League Play Begins
May	4	Wednesday	Women's Daytime Play Begins
May	6	Friday	Missoula Chamber Tournament
May	8	Sunday	Mother's Day Tournament
May	28, 29, 30	Sat-Sun-Mon	Barnett Memorial Tournament
June	7	Tuesday	Petroleum Tournament
June	8	Wednesday	Ladies' Mixed Pro-Am
June	15	Wednesday	Junior Lessons Begin
June	18 & 19	Sat & Sun	Member-Member Tournament
June	22	Wednesday	WGA Guest Day
June	25	Saturday	Montana Rail Link Tournament
June	27	Monday	Men's Pro-Am
July	9 & 10	Sat & Sun	MCC Club Championship
July	15 & 16	Fri & Sat	Men's Invitational
July	22	Friday	MCC Junior Tournament
July	29	Friday	Jim Murray Tournament
August	3	Wednesday	Helen Tremper Ladies Invitational
August	5	Friday	Western Montana Pro Assistants
August	12	Friday	Allegiance Tournament
August	19-20-21	Fri-Sat-Sun	Couples Chapman
August	26	Friday	Lutheran Tournament
September	4-5	Sun & Mon	Ryder Cup Team Competition
September	16	Friday	Grizzly Roundball Tournament
September	19	Monday	Fall Aeration

I'M ALRIGHT

BY CARL SPACKLER



A couple weeks ago the Mrs. and I went to the MCT production of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest." I had read the book in high school, but forgotten that the story was so poignant, yet hilarious at the same time. The play was well done in all respects, and made me think the setting and story are not too different from working in the maintenance shed, or the world that most of us live in. The cast of characters include roles of crazy people trying to be sane; sane people acting crazy; those who want to control others; and those who don't care, spiced up with a few F-bombs and excessive drama.

Our night at the theater was very entertaining, and I'm happy to say that we helped entertain others

as well. We enjoy life, and do not engage in much pretense – that's just how we roll. So, when we have a good time, others are likely to notice. I'm not sure which was funnier – the play; the reaction of other people to the play; or the reaction of other people to us and our riotous laughter as we enjoyed it in a grandiose and childlike way.

Children really have life figured out, taking others and themselves at face value, and not being too serious. Try to live like a kid for a day. If it works for you, extend it to a week, a month, and maybe longer. However you roll, ENJOY LIFE!

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PRO SHOP

BY SKIP KOPRIVICA
PGA GOLF PROFESSIONAL AND STAFF



The first day of play was Tuesday, March 22, with 9 holes on permanent greens. Our first member out was Ron Taylor and he commented on how good the course came out of the winter. We are looking forward to a good 2011 season.

We are getting merchandise in daily and will have a nice selection of clothing, golf equipment, shoes and miscellaneous items. We will be happy to special order any items you would like. We offer professional club fitting and fit you for your length, lie angle, shaft flex and grip size. We also offer the Callaway Fitting System for irons and woods and can get you any brand of club you desire. Our prices are competitive with the discount houses, but I feel we provide more service. I also sell new and used golf carts and cart batteries. Our bag storage fee remains at \$70 for the year. Your clubs are stored and cleaned every time you play.

April events include the High School Invitational – Friday, April 8, and the Annual High School Fundraiser Tournament on Saturday, April 16. A special thanks

to the Missoula Country Club membership for hosting this event. We have raised over \$425,000 for the Missoula high school golf teams throughout the years. The Missoula Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, May 6, and the annual Mother's Day Tournament on May 8 – make sure you reserve your own tee times.

Member League play begins in April. The Men's League Dinner will be Thursday, April 21, and the first night of League competition starts on April 28 at 5:45 p.m. Ladies' League begins on April 26 at 6:00 p.m.

MCC Junior Lessons will begin on Wednesday, June 15 @ 3:00 p.m. The Junior lesson program runs for a 6-week period and will conclude with a Junior Tournament on July 22. Registration forms will be included in your May statement. Sign up early as we have a limit on the numbers of juniors we can accommodate.

On May 12 MCC will host a Demo day on the Driving Range from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. All of the major golf club companies will be in attendance with the exception of Titleist. The Missoula Country Club Golf Professionals provide individual private lessons, private series lessons and group lessons. Please contact Skip Koprivica, Connor Sproull or Ryan Hoynacki at 251-2751 to schedule your lessons.

MCC DIRECTORY CHANGES

NEW MCC DIRECTORIES ARE IN PROGRESS

RESIGNED

David Olson
Dennis O'Donnell

NEW MEMBERS

John Horner – Business
Van Blakely – Regular
Kirk Duce – Regular
David Floren – Regular
Larry Jones – Regular
Ty Gregorak – Associate
Jason Miller Associate

STATUS CHANGE

Jim Barnett – Social to Non-Resident
Jeff Warner – Regular to Non-Resident

George Caras – Regular to Social
Glen Henkel – Audrey Eagan, Designated
Special Guest

MEMBERSHIP STATUS AS OF 2/25/11

Playing Memberships	382	(450 max.)
Regular	316	
Business	56	(80 max.)
Associate	10	(40 max.)
Non-Resident	17	(25 max.)
Social	46	(120 max.)
Business Social	3	(20 max.)
Honorary	2	(No Limit)
Life	3	(Closed)
Honorary Social	1	(No Limit)

FOOD & BEVERAGE

BY MELISSA NORDBERG



At last, Spring is here! The Clubhouse will soon be filled with laughter and cheer! The new menu has been released, and we have been receiving a lot of positive feedback. It's always nice for change, and you will see changes more frequently on the menu.

We are very pleased to announce that starting the 9th of April we will be open on occasional Saturday evenings for Dinner Service from 5-9 PM and extending Happy Days on occasional Saturdays as well from 5-7 PM (see April Happy Days Schedule). Happy Hour includes TWO (2) for the price of ONE (1) on selected beverages. Friday "Happy Days" has been extremely successful, so we decided to add another day to try and accommodate everyone. The Lounge fills up quickly!!! We urge everyone to make reservations before you plan your evening out.

It's Easter Bunny time again...the Kids' Easter Party will be Saturday, April 23 from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. We will be having a buffet lunch, pony rides, exciting

games and an Easter Egg Hunt with the Easter Bunny himself. \$13.00/Child.

The Easter Brunch will be Sunday, April 24 with two (2) seatings @ 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM. I also would like to mention that Mother's Day is right around the corner from Easter this year. We will be doing a slightly different menu for Mother's Day but just as wonderful. Mother's Day Brunch will be Sunday, May 8 with two (2) seatings @ 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM as well. Reservations are limited to 100 people per seating. Call 251-2404 or email: mnordberg@missoulacountryclub.com for reservations.

APRIL 2011

Lunch Service: Sunday through Saturday – 11 AM to 4 PM

Dinner Service: Thursday, Friday, and most Saturdays – 5 to 9 PM

(Dinner Service on Men's and Ladies' League Nights 5 to 8 pm)

Pasta Night Dinner Buffet: Friday, April 22 – 5 to 9 PM

Prime Rib Dinner Buffet: Saturday, April 30 - 5 to 9 PM

Happy Days (Fridays and Saturdays)
(2 for 1 Beverages & Appetizers 5 to 7 PM)
April 1, 8, 9, 15, 22, 29, 30

MCC Kids' Easter Party

Saturday, April 23, 2011

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

\$13.00/Child (Inclusive)

Reservations: 251-2404

Easter Egg Hunt • Activities
Games

Visit with the Easter Bunny, Eat Lunch
& Yummy Treats



ASK TOM ASK

BY TOM ASK
GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT



As of the writing of this article, we have been under continuous snow cover on a large portion of our course for 123 days. It has been a difficult winter, and one that none of us had hoped we would have to endure given the problems of last year. It is much too early to blow the all clear horn, but the course seems to have handled the winter quite well. We have speckles of snow mold spots which we expected given the fact that the best snow mold protection only lasts 90 to 100 days. They should disappear rapidly when the turf wakes up.

I would like to dedicate a few lines of this message to recognize the efforts of the staff this winter. The few team members that we have on this time of year

went above and beyond the call to do what was necessary to ensure a playable course this spring. We plowed, shoveled, blew snow, pumped, chipped, spread black material and aerified from the start of January on. Those of you who play early this spring will notice that we beat the greens up a little with our ice removal tools. These "scars" will be dealt with immediately. We would much rather deal with a few scars than what potentially could have occurred had we not removed the ice.

Much of our staff has returned to help with the cleanup of the course for spring golf. We were only about two thirds of the way through fall leaf and debris cleanup when winter arrived in mid November, so we are behind. It will take 2 to 3 weeks to get our course spruced up. We appreciate your patience.

Until such time as we develop the electronic communication link with our horticulturist, Dawn Palmer, please feel free to contact her by calling the maintenance telephone number @ 549-4601.



Easter Brunch

Sunday, April 24, 2011

Two (2) Seatings: 9:30 AM & 12:30 PM

Carved Prime Rib Au jus with Creamy Horseradish
Carved Orange-Honey Glazed Ham
Salmon Locks & Peel Shrimp

Corned Beef Hash / Country Style Potatoes / Bacon & Link Sausage /
Omelet Bar / Eggs Benedict / Scrambled Eggs with Cheese

Mixed Green Salad / Caesar Salad / Broccoli Salad
Assorted Breads & Cheese Board / Fresh Vegetable Medley

Fresh Fruit Display / Cheese Blintzes with Raspberry Sauce/
Assorted Cakes & Pies / Scones / Muffins & Petite Fours

Champagne / Coffee / Tea / Milk / Assorted Juices

Adults \$25.00 ~ Children 7-12 \$12.50

~ Children under 7 \$6.25 ~ Plus Gratuity 18%

Reservations are Limited to 100 People per Seating

Call 251-2404 or email: mnordberg@missoulacountryclub.com



WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

NEWS FROM THE RED TEES

BY LISA BUSEMAN
MCCWGA PRESIDENT



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- April 27 Ladies' Night League begins
FUN NIGHT – team play – all players invited!
- May 4 Ladies' Day Play begins



What a relief spring is finally here! The course looks fabulous so it's time to bust out your clubs and play a round. League Play begins on April 26. Captains, be sure to send in your team roster. Mail registration forms to:

Ann Rausch
4114 Spurgin Road
Missoula, MT 59804
406-880-2443

DON'T HAVE A TEAM? WANT TO BE ON ONE OR BE ON THE SUBSTITUTE LIST?

Contact Anne Rausch at 880-2443. There are teams short on players for 2011. League is great fun, so join up now!

WGA dues are \$35.00 and can be paid to:

Sandy Blair
4700 Goodan Lane
Missoula, MT 59808



Sub List

Name _____ Phone _____

Mark One:

I would like to sub _____ I would like to be on a team _____

Tuesday Night League Team Registration (deadline April 15th)

Team Name _____ Team Captain _____ Phone _____

Player #1 _____ Phone _____

Player #2 _____ Phone _____

Player #3 _____ Phone _____

Player #4 _____ Phone _____

Player #5 _____ Phone _____

Other/Sub _____ Phone _____

GOLF QUOTE: *"If you drink, don't drive. Don't even putt"*

Dean Martin



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April 2011

MISSOULA COUNTRY CLUB



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 11 am – 9 pm HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu	2 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu
3 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	4 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	5 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	6 11 am – 4 pm PRIVATE LUNCH DR Lunch Menu	7 11 am – 9 pm Dinner Menu	8 11 am – 9 pm HS INVITATIONAL 9 AM HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu	9 11 am – 9 pm HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu
10 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	11 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	12 11 am – 4 pm PRIVATE LUNCH MBL Lunch Menu	13 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	14 11 am – 9 pm Dinner Menu	15 11 am – 9 pm HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu	16 11 am – 4 pm HS FUNDRAISER TOURNAMENT & DINNER Lunch Menu
17 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	18 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	19 11 am – 4 pm PRIVATE DINNER Lunch Menu	20 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	21 11 am – 4 pm MEN'S LEAGUE KICKOFF DINNER Lunch Menu	22 11 am – 9 pm PASTA NIGHT BUFFET HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Lunch Menu	23 11 am – 6 pm KID'S EASTER PARTY 11 AM - 1 PM Lunch Menu
24 11 am – 4 pm EASTER BRUNCH SEATINGS 9:30 AM and 12:30 PM Lunch Menu	25 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	26 11 am – 8 pm LADIES' LEAGUE BEGINS Dinner Menu	27 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	28 11 am – 8 pm MEN'S LEAGUE BEGINS Dinner Menu	29 11 am – 9 pm HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu	30 11 am – 9 pm PRIME RIB DINNER BUFFET HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu
1 11 am – 4 pm MAY Lunch Menu	2 11 am – 4 pm Lunch Menu	3 11 am – 8 pm LADIES' LEAGUE Dinner Menu	4 11 am – 4 pm LADIES' DAY PLAY Lunch Menu	5 11 am – 8 pm MEN'S LEAGUE Dinner Menu	6 11 am – 9 pm CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OUTING HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu	7 11 am – 9 pm HAPPY DAYS 5-7 PM Dinner Menu