

# MISSOULA COUNTRY CLUB

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**2011 Board of Directors & Committee Chairs**

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 Jim Gray .....House  
 Jim Hansen ..... Rules and Games  
 Ron Perrin ..... Long Range Planning  
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**Staff**

Ron Svien .....General Manager  
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 Tom Ask.....Superintendent  
 Scott Lennemann .....Asst. Superintendent  
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 Dayton Scott ..... Controller  
 Melissa Nordberg .....Food and Beverage  
 Manager  
 Sean Ehlert..... Head Chef

**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. – 8 p.m.

**DINNER SERVICE HOURS**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday  
 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

# MANAGER'S MEMOS

BY RON SVIEN

Financial Perspective: Through June 30, 2011, Bar/Dining reflects a Net Ordinary Income (NOI) Profit of \$ 15,582 as compared to a loss of (\$34,973) in 2010 – a betterment of \$50,555.

Congratulations to Maggie Crippen, Women's State Amateur Champ and Tom Swanson, Men's State Amateur - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place. Missoula Country Club is very proud of your accomplishments!

**Remaining 2011 Tournament and Event Schedule**

August	3	Wednesday	Helen Tremper Ladies Invitational
August	5	Friday	Western Montana Pro-Assistants
August	12	Friday	Allegiance Tournament
August	26	Friday	CRJ Tournament
August	27-28	Sat-Sun	Couples Chapman
September	4-5	Sun-Mon	Garden City Cup
September	16	Friday	Montana Roundball Tournament
September	19	Monday	Fall Greens Aeration
September	23	Friday	CMF Tournament

**Club Policy Updates**

Policy H-1 / Hole-In-One: IT SHALL BE POLICY to issue one complimentary beverage (limited to house-wine, well-liquor, any beer or soft drink product) per Member and accompanied Guest of a Member for a Hole-In-One achievement. Distribution of beverages shall begin on the day the Hole-in-One is achieved and shall continue until the close of business on the following day. Beverages shall be consumed on the premises and no rain checks shall be issued. Every time a Hole-In-One is achieved, a \$2.00 beverage fee shall be charged to each Golfing Membership Account. [11/19/2008] [Rev: 04/22/2009] [Rev. 07/27/2011]

Policy F-1 / Delinquency Procedures: IT SHALL BE POLICY to administer the following procedures associated with membership delinquency.

- 30-Day Delinquency: Late payment reminder notice sent.
- 60-Day Delinquency: Membership privileges are suspended.
- 90-Day Delinquency: Membership Termination - Account turned over to collections. [07/27/11]

## ACERS



**Bill Towle**

7/4/11 - Hole 12  
 153 Yards - 5 Iron

**Bob Chaffee**

7/4/11 - Hole 12  
 153 Yards - 7 Iron

**Greg Van Natta**

7/6/11 - Hole 2  
 196 Yards - 6 Iron

**Ed Linjala**

7/17/11 - Hole 17  
 145 Yards - 8 Iron

# ETIQUETTE

BY THE HOUSE RULES AND GAMES COMMITTEE

Golfers please don't forget to repair ball marks on the greens. Greens can be damaged even with shots 100 yards and in. The course is in great shape, and we would love to keep it in the shape it's in. You can stop by the pro shop and get a repair tool. Walkers please remember to take a bottle of sand and seed for your round to fill your divots.

Golf carts can do a lot of damage to a golf course so please keep carts on the paths around the tee boxes and greens. It helps keep the course from getting damaged. Please limit your carts to just two per 4 some and 3 per 5 some. This also cuts back on damage and bad lies.

## MCC DIRECTORY CHANGES

NEW MCC DIRECTORIES ARE IN PROGRESS

### NEW

Whatley, Terry (Margery) Social

Charles Tornabene – Regular

### CHANGES

Khoury, Damian – Associate to Regular  
Sellman, Richard (Wendy Huffman) – Designated Special Guest

### RESIGNED

Janet Connolly-Berens – Regular  
William Gemar- Associate  
Jane Susen – Social

### MEMBERSHIP STATUS AS OF 7/25/11

<b>PLAYING MEMBERSHIPS</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>(450 max.)</b>
<b>REGULAR</b>	<b>310</b>	
<b>BUSINESS</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>(80 max.)</b>
<b>ASSOCIATE</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>(40 max.)</b>
<b>SILVER CIRCLE</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>(10 max.)</b>
<b>NON RESIDENT</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>(25 max.)</b>
<b>SOCIAL</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>(120 max.)</b>
<b>BUSINESS SOCIAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>(20 max.)</b>

## Maggie Crippen wins 2011 Montana Women's State Amateur Champion



Missoula's Maggie Crippen, center, is congratulated by her sisters Kelsie, left, and Sadie after winning the Montana Women's State Amateur on Thursday at Bill Roberts Golf Course in Helena.

Missoula's Crippen, 17, held on to win the 94th annual Montana State Golf Association Women's State Amateur Tournament by one shot over Billings' Michunovich at Bill Roberts Golf Course on Thursday. Crippen was victorious despite watching her day-long, multi-shot lead melt away over the final four holes and a potential playoff-forcing 20-foot eagle putt from Michunovich stop at the lip of the 18th hole. "It was close, but it wasn't ...," said a red-eyed Michunovich, a fifth-year senior-to-be on the Montana State golf team. "I thought I had a shot, but ... I don't know. You just have to make putts."

Crippen, who fired off a third-round 76 for a total score of 227, led Michunovich by five shots entering the 15th hole. She intended to play conservative the rest of the way, but admitted she did not intend for the drama that followed. A string of three-putts from Crippen helped Michunovich shave a stroke off the lead over each of the last four holes. "I was just thinking, 'Get it on the green, make it close and make it,'" Crippen said of her late approach. "I just wanted to make pars - then I three-putted. Then I three-putted again. My putter just kind of left me."

Crippen was forced to hit a solid wedge shot over a bunker to set up her par putt from 12 feet out. Michunovich took her time before pushing her eagle try, drawing a few claps from the gallery as it rolled on target and then a cascade of groans as it froze inches away.

While Crippen was quick to credit Michunovich for stellar play in closing the gap, she said the tournament's deciding factor may have been the first decision she made on Thursday. "I was the only one who hit my driver on number one," she said. "Everyone else kind of played it safe. I just went for it. I hit it on the green and birdied it. I made a super-long putt, too. The last (hole) obviously was a big one, but I think about the first hole."

"It feels good, it feels shocking," Crippen said of the win. "It was my goal. I wanted this win and I knew I could do it."

# PRO SHOP

BY SKIP KOPRIVICA  
PGA GOLF PROFESSIONAL AND STAFF



What a fantastic month of weather and golf we experienced here at the Missoula Country Club this past July. Blue skies and warm temperatures graced us during all of our major tournaments over the last month.

First, the Men's Pro-Am on June 27 featured 47 teams. This is by far the biggest field for a Pro-Am in the Western Montana

Chapter and is a reflection of our phenomenal course conditions. Thank you to the maintenance crew for your continued hard work. In the Pro field, Connor Sproull took second place shooting a 69. In the team event, Ryan Hoynacki's team consisting of Riley McGiboney, Myles Link, Aaron Bay, and Rich Sellman finished tied for First Place with a team score of 125.

Next, the 2011 Club Championship saw some exciting action. Bill Dunn took the title with scores of 69 and 68, including a closing nine 31 to seal the Championship. Dirk Cloninger shot 68 and 71 to earn a runner-up performance. Kelsie Crippen won the Women's Club Championship with a 170 total. Bob Gray, with a two-day total of 145, won the Senior Club Championship. Carol Van Valkenburg won the Senior Women's Club Championship shooting a pair of 86's. Lastly, Derek Colberg won the Junior Club Championship title shooting an impressive 69 and a 75. Men's Net Club Champion was won by Ray Lynn, Saddle Crippen won the Women's Net Championship, Doug Smith and Dave Hickman tied for the Men's Senior Net Championship, and Robin Nisbet took the Women's Senior Net Championship.

On July 15 and 16, 46 teams competed in the Men's Invitational and Ray Lynn and Butch Juhnke, coming out of the Clarkfork Flight, took the title. Winners of the Bitterroot, Blackfoot, and Rock Creek Flights respectively were Kevin Opitz and Bennett MacIntyre, Kurt Solari and AJ Bassuener, and Mike and Al Keener. Congratulations to all competitors

and thanks to all the guests for participating!

Additionally 40 junior golfers competed in the Junior Tournament on July 22. Great Job Juniors!

## 8-10 Girls

**A Flight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Emily Garden, 2<sup>nd</sup> Raela Reinhart, 3<sup>rd</sup> Wren Parks

**B Flight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Marissa Breum, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alyson Hauser, 3<sup>rd</sup> Natalie Nedrud

## 8-10 Boys

**A Flight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Kobe Sheridan 2<sup>nd</sup> (Tie) Dayton Bay and Reggie Duce, 4<sup>th</sup> Joseph Kendrick

**B Flight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Brady Tabish, 2<sup>nd</sup> (Tie) Jace Morin & Kade McCulloch, 4<sup>th</sup> TJ Rausch

## 11-17 Girls

**A Flight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Claire Danicich, 2<sup>nd</sup> Braelin Small, 3<sup>rd</sup> Serina Breum

## 11-17 Boys

**A Flight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tyler Seifert, 2<sup>nd</sup> Peyton McElroy, 3<sup>rd</sup> River Duce

**B Flight:** 1<sup>st</sup> Briar Parks, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sean Kaleva, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sam Bryan

Upcoming tournaments for the month of August include the Helen Tremper Invitational on August 3, Western Montana Pro-Assistants on August 5, Allegiance Outing on August 12, and the Couple Chapman on August 27 and 28.

Our Pro Shop has a wide variety of clothing, shoes and equipment available. Please stop by and demo the newest clubs from Taylor Made Titleist, Callaway, Ping and Adams. Lastly, do not hesitate to ask for a golf lesson. I and Assistant's Connor Sproull and Ryan Hoynacki are readily available to help you with your game. Thanks and enjoy the beautiful month of August.

## Tom Swanson 2011 Montana Men's State Amateur 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Rounds of 69-68-73-66 (-12 under 276), propelled Tom Swanson to a third place finish at the Men's State Amateur played at Canyon River Golf Club. Congratulations Tom!

# FOOD & BEVERAGE

BY MELISSA NORDBERG



Summer is flying by, so don't forget to take the time to "stop and smell the roses". If you haven't used the Pool yet, take the time to do so. It's a great place to relax and have lunch, cocktails and don't forget Big Dipper Ice Cream for dessert! My favorite part about the Pool is watching the hummingbirds playing and flying around the honeysuckle trees.

The Patio is another wonderful place to relax and watch a little golf. The view on the Patio is amazing and you might see a hummingbird or two there as well. On the Patio you may order Lunch or Dinner



JR GOLFERS



and we always take reservations!

Chef Sean has come up with a few new appetizers and entrées, so we will have an updated menu by the end of July. If you have any comments about the menu, or wish to see your favorite on it, let us know. We are always open to suggestions!

Everyone's lives seem so hectic these days, take some time to relax. Have a drink in the Lounge...you never know when there might be a hole in one drink. Sit on the Patio and let Chef Sean cook Dinner for you. Go for a dip in the Pool and enjoy Fish Taco's and a Margarita...before you know it Fall will be here, so take the time to "stop and smell the roses."



**2011 MCC CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Back Row (L to R) Derek Colberg, Bill Dunn, Dave Hickman, Doug Smith, Bob Gray  
Front Row (L to R) Kelsie Crippen, Sadie Crippen, Robin Nisbet, Carol VanValkenburg (Ray Lynn not pictured)

## I'M ALRIGHT

BY CARL SPACKLER



Is it just me, or is the world getting more complicated? We have amazing technology with space age applications, but it doesn't seem to make our lives any better, or simpler. Take cell phones for instance. If you've got a "smart" phone, you can pull up a weather app, and know the current temperature, precipitation and forecast. Truth be known, I've found that I can do this with a pretty good degree of accuracy just by walking out my door. And, after years of tracking gophers across golf courses, I've gotten pretty good at guessing tomorrow's outlook; almost as good as a weather station in Atlanta talking to a satellite in outer space predicting the weather in Missoula, Montana.

Then, take a look at how dating and relationships have been "simplified" by technology. Consider in the old days we had to actually seek out companions, and go through a dating and courting ritual to find

out if we were compatible. Nowadays, you just get on match.com or eharmony.com, answer a few questions, and with a keystroke a computer selects your ideal match. Then you meet, or hook-up a few times, and move on to a relationship.

In the old days, we went from hanging out, to going steady, being engaged, and getting married. Now, there are friends, friends with benefits, living together, and everything in between, including the "we're not putting a label on our relationship"! And, you can change your status with a single mouse click on Facebook.

Just for fun, try sipping lemonade on a porch swing with your special someone, or lie on the cool grass, or snuggle on a blanket and look for shooting stars. If even for a day, keep it simple, and ENJOY LIFE!

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# ASK TOM ASK

BY TOM ASK  
GOLF COURSE SUPERINTENDENT



I would like to begin this month's newsletter by asking a favor of our members who store their golf cars in the cart building. We seem to be short of divot bottles and hope that perhaps some extra ones are on shelves, etc. in the cart facility. If you wouldn't mind, please check around your golf car and return any extra ones

to the pro shop. We ordered in a good supply of new divot mix bottles at the start of the season, but still seem to be running short, thank you.

For the past couple of weeks, Northwestern Energy has been at MCC upgrading the electrical lines to our pump houses. We have had several line breaks lately and the electric company thought it was time for an update. By the time you read this article, they should be long gone and we can get back to a quieter golf course. We are sorry for any

interruption that this project may have caused.

We don't know what to expect from our mosquito friends for the rest of the season, but so far they seem to have had less of an impact than we thought they might. We have been having very cool nights and early mornings and evenings with wind, so it has been difficult to pick good times to fog. Please let us know if they get unruly in August and we will try to get out there to fog at an opportune time. Not much longer for their season, thankfully.

August is an extra busy month for us. Not only do we have the golf course to maintain for the rest of the season, but we start spending a great deal of time making plans for next year. The Eagle Fund Committee is already busy planning out Capital Improvement projects and your Green Committee is busy looking at ways to improve the way our department maintains the golf course for you. We appreciate the efforts of the individuals on each committee very much. As always, if there is anything we can do to make your golf experience better, please don't hesitate to ask.

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## Men's Invitational Flight Winners



**OVERALL CHAMPIONS**  
Ray Lynn and Butch Juhnke



**BLACKFOOT FLIGHT**  
A.J. Bassuener and Kurt Solari



**BITTERROOT FLIGHT**  
Bennett MacIntyre and Kevin Opitz



**ROCK CREEK FLIGHT**  
Mike Keener and Al Keener

# WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

## NEWS FROM THE RED TEES

BY LISA BUSEMAN  
MCCWGA PRESIDENT

Hello! Hope you all have been enjoying the beautiful course and excellent weather! The summer is flying by. Be sure to check the Pro Shop for upcoming events. August 1st is the Garden Tour with Dawn and August 3rd is the Helen Tremper Tournament. The Couples Chapman has been moved to August 27th-28th.



**Christine Burkey and Julie Smith**



**Sarah Towle, Carol Fischer and Shari Linjala**



**Carol Van Valkenberg and Ann Rausch**

*Golf Quote: "A kid grows up a lot faster on the golf course. Golf teaches you how to behave."*  
*Jack Nicklaus*



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# August 2011

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> 11 am – 8 pm DAWN'S GARDEN TOUR 9 AM Lunch Menu	<b>2</b> 11 am – 8 pm LADIES' LEAGUE Dinner Menu	<b>3</b> 11 am – 8 pm HELEN TREMPER LADIES' INVITATIONAL Lunch Menu	<b>4</b> 11 am – 8 pm MEN'S LEAGUE Dinner Menu	<b>5</b> 11 am – 8 pm PRO-ASSISTANTS TOURNAMENT COUPLE'S TWILIGHT 6 PM Dinner Menu	<b>6</b> 11 am – 8 pm NO DINNER SERVICE NESTER WEDDING
<b>7</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>8</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>9</b> 11 am – 8 pm LADIES' LEAGUE Dinner Menu	<b>10</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>11</b> 11 am – 8 pm MEN'S LEAGUE FUN NIGHT Dinner Menu	<b>12</b> 11 am – 8 pm ALLEGIANCE TOURNAMENT COUPLE'S TWILIGHT 6 PM Dinner Menu	<b>13</b> 11 am – 8 pm Dinner Menu
<b>14</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>15</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>16</b> 11 am – 8 pm LADIES' LEAGUE Dinner Menu	<b>17</b> 11 am – 8 pm PRIVATE PARTY IN DINING ROOM 5:00 Lunch Menu	<b>18</b> 11 am – 8 pm MEN'S LEAGUE PLAYOFF (1) No Dinner Service	<b>19</b> 11 am – 8 pm Dinner Service	<b>20</b> 11 am – 8 pm Dinner Menu
<b>21</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>22</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>23</b> 11 am – 8 pm LADIES' NIGHT Dinner Menu	<b>24</b> 11 am – 8 pm Lunch Menu	<b>25</b> 11 am – 8 pm MEN'S LEAGUE PLAYOFF (2) Dinner Menu	<b>26</b> 11 am – 8 pm CRJ TOURNAMENT Dinner Menu	<b>27</b> 11 am – 8 pm NO DINNER SERVICE COUPLES CHAPMAN
<b>28</b> 11 am – 8 pm NO DINNER SERVICE COUPLES CHAPMAN	<b>29</b> 11 am – 8 pm SCHOOL STARTS POOL CLOSED Lunch Menu	<b>30</b> 11 am – 8 pm LADIES' NIGHT POOL CLOSED Dinner Menu	<b>31</b> 11 am – 8 pm POOL CLOSED Lunch Menu	<b>1</b> 11 am – 8 pm MEN'S LEAGUE PLAYOFF (3) FINAL DINNER SEPTEMBER Dinner Menu	<b>2</b> 11 am – 8 pm PRIVATE PARTY IN DINING ROOM 6:30 POOL CLOSED Dinner Menu	<b>3</b> 11 am – 8 pm POOL OPEN Dinner Menu