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NEWSLETTER

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Message from our President

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Well say it ain't so... We just had a September to remember for golf - a really great golfing month! I hope you had more than one opportunity to get out there and enjoy our golf course. The long range forecast for October in Oswego is also looking very nice for a few more Fall Ball experiences. I hope to see you out on the course.

As we begin to find fewer days to get outside and play, and as the days continue to shorten, our club offers a dart league and Sunday football. Thanks to several members who have volunteered to bring these activities to our membership for all to enjoy. As social animals, we can move inside for a bit of fun and frolic - stop by our Century Room for a beer, a drink or some fizz and froth! More is planned for indoor activities, so stay tuned to weekly updates.

You'll notice that we're in process of constructing a few new forward tees for our RED and GOLD golfers. Holes 5 and 17 have been needing these for quite some time and we're getting them done as a fall project. Additionally, we had an on course meeting with our course architect, Barry Jordan, to look at our next course project as part of our Long Range Course Master Plan. One area of our course that will require tree removal and a slight fairway reshape is hole 10. Per our Long Range Master Plan (LRMP), the plan calls for a thinning of trees on the right side of the fairway running all the way from the landing area past the bunker up to the green. That work will be completed with our in-house team during the late fall and winter. The main hole that we're focused on for the coming year is 14 and will include a lengthening of the hole for white and blue tees as well as tree work and bunkering around the green. A more detailed work plan is in the development stage that can be shared with our membership once Barry is able to get his drawings on paper and completed. This project will be largely funded through a new Long-term Capital Reserve, explained last month and shared again below.

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As I stated in September, I have a responsibility as president to assemble a Nominating Committee for the selection of potential Board members as well as recommend a slate of officers for our next fiscal year. In addition to sitting Board members who can serve, we will need to bring two non-Board members to complete the committee. If you have interest in serving on the Nominating Committee, please let me, or another board member, know your interest. [See the handbook description below]

Beyond serving on a committee, we are also seeking members to be part of the Board to serve in the 2026-27 fiscal year. Whether it's a committee, a Board seat or a clean up day, your ideas matter and your ability to affect positive change for our club is always needed. We look forward to new and fresh ideas, bringing strategies to fruition and bringing bold ideas for club consideration.

As always, I welcome your thoughts and comments. Find me around the Club, drop me a note or call/text... president@oswegocountryclub.com or (315) 591-4172.

Regards,
Bill

Bill Crist
President OCC

From 2026 Member Handbook Nominating Committee

There shall be a Nominating Committee appointed by the President at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual membership meeting. This committee shall be comprised of not less than three (3) voting members of the Club, at least one (1) of which shall be a Board member and at least two (2) shall not be Board members. The names of the Committee members shall be communicated to the voting membership of the Club at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual membership meeting. The duty of the Committee shall be to nominate eligible members to be considered for election at the annual membership meeting as Directors to fill vacancies or unexpired terms. The voting membership of the Club shall be informed of the Committee's list of nominees at least ten (10) days prior to the annual membership meeting. The Committee shall also compile and recommend a slate of officers for the consideration of the Board at its specially convened meeting held during the annual membership meeting.

Long-term Capital Reserve Planning

Our Club invested in a Long Range Master Plan for our golf course several years ago and have been able to chip away at low hanging fruit from that plan - notably holes number 4, 6 and the 9th green. We were also able to build out forward tees and repair and create cart paths to needed areas. We did all of that with wind fall from the National Grid pipeline project, COVID government reimbursements and, in part, our savings. The Oswego Country Club has long required a means to achieve long term sustainability to meet the future needs of the Club without impacting or compromising the day to day short-term balance of our operations.

Creating a financial vehicle to achieve long-term sustainability by way of a long-term capital reserve will support the Club's needs for on course and general improvements. This reserve will allow the Club to be positioned to sustain and, more importantly, grow for current and future families and individuals at Oswego Country Club for decades to come.

The Board is considering a percentage of monthly or annually collected annual dues to be placed in the long-term capital reserve line item based on membership classification for the explicit use of the Master Plan implementation, Irrigation system maintenance, upkeep and replacement for our golf course and Clubhouse long term maintenance and upkeep, not limited to: roofs, outbuildings, pool, grounds, parking lots. The Board will continue to refine the proposal and share additional information with the membership in the coming months. The decision for a long-term capital reserve will require member ratification and approval at the annual meeting. More revisions will be forthcoming.

FACILITIES

Mark Brunschweiger- Facilities Committee Chair

What a beautiful month we had for golfing. It was so great to see all the activity at the club this past month. It's hard to believe we are entering the last month of our regular golf season, so let's make the best of it.

Ever notice how clean and inviting our Club House and Locker Rooms are. Unless you're at the Club at 5:00 am in the morning to witness it, this is the hard work of Dave Knoop. Dave is at the Club first thing in the morning cleaning the restrooms, vacuuming, dusting, leaf blowing the sidewalks and countless other activities. If you happen to catch Dave in the morning or out on the course, be sure to give him a big thanks. Thank you, Dave, for all your hard work.

This month's chapter from our Emergency Action Plan is titled "Fire". Members should be aware of the location of Fire Extinguishers and emergency exits in case the need to evacuate arises. Also, fire extinguishers and fire exits shall never be blocked.

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Fire

In the event of a fire, the Club's fire alarm system will activate. This system will provide warning for necessary emergency action and sufficient time for employees, members and guests to evacuate the Club. The fire alarm monitoring company, Volney Multiplex, (315-593-3066) will also notify management and the local Fire Department when the alarm system is activated.

If you see a fire pull a Fire Alarm. Fire Alarms are located throughout the Clubhouse and Locker Room buildings.

Do not attempt to go into a fire. Possible hazards include burns, smoke inhalation, fallen debris, chemical explosions, and electrocution.

Before opening a door, touch it near the top to see if it is hot. Do not open a hot door.

A fire on the other side could blast through the smallest opening with tremendous force and heat.

Do not use water on any fire if it's around or involved with electricity or chemicals of any kind.

Fire Extinguisher Locations

Location	Type
Northwest corner in bar	ABC
Club House Basement by stairs	ABC
Kitchen South Wall	K
Maintenance shop	CO 2
Dining Room Back Bar	ABC
Club House upstairs by office	ABC
Locker Room Entrance	ABC
Locker Room Basement by stairs	ABC
Upper club storage room	ABC
Snack Shed	ABC
Course Maintenance Building	ABC
Course Maintenance work shop	ABC

Thank you,
Mark G. Brunschweiler
mbrunsc@yahoo.com

ON THE COURSE

Matt Bednarski- Course Superintendent

What a beautiful time to get out and enjoy some early fall golf here at Oswego Country Club! We have had a busy month here and I have to admit that we have been making quite a mess out of the place. We started the month off with greens aeration and I'm happy to say that we regained better playing conditions quicker than usual with the help of our new greens roller. Our tee boxes have also been showing some signs of compaction and poor vigor so we took a couple days to really slow the machine down and complete a very thorough aeration of them as well. We are expecting to see less wear, stress, and localized dry spots due to this procedure. We have also verticut both fairways and tee boxes in an attempt to reduce disease, insect damage, and water repellency. We understand that these procedures do cause some play disruption, and cause quite a mess, but the improvements that we have seen over the last couple years in our fairway and tee health more than justify the couple days of rough playing conditions.

We are starting the month of October off with our standard fall aeration of both tees and fairways to help recover turf from stress, as well as prepare for the upcoming winter with strong healthy plants. Around the clubhouse we have been trimming shrubs, cutting back perennials, and adding some fall annuals to our beds. We have stakes out in the fifth rough marking spots where we plan to plant trees, and have begun construction of two new forward tee boxes on the fifth and seventeenth holes. We have met with our architect Barrie Jordan to discuss plans for the fourteenth hole and are awaiting plans from him with hopes of being able to improve that hole in the future for all playing abilities.

It's hard to believe that the golf season is beginning to wind down. We will be completing some of our construction projects this month and will also be beginning to prep the golf course for winter. Irrigation shutdown, leaf blowing, and fall green aeration will be coming up, but we still have a lot of really pleasant conditions between now and snowfall. Please come out and enjoy some of the best golf conditions of the year!

Matt Bednarski-GCS



FROM ACROSS THE POND



GREEN

Paul Kunzwiler- Green Committee Chair

Matt Bednarski was able to schedule a recent visit from our golf course architect, Barry Jordan, regarding changes to number 14 and number 10. During this visit, Barry said he would provide some sketches regarding changes to 14, however he said the two pines north of 14 green have outlived their life span and agreed whole heartedly with their removal due to their exposed roots and overall appearance. Matt and crew will remove those trees as time allows. (The crew is obviously busy with constructing new forward tee boxes on 5 and 17). Barry also agreed with adding a back tee north of the water fountain on 14 which is consistent with the master plan. This work could be completed by our crew with minimal cost. Any further improvements to the hole would be consistent with the board approving one of Barry's sketches and cost considerations.

Barry also agreed with trimming and removal of trees along the west side of 10 fairway which is consistent with the master plan. Matt will begin tree removal as time allows.

We were able to take Barry out to view the finished product on holes 4 and 6. He was thoroughly pleased with what he saw. Speaking for myself, I believe OCC's relationship with Barry Jordan should continue into the future. He's been a valuable asset for Matt and our club.

PK Kunzwiler
Green Committee Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Greg Lavery - Membership Chair

As we wind down into fall golf, the course continues to be in amazing shape. With the end of the fiscal year only a month away, anyone looking to join the club in the future should put in an application now for the 2027 golfing season. This allows for approval as people leave during the off season.

The Board is evaluating membership numbers to make sure we find the right mix of tee time availability and maximizing our club's membership. As always, please reach out with any questions regarding membership.

Greg Lavery
Membership Chair
315-402-6538

Zack Farden- Golf Committee Chair

The 2026 tournament season is quickly coming to a close, with just a few events remaining on the calendar. I would like to thank everyone who chaired a tournament this year. Your time and effort helped make our events more organized and enjoyable for our members, while also making things run more smoothly for our Pro Shop staff.

There were several events this season that did not have a tournament chair. If you have ever considered getting more involved, I encourage you to consider volunteering next season. Serving as a tournament chair is a great way to contribute to the club and help make our events successful. It takes a team effort to put these tournaments together, and every bit of help is appreciated.

Speaking of our Pro Shop staff, I would also like to offer a huge thank you to Hoagie and Zach for everything they do throughout the season. So much of their work happens behind the scenes, and I don't think we always realize just how much goes into making our tournaments and golf events run smoothly. Tournaments certainly don't run themselves, and we have received nothing but positive feedback from the outside groups that have held events at Oswego this year. Their hard work and professionalism are a big reason why those events continue to be successful. Thank you, Hoagie and Zach!

Our final tournament of the season will be the Stableford Tournament on October 10th, with a 10:00 a.m. shotgun start. This is our only tournament of the year that is open to non-members, making it a great opportunity to invite a friend, family member, or fellow golfer to experience Oswego Country Club. It is always a fun and competitive event and a fitting way to cap off the golfing season. Find a partner and consider signing up — we hope to see you there!

Zack Farden

BUSINESS OFFICE

Marilyn Magner & Jennifer Boalt

This is the time of year to make any necessary changes to your membership account. If you have moved or changed your status in any way please contact us at office@oswegocountryclub.com for a Change of Membership form - it's easy! We will email you a form and you can send it back to us or drop it off at the club.

Do you have a twcnny.rr.com email address? You may find these are being eradicated and need to switch to a new provider. If so, please forward your new email address to us at office@oswegocountryclub.com

HANDICAPS

Dan Bartlett- Handicap Committee Chair

SUBJECT: End-of-Season Handicap Score Posting Reminder

Dear Members,

As autumn sets in and the Central New York golf season enters its final stretch, the Handicap Committee would like to thank everyone for another fantastic year on the course.

With several weeks of great playing weather remaining, we want to remind all members that **the active score-posting season in Central New York (NYSGA region) runs through October 31.**

Why Continuing to Post Matters

Every round you play—whether competitive or casual—helps maintain an accurate reflect of your playing ability. Posting consistently ensures that your Handicap Index® remains current and fair for club events, autumn games, and early-season competitions next spring.

Important Posting Guidelines

1. **Post Day-of-Play:** Under the World Handicap System™ (WHS), daily revisions occur overnight. Please post your score on the same day you play so the system can accurately adjust course conditions (PCC).
2. **Acceptable Scores:** Remember to post all eligible 9-hole and 18-hole rounds played under the Rules of Golf, including match play or casual rounds played with a partner or group.
3. **9-Hole Rounds:** Under current WHS rules, 9-hole scores are combined automatically into your handicap record as soon as they are submitted.
4. **How to Post:** Use the **USGA / GHIN Mobile App**, submit scores online at [GHIN.com](https://www.ghin.com), or use the terminal in the Pro Shop.

Traveling This Fall/Winter?

After **October 31**, local scores in Central New York become inactive and cannot be posted. However, if you are travelling to play golf in warmer climates during the winter (e.g., Florida, the Carolinas, Arizona), those regions remain active year-round. You **must continue to post scores** for rounds played in active posting areas during our off-season.

Thank you for your cooperation in preserving the integrity of handicapping at Oswego Country Club. Enjoy the rest of the fall season, and we look forward to seeing you out on the course!

Fairways and greens,

Dan Bartlett
Handicap Chair

CENTURY TAVERN & DINING

Tammy Murphy-Morgia – Concessionaire

Dart League begins October 6- 2 Sessions

Session I 10/6-12/15

Session II 1/5-3/9

Stop down Tuesday evenings and support your team!

Snack Shed Hours will be weather permitting in October

Keep an eye out for Comfort Food

Plan ahead for December 20th Sip & Shop

SOCIAL

Maureen Donovan and Heather Vashaw Co-chairs

Hello Everyone!

Happy October, OCC! First we'd like to thank all those who participated in the Glow Golf Tournament this year. We had a great turn out and a very fun event!

Please look out for some fall and winter events as the seasons turn colder. We're excited to roll out trivia and music bingo in the coming months as well as a holiday sip and shop! We hope everyone enjoys the last few weeks of warm weather!

Best,
Mo and Heather



PRO SHOP

Michael Hogan – OCC Pro
Zach Bowden– Assistant Pro

That was a fast September. We made it through our major college events. Our official leagues are over and moving into October we lose both of our college and high school play. We are going to have a wide open tee sheet other than our Stableford event October 10th. I can't wait to see how many people take the opportunity to keep their season alive.

As we enter our last month I would like to remind everyone that all credit expires on October 21st. Make sure you have spent all of your credit book before October 21st or you will lose it. I do not carry over credit for any reason. I will put up reminder signs around the area. Special orders closed on September 20th as noted in the last newsletter. I am available if you have any questions.

The golf shop hours of operation will be changing to align with the sunset. We will stop renting carts at 5pm nightly. The golf shop will close at 5:30 pm nightly. We will have a staff member on site until the last cart comes in. Please let a staff member know if you have club storage and do not have a fob to get back into storage to return your clubs. With the shorter nights we do not want to lock up on anyone by mistake.

We are looking for a great remainder of the season and hope we see you soon.

Michael (Hoagie) Hogan
Head PGA Professional



UPCOMING EVENTS

2026 2-MAN SCHAMBLE STABLEFORD SATURDAY OCTOBER 10, 2026

Format:

\$120 Per Team (includes meal after golf and prizes;
Skins and Sweeps NOT included; Carts must be purchased
separately; Cash or Checks only; no credit cards)
Both players hit their drives. The best drive is chosen and each
player plays their own ball to the completion of the hole from
there.

Skins (Optional): \$20 per Team (payable day of event)

Sweeps (Optional): \$20 per Team (payable day of event)

Deadline: Monday October 5, 2026 Rain Date: Sunday October 11, 2026

Tee Times: 10AM Shotgun (Pairings will be emailed and posted on the

OCC website by Wednesday October 7, 2026)

OCC Pro Shop: 315-343-1941

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT (Blue Tees) - Total handicap of 16 or less*

FIRST FLIGHT (White Tees) - Total handicap of 17 or more*

* (Teams that feature at least one player with a handicap of 5 or better will automatically
be entered in the Championship Flight) Handicaps used only for
flighting of teams

Stableford Point System - Double Eagle = 8 points, Eagle = 5 Points Birdie = 3 Points

Par = 1 Point, Bogey 0 Points, Double Bogey or Higher — -1 points

2026 OSWEGO COUNTRY CLUB STABLEFORD ENTRY FORM

Please complete in full and return with \$120 entry fee with check made payable to:
Oswego Country Club; c/o Stableford Tourney, 610 west 1st street, Oswego, NY 13126

Player 1 Player 2

Name _____ Name _____

Handicap _____ Handicap _____

Home Course _____ Home Course _____

Course Phone # _____ Course Phone # _____

Email _____ Email _____