



Fast Play

The Monthly Member Newsletter
of Shadow Hills Country Club

The Spirit of Giving at Shadow Hills CC

By Patric Miller- Board Member and Membership Committee Chair

The community that is Shadow Hills Country Club, is more than just a place for recreation, relaxation, and camaraderie with fellow members. We are also a community that gives back regularly, to those in need, and as well as organizations that provide unique services to the place we call home.

This year, a new concept for fundraising (*with an emphasis on Fun!*) was rolled out, with a resounding success! A sold-out response of members, friends, and special guests attended the *Shadow Hills Day of the Dead Gala and Celebration*, to help raise funds for Doernbecher Children's hospital. Doernbecher provides specialized services for children that touch literally every county in the State of Oregon. Many of our own members have been touched personally, or known others who have benefited from the amazing work they do. To this end, we are happy to announce that this amazing night of fun, raised more than \$32,000 for Doernbecher!



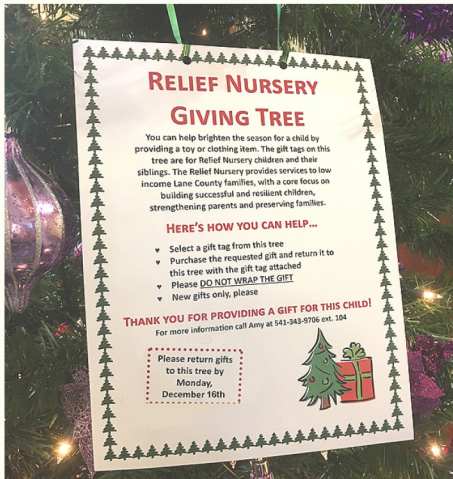
Special Guest Kelly Graves
Joined Us In Raising More than \$32,000
For Doernbecher Children's Hospital!

The giving spirit continues with our **Women's Holiday Party and Fundraiser on December 4th**, a benefit for "Bags of Love," a local service agency that focuses on helping children in family crisis.

Their web site states "For 11 years, Bags of Love has supported children of Lane County suffering from abuse, neglect, poverty, or homelessness. A Bag of Love provides every child we connect with the essentials: clothing, toiletries, toys, books, school supplies, and a handmade quilt or fleece blanket. For a child in crisis, a Bag of Love delivers support and comfort at the time he or she is most vulnerable."

And don't forget the Christmas "Giving Tree" that the Women's Club sponsors each year for the "Relief Nursery!" You can make a child's Christmas brighter with your donation!

it is the truly the "Season of Giving" at Shadow Hills Country Club, Join in the spirit of the season!



December 2019



Upcoming Events



December

- 7 Kid's Gingerbread House Decorating
- 11 Children's Christmas Party
- 25 Christmas Day - Facility Closed
- 31 New Year's Eve Dinner



*Happy Holidays
to You & Yours!*

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Manager's Report

By Dave Shelton
General Manager, PGA Golf Professional

The Green Report

By Ryan Wyckoff, Golf Course Superintendent

I would like to thank all the magic elves that came in on the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving, to decorate the clubhouse. This year we added some new decorations and the clubhouse looks great. A special thanks to Dick and Mary Lou Rohl, who once again donated all of the great looking Christmas trees around the outside of the building. They not only donate the trees to the club, they grow them, harvest them, deliver the trees, and help put them around the building.

The trees, lit with Christmas lights, really add to the festive feeling of the club. We also owe a special thanks to this group of women and men that gave freely of their time to make this happen; Dick & Mary Lou Rohl, Jenny Shelton, Jim Creech, Joe Dickey, Kathy Lucier, Linda Delaplain, Cathy Childers, Penny Sykes, Lori & Chris Plakos, Ryan Wyckoff, Laura Blaze, Ben Johson, Stacey Sullivan, Jeff Smith, and Jeff Brown.

The club is very busy this December with member functions and Holiday parties. I hope you are planning on coming out to the club to enjoy the season with friends and family. I encourage you to make dinner reservations early to make sure there is space available.

We will have a special New Years Eve dinner at the club on December 31st. There will be a special menu with dining reservations available from 5 to 8. This is a great way to celebrate the beginning of the New Year.

I would also like to remind all of our members that use the River Road entrance and exit to please be very careful. River Road has a high volume of traffic and higher speeds without a turn lane. With darkness coming at such an early hour during the winter months, it's much more difficult to see clearly. Please use caution.

I wish all of you a happy Holiday Season and hope that you have time to spend with your family and love ones. This is a special time of year to give thanks and be grateful. I know that my family has a lot to be grateful for, and I look forward to having us all together once again.

Bunker Renovation!

We have started renovating the bunkers and I have received many questions regarding the project. I will try and address all facets of the project to provide a better understanding of the process.

First, we are only completing the green side bunkers at this time. There are 44 greens side bunkers and our goal is to complete approximately half this winter and the remaining half next winter. We do not intend to change the design and overall appearance of the course, but to simply improve the drainage and playing conditions of our existing bunkers. We will not be adding any bunkers, removing any bunkers or changing the location of bunkers.

The renovation process entails removing all of the old sand and any old drainage that may currently exist in each bunker. We will then cut a new, sharp edge all of the way around the bunker to provide a clean, consistent edge. New drain lines will be installed that will drain to a dry well in the low point of the bunker. The dry well is essentially a large pit that is lined and filled with rock to provide underground water storage. Once the bunker is cleaned out and all rocks and debris have been removed, we will add all new sand to each bunker.

Below are a few photos that demonstrate the process.



Celebrate the New Year With Dinner.
At Shadow Hills on New Year's Eve!

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Happy New Year

Make Reservations Now, for times from 5p-8p.

News From The Pro Shop

By Gary Davis , PGA Golf Professional

Winter Golf is in full swing, so each week we will be alternating from the first tee and the tenth tee. Signs will be posted to remind you each week, so please make sure to check with the golf shop before teeing off. It is also a good idea to call the golf shop or watch for updates from ForeTees on early morning tee times, as we may experience frost delays. Also with the rainy season upon us, check with golf shop on cart rules for the day.

- **Strict Cart Path Only** – NO CARTS are allowed off of the cart paths. This

Includes Special Exemption Golfers (those with medical exemptions from the Pro Shop)

- **Cart Path Only** – Only Golfers with Special Exemptions are allowed off of the cart path. 90 degree approach and return, using common sense around soft or distressed course and rough areas is required.

- **Modified 90 Degree Rule** – All carts are to drive to their ball from the cart path to the first shot, in the driest available area of rough, approximately 90 degrees from your ball. When returning to the cart path, please do so over the driest available area of the rough.

- **No Carts are allowed closer than 30 yards to the greens.** No Exceptions.

- **No Carts are allowed off of cart path on PAR 3 Holes.** No Exceptions.

Throughout the month of December look for great savings on a wide variety of equipment, clothing, golf accessories, head covers, belts, rain gear, “Rain Swetters”, waterproof hats, gloves and more. This is a great opportunity to use your credit book, gift cards, or those unused Shadow Bucks you might have laying around. Don’t forget we also have free gift wrapping the month of December! Golf lessons are always another way to say “Merry Christmas”.

Make sure to ask Gary about his “Christmas Special” on a series of 3 golf lessons.

Don’t forget to check your guest passes for their expiration date. Most expire at the end of the year.

Last but not least, Thank you for making Shadow Hills a great place to come to work every day. Have a WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON

Gary’s Golf Tip of the Month:

If any of you take lessons from me you have probably heard me talk about this at one time or another. Swaying backwards on the backswing- try turning your rear foot slightly inward (feeling pressure on the inside of that right foot for a right handed golfer and left foot for a left handed golfer). This “toe-in” move will help you pivot (coil) correctly by preventing a sway and will produce a more consistent and dependable swing!

Welcome To Our New Members

Xander Taylor - Ind. Golf

We’ll Bring The Fixin’s... You Bring The FUN!



Children’s Gingerbread House Decorating Party

Sponsored by

Saturday, Dec. 7th

1pm - Sign Up With Kelli



Let The Memories Begin!



Children’s Christmas Party

Wednesday, Dec. 11th 6pm

Bring the Kids in Their Pajamas for a “Breakfast for Dinner” And a VISIT FROM SANTA!

Contact Kelli to Reserve Your Table!



Women's Club Updates

by Sue Zollner
President-Elect/Publicity

All Shadow Hills women are invited to the **Holiday Lunch & Charity Fundraiser on Wednesday, December 4th**. All charity proceeds will be donated to Bags of Love. The event will start at 11 AM with a social hour followed by the main event at noon. The theme of this year's event is "Silver Bells." Our co-chairs Linda Delaplain and Connie Green have worked very hard most of the calendar year to make this a special event. They have also chosen a special menu and beautiful decorations.

We are hoping to keep the women involved and busy this winter with lots of activities. Watch your emails for Monday movies. Many are going to the movies on Mondays. Tuesdays will continue to be game day now that golf season has ended. If you want to play games and have lunch, **come out to the club on Tuesdays at 10:00 for fun activities**. There are golfing activities every Wednesday, weather permitting. Go to the pro shop to sign up and put your money in the pool!!!!

Tuesday, December 18th is our annual Christmas sock exchange. Bring a pair of socks, wrapped, and be ready for a lively exchange that also includes the group having lunch together.

Every first and third Tuesday during the winter months, women meet for lunch at 11:30 in the dining room.

Check out the books in the lending library in the Women's locker room. Please take books that you want to read and feel free to bring books for others to read.

SHCC Women's Club Gathered for their Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon



Employee Holiday Gift Program

It is that time of year where we ask for support in saying Thank You to our staff by contributing to our Employee Holiday Gift Program. The money contributed is shared by all employees; Greens, Kitchen, Pro Shop, Service and Office staff. The General Manager, Golf Professional and Greens Superintendent do not receive a portion of this holiday gift program.

Your contribution shows appreciation for the many services rendered by all our employees during the past year. We hope you will participate in this voluntary contribution.

Contact Kelli for a Form, or Watch the News You Need for a link to a downloadable version.



Handicapping & Rules

From the Handicap Committee
by Ron Willis - Men's Handicap Chair

World Handicap System (Effective Jan. 1, 2020)

The World Handicap System includes the Rules of Handicapping and the Course Rating System. Its purpose is to make the game of golf enjoyable and to give as many golfers as possible the opportunity to:

- Obtain and maintain a Handicap Index
- Use their Handicap Index on any golf course around the world
- Compete, or play a casual round, with anyone on a fair and equal basis

Currently a Handicap Index can be issued to a player after five 18-hole scores are submitted and a revision takes place. In 2020, a Handicap Index will be issued to a player after three 18-hole scores. Scores can be made up of any combination of 9-hole and 18-hole scores. Revisions will be daily, so a player's Handicap Index will become active the day after their third 18-hole score is submitted.

Another change is the number of scores used when calculating an Index. Currently when a score is submitted, it is converted to a Handicap Differential. A Handicap Index is then calculated by averaging the 10 Differentials out of the most recent 20. The resulting average is then multiplied by .96 (potential ability). Rule Change for 2020; a Handicap Index will be calculated by averaging 8 best Score Differentials out of most recent 20.

Moving to an 8 of 20 system enables greater responsiveness to good scores and eliminates the need for the .96 multiplier. Using 8 of 20 will allow better scores to weigh more heavily and create more equity across all Handicap Indexes.

Watch for next month's newsletter for additional 2020 World Handicap System information.



Get Fit and Rip It!
Join Us for a **Swing Workout Of The Day (SWOD)**
The SWOD works on 5 Swing Skills That Help Build the Foundation of Your Golf Swing!

SPACE IS LIMITED

SO SIGN UP TODAY!

Call the Proshop or email Birk@OrangeWhipTrainer.com

Lead By:
Birk Nelson, PGA, TPI, GFX
Nick Mainenti, CPT, TPI

Saturday, Dec. 7th
10:00-10:45 am

Location:
Shadow Hills Banquet Room

Cost:\$20

		December 2019					
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
1	2 Clubhouse Closed	3 Party Bridge - 10am	4 Women's Day Pinochle - 10am	5 Men's Day	6 Mah Jongg - 10am Partner Bridge - 5:30pm	7 Golf X Fitness Class 10a Children's Gingerbread House Decorating -1p	
8	9 Clubhouse Closed	10 Duplicate Bridge - 10am	11 Women's Day Pinochle - 10am Children's Christmas Party	12 Men's Day	13 Mah Jongg - 10am	14	
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22	23 Clubhouse Closed	24 Duplicate Bridge - 10am	25 CHRISTMAS Facility Closed	26 Men's Day	27 Mah Jongg - 10am	28	
29	30	31 Party Bridge - 10am New Years Eve Dinner 5-8p					

Fall/Winter Season Service Hours
 Breakfast: Saturday from 6:30am to 11:00am, Sunday from 6:30am to 12:30pm
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 Sunday from 11:00am to 5:00pm *HOLIDAY HOURS ~ Breakfast 6:30am-12:30pm ~ Lunch 11am-5pm
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 * Bar closing time subject to bartender's discretion

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