



Fast Play

The Monthly Member Newsletter of Shadow Hills Country Club

Is It Time for the Next Evolution of SHCC?

Upcoming surveys will give you a voice!

By Patric Miller - Digital Communications Editor

It has long been said that organizations, communities, and people must evolve to keep improving and adapting, or slowly disappear over the years through irrelevance and inaction. Our club may be at a crossroads, and evolution and growth may require us to “think big” to meet the demands of our changing demographics.

Without question, the biggest growth in our membership has come from younger members with families, as well as “well-aged” folks who value fitness and a variety of options. Yes, we are a golf club, first and foremost. But, golf, even with a “year round course” like ours, can be limited by weather and sunlight in the “off-season.”

Prior to the disruption brought about by Covid, both the Long Term Planning and Membership Committees had begun floating a number of ideas that could add benefits and new sources of revenue to what our club currently offers. And now, the Board, and our administration team feel it is a good time to do some surveys, to get YOUR INPUT on potential improvements to our club.

Several of these ideas revolve around developing the large, expansive area along the Sovren entrance, once the location of the old, dilapidated cart barns. The new cart barns were a huge improvement. It’s time to take advantage of the land we own, in a manner that can benefit entire families, including “non-golfers.” If a multi-use fitness/training structure is built on this foot print, it could house a wide variety of activities.

Pickleball Courts

Without question, Pickleball is the hottest growing sport in the country today. Besides being easier to learn than tennis, pickleball is also slower paced and there’s less ground to cover; you could almost fit four pickleball courts onto one tennis court, and most “picklers” play doubles. It is fun for the entire family, no matter what the age!



Expanded Workout/Fitness Center

Our current fitness center is adequate for “the basics.” But large classes, and the ability to move safely with swing-aids, or other equipment is next to impossible. Creating a space that accommodates our expanding membership, is good for our bottom line, as well as keeping our members healthy! ...CONTINUED PAGE 4

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Upcoming Events

November

- 2 Women’s Club- End of Year Celebration
- 6 Men’s Turkey Shoot-Out
- 17 Passport Dinner - Portugal
- 18-20 Holiday Craft Fair
- 24 Thanksgiving - Club Closed
- 26 Beaver/Duck Tailgate Party

December

- 1 Wine Show Sparkling Event
- 2-4 Pro Shop Holiday Sale
- 4 Kid’s Gingerbread House Decorating
- 7 Women’s Holiday Luncheon
- 15 Children’s Christmas Party
- 25 Christmas - Club Closed
- 31 New Year’s Eve Dinner



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Manager's Report

By Ryan Wyckoff

SHCC General Manager

The Shadow Hills Country Club Annual Meeting was held on October 20th. For those members who were unable to attend, the information has been posted, along with supporting documents on ShadowHillsExtra.com to view. Congratulations to our three members elected to the 2023 Board of Directors by the membership: Marilyn France, Phil Burns and Chris Looney. New board members will begin their term in January 2023.

The harvest of the Hazelnut orchard was completed in early October this Fall. The club owns 40 acres of Hazelnuts, which is approximately 10,000 trees. The first harvest in 2021 yielded 14,000 pounds of nuts and this year our yield was over 60,000 lbs. After talking with our farming partner, we are confident that next year's harvest will almost double in production.

One of the primary goals is to continually improve the club through both small and large projects. The fall projects that are scheduled to begin in 2022 and carry into 2023 include the renovation of the front nine fairway bunkers and finishing the landscaping around the event parking lot on the North side of the clubhouse. There are also plans in early 2023 to replace the old rest room on the back side that is located near the 12th green.

Using your *Hole In One Credit* is a great way to get some wine for the holidays. Also be sure and use your pro shop credit by the end of the year.

It is that time of year where we ask for support in saying **Thank You to our staff by contributing to the Employee Holiday Gift Program if you are able.** Thank you for supporting your club and making Shadow Hills Country Club a wonderful place to be.



Use the Clubster App For Current Reservations, Events, and Specials!

Save the Date!

Women's Club
Holiday Luncheon
Charity Fundraiser

December 7th, 11am Social 12pm Lunch

A Benefit Event for
Local Children's
Charities

The President's Corner

By Marilyn France

President of the Board of Directors

Trivia is fun. At my family holiday dinner gatherings, trivia banter is a constant. Here are a few trivia questions (including Shadow Hills trivia) for you to ponder.

- What is Tiger Woods' real first name? Answer- **Eldrick**
- Which Founding Father wanted the turkey to be America's national Bird? - **Benjamin Franklin**
- How many total bunkers does Shadow Hills have? - **66 bunkers**
- What classic film ends with, "Afterall, tomorrow is another day"? **Gone with the Wind**
- How many different types of trees are there on the golf course at Shadow? **30 types**
- What years did Shadow host the Nike/Nationwide tournament? **1998-2008.** (players included **Jason Day, Matt Kuchar, Bubba Watson, Ben Crane, Casey Martin, Chip Beck and Notah Begay**)
- What is an albatross in golf? **3 under par on a hole**
- How many tons of sand were used in the 2021-22 greenside bunker project? **825 tons**
- What is the diameter of the hole in golf? **4.25 inches**
- How many rounds of golf are projected to be played at Shadow in 2022? **48,000 rounds**
- What are the two types of filberts/hazelnuts in the SH orchard? **Yamhill & Wepsters**
- How much does the Club spend on tees and scorecards each year? **\$6,800 for tees & \$4,500 for scorecards**
- How many acres is the SH golf course? **130 acres for the golf course & 320 acres for the entire property**

Hope you enjoyed some of these trivia questions. Since I know ZERO "Simpsons" trivia, maybe this year I will be able to throw in a couple of questions of my own.

To change direction, I'll admit that I play a lot of golf. I play all different days of the week and different times of the day. **One thing I have noticed is a growing disregard for cart path rules.** I see carts on par 3s (not only on the fairway but also up on the tee box), carts very near the green on hole #11, carts cutting across the pond-side of #3 to reach the tee box on hole 4 just to name a few. **As the weather changes, adherence to cart path rules will become very important for golf course care and maintenance.**

As members, we all need to be Course Proud and follow cart path rules. Thank you all for your respect and care of the golf course.



News From The Pro Shop

By Gary Davis , PGA Golf Professional

Unlike October last year, which dealt us numerous days of rain, this year October has been filled with nothing but sunshine and plenty of great days to enjoy a round of golf. Let's hope November provides some great days as well!

With that said, Winter Golf is just around the corner. We will start alternating from the first tee and tenth tee each week and will post daily what the cart rule is for that day, so please check with the golf shop before teeing off. Also, it is a good idea to call the golf shop for those early morning tee times, as we may experience frost delays.

Don't forget that the **Pro Shop Holiday Sale** and will be **December 2nd - 4th**. You will be able to enjoy the same member benefit of reduced pricing, and for every \$135 that you spend on in-stock merchandise, you receive a free guest pass worth \$65.

This will be a perfect time to spend your credit book before the end of the year.

A few reminders:

- * Jeans are allowed on the course starting November 1st.
- * Don't forget to keep posting your scores through November. The final day for posting is November 30th.
- * Even though Winter Golf is upon us and there are fewer groups at times, please continue to play "Ready Golf." It only takes one group playing slow to ruin it for everyone else.

Come visit us in the Golf Shop for continued savings and to do all your Christmas shopping! See you at the club!

Welcome To Our New Members

- Jase & Lisa Simmons - Individual Golf
- Ashley & TJ Davis - Jr. Exec Family Golf
- Alyssa & Andrew Powell - Jr. Exec Family Golf
- Mitch & Tennille Zavala - Family Golf
- Mike & Brook Taylor - Family Golf
- Lee & Suzanne Brohel - Family Golf

Winter Rules? Today's Cart Path Regulation?

**Strict
Cart Path
ONLY
Today**
(This Means You!)

**Check with the Pro Shop
Before You Tee Off!**

The Green Report

By Eric Wiggins, Golf Course Superintendent

After a warm and a sunny October, it looks like fall is finally here to stay. The course is taking the recent rains very well and will help the course even out as well as fill in some of our thin areas. The maintenance staff will be spending a large amount of time over the next month staying on top of all the falling leaves and keeping them out of the way as much as possible, so they are not interfering with play.

With cooler temperatures, growth will start to slow down, and we will be able to start to transition into working on more projects for the upcoming golf season. This fall we will begin work on the front nine fairway bunkers. Like the work done on the greenside bunkers, we will remove all the old sand, cut back edges to their original locations, replace drainage, and install new bunker sand. When the work is completed, the bunkers will drain much better and be playable throughout the winter after heavy rains.

Along with the fairway bunkers, we will also spend time this winter raising sprinkler heads around the course. With regular topdressing to keep playing conditions ideal year-round, the turf slowly builds up around the heads over time. Some of the heads have become so low that the water is knocked down by the turf before it can get to the area it is supposed to water. We will start by raising the heads around the greens then move on to the fairways.



**Wine Show
Sparkling Event**

We will be hosting 12 wineries & distributors at this event!

Some of the area's finest makers of sparkling wines will be there!

Galaxy Wines, Mitchell Wines, RNDC is bringing 4 wineries, Southern Wine & Spirits, Deutsch Vineyards, Sweet Checks, NW Negotiant Project, Handcrafted Wines

Appetizers Provided

\$20 per person

Dec. 1st - 5:30p-7:30p

Sign Up Early for Dinner Afterward
RSVP Through Clubster

"Save The Date"
For the 2nd Annual
Bazaar on the Green!
November 18-20th

Free to the Public!
Antiques, Holiday Décor,
Pottery, Metal art, Jewelry,
Custom Reclaimed Wood Art,
Bird Houses, Wreaths,
Succulents, Blown Glass
and Lots More!
Hours - Nov. 18th (3-8pm)
Nov. 19th (9am-5pm)
Nov/ 20th (9am-2pm)

Questions?
call Margie Brooks 541-521-5069
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Golf Simulator

These units require space and an area large enough to be safe. However, training year-round, even after dark, is a huge advantage. In addition, they can be rented for "Top Golf" types of events!



Bocce Ball or Petanque Courts

These two leisure sports are growing at many Country Clubs and recreation centers. Low cost, low impact, and a lot of fun, they both require little space, but a lot of skill!

Expanding our Pool

Without question, our pool is heavily used during the summer months. Many clubs have larger pools, some with slides, or water pads for smaller kids. Is it time for a "pool makeover?"

All of these ideas offer ways for our club to increase revenue, by adding a potential category of "sport social" to our offerings. None of them would impact the already busy course at peak seasons, and all would add a wide variety of "family options" for fun and fitness.

It has been ten years since building the new clubhouse, and several years since adding the McKay Learning Center. It is time for another Evolution at Shadow Hills? **WATCH FOR THE SURVEYS IN COMING WEEKS-LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK!**

Great Raffle Prizes!

Shadow Hills Pro Shop

BIG HOLIDAY SALE

OUR BIGGEST EVENT OF THE YEAR!

up to **50% OFF** Reg. Retail Prices

THREE DAY EVENT
Dec. 2nd thru 4th
10a - 4p All Days

WE HAVE BROUGHT IN LOADS OF SPECIAL ITEMS FOR THIS SALE!
Apparel, Accessories, Shoes, Winter Wear & Great Gift Ideas
All At Special Member Pricing and End-Of-Season Discounts!



Do Your Holiday Shopping Early!

Great Deals From:

Nike, Footjoy, Adidas, Sun Mountain, Johnnie-O, and More!

The Perfect Gift Ideas for You and Yours!

FREE GUEST PASS
For every \$135 spent
(limit 5 passes)

It's a great time to close out your Credit Book, Get Great Prices, and get Free Guest Passes!

SEE YOU THERE!

Portugal
PASSPORT DINNER

NOV 17 AT 6PM



Featuring:

- Caldo verde (kale and sausage soup)
- Salada de polvo (grilled octopus salad)
- Garlic shrimp with peri peri sauce
- Pork and clams
- Almondegas (meat balls) with grilled bread
- Sanhos (donuts) with chocolate sauce
- Plus Drink Specials!

\$50 per person | RSVP through Clubster