



NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

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May 26th



**TOURNAMENT
THIS WEEKEND..
THREE MAN
MAY 17TH-18TH**

**JUNE
TOURNAMENTS**

**LADIES SCRAMBLE
JUNE 14TH
TWO MAN
JUNE 28TH-29TH**

*All tournament flyers are located on our website at www.scgogolf.com



This past year proved to be just as challenging as any in the golf course business. If it's not volatile gas costs, lightning hitting our sprinkler system or a severe drought escalating operation costs during golf season; it's a winter for the ages driving propane prices through the roof. We continue to see escalating costs for everything we do, in addition to the unforeseen emergencies that are always looming. Nearly all our buildings are beyond much needed maintenance as we continue to struggle with funding in light of the fore mentioned. We are hoping to turn the tide on some of this by promotion of a volunteer's initiative called **Adopt-A-Project**. A broad participation involving volunteer labor of the membership will go a long way in preserving member dollars spent on operations and perhaps allow us to consider upgrading &/or improving our very dated and aged facilities. We're also open to any ideas toward the realization of targeted improvements.

Our budget continues to run very tight. While we see new members joining the club we don't seem to be gaining by total number as others drop from our roles. Participation in our group related events on the golf course including Wednesday night men's play and Thursday night mixed

league continue to be popular. There was also an informal mixed social league on Friday nights during the summer that was well attended. Increased membership and increased activity of the members are critical elements of our fiscal health.

We took advantage of historically low interest rates and purchased a new Greens Mower during the year. We believe the cost per year to operate a new machine over its lifetime to be less when contrasted against the purchase of older machinery, its inherent increased maintenance and repair costs and the inevitable downtime.

Our members were victims to crime in our cart sheds more than once during the year and the board acted to install motion activated lighting along with a video surveillance system in an effort to deter future problems. We continue to promote our website and see its usage increase. We updated our Member Handbook and added it to the website along with other resources that are easily accessible to members and visitors. At last year's Annual Meeting, a stockholder recommended we improve our communications. The board committed itself to more transparency of its activity; evidence by posting of our

meeting minutes throughout the year in the clubhouse. We brought back a club newsletter that has been hugely popular and is a very effective tool of communication. We sold our two 3 acre lots along Highway 72 during the year with the details of this being included in a recent newsletter.

Prior to closing, I have to thank our wonderful and dedicated staff. Brad and his crew do an excellent job providing a first class golfing experience. Brad's dedication to helping us control costs this past year is commendable as well. We'll continue to see the use of natural areas on the course as this saves labor, gas and much wear and tear on our equipment; not to mention it's a part of a greater Green Movement afoot on all courses.

I can't go without praising the clubhouse crew as well. Linda is back after a long recovery with an injury. Mary and Butch weren't without their challenges during this extended period and though we often take what they do for granted, they're equally worthy of our appreciation.

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PLAYING BY THE RULES

LEGAL OR ILLEGAL ?

1. My driver breaks after hitting a ball during a match and I replace it.
2. I ask you what club you just hit.
3. My ball is overhanging the lip of the cup and I wait two minutes. At that point, the ball falls into the cup.
4. My ball is in the fairway and a loose twig is touching it. I pick up the twig and in process, my ball moves.
5. Just before putting, I use my club to flatten a few spike marks which are on my line.

Answers....

1. Legal, if I don't delay play. However, if I have broken it in a fit of anger, I cannot replace it.
2. Illegal. It's a two stroke penalty for me, but if you answer me, you are slapped with the same.
3. Illegal. I am assessed a one stroke penalty.
4. Illegal. The ruling calls for a one stroke penalty.
5. Illegal. As a result, I am assessed with a two stroke penalty.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (cont'd)

LASTLY → As we've completed the bulk of our 2014 membership renewal season with a high percentage of retention; I'd like to express on behalf of the board, the staff and the membership a deep gratitude to those members who have been faithful in rejoining year after year knowing they'll not likely even set foot on the property. Without their ongoing loyal support of the club, all of our cost structures would look much different.

As I reflect on all of the contributions of the various stakeholders in making Spring Creek Golf Club what it is, the words of the great American Philosopher, Red Green come to mind: "Remember, I'm pulling for you, cause we're all in this thing together." The Board of Directors thanks each and every one of you and looks forward to seeing you during the upcoming season.

Mike Elliott
Board President

Thanks

Recognition of Outgoing Directors..

On behalf of the stockholders and members of Spring Creek Golf Club, I'd like to thank our outgoing directors for their conscientious untiring service during their tenures on the board. John Boyle & Jim Ludan have volunteered countless hours to the management and oversight of the club. I don't have any great sum words to thank you but can confidently convey on behalf of this board, our stockholders and the members of the Spring Creek Golf Club that your service is appreciated and we're grateful for it.

Mike Elliott & Board of Directors

A Look Ahead ...2014-2015

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEW OFFICERS FOR UPCOMING YEAR:

PRESIDENT-MIKE ELLIOTT,
VICE PRESIDENT-ANDREW CURLEY
SECRETARY-MELANIE WISDOM
TREASURER-DAVID DITTMAN

Committee Re-Assignments:

Marsha Odom-Clubhouse
Andrew Curley-Grounds
Bryon Craig-Tournaments
John McColloch-Cart sheds
Marsha Odom-Beautification
Chris Heavin-Social Events
S.N. Ball-Newly Elected

Course Superintendent-Brad Blackwell

Clubhouse Manager-Mary Karr

Current Membership Status:

Reg/Corp	123
Senior	2
Non-Resident	13
Junior=	11
Social-	15
Students=	4

2014-15 Budget

Income= \$268,200
Expense=\$266,350

Dear Shareholders,

Financial statements and monthly P&L reports are available upon request. The Board minutes are published and posted monthly. If you would like to see a Four (4) year trial balance, a current depreciation schedule or have a question in regards to budget, or income and expenses, please email or contact me and I will be happy to assist you.

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David Dittman,
Treasuer



Left-Orville Swearingin gets a new greens mower. This picture and article about Orville's job and new equipment was on the cover of the Salem News. 70's
Right-Anxiously awaiting tournament results, golfers look on to see who placed in their flight.
Below-James Kurtwright and Denver Cook pose with the new "Modern" sign designed by Kurtwright.



NEW GOLF CLUB SIGN — James Kurtwright, designer of this modern sign at the Salem Golf and Country Club, and Denver Cook, club president, pose by the new marker for the golf course entrance.

EVER WONDER WHAT HOLES ARE THE HARDEST AT SPRING CREEK GOLF COURSE?

According to the experts, here you go....

By Rank, Hardest to Easiest

1. Hole 1
2. Hole 8
3. Hole 4
4. Hole 2
5. Hole 6
6. Hole 5
7. Hole 7
8. Hole 3
9. Hole 9

**Some would argue with certain pin placements, Hole 2 moves up the list in difficulty!*

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SPECIAL REQUEST FROM THE EDITOR

YOU MAKE THIS NEWSLETTER SPECIAL. That's right, **YOU** the reader. I would like you to share more Stories, Golf Pictures, Golf Tips, Anniversaries, and Birthday's. If you are a new member, send me a short bio of you and your family and I will place something in our spotlight section. See a great golf tip on television or magazine, share it. Have a picture of a beautiful golf hole while you are on vacation, send it in so we can all be jealous back home in Missouri. Have a new grandbaby in Idaho? Send a pic and we will share it. We are a club of friends and family. Your fellow golfers and friends would really like to hear from you. Please send your pics or stories to dsmd1995@gmail.com. Thank you. David Dittman

Advertise Your Company at www.scgcgolf.com

If you would like to advertise your business on our website, you may begin doing so. Pricing for a full calendar year advertisement at www.scgcgolf.com will be \$350.00. Revenue to the club is \$300.00 and \$50.00 to Bryon Craig for setup fee.

If interested, please contact Bryon Craig for setup instructions.



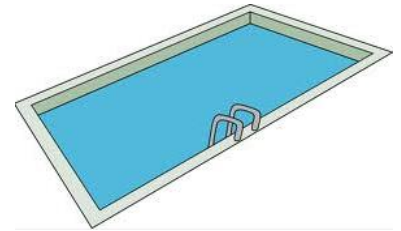
WWW.SCGGOLF.COM IS GETTING A NEW LOOK. THE WEBSITE WILL BE MORE COMPATIBLE WITH MOBILE DEVICES AND CONNECTIVITY. THE RE-DESIGNED SITE SHOULD BE UP AND RUNNING IN A FEW WEEKS !



SPOTLIGHT SECTION



For
**Donating a Flat Screen
 Television in the Bar.**
 Thanks Joe!



**THANKS TO MELANIE
 AND BONNIE GRAY FOR
 POWERWASHING THE
 SWIMMING POOL !**

THE **POOL TABLE** NOW AVAILABLE FOR PLAY BY ALL MEMBERS WAS PURCHASED AND DONATED BY ANDREW CURLEY AND MARTY FARRAR. ONCE THE INITIAL COST IS RECOVERED, ALL REVENUE, INCLUDING THE TABLE WILL BELONG TO SPRING CREEK GOLF CLUB. THE ORIGINAL COST WAS \$700 AND THE TABLE HAS ALREADY BROUGHT IN OVER \$125 IN REVENUE. THE MEMBERS ARE ENJOYING A NEW ACTIVITY IN THE CLUBHOUSE. THANKS!

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU GOES OUT TO **GENE SHAW** OF **PAR ONE GOLF** FOR BROKERING A GOLF CART DEAL THAT ALLOWED SPRING CREEK GOLF CLUB TO BUY RENTAL CARTS AT SPECIAL FLEET PRICING.
 THANKS GENE !



WORK DAYS

May 23rd & 24th

We're kicking off the Adopt-A-Project campaign. Club members will be engaged in various maintenance projects during these two days. Saturday we'll provide pulled pork sandwiches, chips and drinks for volunteers. Carry in covered dishes to compliment this offering are welcome. If you're not signed up for a project, let us know and we'll find a place for you. Bring your work gloves, tools and come on out.

Questions may be directed at Mike Elliott; 729-6624 day / 729-5332 eve
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Volunteers assume their own risk for injury.