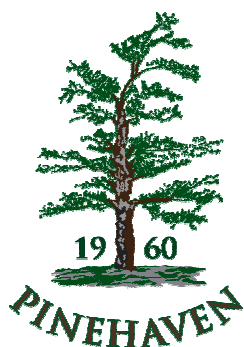


The Chatterbox

August 2011

Special points of interest:

- August Social - August 12th
- Modified Guest Day - August 19th
- Family Day at the Pool - August 20th
- Sadie Hawkins - August 22nd



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President's Message

As I look back on my tenure as President, I realized I began each August Message with a statement expressing surprise that we have passed the half-way point in our golf season. This year is no exception. Time continues to fly by quickly. I hope the first half of the season has given you a favorable level of satisfaction with your Pinehaven membership. Everyone remains totally committed to providing you and your guests with the best possible experience, not only on the golf course, but also in our club house, pool and practice facilities. While we continue to carefully monitor our expenditures, we are doing everything possible to use available resources for improvements to enhance the overall value of your membership. As indicated in last month's Message, the Board of Directors will soon look at expenditures for items that are not currently in our budget, should our finances enable us to make expenditures for improvements to enhance your membership.

We soon will embark on a program of membership packages to attract new members. Despite the increase in our membership numbers this year, we have a long way to go before we reach our maximum membership level of 335, which is our ultimate goal. Further details will be provided as soon as the program is approved.

If you have not done so already, I strongly encourage you to spend some time at our swimming pool facility. We have seen an increase in our pool memberships, as well as actual usage by our members. We really have a fine facility, one which will justify additional improvements as more and more members take advantage of it. With the warmer-than-normal temperatures this summer, our pool is an excellent place to escape for a few hours of time.

Congratulations go to Anne VanBuren and Bill Toomey, who won this year's Women's and Men's Senior Club Championships, respectively. Best wishes go out to all other participants in the remaining Club Championships that will be held throughout the month of August.

August is also a busy month for children, with two upcoming Junior Sports Camp sessions (August 2 – August 5 and August 9 – August 12, respectively), a Family Day at the Pool with Bocce Tournament (August 20) and the Inaugural Kids' Biathlon (August 22).



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The annual Three-Day Men's Member-Guest Championship was recently completed and was an overall success. Special thanks are extended to the Chairs of the Tournament Committee, Rick Rose and Brennen Parker who, along with Mike Jewell, Scott Warren and Scott's staff, ran an excellent event. Special thanks also go to Silver Hills (Anthony Adonnino, Head Chef Justin Engineri and Manager Christina Lenseth and staff) for their efforts, as well as our greens and golf course staff for the countless hours of time that they spent to assure that the course condition remained exceptional despite the extreme heat throughout the tournament.

We have seen over the past several seasons a marked decline of participation in our One-Day Guest Day traditionally held in June, August and September. This year, because of declining interest, only the June Guest Day was scheduled, and attendance at that event was low. We are looking at alternative events in the future. In this month's Chatterbox, and posted throughout the Club and on our web site, is a "Modified Guest Day" event to be held on Friday, August 19. This is designed to provide a more affordable, and flexible, way for you to entertain your family, friends, and business associates. We are looking forward to seeing whether this event will be well received.

As a final note, our annual Stockholders' Meeting, with election of our Board of Directors, will be held in October. For this year only, the meeting will be moved from its usual third Friday of October (October 21) to Wednesday, October 19th, at 6:00 p.m. For any stockholders who are interested in running for election for a Board seat, please contact me in person, by phone or by e-mail at prespc@nycap.rr.com. Until next time,

Sincerely, Jim Schultz, President

CLUB
EVENT
SUMMER
CHAMPIONSHIP

August Social

"Mid-Summer Party in the Pines"

Friday, August 12th - 6:30 pm

Appetizer

Steamed Clams

Or

Vegetarian Spring Rolls

Summer Salad

Entrée

BBQ Chicken and Spiral Sausage

Salt Potatoes

Corn on the Cob

Cole Slaw

Dessert

Smoes Station

\$25. ++ per person

Please make reservations early by calling 456-7111 ext 130



Camp Fire

DRINK SPECIALS

Bucket of Coronas

\$18.00

Gin/Vodka Ricky

\$5.00

PINEHAVEN ROBS

The ROBs held their popular Senior Guest Day on Tuesday July 12, 2011. On a day perfect for golf, senior members and their guests enjoyed our fine golf course and facility. Many guests were very complimentary of the condition of our course and care given to the greens. ROB members would like to thank the course Superintendent, our Pro, the Caterer, Club Administrator, Locker-room Attendants and all the various staffs for making this such a fine day. Thanks also go to Pete Sparano, Howard Huntington, John Macejka and Jerry Dunn for making the tournament a success.

The ROBs would like to give a special thanks to the following people who donated dozens of golf balls for the closest to the pin, and closest to the line prizes. Diana O'Hare in memory of her husband Bill O'Hare, Jack Scaccia Jr. in memory of his father Jack Scaccia Sr. and Elaine Pyszkowski in memory of her husband Ed Pyszkowski, longtime members of Pinehaven and the ROBs golf league. A special thanks to Silver Hills Restaurant and Pinehaven Country Club for the donations made to our guests, and to all the participants who made this tournament a huge success.

As for the golf portion of the Guest Day, first place was won by the team of Peter Bolognino, Don Young, Paul Bolognino and Kevin Vita with a score of 116. Howard Huntington, Dave Huntington, Sal Pipito, and Kevin Fahy tied for second with a team of John Stinzianni, Bob Martell, Rick Wasniewski and Pete Desimone with a score of 120. Closest to the pin awards on hole 9 went to member Pete Sparano, and guest award to Dick Skinner. On hole 14 prizes went to member Pete Sparano and the guest award to Kevin Vita. Closest to the line on hole 10 went to member Dick Robelotto and the guest prize to Ray D'Arcangelis.

Just a reminder to all ROB members coming in August will be the very popular away trip, which this year will be held Tuesday August 23rd, at the Columbia Country Club in Claverack. Information on the away trip will be posted in the pro shop. The following weeks will include a number of best ball events as well as scrambles and shambles. Hopefully everyone is enjoying the warm summer weather and enjoying the golf season.

POOL NEWS



Family Day at the Pool

Saturday, August 20th

1:00 pm ~ 5:00 pm

***BOUNCY BOUNCE!!!
FACE PAINTING!!!***

~~Games for the kids~~

Prizes~~Music~~Fun

This event is very weather dependent and will be rescheduled if poor weather conditions are forecasted.



Pool Hours

August 1 - September 5 ~

Open Daily

12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Weekdays

11:00 am - 7:00 pm

Weekends

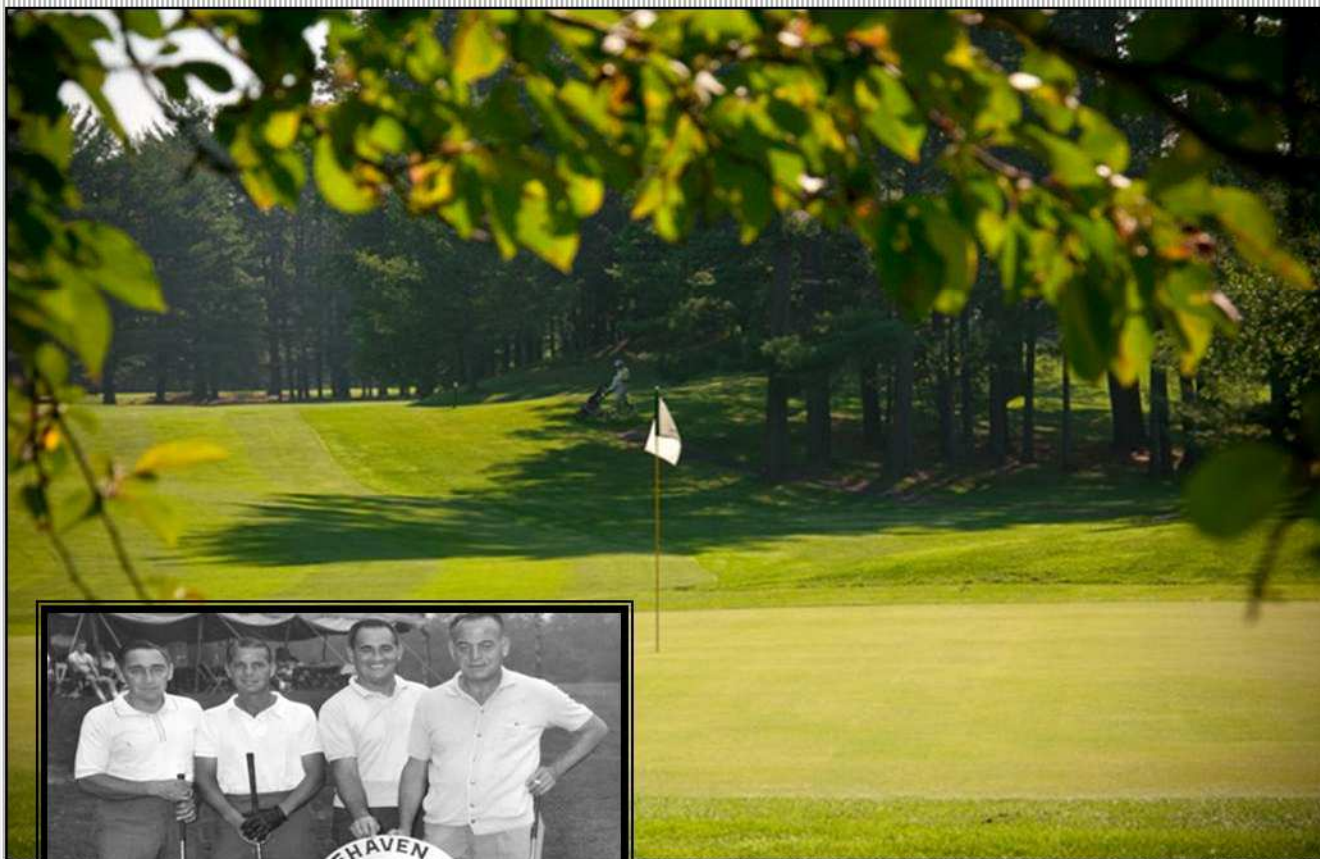


THE POOL WILL BE CLOSED AFTER LABOR DAY WEEKEND. THANK YOU FOR A GREAT YEAR!



Pinehaven Country Club

2011 "Modified" Guest Day



\$50. PER GUEST
INCLUDES GREENS FEE & CART
(ONLY CART FEES FOR MEMBERS)
(SORRY, GUEST PASSES ARE NOT ALLOWED)

Friday, August 19th

- *Tee times available starting 8:30 am!
- *Treat your clients, employees, co-workers and friends to a great day at your club!
- *Plan *your* day around *your* schedule!

TEE TIMES WILL BE ACCEPTED
BEGINNING AUGUST 1 BY CALLING
THE PRO SHOP AT 456-7111 EXT. 120.
BE SURE TO CALL QUICKLY AS TEE
TIMES WILL FILL FAST!!!

- Bring between 3 and 19 guests
- Tee times available on a first come, first served basis
- In addition to the lunch and bistro menus, Chef Justin will have a special guest day menu available all day. Please call Silver Hills for lunch & dinner reservations or to plan for beverages in your cart
- Pro-Shop raffle, games and contests available throughout the day
- Snack Shack open from 9:30 am - 6:00 pm

COURSE CHATTER

WRITTEN BY ROB BIGLEY

Television can be very misleading. Sitting at home watching the various telecasts of tournaments you always hear the announcers talking about how fast the greens are stimping (usually between 11 and 13). However, what most golfers are unable to do is associate the stimp meter number (way of measuring greens speed) with how fast they actually are. Studies have shown that a comfortable speed for golfers (whether they are good or bad at the game) is between 9 and 10. This speed allows golfers to shoot their best scores. Yet most golfers love to brag about how their course had greens stimping 11 or 12 on a particular day. Most golfers need to understand it is virtually impossible to keep greens very fast on a day to day basis. Without very large budgets (commonly seen at courses in the Metropolitan section of the state) it is virtually impossible. Furthermore, why would golfers consistently want to play greens that stimp 12 when they almost always struggle on greens of this speed.

There are also many factors that affect how fast or slow greens may actually be rolling.

1) Slope: the more slope a green has, the faster it will putt. For example, hole 14, at Pinehaven, is almost always faster than hole 2 because the difference in slope between each of these greens.

2) Height of Cut: Usually the lower the height of cut, the faster the green will become. However, with shorter grass comes sacrifices in the health of the plant. There is a very fine line between keeping the grass healthy and causing them to stress at too low of a mowing height. Take your lawn for instance, it always looks healthier before you cut it (often too short).

3) Weather: Cool, dry days in the spring and fall are the best times to increase the speed of the greens because there is less humidity. Humidity decreases the speed because there is so much moisture in the air. During periods of high temperatures and humidity the greens are also more susceptible to disease. We tend to conservatively raise mowing heights and change the front roller on the greens mower to lessen the stress mother nature puts on the plant (a living organism like you or I).

4) Greens Roller: As many of you are aware, Pinehaven has recently purchased a greens roller. By waiting until this summer we were able to buy the newer model. This newer model has an additional roller underneath making it more effective. Our new roller will smooth the green and increase speeds by approximately 8" to 12" on the stimp meter, depending on weather and plant growth. We will try to roll 3 or 4 days per week depending on weather. The roller will have many benefits including better ball roll and improvement in turf quality on the greens.

Even though greens may seem slow on some days, think back to the mid 1970's when the fastest (usually during tournaments when they were double cut) greens were only stimping a mere 7. Because of today's technology we try and keep the greens between 9-10 on a day to day basis. Again, the speeds vary based on the factors above. There is a fine line between keeping greens healthy and keeping them fast. Sometimes concessions need to be made with speed to keep them healthier. Thank you for your patience and support! If anyone has any questions do not hesitate to ask me. I would rather take the time to answer your question than have you ask another member who may not have all the proper information.

GOLF SHOP NEWS

Congratulations to our 2011 Senior Club Champions, Bill Toomey and Anne VanBuren. Bill won his third Championship (2008, 2010, 2011) with a 36 hole total of (72-76=148) defeating Paul Hart (79-70=149) with a clutch par save on the 36th hole. Anne VanBuren (83-79=162) scored her second Senior Championship (2009, 2011) with a sudden death victory over defending Champion Leslie Arakelian (85-77=162).

In the 2011 Men's Member Guest Steve Hallenbeck and Fred Ramundo won the overall championship. The John E. Crowley flight champions prevailed in the two hole flight champions playoff.

-Scott Warren

Tournament Results

Men's Senior Championship

1st - Bill Toomey	72-76=148
2nd - Paul Hart	79-70=149
3rd - John Donovan	76-79=155

50-59 Bracket

Tony Cristello - Gross	80-81=161
Tom Lanahan - Net	73-73=146

60-69 Bracket

Steve VanBuren - Gross	82-78=160
Dave Sutphen	79-81=160
Ross Testa - Net	72-72=144

70 and Older Bracket

Kevin Justice - Gross	82-79=161
Doug Lonnstrom - Net	79-70=149

Women's Senior Championship

Overall

Anne VanBuren	83-79=162
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50-59

Leslie Arakelian - Gross	85-77=162
Roberta Mahlmeister - Net	79-69=148

60-69

Anne Hartranft - Gross	88-91=179
Mary Ellen Milos - Net	80-74=154

70+

Diana Ramos - Gross	84-87=171
Audrey VanAlstine - Net	77-75=152

Tournament Results continued

2011 Member Guest Championship

Raymond Porter Flight

Mike VanBuren/David Porter	199
Brendan Allen/John Hillenbrandt	204
John Decatur/Kevin O'Leary	207
Dennis Feeney/Dick Sherwood	207

Walter Murray Flight

Scott Miller/John Vandecar	201
Jim Venezia/Rich VanBuskirk	206
Dennis Trimarchi/David McKenney	208

John E. Crowley Flight

Steve Hallenbeck/Fred Ramundo	201
Bob Nuttall/Bob Nuttall Jr.	203
Frank Toma/Rory Carrigan	207

Walter Decher Flight

Kevin Justice/Michael Justice	197
Rick Wasniewski/Dean Wasniewski	206
Tom Lemme/Jim Lawler	207

Alfred G. Tetrault Flight

Joe Mallia/John Collisson	197
Bryan Gregory/Tom Spataro	202
Mike Gutierrez/Steve Gregory	203

James Scaccia Flight

Rick Rose/Mike Durso	213
Doug Lonnstrom/Dave Barrell	219
Dominic Wade/Mike Hunter	223
Bruce Feig/Arnold Schwartz	223

**Tournament results are also
available at www.pinehavenc.com**

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Golf Event Preview

August 6,7	Men's Championship
August 6,7	Women's Championship
August 12	Friday Night Social
August 13-14	Junior Championship
August 19	Modified Guest Day
August 21	Sadie Hawkins
August 21	Parent Child #4
September 3-4	President's Cup
September 3-4	Queen Bee
September 5	Labor Day Two Man Scramble

Junior Sports Camp

August 2-5 ~ Session 1

August 9-12 ~ Session 2

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sports related games with golf, kickball, swimming etc.!!!

*~ Only \$80. per session ~
Snack & Drink included*

*Call or email the pro shop to register
456-7111 ext. 120 / propcc@nycap.rr.com*

Inaugural Kids Biathlon

Monday, August 22

9:00 am Start

Open to ages 17 and under

- Swim and Run Biathlon
- Competition by age divisions
- \$15 entry includes tee shirt and participation medallion

Register at the Pool or in the Pro Shop

Kids Flexibility & Conditioning Camp

August 2-5 ~ Session 1

August 9-12 ~ Session 2

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

- Get ready for fall sports
- Cardiovascular, Strength and flexibility training
- All you need is water, sneakers, and a towel
- Instructed by **Scott Landry**
- \$20 per session

Call or email the pro shop to register
456-7111 ext. 120 or propcc@nycap.rr.com

NOTICE TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS

Stockholders who may be interested in running for a seat on the Board of Directors are asked to contact Club Manager, Michael Jewell at 456-7111 ext. 112 or Club President, Jim Schultz at prespcc@nycap.rr.com. Thank you!

*The annual stockholder meeting will be held on
Wednesday, October 19th at 6:00 pm.*

Pinehaven Ladies Association Outing

Saturday, August 27, 2011

Airway Meadows

262 Brownville Road

Gansevoort, NY 12831



- *Two Better Ball of Four Format (Shotgun Start at 12:00N)*
- *Lunch at 11:30 am (hot dog or tuna roll, chips & beverage)*
- *Appetizers and Dinner Immediately Following Golf*
(Dinner will consist of an 8 oz strip steak, quartered BBQ chicken, baked potato, steamed vegetables, tossed salad, apple crisp w/whipped cream, coffee and tea. Cash bar)

\$85.00 per person

Includes Greens Fees, Carts, Lunch, Dinner & Prizes

Please fill out the form below and mail to:

*Charlene Fitzgerald
3641 East Lydius Street
Schenectady, New York 12303
or hand in to Pro Shop Staff*

*Deadline for entries is **August 12, 2011**
please include check for the full amount payable to:
Pinehaven Ladies Association.*

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Name _____

Name _____

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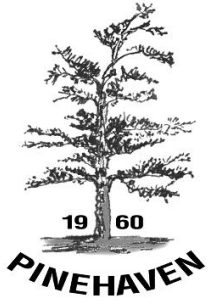
If you are registering as a twosome we will combine with another twosome if possible.

AUGUST

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 ~Erie Materials Golf Outing Course Closed	2 ~ROBs ~Ladies League ~Jr Sports Camp	3 ~Jr Sports Camp	4 ~Ladies Day ~Sundowners ~Jr Sports Camp	5 ~Jr Sports Camp	6 ~Club Championship
7 ~Club Championship	8 ~NRF Golf Outing Course Closed	9 ~ROBs ~Ladies League ~Jr Sports Camp	10 ~Jr Sports Camp ~Siver Hills Viking Night	11 ~Ladies League ~Sundowners ~Jr Sports Camp	12 ~Jr Sports Camp ~August Social	13 ~Women's Assoc. Event ~Junior Championship
14 ~Junior Championship	15 ~ACS Women's Golf Classic Course Closed	16 ~ROBs ~Ladies League	17 ~NYS Mid-Am Qualifier	18 ~Ladies Day ~Sundowners	19 ~Modified Guest Day	20 ~Family Day at the Pool
21 ~Sadie Hawkins ~Parent Child Event #4	22 Greens Aerification TENTATIVE	23 ~ROBs Away ~Ladies Interclub ~Ladies League	24	25 ~Ladies Day ~Sundowners Away	26 ~Prime Rib Night	27
28	29 ~Course Opens at 12:00 pm	30 ~ROBs ~Ladies League	31			

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 ~Ladies Day ~Sundowners	2	3 ~President Cup ~Queen Bee ~Wedding
4 ~President Cup ~Queen Bee	5 <i>Labor Day</i> ~Labor Day Scramble ~Pool Closes	6 ~Course Opens at Noon ~No League Play	7 ~Tuesday Leagues Play	8 ~Ladies Day ~Sundowners	9 ~St. Rose College Invitational	10 ~St. Rose College Invitational
11	12 ~U-Albany Basketball Golf Outing Course Closed	13 ~ROBs ~Ladies League Closer	14 ~Ladies Interclub	15 ~Ladies Day ~Sundowners	16 ~Saber Cup	17 ~2 Man Championship ~Women's Fall Handicap ~St. Rose Outing
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25 ~Flag Football Tailgate Party	26 ~Union College Golf Outing Course Closed	27 ~ROBs End of Season	28	29 ~Ladies Day League Closer	30	October 1 ~End of Year Tournament and Party



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