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“Some golfers lie awake at night And brood on what went wrong; I’d rather think of what went right, It doesn’t take as long.”

Dick Emons

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Member/Guest: Past and Future Winners

The Member/Guest, since its beginning in 2004, has always been one of our most popular tournaments here at Rock Harbor. Much drama, victory and sadness have accompanied this event as each participant has coveted the title of *Member/Guest Champion*.

Over the years we have seen many titles come down to a shoot-out that begins on the sixteenth tee, where all other participants are safely watching from the porch of the clubhouse. We have seen rain delays, lost balls, balls

bouncing in and out of golf carts, even balls flying too close to the adjoining Rt. 37. The date of the tournament has been played around with for years, anywhere from mid June to late July, but it has finally come to rest on the weekend of Father Days (the Friday and Saturday before, June 19 & 20 this year)

Only one person has won the tournament twice, Larry Heishman, once as a member and once as a guest. We have had two father/son duo champions but most are two friends who think they have the perfect combination of skills and talent to beat out everyone else.

Prepare early and prepare often to possibly be crowned at the 12th annual 2015 Member/Guest Championship at Rock Harbor Golf Course.

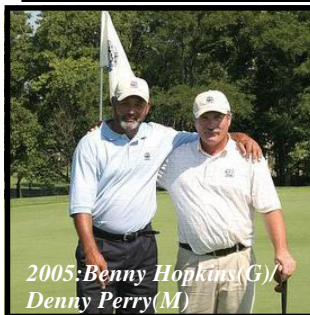


2008: Gene Covert (M)/ Josh Riggleman (G)



2009: Larry Heishman (G)/ Eddie Mullins (M)

2004: John Rotz (M)/ Chuck Shimp (G) sorry no picture



2005: Benny Hopkins (G)/ Denny Perry (M)



2006: Jerry Powell (G)/ Bill Martin (M) pose for a picture with Denny Perry.



2007: Larry Heishman (M)/ Larry North (G)



2010: Rich Rosenberry (M)/ Brian Post (G)



2011: Paul Nicely (M)/ Garrett Nicely (G)

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**Saturday night is
Steak and Crab
Cake night at
Rock Harbor
Grill. We offer a
full menu
and special
entries
from 4-8
PM**



Fresh From The Grill: Shelly Walther

Chip Connelly, Food and Beverage Manager

Shelly Walters has been a familiar face around the Grill since 2009. But her smiling face won't be here as much anymore because she has taken a full-time position with Partlow Insurance, here in Winchester. Shelly will continue to work Saturday, Sundays and some special events. Everyone

at the Rock Harbor family wishes her well in her new job although her constant presence will be missed. Shelly said she hopes this change in employment will give her more time with her family and her Boxer, Boarder Collie Mix, Snoops.



The Grill would also like to remind you that reservations are always appreciated for Saturday Night dinner.

Pictorial Diary: No. ?



Back by popular demand is the pictorial diary section of our newsletter. This is the section where we post a picture of a hole in the construction phase and you try to guess, based on landmarks and existing features of the ground which hole it is.

In next month's issue we will post a current picture of the hole side by side with the old pictures.

Good luck!



*May my swing be straight and the ball fly far.
May my round be blessed with no worse than par.*



- An Irish Prayer

From The Ground Up: Frozen Turf

Bobby Jenkins, Rock Harbor
Superintendent

As you all know, it has been a rough winter with snow, high winds and low temperatures. Weather like this is also rough on the course turf.

Snow cover is like a blanket for the turf, giving it a protective layer from the elements above. The high winds can be devastating to the turf blades, the tip of the turf blade can get wind burned just like a person standing out in the wind for too long, so this is why the snow

blanket is good for the turf. There have been a few good days this winter when golfers have been out on the course that could have been potentially hazardous to the turf. When the turf seems ok from the top but still frozen below the surface, just walking on the turf can weaken the root system. We are hoping Spring is just around the corner with warmer temperatures so we can get started on spring projects.



Member Corner: Ted Neff

Ted Neff has not been a life-long golf player, like some of our other members, but found the game at the urging of some friends about 10 years ago to try the game.

Ted found his way to Rock Harbor through a combination of retirement and his developing addiction to the game. He chose Rock Harbor as his first golf membership because it was a perfect fit for him and his wife, Pat, even though she does not play golf. Ted enjoys playing in the members events and leagues while Pat enjoys playing Bridge and having meals with Ted at the Grill.

Shortly after joining RH, Ted developed Leukemia, which kept him from playing golf for quite some time. His Leukemia is now under control and it has given him a new

perspective on enjoying everyday to the fullest which includes playing golf on any day that the weather allows.

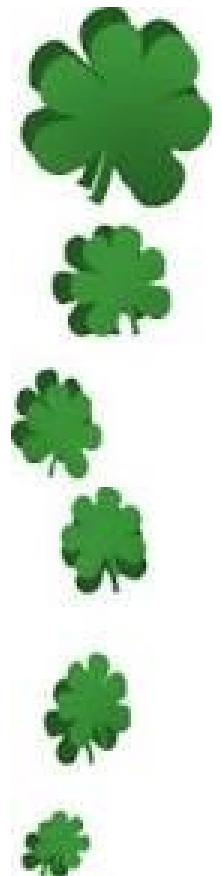
Ted says his favorite hole is No. 5 Boulder because he either does really good or really bad on this hole. His least favorite hole is No. 2 Boulder because he always seems to

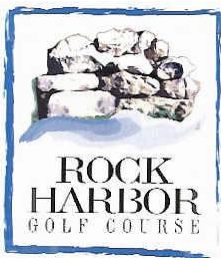


end up in the water, but no matter what hole he is playing, his pitching wedge is his go-to club in his bag for the perfect shot.

By the time you read this newsletter, Ted and Pat will probably be on their way to sunny Florida to bask in some sunshine, tour Disney World and play some golf. We will try not to be too jealous, after all, they are deserving of a vacation. Ted is retired from Winchester Printers and Pat was a school teacher for 35 years at John Kerr Elementary School.

Whether you are participating in the infamous Hawk matches with Ted or shuffling cards with Pat you will find them to be a delightful couple. Be sure to introduce yourself if you don't know them already.





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2012: Frank Wright (M)/Kevin Wright (G)

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2013: Jim Dilg (M)/Nick Lumbraz (G)



2014: Lem Dirting (M)/Alan Bergie (G)

*Check our NEW website for a complete listing of scheduled events and starting times



Rock Harbor Calendar of Events 2015

March 8
Daylight Savings Begins

March 11
Member Social
"Course Maintenance"

March 25
Member Social
"League Draw"

March 28
Mizuno Demo &
Club Fitting

April 10
FBI Softball
Golf Outing

April 17
Knights of Columbus
Golf Tournament

April 18
FREE Beginners Clinic
Signup at Proshop

April 25
Millbrook H.S. Football
Booster Golf Tournament

April 26
Member Opening Day
Scramble

April 29

Member Social

May 1
Blue Ridge Kiwanis Golf
Tournament

