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So the 2019 year got off to an auspicious start, weather-wise. Thermometer acting like a yo-yo mixed in with some precipitation and for a few days, covered the course with snow and ice.

Then when the sun actually decided to get out of

Cloudy
Stormy
Stormy
Windy
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Possible weather for March

bed, it's sister, the wind, (Maria; anybody?) came a callin'. You know it wouldn't be Rock Harbor without the wind. It does look as though the gopher had gotten it correct while predicting an early spring. I checked the upcoming weeks where it says very mild temps beginning the middle of March. So like anything else weather related; we'll see...

The golf shows are all done now. I've visited travelers in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh while Amy traveled further north to Toronto in hopes of promoting play here at Rock Harbor. We both spoke with a great number of folks. The main message had been to use Winchester as a waypoint during their travels further south. They can stop on the way down then stop on the return trip. Like I say, we've talked with a number of folks we hope our efforts prove to be rewarding.

We've initiated this seasons league play so if you haven't done so already, please stop by the shop and sign up. As is always the caveat, be sure that you are able to complete your matches in a timely fashion. The divisions are randomly selected and if you are unable to play but on an intermittent basis, have a substitute ready to assume your place for that match to continue. As a reminder – only one member of your team **must** be a full member of Rock Harbor. The other player/partner may be a public player to include any of our anniversary members (whose privileges do not apply within these league matches). Thus, if a substitute is made, the RH member pairing must remain intact. So, let's get the low down on the leagues if you are a newbie. Let's get signed up. Let's have some fun.

Thank you, everyone. See you on the course. Well, at least around the clubhouse...

Fresh From The Grill

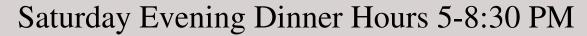
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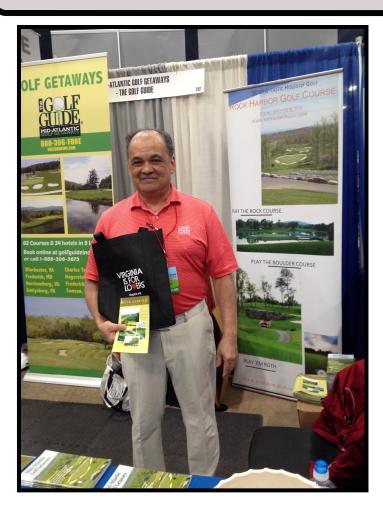
Is it Spring yet?? It's supposedly on it's way. We are starting Wing Night every Thursday from 4:30 pm till 8 pm starting in March, we will be running Happy Hour Pricing and a special price on wings. So come out and have an adult

beverage, get some wings and socialize!

We will be changing all menus in the next 2 weeks, we will be adding some new items and taking off a few items. So make sure to check out the changes. I want to thank everyone who has been coming in on Saturday night's we've had some great turnouts.

So make sure you keep an eye out for the Saturday night and if you know ahead of time shoot me an email letting me know you'll be in. It really helps on how much I prepare so I don't run out or over prepare. As well as staffing also. Thank You!!!





Visiting Philly is always a treat. The folks attending the show this year weren't as cheery as they were last year {Eagles LII. Those that actually stopped by to chat either have played and enjoyed Rock Harbor and will plan on visiting again, while others saw interest in the course as seen via our promotional magazines. There was one gentleman who asked, 'Why should I want to play that hole. Look at all the bunkers surrounding the green. I hit a tee shot into a bunker no matter what I hit.' Well I just had to, I couldn't control myself... 'Wow! You suck!' we both had a laugh about it and by the time we were done talking he might just give it a try on his net rip through. Hopefully, we'll get to realize a bit of players from the area."

The Green

Chris Dieter, Course Superintendent:

Let's not talk about the weather, just ignore it, then maybe it will change (for the better) to get our attention. The past year has given us a lot of tests, but in the end we get some new



perspectives on our golf course. (2 pictures: snow on rock 12, top picture & Rock #16 from the lift, bottom left) All the time I spend on the course gives me many new ways that I see the course in ways no one else does. Like in the snow when most don't venture out even on the cart paths, or while cutting trees 40 feet up in a lift. Seeing the course in these ways gives me the chance to put deep thought into how to make it more enjoyable for everyone.

Weather aside I am really looking forward to the new year. Currently we are cleaning up all the broken branches from the ice and wind. (picture: Damaged Willow Trees #18 Boulder and #18 Rock, bottom

right). Cleaning up bunkers for play is at the top of the list. By the time you read this we should have mowed and rolled the greens a couple of times. We have 40 small trees to plant this month, several new varieties we do not currently have on the property.

This year we will be doing more aerification and topdressing of tees and fairways to improve playing conditions. I have also been brewing up a magic potion to improve fairway health which in turn should give you better playing conditions. Thicker more upright grass for a better roll and to hold the ball up is the goal. Several of the greens will need some early spring patch work. I hope to keep up your expectations on the quality of our greens. I hope to see all of you out on the course soon.

As always feel free to stop me anytime for questions, comments, or criticisms.





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Pictorial Diary



Does this rock look familiar? Can you tell us where it is located on the course? Email your answer: therock@rockharborgolf.com





Winter Member Events

March 13, 7 PM League Rules

March 27, 7 PM Sand N Suds