Thursday, May 4, 2023

SHERIDAN PARK GOLF CLUB



News and Events Update



ON THE TEE 2023 - SHERIDAN PARK GOLF CLUB'S 90TH ANNIVERSARY



CELEBRATING 90 YEARS

We're planning to have some fun with the 90th anniversary celebration. We have worked with the Town Board to make some sort of splash about it in the media. Interestingly, our first Club tournament is on Saturday May 13th - exactly 90 years to the day after the course opened. A ceremony is planned on <u>Friday</u>, <u>May 12th at 1:00</u> **PM** to honor this milestone.

EVENT SIGN UP PROCEDURE

The Club Board is now requiring that <u>everyone</u> use the event signup sheet attached at the end of this newsletter and also available on the Club website and in the Clubhouse <u>LINK</u>

CANADIAN GEESE

The Town has informed us that they will have a new dog to manage the Canadian Geese in early May. I'm sure this is welcome news to all golfers!!!

SHERIDAN PARK GOLF CLUB 2023 EVENT SCHEDULE

Friday May 12th Spring Party - 6:00PM - NOCO Pavilion Saturday, May 13th 2-Man Presidents' Cup 1st Round Matches Sunday, May 21st 4-Man Kick-off (Random by Handicap) Sunday, June 4th Club Clash (Sheridan @ Elma Meadows) Sunday, June 11th Legends Memorial 2-Man Scramble Sunday, June 25th Stableford Tournament Saturday, July 8th Senior Club Championship - Round 1 Sunday, July 9th Senior Club Championship - Round 2

Sunday, July 22nd
Saturday, July 22nd
Ryder Cup - Day 1
Ryder Cup - Day 2

Sunday, August 6th Club Championship - Round 1 Saturday, August 12th Club Championship - Round 2 Sunday, August 13th Club Championship - Round 3

Wednesday, August 16th Summer Party - 6:00PM - NOCO Pavilion

Saturday, September 16th Director's Cup @ Brighton Saturday, September 23rd Memorial 4-Man Scramble Saturday, September 30th Nightmare 2-Man Scramble

Friday, October 27th Fall Party @ 6:00pm - NOCO Pavilion

WESTERN NEW YOUR PUBLIC LINKS GOLF ASSCOIATION 2023 SCHEDULE (SIGNUP SHEET LINK)

Bill Boyle Memorial Players need <u>not</u> be from same club	Two-man Best Ball A & B Flights	Saturday 5/20	Dande Farm
Charles Barton Team Championships Players <u>must</u> be from same club	Three (2-Man) Teams 9 Hole Scramble 9 Hole Best Ball	Saturday 6/24	Hyde Park
AA, A, B, C Individual Championships	36 Hole Stroke Play AA, A, B, C flights	Friday 7/14 Saturday 7/15	Sheridan Park
Senior Individual Championship Age 50+	18 Hole Stroke Play Flighted by age and HCP	Tuesday 7/25	Seneca Hickory Stick
Senior 2-Man Best Ball (50+) Players need <u>not</u> be from same club	Two Man Teams Best Ball Flighted by Avg. Age	Saturday 8/11	Grover Cleveland
Two Man Scramble Players need <u>not</u> be from same club	A, B, C Flights	Saturday 8/26	Elma Meadows



SPGC AND ALL WNYPLGA MEMBERS MOURN THE LOSS OF

TIM RICKARD Timothy C. Rickard, 62, of Niagara Falls, NY, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, December 15, 2022. Tim was the president of the Western New York Public Links, the Niagara Falls Hyde Park Golf Club Board of Directors, and a longtime member of the National Left-Handed Golf Association. He won the Niagara Falls B Championship at Hyde Park Golf Club, an achievement he was very proud of. Tim was a gentleman, a terrific guy, and he ran the WNYPLGA tournaments with expertise, compassion, and love of the game. He will be missed by the entire WNY Golf Community. His friends and golfers from his club revered and respected him. His hard work and preparation for the WNYPLGA events was amazing.

SPGC MOURNS THE PASSING OF LONGTIME CLUB MEMBER



NED DUPAUL

Age 87, passed away
peacefully in his sleep on
Monday, November 7,
2022, in Texas. Ned was
born in New Haven. CT

7/31/35. While he was serving in the Army, he met his late wife, Arlene and they married. He loved to golf and was the proud recipient of a "HOLE IN ONE" trophy! Ned was always donating to many organizations, but he had a special place in his heart for the SPCA!

SPGC MOURNS THE PASSING OF LONGTIME CLUB MEMBER THOMAS MOHAN



Entered into rest April 28, 2023. Beloved husband of Marsha (nee Walasek) Mohan; devoted father of Kim Mohan and Jennifer (Anthony) Scalise; cherished grandfather of Michael (Rachel Callea) Abbatoy, Nicholas Scalise and Ava Scalise; adored greatgrandfather of C.J. Abbatoy; loving son of the

late Sophia and Thomas F. Mohan Sr.; dear brother of Carol (late Hans) Kullerkupp and James (Nancy) Mohan; also survived by nieces and nephews. Mr. Mohan was a Aviation Structural Mechanic (Hydraulic) Petty Officer 2nd Class in the US Navy, Air Anti-Submarine Squadron 22. Served on aircraft carriers, USS Essex, USS Randolph and the USS Wasp.

RYDER CUP TOURNAMENT IN 2023 !!!

The Club Board is adding a new tournament to commemorate the Club's 90th anniversary in 2023. This will be a 2-day Ryder Cup type tournament where two teams of Club members will be created to play against each other. We've reserved tee times for Saturday and Sunday, July 22 & 23, 2023 and we will be working to decide on potential formats of play and how this might work. More information will be coming soon !!!

Thursday, May 4, 2023



THE SHERIDAN BIRDIE

SHERIDAN PARK GOLF CLUB





The History of the Sheridan Park Golf Course and Men's Golf Club

By: Mike Zimmer - Club President

This year is the 90th anniversary of the opening of the Sheridan Park Golf Course and (separately) the formation of the Sheridan Park (Men's) Golf Club. As President of the Club, I've taken it upon myself to lead the Club and Town in commemorating this occasion.

While we've had some knowledge of the history of the course and the Club on our website for years, I think a good understanding of the history was not well documented until an extensive course history was created in 2021 by Town Historian, James Pellow. It provided a detailed overview of the course's history. Unfortunately, it did not go into much detail regarding the Club. Following a lengthy search, the only physical records that remain about the Club are from the 1930's through 1960's. Any electronic records for the Club are pretty much what's on our website.

I stumbled upon a website called Newspapers.com which is a subscription service that allows you to search archives of most major newspapers. I did extensive research on any mentions of "Sheridan Park Golf" in the Buffalo News. I later found a site that had archives of the Courier Express and the Tonawanda News in which I found some additional information. I've put together a page on our website that has links to newspaper pages that have articles that mention the Club, or Course, over the last 90 years.

The first news stories about the Course were in 1932 when it was being proposed, and then built. When the course was officially opened as a 9-hole course on Saturday May 13, 1933, there was a small parade and a ceremonial round of golf including the Town Supervisor, the Club President and other local golf officials. There are a few somewhat comical photos from the ceremony that can be found on the Club website.

1933 was one of the worst years of the Great Depression, in fact, one of the main purposes for building the course was to create jobs. 1933 was also the end of Prohibition, with the Beer and Wine Act passing in March and liquor and other spirits available later that year. So, I find comfort in the fact that the first golfers at Sheridan were able to get their knickers and bow ties on, drive up in their Ford Model A, and load their golf bags with cold beer. I'd be surprised if there wasn't some tailgating in the parking lot afterwards!

Some interesting things I found along the way were that the women's club was formed the next year in 1934. It was interesting that for the first 10+ years of the Club, they published the newly elected Board of Directors in the newspaper each year. What was disappointing is they didn't publish tournament results of local clubs like the Buffalo News does nowadays with their Local Golf results on Sundays.

It's too bad they didn't publish results as we don't have any records of who won the Club Championship from 1933 to 1951. The Club Champions Boards in the Clubhouse start in 1952, and while we've always wondered if there's a board for 1933 to 1951, we recently found a letter the Club sent to the Town in what appears to be 1957 asking if the Town has any records of who won. Thus, the idea of a lost champions board is most likely incorrect.

Jim Duggan and I spent an afternoon with the Town Historian at their archives going through records and artifacts the Town has. A lot of it was not noteworthy, but they do have three physical copies of the official program for the 1962 Publinks at Sheridan plus a Bumper Sticker promoting the event. There were some photos we already have on our website, but we were a bit disappointed they don't have more. They did agree to store the Club's original records from 1932-1960 and they will also digitize those. The Board is working to create and implement a plan to ensure the long-term storage of our physical and electronic records.

Many of the newspaper clippings can be found on an updated history section on our website. We included full pages instead of just the articles because I found it interesting to read some of the other stories on the pages from those days. I hope you gentlemen enjoy the read.

Lastly, I hope you'll join me and the thousands of members before us in being very proud to be a member of this historic club and playing this fantastic golf course.

Look for more articles on the history of the Course and Club in coming issues of the Newsletter.

BUFFALO COURIER-EXPRESS, SUNDAY, MAY 14, 1933

Prominent Linksmen Who Officiated at Opening of Sheridan Course



At extreme left is Lou Dietschier, president of the newly organized Sheridan Park Golf Club. In the next view The Courier-Express photographer snapped W. W. Kimmins, Jr., as he smacked one off the first tee, while Walter E. Voisinet looks on. The first foursome to play the course is pictured from left to right as follows: Roseoe L. Rosser, Henry J. De Witt, Jr., John E. Adamson and Roy R Brockett. At the extreme right is Ganson Depew, president of the Buffalo District Golf Association, who drove the first ball off the 1st tee.

> IF YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE CLUB, OR BECOME A SPONSOR, HAVE THEM EMAIL sheridanparkgolfclub@gmail.com OR CONTACT ANY BOARD MEMBER

BUFFALO DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION - 2023 EVENT SCHEDULE (LINK)

BDGA Two-Man Scramble

Niagara Frontier Golf Club May 8, 2023 (Entries Close May 3rd)

Erie County Amateur Championship

Grover Cleveland GC

July 8 - 9, 2023 (Entries Close: June 30th)

BDGA Mid-Amateur Championship Cherry Hill Club

May 15 - 16, 2023 (Entries Close May 10th)

100th BDGA Individual Championship

Qualifier - Lancaster Country Club July 17, 2023 (Entries Close: July 12th)

BDGA Junior Stroke Play Championship Tri-County Country Club

July 5 - 6, 2023 (Entries Close: June 28th)

BDGA Junior Match Play Championship

Sheridan Park GC

July 18 - 20, 2023 (Entries Close July 12th)

100th BDGA Individual Championship

Orchard Park Country Club - July 27 - 29, 2023 - Entries Close: July 12th (12pm)

BDGA Fred Silver Scholarship Fundraiser

Glen Oak Golf Course

BDGA Match Play Championship

East Aurora Country Club

August 16, 2023 (Entries Close: Aug 11th) Aug 17 - 19, 2023 (Entries Close Aug 11th)

BDGA Senior Amateur Championship

Niagara Frontier Golf Club

Aug 31-Sep 1, 2023 (Entries Close 8/25)

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2023 Tournament Registration Form

Name:

Phone:

DATE		FEE	REGISTER
None	Individual President's Cup (Match Play) Season Lon (Players are Responsible for Scheduling All Matche		
May 13	2-Man President's Cup – 1 st Round (Match Play / Se Partner Name:		
May 21	Spring Mixer 4-Man Scramble (Teams Created by G	HIN Handicap) \$0	
June 11	Legends Memorial 2-Man Scramble (Two Members	s \$50/Team) \$50	l
	Partner Name:	Guest – Extra \$25	
June 25	Stableford Tournament (Individual)	Member: \$50	
	Members Can Invite 1 Guest (Must have GHIN Han Guest Name:	• •	
July 8 & 9	Senior Club Championship - (Must be 50+ on 7/8/2	3) \$10 Total \$10)
July 22 & 23	Ryder Cup Tournament (2-Day Event – Teams Draft	ted) \$0	
August 6, 12 & 13	Club Championship (\$10 Covers all 3 Days)	\$10	
September 23	Memorial 4-Man Scramble (Members Form Their C	•	
	Minimum 36 Total Handicap - Maximum One AA P	• •	
	Player 2 Name:		
	Player 3 Name:		
	Player 4 Name:		
September 30	Nightmare 2-Man Scramble (\$50 / Team) 2 Member	ers: \$50	1
	(Member/Guest – Must Have GHIN Handicap – Ad Player 2 Name:		
	Guest Name:		
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TOTAL:

Registration closes 1 week prior to each event. Registration by mail only & tournament fees due at registration. Skins and CTTH are optional and collected day of the event. Prepaid fees will not be lost if you cancel at least 48 hours prior to the event. Make Checks Payable to: Sheridan Park Golf Club, Inc. and mail them to: Mark Dominguez Sr., 5014 Callan Dr, Lewiston, NY 14092 Questions, Call Mark at 716-622-5526



APPLICATION 2023

Western New York Public Links Golf Association

Mike Lawler, President | Gordon Meccay, Secretary | Jim Ciurczak, Treasurer Tournament Director: Mark Dominguez Sr. (716) 622-5526 wnyplga@gmail.com

Check Here	EVENT	FORMAT	DATE	TEE TIME	COURSE	Entry Fee (Mail w/ entry)	Golf Fee
	Bill Boyle Memorial Players need not be from same club	Two-man Best Ball A & B Flights	Saturday 5/20	9:00 AM Consecutive	Dande Farms GC	\$100 / Team	Included in Entry
	Charles Barton Team Championships Players must be from same club	Three (2-Man) Teams 9 Hole Scramble 9 Hole Best Ball A & B Flights	Saturday 6/24	12 Noon Shotgun	Hyde Park G.C.	\$297 / Team	Included in Entry
	AA, A, B, C Individual Championships	36 Hole Stroke Play AA, A, B, C flights	Friday 7/14 Saturday 7/15	1:00 PM Shotgun 9:00 AM Consecutive	Sheridan Park G.C.	\$84 / Person	Included in Entry
	Senior Individual Championship Age 50+	18 Hole Stroke Play Flighted by age and HCP	Tuesday 7/25	1:00 PM Shotgun	Seneca Hickory Stick G.C.	\$65 / Person	Included in Entry
	Senior 2-Man Best Ball (50+) Players need not be from same club	Two Man Teams Best Ball Flighted by Avg. Age	Friday 8/11	Noon Possible Shotgun	Grover Cleveland G.C.	\$85 / Team	Included in Entry
	Two Man Scramble Players need <u>not</u> be from same club	A, B, C Flights	Saturday 8/26	Noon Shotgun	Elma Meadows G.C.	\$97 / Team	Included in Entry

TOTAL DUE FOR SELECTIONS:

PLAYER	CLUB	НСР	AGE*	PHONE	EMAIL ADDRESS
1.					
2.					

*Age on tournament date. Only needed for senior (50+) events

- USGA and local rules govern all play
- All entries must be received 10 days prior to tournament with entry fee enclosed
- **YOUR HANDICAP 10 DAYS** before tournament will be used.
- Flights: (AA is up to 5) (A is 6 10) (B is 11 16) (C is 17 and up)

MAKE ENTRY FEE CHECKS PAYABLE to: WNYPLGA.