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PRESS RELEASE: SUNSET HAPPENINGS

Rain, rain GO AWAY! Please for a little while so we can get some rounds of golf in and our terrific staff of greens keepers and maintenance personnel can take a breather. It's time to get the summer season started. It'll be over before you know it.

News & Notes

Sunset Golf Tournament Results -

Men

Championship Flight: Club Champion – Brian Weidman. Runners Up- Brian Anderson and Pat Marshall

A-Flight – Champion – Randy James. Runner-up – Terry 'Buzz' Severns

B-Flight - Champion - Ray Hawn. Runner-up - Tom Cain

Women

Championship Flight: Club Champion - Colleen Miller. Runner up - Ali Scheidecker

Senior Club Champion - Marilyn Geiken

A-Flight - Champion - Cheryl Satterfield

B-Flight - Champion - Terri Scheidecker

Congratulations to all participants and tournament qualifiers. Well played.

A couple Sundays ago, SUNSET hosted the 2nd day of the annual Three-Rivers Tournament. The weather held off long enough to get the Sunday round in and, remarkably, our SUNSET Course was in great condition. After the first day our team faced an uphill battle and ended up finishing in 3rd place to the Championship winning team from LAKE ERIE COUNTRY CLUB.

In spite of the threat of rain and then a brief interruption the annual SCOTT RUDOLF Memorial was another huge success. Great job Pat, Larry, Steph and Jason, and all of the volunteers, hole sponsors and participants. What a great way to honor Scott with your contributions towards Scott's Memorial Scholarships.

Old Home Week Nostalgia

Only one outside contributor to my request for OLD HOME WEEK STORIES. My guess is that there are many that you thought of but were afraid they'd be unpublishable. I remember a few from my days and I'll do my best to tell the story that was sent to me.

- We'd started on hole number 9 and only had one birdie by the time we'd gotten to the 4th hole, a 145 yard par 3. Four of our team of five teed off and none of us had even come close to the green and we were staring at yet another par. Up stepped our last golfer, Bud Polum. HE PULLED OUT A DRIVER! "Bud!" I yelled, "We're 145 yards from the hole and you have a driver in your hands!" Bud with his grizzled beard, bucket hat and long grey hair underneath, looked at me and said, "Willy, watch and learn." Bud took his usual short backstroke and hit his ball 2 feet from the cup. A gimmie birdie. Lesson learned.
- If you knew Mike Fletcher well, then you knew how much he enjoyed the game of golf and how competitive he could get. We were on the same team one year and were fortunate enough to get into a playoff for 4th or 5th place. The stakes between those places were pretty great.
 We were on the 8th hole and the other team was laying 2 about 12 feet away from the cup for a birdie. We were about 25 feet from the hole and also shooting for a birdie and a tough putt. By a miracle I was able to knock our ball in the hole, then Fletch took over. There was no way that the other team was going to make their putt with Fletch doing his best Earl Woods intimidation tactics. They never came close. Thanks for that memory Fletch, and remember..."don't ever ask a golfer how is game is going when he's got cockleburs stuck to his socks."
- Finally, this one is from my good friend and old golf partner Glenn Rowe. After several years watching Brad Blake kill him with his short chip shots Rowdy snuck in an old wedge into Brad's bag. While everyone was gathered around the clubhouse Rowdy wished Brad the best of luck and said; "but there was no way that you're going to beat anyone this year with your wedge!" With that said, Rowdy went straight to Brad's bag, pulled out the wedge, snapped it in two, and threw it on the ground. The silence was deafening.

 That's a true story and Rowdy sent me the picture to prove it. I'll post it to Sunset' Facebook page sometime soon.

SUNSET loses more great friends.

This part of SUNSET HAPPENINGS is never fun for me. Everett Kested, Everette Henderson and William 'Ole' Hiteman all members of SUNSET passed away since my last SUNSET HAPPENINGS. Actually, to say that they were Sunset members is an understatement. Their contributions to our club and course and their love of golf and SUNSET will be greatly missed. Sunset and its members share our deepest sympathy with the families of Everett, Everette and Ole during these difficult days.

Until next time, hit 'em far and straight.

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