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VHCC

VESTAL HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

July is here and the club is as busy as ever. The month starts with the Member-Guest and concludes with Champions' Weekend. In between we have a number of exciting things going on, including a Jared Campbell concert on the 24th.

It's also great to see so many people using the Club on a regular basis. The tee sheet is full during prime time on weekends, Friday evenings are hopping in the bar and on the patio and dinner reservations are up across the board. Additionally, it's fantastic to see so many new faces at the Club.

With so many great happenings at the Club, this is the perfect time to think about recruiting new members. I am sure there are one or two friends each of us knows who would enjoy joining the good times on our beautiful golf course or attending one of our events or just relaxing with a glass of wine and a gourmet meal on the patio. If just one third of our membership recruited a new member to join we would be at capacity and would need to start a waiting list. Nothing would be better for all of us than to be at or near our membership limits.

Wishing everyone a wonderful month of sunshine, lush fairways and short birdie putts, I am...

Yours in golf

Mark Wasser

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Greetings to all,

This newsletter is originating from the French Lick Golf Resort in Indiana where I along with three other Central New York PGA Pros have been competing in the Professional National Championship. Golf is a game where learning and patience are always at a premium and must be first on your list when stepping to the first tee. My scores were not what I'd hoped (75-79) and a missed cut but always something positive should be taken from your effort to make your next outing a little more successful. I would also like to congratulate Melissa Holly with her HOLE IN ONE on #15, great JOB!!!

The Member-Guest is right around the corner so if you have any intention to play please make sure to get your check in to secure your spot. Michele will have the exact count in the office so you can check with her if you need the exact count.

Check in the golf shop for our weekly sales because we always have some great deals posted on the board outside of the shop. Titleist Pro Vs are going on sale for \$44/ dozen starting July 1!!

That's it for now; good luck in your golf!

Tony

UPCOMING EVENTS

- JULY 6TH - LADIES LEAGUE**
- JULY 7TH - MEMBER GUEST SKINS GAME - OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS**
- JULY 8TH -10TH - MENS MEMBER GUEST**
- JULY 30TH - AUGUST 1ST CHAMPIONSHIP WEEKEND**
- AUGUST 12TH - LADIES INVITATIONAL**
- AUGUST 14TH -15TH LADIES FIVE CLUB HOSTED AT VESTAL HILLS**
- AUGUST 21-22ND - TWO DAY MEMBER/MEMBER**



Stephanie Blodgett

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There are many great events happening in July at VHCC.

SAVE THE DATES:

July 10th-Member-Guest Dinner Party

Beach theme-Casual Attire-No sit-down dinner. We are featuring a raw bar, pasta stations, grilled specialties on the grill, one hour open bar, etc. Dance the night away on our beautiful patio with music by Brotherhood. Make your reservations ASAP with Michele, this will be the party of the season to attend!

July 12-15-Youth Tennis Camp

Instruction from our tennis pro-Sally Walsh-Saunders-Includes: Tennis, lunch and pool time. Sign up quickly, space is limited to the first 12 kids ages 8-15.

July 24-Jared Campbell performs "Live"

We are fortunate to have Jared Campbell performing at our club. This event is open to members and their guests. The event will be held on the patio. More details on food and beverage to come...

The powder room in the Ladies Locker Room is just about finished. There are still some decorative items to be wrapped up. The Committee would like to thank Jamie Galusha for finishing the prep and painting the room. The Ladies area is coming together nicely.

PLEASE SUPPORT THE 50/50 RAFFLE TO HELP US COMPLETE THE JOB!
\$20 PER TICKET AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE DURING LADIES LEAGUE OR MEN'S LEAGUE OR ANYTIME IN THE PRO SHOP OR CLUB HOUSE. DRAWING TO BE HELD JULY 14TH.

The food service has been outstanding this year. Sally Russell and her team of Chefs and servers have been providing a great experience. The weekly entrée, salad and Panini specials have been delicious. If you have a corporate function, birthday party, family reunion or any event coming up-please call VHCC to make your event arrangements.

As always, if you have any suggestion to make our club a better experience for all members, please don't hesitate to contact me or Rich Smith.

Cheers,
Stephanie Blodgett

HOUSE MANAGER

It has come to my attention since the school year is over that there have been some issues with unsupervised children at the Club. Please note that children under the age of 13 need to have adult supervision. Those 13 to 18 years old must adhere to club rules. Activity in the locker room should be limited to lavatory usage and clothing changes. All of us here at Vestal Hills want your club to be the best it can be. Thank you for your attention and cooperation on these matters.

James Tzivanis
House Manager, Vestal Hills



Former 23yr Pro Dick Govern and former greens superintendent Rudy Komack viewing the new site 1917.



Max Gartell (left) and Harry Rezmerski in one of their many club championship duels.

Hello Fellow Members,
I am trying to collect and archive any old photos or news paper clips to start an historical overview of VHCC. If you could please allow me to digitize anything you may have it would be of great help. Please contact me via e-mail if you are able to provide anything.
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Regards,

Jim Blodgett
Membership Chair

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July 24- JARED CAMPBELL
Live at VHCC
This event is open to members and their guests.

VESTAL HILLS CC
First Serve
Kids Tennis Camp

JULY 12-15 FROM 9:30 - 2:00
AGES 8 - 15

AGENDA
9:30 - 11:30 TENNIS LESSONS
11:30 - 12:00 LUNCH
12:00 - 2:00 SWIM IN POOL

Camp will be limited to 12 players.
Members will be allowed to bring a guest if space is available.
Cost: \$60 per child for members,
\$95 per child for non-members.
There will be no refunds for inclement weather.
Register by calling Michele at 723.7579 ext 222

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SENIOR CUP RESULTS

GROSS

JOHN REYEN - (75-68) - 143
 HUGH LEONARD - (77-78) - 155
 JUDGE MARTY SMITH - (77-88) - 159

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JOHN REYEN - (71-64) - 135
 STEVE KUCERA - (64-72) - 136
 ALAN CASTONGUAY - (73-67) - 140
 ALAN ZALBOWITZ - (70-71) - 141
 JUDGE MARTY SMITH - (68-73) - 141

SUPERINTENDANT

Summertime Turf Tip: If possible, water your lawns in the hours just before daybreak. The grass is better able to use the water it receives, and helps prevent disease by keeping the turf drier for a longer period of time.. You'll also use less water this way. Water your lawns in the afternoon only as a last resort if things get too dry.

The golf course is in very good condition, and will be during the Member Guest tournament.

I want to publicly thank the Greens and Grounds staff for their hard work, the early morning hours, and most importantly for a job well done and a good looking golf course.

Enjoy the course!
 Joe Champion
 Golf Course Superintendent.



GREENS COMMITTEE

QUESTIONS REGARDING PIN PLACEMENTS.

The USGA frequently receives requests for guidelines with respect to selection of hole locations on the putting greens, particularly during competitions. There are no rules regarding hole locations, so there is no such thing as an "illegal" hole location. However, we do have some guidelines.

Many factors affect selection of hole locations. The first and most important is good judgment in deciding what will give fair results. Do not be tricky in locating holes. There should be enough putting green surface between the hole and the front and the sides of the green to accommodate the required shot.

In any case, it generally is recommended that the hole be located at least five paces from any edge of the green. If a bunker is close to the edge, or if the ground slopes away from the edge, the distance should be greater, especially if the shot is more than a pitch.

An area two to three feet in radius around the hole should be as nearly level as possible and of uniform grade. A player above the hole should be able to stop the ball at the hole. Consider the condition of nearby turf, especially taking care to avoid old hole plugs that have not completely healed.

A special thanks to the following members for their kind donations this past month

Joe and Suzie Testani - a special unit was donated in order to cure our on going problem with the Tap System at the bar.

Mark Wasser - Jeff Wager - Rich Smith - Patrick Snyder - Patrick VanPutte - Jim Blodgett - Brennan Lee - donation for the Driving Range Clock.

THANK YOU