Hole in One in the Warm-Up!

It was a beautiful July Saturday for the “warm-up” tournament. And it was a terrific shot from Tim Traynor on the eighth hole using a 4 iron that made his day. “186 yards, landed about 15 feet in front of the pin and rolled-in!” This was the twelfth ace ever recorded in our club events, the most recent being in June of 2000 by Tim Traynor.

1st Flight: Low Gross was Joe Larson with a 71, followed by Keith Piotrowski with a 72 and Tim Anderson with a 73. Larson led Low Net with a 68 with 5 players tied for second with 70’s.

2nd Flight: Low Gross score for the tourney was Dave McIntosh with a 70, followed by Terry Cooper with a 74. On the net side, following McIntosh and Cooper were John Knutson and Mike Job with 68’s.

3rd Flight: Jeff Kalvik won both Low Gross and Low Net with a 76 (66 Net), followed closely by Tom Schuh’s 77.

Lynn Rosvold and Scott Stanley tied for third with 79’s.

4th Flight: Low Gross was won by Karl Brogren with a 79, followed by Trevor Overskei and Jordan Sendar with 80’s and Jim Schmidt with an 81. Sendar won Low Net with a 66.

5th Flight: Josh Dye won both Low Gross and Low Net with his 82 Gross and 66 Net (just what he needs is Pro Shop Gift Certificates!). Jim Hanson and Jason Meggitt tied for second with 85’s. Gary Irish and Jim Faust tied for third with 69 Nets.

6th Flight: Dan Romero won the Gross with an 86 and tied Joe Hubanks with a 68 Net. John Greig was second with a 92 and Dennis Dale was third with a 93 on the Gross side. Larry McKay was third in Net with a 70.

Nearies: All very close, but only one in the Hole!
#2 Robert Peterson 3’11”, #5 Keith Piotrowski 4’1”, #8 Tim Traynor 0”, and #17 Terry Cooper 1’5”.

Skins: Too many to mention and not enough space, except the “eagle” on #8 by Tim.

Long Drive: Chuck Killian proved there is hope for us “older” players—way to hit the ball Chuck!

Long Putt by Jim Steinmueller.

Summer Individual Tourney

The Welcome Summer Individual traditionally kicks off the summer golf season. There was a large field this year with close scores in almost every flight.

1st Flight: Tom Kollodge shot a 68 to take Low Gross. Right behind was Keith Piotrowski at 69. Kollodge and Piotrowski tied for Low Net at 68 followed by John Barry at 70.

2nd Flight: Skip Schultz took Low Gross with a 74 followed by Mike Farbelow at 76. Schultz also took Low Net with a 68. Farbelow and Bob Sajevic tied for second at 69.

3rd Flight: Dan Brink fired a 76 for Low Gross. Followed by Terry Cooper, Greg Kenyon and Lynn Rosvold at 78. Brink also won Low Net with a 66 edging Rosvold at 67.

4th Flight: Karl Brogren, Jon Brumond, Jack Reif and Joel Rudloff tied for Low Gross at 81 followed by Scott Stanley at 83. Reif and Rudloff tied for Low Gross at 68 edging Brogren and Brumond at 69.

5th Flight: Dave Engstrom shot an 80 for Low Gross followed by Matt McKoskey at 82. Engstrom also took Low Net with a 64 followed by McKoskey at 67.

6th Flight: Milt Bellin took Low Gross with an 85 followed by Jim Faust at 88. Bellin also won Low Net with a 65 besting Faust at 70.

Nearies:
#2 Greg Kenyon 9’9”, #5 William Bell 5’, #8 Ken Gray 14’4” and #17 Bob Sajevic 3’11”.

Skins (all divisions):
A pair of birdies on #2 & #17 for Ted Greene, Brad Seguin birdie #4, Karl Brogren birdie #6, George Woodbury birdie #2, Dave L. Johnson birdie #7 and Byron Egelund birdie #11.

Huhnerkoch, University Jr. Team Repeat As Region 6 Champs

Gretchen Huhnerkoch won the individual championship at the Region 6 Junior Team Tournament for the second year in a row on July 18th, and the University team that she plays for won for the third consecutive year. Huhnerkoch’s 74, 2 over par, was two better than the 76 posted by runner-up Chelsey Larson of Prestwick. Natalie Samb, another University team member, was third with a 77 and Katie Mauer placed sixth with an 83.

The scores by Huhnerkoch and Samb helped give their University team a five stroke victory. Their team will be trying for a record fourth straight championship when it plays in the state tournament at Marshall Golf Course in August.
Sunny & Windy 6-6-6 Tourney

Sunny and windy conditions greeted the 25 teams in this year's 6-6-6 Tourney. The teams were divided into two handicap flights. The final 6 holes use all the player's net scores. A bad shot here can bring a real silence in your foursome!

First Flight (21-49 team handicap):
The Dan Brink-Bob & David Sajevic-Keith Piotrowski team won first place with -17. Nice round fellas. Tied for second were the teams of Dave Schuh-Jim Hauschild-Tom Schuh-Terry Cooper and Jeff Kalvik-Joel Rudloff-Steve Carlson-Robert Payne at -15. The wind didn't bother this flight!

Second Flight (52-80 team handicap):

The Kalvik-Rudloff-Carlson-Payne team won on the first six holes with -11. Three teams tied for second at -10. The Schuh-Hauschild-Schuh-Cooper and Brink-Sajevic-Sajevic-Piotrowski teams tied for first on the second six holes at -9. Engstrom-Falldin-Hagen-Bellin team was second at -7. Three teams tied for third at -6. The Schmidt-Duethman-Kramer-Kramer team won the third six holes at -1. Two teams tied for second at even par.

Nearies:
#2 Dave Sajevic 11" Nice shot! #5 Keith Piotrowski 3'5", #8 Dave Kramlich 11' and #17 Brad Seguin 8'1".

Skins:
Kevin McKoskey birdie #4, pair of birdies for Keith Piotrowski #8 & #14, Stan Trollip birdie #15, Tom Schuh birdie #17, Paul Hagen birdie #8, Matt McKoskey birdie #9 and Steve Carlson birdie #11.

Two Man Best Ball Tourney

Sixty eight teams basked in sunshine at the Two Man Best Ball Tourney. There were some close scores and in four flights players won both Low Gross and Low Net.

Congratulations to the 2008 Best Ball Champions:
Tom Kollodge-Tim Holmquist shot a 66 to win the First Flight!

Right behind were Tony & Pat Vincelli at 68. Low Net went to Justin Buoen-Graydon Royce with a 61.

Bob & Dave McIntosh took Second Flight Low Gross with a 69. Anthony Witte-Jordan Sendar, John Vosejpk-Robert Payne, and Bob Kennedy-Jeff Kalvik tied for second with 71. Vosejpk-Payne and Bob & Dave McIntosh shot 60 to tie for Low Net.

In the Third Flight Jon & Todd Kramer shot 73 to take Low Gross edging Jim Hauschild-Dave Schuh at 74. Hauschild-Schuh also won Low Net with a red hot 59!

Robert Feely-James Lee won Fourth Flight Low Gross with a 77. Followed by Bernie Taylor-Josh Dye and Jim Hanson-Manfred Mielke at 82. Feely-Lee also won Low Net with a 59.

Team Nearies:
#2 Bob & Dave McIntosh 3'8", #5 Jim Grothaus-Greg Petryszyn 3'11", #8 Tony & Pat Vincelli 5'11" and #17 Justin Buoen-Graydon Royce 3'9".

Team Skins (all divisions):
Pair of birdies on #1 & #18 for Kollodge-Holmquist, pair of birdies on #2 & #15 for Bob & Dave McIntosh, Brogren-Smith birdie #13, Vagher-Overskei birdie #17, Thompson-Kirk birdie #2, Hauschild-Schuh birdie #7, and McKoskey-Kramer birdie #16.
Men’s Club Purchases Defibrillator

The need for a defibrillator on the golf course has been a subject of discussion among the staff of the golf course for some time. As perhaps you have seen in the news, the need to have one available can be critical, but funding was just not available. This was brought to the attention of the Men’s Club Board of Directors and after careful consideration it was decided that ample funds were available and the Board voted to approve its purchase, using funds from both the general and senior account. As long-time member and former Executive Secretary Roy Tutt (shown at right) pointed out, this is just the type of situation that the Men’s Club fund was formed to help with. The defibrillator is portable and is carried on the ranger cart for emergency use on the golf course. The Staff and Rangers are being trained on the use of the equipment, which is very self explanatory. There is a meeting scheduled for Friday, August 8th at 2pm for further training and all club members are invited to attend.

Club Member co-authors novel

If you wondered about the whereabouts of Stan Trollip this spring, he has been up to things other than golf. Stan has co-authored with his friend, Michael Sears, a book that has been published by Harper Press and was busily off promoting it earlier this year.

The title of the novel is A Carrion of Death written under the name Michael Stanley. The book concerns the work of fictional Detective David “Kubu” Bengu as an Assistant Superintendent in the Botswana Criminal Investigation Department, adjacent to Stan’s homeland of South Africa. Stan tells us that it has gotten excellent reviews in the New York Times, LA Times and Boston Globe. Full reviews can be seen at his website, www.detectivekubu.com. Stan is generously donating two signed first editions to be given out at the Club Championship.

News from the Superintendents Office

Water! Water! Water! It seems that has been the summer theme of the crew the past two years. This year there has been rain around, but it seems to miss the golf course. The hardest hit are many of the newer trees we planted the last several years because they are outside of the range of the irrigation system. The Tre’ nursery, located on St. Paul campus has been our source of trees over the years. They were one of the first to develop disease resistant elms. We have over 14 of those elms located at various sites on the golf course replacing many of the elm lost over the years. They have also provided us with bicolor and red oaks, buckeye trees, chestnut, Kentucky coffeetree, little leaf lindens, basswoods, white and monarch birch, red and Norway maple, and hackberry trees. From a golf course that was once only ash, oak and elm we have a good variety of trees that line every fairway. As the Emerald Ash borer makes its way from Chicago and threatens to wipe out every ash tree on the course, we are thankful for the variety. Currently, we have a little over 300 ash trees on the golf course and are trying to remove 30 annually. This way when the disease hits, we will have different varieties of trees already planted in areas where ash were removed. Now to just keep them watered enough so they survive.

It appears likely we may finally get the sixth tee extended. Plans call for the back half of the sixth tee to be tilted up right after the men’s club championship and fill hauled to the site with the tee extended back about 15 yards and the current back half of the tee leveled to a more conducive playing surface. There will not be any retaining wall on the back as that creates another maintenance headache. The tee will hopefully be graded, the back slope sodded, and the tee seeded within a week. We also plan on changing the bunker on the thirteenth hole. We will eliminate the first half of the bunker, filling and sodding. This will make a nice route for carts to pass on the right side of the bunker and get to the cart path. The rest of the bunker will be enlarged into more of an oval and be brought closer to the green bringing it more into play on shots that would travel past the green on the right.

Have a great Men’s Club championship!
Clubhouse News

Pro Shop—Stop by the clubhouse and take a look at the wide assortment of Gopher Golf clothing and items. We have just received a shipment of the latest Sun Mountain Carts, as well as many of the hottest new irons and woods in golf! Remember we have a demo program that allows you to use a club to see how it “fits” your game.

Gift Certificates—Although we have been trying to remind club members to pick-up their winning certificates and checks, we still have a large number in the Pro Shop. Now is the time to think about using the certificates when we have the largest inventory of items on hand. And remember that if you don’t see it, just ask. We can special order most items.

Volunteers Need for Club Championship
Volunteers are needed for various responsibilities and activities at the Skills Competition, as well as the Club Championship weekend. Please consider pitching in so that we can all enjoy the contests and golf. A volunteer form is available in the Men’s Club Lounge.

Skills Contest, Friday Evening August 8th
If you haven’t attended the annual Friday evening Skill’s Contest you’ve missed some good times. But the good news is you can do it this year! Come meet and compete with your fellow club members on the Friday evening, prior to the Club Championship rounds. It is a great time to renew old acquaintances and make new friends. Have a hot dog, a beverage and test your skills at putting, chipping, pitching and driving—or just come and remark about the swing flaws in others! Mark it on your calendar and plan to attend.

Thanks for the Score Board Help
A big thank you to Eric Vegoe and Wally Smith for their operating the scoreboard during the 6-6-6 Tourney. The same to Jordan Sendar for his work at the Warm-up Tourney. And as always, a big thank you to the Tournament Committee for their tireless ongoing work. We couldn’t do it without Jim Grothaus, Jim Hauschild, Brett Mueller and Dave Schuh. As always, scoring help will be needed during the upcoming Club Championship. Why not step forward and give a hand!

Editors Note: Look for complete tournament results, including hole by hole scores of all players on the Men’s Club website at www.umn.edu/golfclub

Shoot-Out Point Leaders
Here are the leaders as of July 26th in the annual Shoot-Out contest. We still have quite a way to go to determine the top ten (and ties) that will qualify. Note that our Club President is “temporarily” leading—he says he feels like Corey Pavin in a Long Drive Contest!

1. Dave Schuh 625
2. Jeff Kalvik 610
3. Terry Cooper 560
4. Dave McIntosh 535
5. John Vosejoka 510
6. Skip Schultz 490
7. Tom Kollodge 475
8. Jim Hauschild 465
9. Dennis Smith 435
10. Richard Graeff 425
11. Dave Chmielewski 410
12. Jim Schmidt 410
13. Jordan Sendar 400
14. Dan Romero 400
15. Jon Kramer 380
16. Todd Kramer 380
17. Dan Brink 380
18. Matt McKoskey 375
19. Joel Rudloff 375
20. Dave Sajevic 360
21. Tom Schuh 355
22. Bob McIntosh 346
23. Brett Mueller 346
24. Kevin McKoskey 335
25. Keith Piotrowski 330

University Senior Team Wins!
Last week the Senior League team was 1/2 points out of first place in the last match of the season and rallied to win the title again in 2008! Congrats to all the players. Look for more information on the Senior League, 8 Man Team and the 24 Man Team in next month’s Hole Truth

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