



Indian Summer
GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

APRIL

2018 NEWSLETTER

Announcements

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 13, 10:00am–3:00pm

Adults \$33.95; Seniors \$29.95; Ages 4-12 \$14.95

Indian Summer will be hosting our annual Mother's Day Brunch on Sunday, May 13. Reservations are available from 10:00am-3:00pm. Brunch will feature all of your favorites including Eggs Benedict, fresh seafood, and chef carved beef! The cost is \$33.95 for adults, \$29.95 for seniors, and only \$14.95 for children 4-12 years old (children 3 and under eat free!). Call Embers to make your reservation at (360) 459-4572 or email Windyb@indiansummerngolf.com.

Yoga at Indian Summer

Mondays 5:30–6:30pm & Wednesdays 9:30–10:30am

OlyYoga is coming to Indian Summer! Join us for Yoga Flow, Mondays from 5:30-6:30am and Gentle Yoga on Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30am (check the stand in the club lobby for location of class). Please contact Kathy Thomsen via email at thomsentimber@msn.com for more information or to register.

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MEMBERSHIP



WELCOME INDIAN SUMMER MEMBERS

NEW MEMBERS

Brandon & Heather Houskeeper and Family

Gerald Hamilton

John Morton

Bob Hill

Allen Unzelman

Sam Patel

Mark McCorkle

Sharon Genzlinger

RETURNING MEMBERS

Josh O'Keefe

Membership Spring Promotion!

Refer a new member and receive a \$150 gift card!

New members will receive 50% off their initial joining fee through May 31 (includes all memberships except Social and Corporate). Contact Kevin by phone at (360) 459-2708 or by email at kevinm@indiansummergolf.com for more information.

Operation 36 Info Session

Tuesday, April 17 at 6:00pm

We will be holding a "Fire-side" chat in the Fireside Room to give an overview of Operation 36 to all who are interested. We plan to run an Operation 36 program for juniors, ladies, and couples instructed by Trent Henning, Brad Stephens, and Kevin Myers. We hope to see you there!

From the Golf Committee

The Golf Committee meets on Thursday, April 5 and is still in need of one more volunteer to complete it. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact Kevin Myers at (360) 459-3772.

The Committee would like to remind all members to please use proper etiquette on the course at all times and please pay special attention to the following:

- Fill and smooth all divots.
- Rake bunkers smooth and leave rake completely in the bunker, perpendicular to the edge.
- Carefully repair pitch marks.

Posting Policy for Incomplete Rounds

We are entering a time of the year when weather (rain) or darkness could prevent us from finishing a round of golf. The following is a summary from the USGA Handicap Manual of how this situation is handled for posting your score.

5-2b. Posting a Score When a Complete Round is not Played

If 13 or more holes are played, the player must post an 18-hole score. If 7 to 12 holes are played, the player must post a nine-hole score. In either case, scores for unplayed holes must be recorded as par plus any handicap strokes that the player is entitled to receive on the unplayed holes.

Example: A player with a Course Handicap of 13 stops playing after 15 holes because of darkness. Hole 16 is a par 4 and is the number 4 handicap-stroke hole. The player will record 4 (par) plus 1 handicap stroke for an X-5 on hole 16. Hole 17 is a par 5 and is the number 6 handicap-stroke hole. The player will record 5 (par) plus 1 handicap stroke for an X-6 on hole 17. Hole 18 is a par 4 and is the number 14 handicap-stroke hole. The player will record X-4 for the hole as no stroke is involved.

If you have any questions, the Golf Shop will be happy to answer them for you. Remember, accurate and complete posting of scores helps to give you an accurate handicap.

GOLF EVENTS OVERVIEW

APRIL 7	Masters Golf Event
APRIL 17	Tuesday, 6:00pm Operation 36 Info Session
APRIL 26	Thursday, 10:00am Shotgun PSWGA
APRIL 28	Saturday, 10:00am Shotgun Women's Club Opener Event
APRIL 29	Sunday, 11:00am Tee times Outside Group Event
MAY 2	Wednesday, 5:30pm Opening Twilight League
MAY 3	Cleveland Wedge Demo Day
MAY 5	Saturday, 9:00am Shotgun Men's Club President's Cup

For golf inquiries please contact:
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GOLF COURSE HOURS

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MONDAY	10:00AM - 6:00PM	10:00AM - 6:00PM
TUES-SATURDAY	7:00AM - 6:00PM	7:00AM - 6:00PM
SUNDAY	7:00AM - 6:00PM	7:00AM - 5:00PM
	FIRST TEE TIME OF THE DAY	
MONDAY	10:30AM	
TUES-SUNDAY	7:30AM	

Dress Code

Even though it is still the off season, we ask that our members and guests continue to honor our dress code. This dress code applies to the golf course and all practice areas. Please make sure everyone in your group, including children, is dressed appropriately. Please feel free to contact the Golf Shop with any questions.

Men

Acceptable: Shirts with collars and sleeves, slacks and golf shorts up to three inches above the knee.

Not Acceptable: Tank tops, tee shirts, fishnet tops, cut-offs, jams, sweat pants, denim, jeans, bathing suits, tennis shorts or other athletic shorts more than three inches above the knee, and drawstring slacks or shorts.

Women

Acceptable: Dresses, skirts, slacks, golf shorts and blouses. Skirts and shorts must be no shorter than four inches above the knee.

Not Acceptable: Halter tops, sleeveless tee shirts, fishnet tops, bathing suit, sweat pants, cargo pants, denim clothing, jeans, tennis dresses or athletic shorts, and drawstring slacks or shorts.

Shoes

Acceptable: Spikeless golf shoes are required. The Golf Shop must approve use of shoes other than golf shoes.

Not Acceptable: Football spikes, baseball spikes, and other turf shoes.

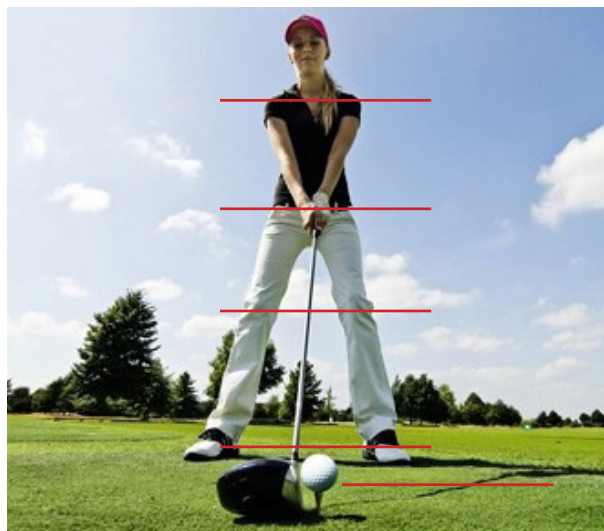


Kiwi's Corner

With summer just around the corner let's look at some basics. A consistent golf swing and a consistent golf game starts with proper **alignment**.

Check your alignment often. Pick a target and set up to the ball as normal, then place an alignment stick along the line of your toes, step back and see where it points. The alignment stick should point 2-3 feet parallel left of the target (for right-handed golfers). This is a square stance.

Knees, hips, and shoulders should also be in line with your feet. Have someone hold an alignment stick across your hips, your shoulders, and knees while you are in the set up position to check. Don't forget about the club face as you address the golf ball. This should be square (at right angles) to the ball-to-target line.



"Hit the shot you know you can hit, not the one you think you should."

— Brad Stephens, Assistant Professional

News & Notes from Trent

We are officially entered into spring and it is time to dust off the clubs from cold storage, shine those golf shoes, and begin limbering up the body because Indian Summer has a lot coming your way this 2018 season!

Your Indian Summer golf staff has you covered when it comes to helping you get yourself and your equipment ready to start playing. Are your grips getting slippery and worn out? I've been down to the bag room, and the answer for many of you is a resounding "yes" 😊. You might be surprised at how important it is to re-grip your golf clubs on a regular basis. I re-grip my clubs once a year, and I know many of you might not play as much as I do, but if it has been a couple seasons you are probably due. We have a wide selection of grips and styles for all types of golfers and hand sizes. This season I went with the Golf Pride "Align" grips. They have a raised rib on the underside of the grip, so when installed correctly you can really feel that line, and for someone like me who struggles to take the club back square, wow, does it help!

We are also your one-stop shop for golf shoes with selections that include either the more traditional soft spiked shoe or the more athletic fitting non-spiked golf shoe. I was skeptical at first, but I have recently switched to golf shoes that do not have spikes in them at all due to the comfort they provide and the convenience of a shoe that I can wear from the office to the course. If you just need new spikes put in your golf shoes, we can typically have that done in just a few minutes as we have spikes to fit most brands of shoes in-stock.

Your professional staff is going full force with our player development programs for 2018. As mentioned last month, our Junior Program will be very solid this summer as we are once again hosting two PGA Junior League teams, captained by myself and Brad Stephens, during the months of June and July. Please refer to last month's article or speak to one of us for more information. New this month, however, is the announcement of Operation 36: a new and exciting way to learn the game of golf through ongoing professional instruction, goal setting, and "leveling up." After months of research and discovery, we are excited to bring you all this new approach to golf instruction; an approach

we truly believe will allow you, regardless of your current ability, to see your golf game grow exponentially and have the growth be sustainable.

The program is broken up into 8 week semesters of ongoing golf instruction where you will have the opportunity to learn golf skills and earn "badges" by demonstrating mastery of skills. The idea behind the 36 in 'Operation 36' is to shoot 36 for 9 holes, but doing so from your appropriate level (which could start from 20 yards short of each green). There is so much to this program and so much we are excited about! We will be holding a "Fire-side" chat in the Fireside Room to give an overview of Operation 36 to all who are interested on Tuesday, April 17 at 6:00pm. We plan to run an Operation 36 program for juniors, ladies, and couples. Days of the week and times for each are TBD. I hope to see you all on April 17! For more information please reach out to myself, Brad, or Kevin.

Alignment, alignment, alignment.

A wise "old" man years ago told me, "Ya know Trent, I just don't think there is anything more important to the golf swing than alignment." It took me quite a while to completely understand this, but he was right—proper alignment simply allows everything else in the swing to have the best chance to function correctly. As you begin practicing and hitting balls this spring, take the time to work on and practice your alignment as you would any other part of your game. You may be amazed at how much better you strike the ball just by having your feet, shoulders, and clubface all going the same direction. If you are not quite sure how to get yourself lined up correctly I would be happy to show you! By the way, that wise "old" man was Kevin Myers...but shhh, don't tell him I called him wise... 😊

— Trent Henning, Head Professional



TURF MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Aerification of the greens, tees, and approaches is now complete. The greens were originally scheduled for the week of April 9 following the Masters Tournament. As it worked out, favorable weather hit during the perfect window and the greens were finished on March 20, leaving two full weeks of healing prior to the Masters tournament. The modified method of aerification (no cores pulled) greatly reduces healing time and, from our observations, has improved the overall health of the greens. This practice has now been used five times and the greens continue to efficiently move water throughout the winter and disease pressure has been much lower as a result. The process of rolling and lowering the height of cut is now underway and will continue as it's needed throughout the summer. This is a great way to start the golf season!

One of the other steps used during aerification is the application of lime just prior to punching the greens. Biannual applications of lime can "sweeten" the soil. Generally speaking, soils in the PNW are acidic which limits the nutrient availability within the soil profile. Adding lime frees up nutrients for the plant and a "green-up" is routinely observed following this practice. Applications of fertilizer are also used more completely by the plant when the pH is within the optimum range. For the homeowner,

April/May is a great time to add lime as well. It is a good idea to separate lime and fertilizer applications by a couple of weeks unless marathon mowing is part of the workout plan. Keep in mind that as soil temperatures increase, growth rates will increase following fertilizer applications. The "spring surge" usually hits in April as temperatures rise, so it is not a bad idea to let the spring surge pass before fertilizing the yard with granular fertilizer. On the golf course, granular fertilizer is applied in early May on the fairways and tees.

As we work through April, there are a couple more pre-season projects to address. Currently, the tee benches are being pulled three at a time for sanding and painting. The bunker rake handles deteriorate and splinter from UV rays, mower blade strikes, temper tantrums, etc. The worn and damaged handles will be replaced once the new handles arrive. There are several collars that will require sod work again this season including holes 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 15. Unfortunately, the sod purchased last season didn't survive the summer so we will attempt to use sod from the #6 tee (left side) to see if that will mend and survive this season. Enjoy the Masters!

— Rick Hancock, Course Superintendent

EMBERS RESTAURANT & LOUNGE HOURS

RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

MONDAY	CLOSED
TUES - THURSDAY	11:00AM - 8:00PM
FRI - SATURDAY	11:00AM - 9:00PM
SUNDAY	11:00AM - 6:00PM

For social + dining inquiries please contact:

Ian Shulman

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Wine Club

Thursday, April 19, 6:30pm

Guest fee \$28

Our Wine Club returns with a regular tasting event on Thursday, April 19 featuring Dunham Cellars! This tasting is included with your regular Wine Club dues and guests of the Wine Club only pay \$28. The fun begins at 6:30pm and will feature wines from Italy! Please email kevinm@indiansummorgolf.com to RSVP.



Pasta Night

Wednesday, April 11

\$19.95 per person

Pasta night continues to bring us all out on the second Wednesday of the month! Come out and enjoy the evening while our chefs prepare your meal right in front of your eyes! The cost is only \$19.95 per person and reservations are recommended for this monthly event. Please ask any of our servers or call Embers direct at (360) 459-4572.

Trivia Night

Saturday, April 14, 7:00pm

Trivia night is back with another great event on Saturday, April 14 at 7:00pm. This is a fun night run by our members in the Embers Lounge and last month's turnout was incredible. Please feel free to come in early and enjoy our evening specials! Reservations welcomed at (360) 459-4572.



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For the Cocktail Aficionado

Three Rules for Muddling Cocktails

Last month, I explained some of the subtleties of a staple Brazilian cocktail: the Caipirinha. The Caipirinha is all about the muddling; it requires that you muddle lime and sugar together to release the lime's oils and juices. Far too often, muddling is where a potentially good drink takes a tumble. So before the hot weather (and fresh cocktail season) hits, learn these three rules of muddling. Then practice, practice, practice so your cocktail-creating skills are as tight as a drum.

1. Use the right end of the muddler.

Proper muddlers have two ends—one has a small circumference (about the size of a quarter), the other is bigger and broader. For herbs, you want to use the smaller end, which will help prevent you from bruising the leaves. For berries, cucumbers, lime chunks (as in the Caipirinha), and other large fruits and vegetables, use the broad end of the muddler. And if you don't have a proper muddler? The broad end (that is, the spoon end) of a wooden spoon works for larger produce; herbs can simply get a few whacks with the palm of your hand.

2. Muddle with sugar.

Sugar is great in cocktails as a seasoning, but it doesn't dissolve well in cold liquids, so it often sinks to the bottom of the glass. Unless you're using simple syrup (which dissolves beautifully), muddle the sugar along with the rest of the ingredients. Muddling the sugars into other ingredients allows them to bind easier with the pulp and oils, making every sip sweet, be it a Caipirinha or a flavorful punch.

3. Muddle (mostly) with care.

Caipirinhas are among the most fun cocktails to muddle because you want to really pulverize those limes (and sugar!). But when you muddle herbs for a cocktail (or iced coffee), you're simply trying to wake up the aromas, not pound the herbs into a paste. Plants have defenses against harassment and if muddled too much, they'll release volatile, chemical-like flavors. And that's not cute. Cheers y'all!

A Message from Ian

Spring has finally sprung! Hopefully we'll all be feeling a little less cold, if not less wet. As I'm writing this, St. Patrick's Day was only a couple days ago so I would be remiss if I didn't give Chef Mike "O'Sherman" a tip of the cap. His Guinness Lamb Stew and traditional corned beef and cabbage specials last weekend left folks in culinary bliss. Three separate members told me that night that they had the best meal they've ever experienced at Embers! I have a feeling we're going to be hearing those words more often.

We, at Embers Grill & Lounge, have a lot to look forward to as we approach the high season. Very soon we will be starting up our new Happy Hour program and brand new menu. Those of you who have dined with us in the past week have, unknowingly, been given a sneak preview of several new menu items. Namely, the Seafood Cioppino and the Braised Beef Short Ribs, which have received some very positive reviews. We're doing things a little differently this time around with regards to unveiling these new items. Instead of switching over all at once, we will slowly introduce these items to our members and guests in the form of nightly specials. This will give us a chance to tweak any recipes and presentations before we move toward the finished products.

It has been great to see those of you who spent the winter months in warmer environments returning home. All the smiles and greetings have been heartwarming. I know I speak for the entire Embers staff when I say thank you and welcome back!

— Ian Shulman
Food & Beverage Manager

APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Easter Brunch	2	3 Women's Day	4 Men's Day	5	6 Prime Rib Night	7 Masters Golf Event
8	9	10 Women's Day	11 Men's Day Pasta Night	12	13 Prime Rib Night	14 Trivia Night
15	16 Players Card Day	17 Operation 36 Info Session Women's Day	18 Men's Day	19 Wine Club	20 Prime Rib Night	21
22	23	24 Women's Day	25 Men's Day	26 PSWGA	27 Prime Rib Night	28 Women's Club Opening Event
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ADMINISTRATION OFFICE HOURS

MON - FRIDAY	9:00AM - 5:00PM
SAT - SUNDAY	CLOSED



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