



Indian Summer  
GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

# JUNE

## 2018 NEWSLETTER

### Announcements

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# MEMBERSHIP



## WELCOME INDIAN SUMMER MEMBERS

### NEW MEMBERS

Jim & Dianna Grantham

Randy Gunderson

Matthew Brice

Jeff Bohl & Genie Paquin

Michael Shelby

Zachary Medeiros

Mike & Roxine Mahoney

Jeff Nugent

Richard Skultety

Gary Yim

Ian Mullen

Adam Crook

Jeremy Demaranville

Richard Bago

Leland Jiles

Glen McIlraith

Lee Matlick

Kristin Rhodes & Jim McIlraith

Jeff Warner

Nathan & Keri Schilling



## Reminder to Weekday and Twilight Members

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A friendly reminder to all of our Weekday and Twilight members that our access times have now changed to 4:00pm. This time also applies to the practice areas, so if you want to hit some warm-up balls be sure to make your tee time a little later. Also, please remember that a guest is allowed to come enjoy our course a total of six times throughout the year. Any more than six times and we should be talking to that person about joining!

## Membership Referrals

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

The membership opportunities at Indian Summer Golf & Country Club are endless! Refer a friend to join and you'll receive a \$150 gift card and they'll receive 50% off their initiation fees through June. Contact Kevin Myers at [kevinm@indiansummorgolf.com](mailto:kevinm@indiansummorgolf.com) for more details.

## Oki Golf Extended Benefit Program

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Looking to play other great courses around the Puget Sound area? This program is designed to add significant value for golf members of Indian Summer Golf & Country Club by offering the ability to play the following Oki Golf properties for no additional green fees:

The Golf Club at Hawks Prairie (Woodlands and Links)  
Trophy Lake Golf & Casting  
Washington National Golf Club

Indian Summer members are allowed up to two complimentary rounds per month, per golf course, per membership for only \$25/month (tax not included). That means that you will be able to enjoy up to 8 additional rounds of golf per month or up to 96 additional rounds per year for no additional greens fee charges per membership. Please contact the Golf Shop for more information or to sign up!

## Dress Code

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We ask that our members and guests 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 (of any color), 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, yoga pants, cargo pants, denim (of any color), 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.



## GOLF EVENTS OVERVIEW

JUNE 2	Saturday, 9:00am Shotgun <b>Women's Solheim Cup</b>
JUNE 8	Friday, 9:00am Shotgun <b>Women's TEAM Event</b>
JUNE 9	Saturday, 9:00am Shotgun <b>Men's Senior Cup</b>
JUNE 16	Saturday, 10:00am Shotgun <b>US Open</b>
JUNE 18	Monday, 9:00am Tee Times <b>Oki Golf Open Play Day</b>
JUNE 22	Friday, 5:30pm Shotgun <b>Mixed Couples Golf</b>
JUNE 29 – JULY 1	Friday – Sunday <b>Men's Member-Member</b>
JULY 4	<b>½ Price Guest Day</b>
EVERY TUES	8:00 – 11:00am <b>Women's Day</b>
EVERY WED	8:00 – 11:00am <b>Men's Day</b> 5:30pm <b>Twilight League</b>



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## Kiwi's Corner

### Grip Pressure

Your grip pressure will impact how you putt. Tension is an enemy of a smooth, effortless putting stroke.

The ideal grip pressure is one that is constant throughout your putting stroke. It doesn't change from the start of the backstroke through to the finish of your forward stroke. It is important to maintain soft and even pressure in both your hands and forearms.

It can be difficult to go from a static position into a fluid putting stroke; I like to hover my putter off the ground while at address. This is known as underweighting your putter. If the putter rests on the turf at address, the act of lifting it in order to start on the backstroke may cause an increase in grip pressure, this can result in a jerky, uneven stroke and makes distance control difficult.

— Brad Stephens, Assistant Professional

## From the Golf Committee

### Retrieving Balls From Errant Shots

Per the IS CC&R of the Indian Summer HOA, golfers are permitted to retrieve their golf balls from errant shots. However, please be courteous of our neighbors and **do not** drive your golf cart onto their well-kept lawns and landscape or attempt to play from out of bounds. Also, golfers and their guests are responsible for any damage that their ball may do to a homeowner's property.

### Guests

We want to make sure your guests have a great time at Indian Summer. Please make sure the Golf Shop knows you will be bringing a guest and whether you will be paying for your guest or if your guest will be paying their associated fees. Please remind your guest of the expected etiquette at Indian Summer including dress code, pace of play, and care of the course including divots and ball marks. Also, please remember that a guest is allowed to come enjoy our course a total of six times throughout the year. Any more than six times and we should be talking to that person about joining!

## Question of the Month: Do You Have a Valid Handicap?

If you have a “true valid” handicap you are in very select company. In order to have such a handicap, you must post 100% of your scores and all posted rounds must be played per the Rules of Golf. Since this probably eliminates most of us from being able to claim to have such a handicap, let’s take a look at some things that really affect a player’s handicap.

### Player Doesn’t Post Every Score

Some excuses I’ve heard many times are, “The score was too high, it doesn’t affect my handicap,” or, “I didn’t post those away scores because I wasn’t playing very well.” Actually, all those scores **are** important to having a valid handicap. Your handicap index is based on your 10 lowest scores from your last 20. If you are constantly not posting the scores that you feel are too high, then your handicap index will end up being too low! There is nothing in the handicap system that allows for a player to determine what scores to post.

### How Often Do You Accept a “Gimmie”?

A “gimmie” is not a word used in the Rules of Golf. It is only an agreement by two poor putters who have agreed to waive the Rules of Golf.. Some say, “We’re only trying to speed up the pace of play.” There are many other ways to improve the pace of play, but that’s a story for another day. If you do decide to accept gimmie putts, you must be positive that you can make that putt 100% of the time, no matter what the stakes are. You also need to take into consideration the effect of gimmies on your handicap. One missed “gimmie” per round will affect your handicap index by 1.0, which can translate into two strokes for your course handicap. One of the best sounds in golf is hearing the ball hitting the bottom of the cup.

### Playing the Ball Up (winter rules) or Down (summer rules)

This is something else that can affect a handicap. While playing winter rules, you are playing an easier course because you never have a bad lie. This will lead to better scoring and, as a result, a lower handicap. It is not mandatory to play “the ball up” when preferred lies are

permissible, it is your choice. It is also your handicap. When it comes to handicaps, a handicap is something that is earned, not a given number that you think it should be. Keep in mind that a player with a valid handicap will win against one who doesn’t the vast majority of the time... “sandbaggers” excluded.

In summary, if your handicap is too low as a result of any of the above mentioned reasons, you are only cheating two people, yourself and your partner. Your opponents love you.

— Dick Taylor, Handicap Chair

### GOLF COURSE HOURS

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### FIRST TEE TIME OF THE DAY

MONDAY	10:30AM
TUES - SUNDAY	7:00AM

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## News & Notes from Trent

Hello Indian Summer members! I just cannot believe the early and amazing summer we have been having around here in May—it seems like almost every day was 65-75 degrees outside and sunny. What a great start to our season! We have been keeping busy here in the Golf department and some highlights are as follows: **You will see many new faces in the Golf Shop and especially within our Guest Services department.** We have added a nice mix of some returning team members and new team members. They are all anxious to get to know you so don't be surprised if they stop and introduce themselves to you and ask you about your recent round of golf. **New merchandise**, including shoes, polos, and golf clubs, has continued to come in and you will see more of the same with new clothing hitting the racks this month.

Our club events have kicked off last month with our weekly Twilight League as well as our first Friday night couples event. These are both great opportunities to play golf in a fun and lightly competitive environment. Both leagues are open to all Indian Summer members and offer fun, camaraderie, and great food and drink. **Our Twilight League meets on Wednesday evenings** throughout the summer months and we begin playing at 5:30pm (please check in no later than 5:15pm). We play 9 holes of fun and varied team competition; the draw is random so you will have the opportunity to meet and play with a variety of members. If you do not have a handicap to compete with, it's OK! Reach out to me ahead of time and we will work something out so you can participate. No advanced notice of participation is needed, just show up by 5:15pm... and you're in! After golf, most congregate in the lounge for snacks and drinks while results are prepared and announced.

If you have not had the opportunity to participate in our monthly couples 9-hole event, you are definitely missing out—this is a highlight each month during the summer. The event is a 9-hole competition with your partner with light snacks before golf and a dinner and awards banquet following golf. With all the raffle items, prizes, and ways to win, everyone walks away feeling like a winner! Snacks are served at 4:30pm and we tee it up at 5:30pm. If you are

looking for a great way to get plugged in to our community here at Indian Summer this is a fabulous and exciting way to do it! **Our next couple's event is scheduled for Friday, June 22.** Please use the sign-up sheet just outside the Golf Shop or give us a call. I can't wait to see you there!

Also new in May was the kick-off of our Indian Summer **PGA Junior League Teams**. I was so excited to be hosting a team and, to my surprise, we had enough young golfers to field two teams! We meet most Tuesday and Thursday evenings and, if you have not already seen them in action, you are sure to this summer as we will be going strong through July. There are four other local golf courses hosting teams in the area and we will have both home and away matches for the next eight weeks. I'm not sure there is anything more fun or rewarding than watching a young golfer hit a solid shot up in the air at their target and then see their face light up with joy—that's as pure as golf gets and reminds me that these youngsters are the future of this game we all love. If anyone out there is interested helping out or being a mentor for our juniors, I absolutely welcome your assistance with practices and matches.

June will bring with it some fun events for our club: the Ladies Club Solheim Cup, the Men's Club Member-Member, and the All Club US Open Event—all highlights of our full summer golf schedule. If you have interest in any of these events please reach out to a member of our Golf Shop staff for more information. You will also see new TaylorMade practice balls put out for use on our practice facility. In addition, we will begin handing out different **colored bag tags** for our 3 core levels of golf membership. These will be easily identifiable and help you, the member, and our golf staff identify you as a Full, Weekday, or Twilight member (more details to come on this from your Golf Shop staff soon). And finally, we had such strong support and participation with our five Demo Days in May that we will be scheduling some additional **fitting sessions in June and July**. When these dates and times are finalized we will give notice to all.

Thank you all for a wonderful May and here's to an even busier and exciting June! I'll see you all soon on the links!

— Trent Henning, Head Professional





## TURF MAINTENANCE UPDATE

The relatively dry May weather was a nice change from April and the course is really beginning to shape up for the golf season. At this time course improvement projects are wrapped up until fall and the Maintenance team will resume routine maintenance practices for the next four months.

The bunkers and cart paths were edged early in May. The greens were also lightly top-dressed to smooth out the surface. Both of these maintenance routines are repeated on a monthly basis throughout the summer. Despite our efforts to chemically inhibit seed head production on the greens, the poa grass continues to win the battle and seed heads are visible on the surface of the greens. Mechanical removal will be utilized throughout the summer to ensure a clean and smooth putting surface.

This season we are scheduled to acquire a new greens mower. A second greens mower will give us the ability to verti-cut the greens as needed. Verti-cutting is a two-step process that can be completed with one mower but is much more efficient with two mowers. Once the new greens mower arrives, we will begin verti-cutting prior to mowing greens. This can be done frequently to manage the pesky seed heads.

Finally, the fairways were fertilized around the third week of May as the Spring Surge began to subside in the rough. The turf density has noticeably increased and the color has darkened. With the increase in density and growth, the frequency of mowing will also increase. Thanks for your patience as we work to keep up with the turf! Enjoy the amazing weather.

— Rick Hancock, Course Superintendent

# SOCIAL + DINING

## A Message from Ian

The high season is “full swing” (pun totally intended) at the Embers Restaurant & Lounge. Now that we are on our way to being at full strength for the summer, you may notice some new faces on the crew these days, some more familiar than others (I know y’all are probably sick of seeing my ugly mug by now). Jenna has re-joined the Indian Summer crew, making the switch from the Golf Shop to being our Refreshment Cart Server for the season. The two newest faces on the team (for whom I’ve searched far and wide) belong to Sean and Tristan. It won’t be hard to tell them apart, as Tristan will tower over most of us, excluding Mr. Mark Nelson, of course. Both Sean and Tristan are relatively new to the Pacific NW so bear with us as they get to know all of you. I’m quite sure you’ll agree that they will be positive additions to an already strong and talented crew.

— Ian Shulman  
Food & Beverage Manager

**For social + dining inquiries please contact:**

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## Pasta Night

**Wednesday, June 13**

**\$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.

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## Prime Rib Night

**Fridays at Embers**

Join us every Friday night at Embers Dining Room and Lounge for an 8, 10, or 12 oz. cut of ultra-tender Prime Rib hand-carved by our chef. Try pairing yours with a selection from our wine list! All Prime Rib dinners are served with your choice of soup, Caesar or house salad and a baked potato, mashed potatoes, or rice.



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## Yoga at Indian Summer

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

Join us for Yoga Flow, Mondays from 5:30-6:30pm 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](mailto:thomsentimber@msn.com) for more information or to register. Instruction provided by OlyYoga.



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# SOCIAL + DINING



## For the Cocktail Aficionado

### The Classic Sidecar

The origin of this cocktail is, like the recipes of most classic drinks, rather cloudy. The most common belief is that the Sidecar was created in a Paris bar in the 1920's, though it's entirely possible that London was the city of its genesis. Whether you belong to the "Paris school" or the "London school" the Sidecar is indisputably made from very French ingredients.

The quality of ingredients used greatly influences the flavor of the drink. It's best to go with a mid-range quality of cognac/brandy. When made with the most expensive cognac it can lose some of its character, use the cheapest brandy and well... you can imagine. The substitution you really don't want to make is for the Cointreau; please avoid trading the perfect balance of this French liqueur for any other orange flavored booze, orange Curacao, or heaven forbid... triple sec. The result may be a Sidecar by definition but certainly not in spirit. As always... Cheers!

### Ingredients

- $\frac{3}{4}$  oz. simple syrup
- 1 lemon wedge
- 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. cognac
- 1 oz. Cointreau
- $\frac{1}{2}$  oz. fresh lemon juice
- 1 cup ice

### Preparation

Shake the ingredients with lots of ice in a Parisian shaker (the kind with the strainer lid attached to the tin), use the lemon to moisten the rim of a martini glass, dip the rim in sugar, pour, and enjoy.

## Try Something New!

Want to try something different from the Embers menu? Here are a few fresh options for the summer:



Southwest Chicken Salad



Prime Rib Dip



Fresh Battered Cod Soft Tacos

# JUNE

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Solheim Cup Picks Prime Rib Night	2 Solheim Cup
3	4	5 Women's Day	6 Men's Day Twilight League	7	8 Prime Rib Night	9 Men's Club Senior Cup
10	11 PSWGA at Canterwood	12 Women's Day	13 Pasta Night Men's Day Twilight League	14	15 Prime Rib Night	16
17	18 Oki Golf Open Play Day	19 Women's Day	20 Men's Day Twilight League	21 Wine Club	22 Mixed Couple's Event Prime Rib Night	23
24	25	26 Women's Day	27 Men's Day Twilight League	28	29 Men's Club Member-Member Prime Rib Night	30 Men's Club Member-Member
1 Men's Club Member-Member						



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SAT - SUNDAY	CLOSED



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