



Indian Summer
GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

SEPTEMBER

2018 NEWSLETTER

Announcements

Course Ratings

Our course got brand new ratings by handicap co-chair Dick Taylor, and everything has changed! (See page 5)

For the Cocktail Connoisseur

See page 10 for a fascinating, in depth look at the history of everyone's favorite 5 o'clock tool of choice: the Cocktail Shaker.

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Wine Club

Thursday, September 20

Our Wine Club returns for a regular tasting on September 20. This month's event will feature a buffet style appetizer at 6:30pm. Please email hpbarnett@comcast.net to RSVP. Price is included with the Wine Club dues, and only \$28 for non-Wine Club Members.

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MEMBERSHIP



WELCOME INDIAN SUMMER MEMBERS

Jaz Bon Song
Leticia Barrett

Membership Referrals

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. Contact Kevin Myers at kevinm@indiansummerglass.com for more details.

Oki Golf Extended Benefit Program

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

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.

CLUB EVENTS OVERVIEW

SEPTEMBER 3	Monday Labor Day & Half Price Guest day
SEPTEMBER 8	Saturday Women's Member-Member Event
SEPTEMBER 14	Friday Couple's Glow Golf Event
SEPTEMBER 15	Saturday Men's Top 32 Event
SEPTEMBER 17	Monday Greens Arefication Begins
SEPTEMBER 27	Thursday Oki Players Card Day
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From the Golf Committee

Checking In

Please remember to check in for all rounds at the golf shop. Not only do we enjoy seeing you but we also are able to pass along important information. If you are in a hurry and cant stop by, please call us to check in.

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 6 times throughout the year. Any more than 6 times and we should be talking to that person about joining!

Kiwi's Corner

Swing through and not to the Ball

While hitting the ball cleanly, crisply and powerfully is your ultimate goal, it should not be how you think about your swing. Most slow-swinging amateurs hit at the ball or try to scoop it up into the air, which causes the club head to slow down through impact.

Your swing should remain relaxed and fluid, and focusing too much on hitting at the ball may create an awkward, hurried effort and a herky-jerky result. To learn how to accelerate the club through impact to a full and balanced finish, practice swinging with your head cover on your driver. The additional resistance on the club head will force you to drive it through impact into a full finish, and will teach you how to use tempo to generate more speed and power.

— Brad Stephens, Assistant Professional

Course Ratings

The ratings are in...and everything has changed!

The USGA requires that every established course must be re-rated at least once every 10 years, even if it has not changed in any way. Indian Summer was re-rated in late June and the final new rating values were received on August 24. The new course rating/course slope rating values will become effective on September 1, 2018.

The new values are posted on the main bulletin board outside the Golf Shop and on the bulletin boards in upstairs restrooms. They will also be shown on the GHIN.com site when you enter your scores starting on September 1.

What does this all mean to me?

You will see that the new rating/slope values have all changed. Some are higher, and some are lower than what they were. The end result is some players' Handicap Index will be slightly lower, maybe up to 0.6, some players' Handicap Index (H.I.) will increase slightly and others will remain unchanged. It's all a result of which tees a player chooses to play from. Remember, a Handicap Index is based on formula that uses both course rating and course slope rating. If both values increase, the H.I. will be lower, if both values decrease, the H.I. will be higher. However, if one of the values increases and the other decreases, what happens is unknown until the Handicap Index Formula is applied.

Probably the biggest change as a result of the new ratings will be when players elect to play from tees other than the designated set of tees for a competition. For example, when a player elects to play from the men's combination set of tees when the white tees have been designated as the primary tees during an event, that player will have to adjust his handicap to account for the different course being played.

In the past, it has been almost universal that the player moving up to the combination tees would lose 1 stroke, which was the rating difference between the 2 sets of tees. Now with the change of rating values between the white and combo tees, a player will be giving up 2 strokes due to the difference in course ratings and possibly one additional stroke due to change of handicap for a total adjustment of 3 strokes. This procedure is covered in section 3-5 of the USGA Handicap System. A copy of this section is posted on the main bulletin with the new rating information. Fortunately, the tournament software program being used by the Golf Shop handles this adjustment for events. But it is important that players understand the adjustment procedure for all "friendly" competition.

I'm sure this is clear and there are no questions. However, please feel free to address your questions to Trent or Brad in the Golf Shop or contact me at isghdcp@aol.com.

— Dick Taylor, Handicap Co-Chair



News & Notes from Trent

I'm not sure about all of you, but I am happy to be into September with some slightly cooler temperatures than what we had in August. What a fun August we had with many fun member events, lasting memories, and great rounds had by all.

Although September for many represents the end of summer, there are still several great opportunities to play golf this month. The Men's Club will be hosting their Club Championship the first weekend of the September, and the following week is the Ladies Club Member-Member event. The gents also have their "Top 32" event where the top 32 point leaders from our 2018 season compete for a prize fund sponsored by the Men's Club. Both the Men and Women conclude their season with their season ending events and dinners the last weekend of the month. Please make sure to sign up for one or all of these golf tournaments.

Our Couples Club wraps up their season with the highlight event of their season on Friday September 14—an afternoon of golf, followed by dinner...followed by GLOW GOLF!...followed by dessert! Don't miss your chance to sign up for this one of a kind event. And don't forget our Wednesday night twilight league still has a few more weeks of playing 9 holes of golf, each Wednesday beginning at 5:30pm. Come out and PLAY!

During the month of September, we will be assigning different colored bag tags for all of our members. Each color will represent your membership type and will also help our staff, and your fellow members identify you on the course and practice facility. We hope this will also serve to help our members meet and get to know other members who have similar playing and practice privileges and develop potential "golfing buddies." The process of handing out bag tags will begin within the first 2 weeks of September, and we ask that each of you hang them in an easily visible area on your golf bag. Thank you in advance for your support with this endeavor.

During the month of June, the Washington State Golf Association came to Indian Summer to re-rate and update our course ratings. Every tee rating changed slightly, some going up a bit and others going down. Posted outside the

Golf Shop on the "Handicap Board" are the new ratings from all sets of tees. These new ratings will go into effect on September 1, so any scores posted on this date and after will have the new slope and ratings applied to your handicap. Our handicap chairman, Dick Taylor, has written a longer and more in-depth explanation of this process and what it means for you—I encourage you to read this article on page 4. We will be addressing a plan for our scorecards (which reflect the old ratings) this off-season. How the holes are handicapped from most difficult to least difficult for both men and women did not change, so our scorecards reflect correctly from that standpoint.

I hope you all have a wonderful month and here's crossing my fingers to a September with warm (just not 90 degrees...) weather and great golf to end our season. I look forward to seeing you all and teeing it up with you soon as well.

— Trent Henning, Head Professional

GOLF COURSE HOURS

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TURF MAINTENANCE UPDATE

It is hard to believe that we are beginning the final month of summer. Daylight is noticeably getting shorter and it is staying dark until after 6:00 am. So far we have enjoyed a long, hot summer with less than .5 inch of rain from June through August and many days where the temperatures rose into the 90's.

For the turf maintenance staff, September marks the beginning of the pre-winter project season. Green aerification is scheduled for the week of September 17. Aerification of the tees and approaches could take place in September or October. Ideally, we will wrap up aerification (of tees and approaches) in September but it will depend on weather conditions and course availability. Finally, deep-tine fairway aerification will occur in late October into November. The deep tine aerator is more effective when fall rains have softened the fairways. A softer profile allows for deeper penetration into the soil profile while minimizing heaving of the fairways.

Throughout fall, the turf team will focus on repairing damaged areas of turf in the collars, approaches and fairways. The process of punching, seeding and sanding

is already underway and it will continue as needed to accelerate recovery.

Last, a huge "thank you!" to Glen McIlraith for hand crafting and donating the new score card mailboxes located on holes 2 and 11. These are the second generation of mailboxes built and donated by Glen and they look amazing! Enjoy September and hopefully we have an outstanding October.

— Rick Hancock, Course Superintendent



SOCIAL + DINING

A Message from Ian

At press time we are just catching our breath after the (quite successful) 2018 Men's Club Member/Guest tournament. Hats off to Trent and his team for putting on another amazing event. I know they put their hearts (not to mention a lot of sweat) into it. The result was a lot of smiling faces, new friendships, and lasting memories. It's a good thing timing was on our side and we got it done before all the smoke and ash came to visit.

A couple weeks ago, we introduced our first Fresh Sheet of the year which we will change quarterly to reflect the seasonality of certain ingredients. This portion of the menu will be a fixture as an addition to the core menu only served after 4:30pm and will consist of about four items. We have a nice variety to choose from right now including parmesan and sesame crusted local razor clams, seared duck breast with a cranberry/sour cherry demi-glace, wild salmon summer salad as well as a BBQ platter to celebrate every last bit of summer we can. It is our hope that you will come by the Embers Restaurant & Lounge to try something from the Fresh Sheet or an appetizer from our new bar menu and to experience our hospitality sooner rather than later. Cheers!

— Ian Shulman, Food & Beverage Manager



Pasta Night

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\$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.

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.



For social + dining inquiries please contact:

Ian Shulman

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Wine Club

Thursday, September 20, 6:30pm

Our Wine Club returns for a dinner on Thursday, September 20. This month's event will feature wines paired with food and begins at 6:30pm. The price is to be determined based on the selected wines, more info coming soon! Please email hpbarnett@comcast.net to RSVP.

Weekly Specials

Call Embers Restaurant daily after 3:00pm for the night's special from our Indian Summer Culinary team! 360.459.4572



Yoga at Indian Summer

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 for more information or to register. Instruction provided by OlyYoga.

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



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For the Cocktail (Shaker) Connoisseur

We're going to keep it simple this month because, let's face it, we need to save our breath given the air condition this week and maybe a good cocktail is just what the doctor ordered (it's what my "doctor" ordered anyway). A bit of a history lesson is in order so here we go with the history of the cocktail shaker:

Antecedents of the cocktail shaker can be traced to 7000 BC in South America where the jar gourd was valued for its use as a closed container. Ancient Egyptians in 3500 BC knew that adding spices to their grain fermentations before serving made them more palatable. A distant cousin of the yet-to-be-invented cocktail? Well, archaeologists have yet to find a hieroglyphic list of cocktail recipes inside the Great Pyramid of Cheops. But we do know in 1520 Cortez wrote to King Charles V of Spain from the New World of a certain drink made from cacao, served to Montezuma with much reverence, frothy and foaming from a golden cylinder.

By the late 1800s, the bartender's shaker as we know it today had become a standard tool of the trade, invented by an innkeeper when pouring a drink back and forth to mix. Finding that the smaller mouth of one container fit into another, he held the two together and shook "for a bit of a show."

At the turn of the century, New York City hotels were serving the English custom of 5 o'clock tea and it was

a short leap to the 5 o'clock cocktail hour with shakers manufactured for home use looking very much like teapots.

In the 1920s martinis were served from sterling silver shakers by high society while the less affluent made do with glass or nickel-plated devices. The Great War was over and sacrifice was replaced by euphoria and party-going en masse. The mixed drink and cocktail shaker was powered by Prohibition. People who had never tasted a cocktail before were knocking on speakeasy doors. The outlaw culture had a powerful pull. Flappers with one foot on the brass rail ordered their choice of drinks with names like Between the Sheets, Fox Trot, and Zanzibar, liberated more by this act and smoking in public than even by their new voting rights. This golden age of this essential bar tool really took hold after prohibition. For the conclusion of this history lesson, you'll have to wait...until next month.

Cheers!

— Ian Shulman, Food & Beverage Manager

SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Men's Club Championship
2 Men's Club Championship	3 Half Price Guest Day Yoga Flow	4 Women's Day	5 Gentle Yoga Men's Day Twilight League	6	7 Prime Rib Night	8 Women's Member Member
9	10 Yoga Flow	11 Women's Day	12 Pasta Night Gentle Yoga Men's Day Twilight League	13	14 Couple's Glow Golf Event Prime Rib Night	15 Men's Club top 32 event
16	17 Greens Arefication Yoga Flow	18 Women's Day	19 Gentle Yoga Men's Day Twilight League	20 Wine Club	21 Couples Nine & Dine Prime Rib Night	22
23	24 Yoga Flow	25 Women's Day	26 Gentle Yoga Men's Day Twilight League	27 Oki Golf Players Card Day	28 Prime Rib Night	29 Men's and Women's Closing Event
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SUNDAY	11:00AM - 6:00PM

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE HOURS

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



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