

TEE TIMES

APRIL 2010

NEWS AND INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF YELLOWSTONE COUNTRY CLUB

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CLUB MANAGER'S CORNER

by Greg Kelsey

Hopefully, April showers will bring May flowers (with all the showers being at night, and certainly not on the weekends!) and the golf course will start on its way to the lush green we haven't seen in a very long time! We start off the month with our famous **Easter Brunch** and **Kids' Egg Hunt**. Then April marks the start of the "official" golf season, and we have several events to usher in our favorite time of year. The **Ladies' Golf Season Kickoff** is on Tuesday, April 6, and **Men's Senior play** begins on Wednesday, April 14 after breakfast. In addition to golf, we have some other fun scheduled as well. April is "**Crab Month**" in the YCC dining room, with a different crab specialty featured each weekend. Join us for your favorites! Sunday evenings we will again have our popular **Fajita Bar** set up in the Garden Room. All you can eat steak and chicken fajitas sautéed to order! We also have a treat for music lovers – you don't want to miss an evening of your favorite Simon & Garfunkel covers at our special **Concert Dinner** on April 24. Men – Mother's Day is Sunday, May 9 – don't wait to make reservations until it's too late and disappoint Mom – Call now!

If you haven't perused our new website, browse over to www.yellowstonecc.com. Constant updates of club goings-on, pictures from recent events, menus and more.

Hopefully all of our members have been enjoying the club and its many offerings. If you have thoughts, comments or ideas on the operations of your club, please don't hesitate to call me, e-mail g.kelsey@yellowstonecc.com, drop a note in the suggestion box or leave a comment on the website!

See you at the club!

YCC CONCERT DINNER SHOW

A *Simon and Garfunkel* tribute • Saturday, April 24

Join us for "**A Visit With Old Friends**" – a performance of the most popular songs of the iconic duo *Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel*.

Do you remember where you were when you first heard "Sounds of Silence" or "Scarborough Fair" or "Homeward Bound?" "Mrs.

Robinson," "Cecilia," "America?" The driving melancholy of "I Am a Rock?" Stop for a moment and remember the haunting voice of Garfunkel singing "Bridge Over Troubled Water," one of the most popular songs of all time. People of all ages the world over still love and celebrate their great music today – almost fifty years after they first captured us with their unique style. Over 600,000 people recently jammed a concert in Rome to hear them. Paul Simon is recognized as one of the top composers of his time, and his signature acoustic guitar styling and "everyman" vocals joined with the angelic tenor of Art Garfunkel became the definitive folk-rock style.

Rev. Tim Hathaway and David Oltrogge are among the "baby-boomers" who remember and re-visit all of those great songs, careful to preserve the essence of those two "Old Friends" (the name of Simon and Garfunkel's most recent international tour). With their vocal styling backed up by the talents of Trevor Krieger and others, Tim and David have assembled an evening of the best of the "S&G" catalog from 1965-1975.

Please call for reservations early – limited seating available. 656-1701

6:30 pm – Dinner Buffet
8 pm – Show
\$35 per person

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COUNTRY CLUB

PRO SHOP NEWS

by Bob Eames, *Golf Professional*

Unlike the last 4-5 months, I have lots to report this month. First, it is nice to see so many of you out enjoying the golf course. As the weather continues to improve, we expect to see an increase in activity.

I would like to report two errors in the tournament schedule that was in last month's newsletter. The correct date for the Senior Club Championship is Saturday, September 25, and the 2010 Ladies' State Amateur will be held at Valley View G.C. in Bozeman July 23-26.

We have two golf events in April. The Ladies' Kickoff on Tuesday, April 6, and the Senior Kickoff on Wednesday, April 14. You may sign up for both of these events in the Pro Shop.

We have several events in early May that I would like to mention – The Scratch Team Up is May 7 and 8, and Ladies' Night Out is scheduled for May 14. The Ping Fitting Van will be at YCC on Thursday and Friday, May 13 and 14. Anyone interested in getting fitted for new equipment should give the Pro Shop a call for an appointment. The Ping representatives are experts in the art of fitting, and they have a \$10,000 Launch Monitor to assist them. Even if you want a different brand of clubs, an appointment will give us the proper measurements for your new set. The Multi Vendor Demo Day will be Sunday, May 16. We expect to have everyone back from last year's successful event. That includes Adams, Callaway, Cleveland, Cobra, Nike, Ping, Taylor Made, and Titleist. This is a great opportunity to compare the latest technology in golf.

It is never too early to promote JUNIOR GOLF LESSONS. This series of four lessons will cost \$40 and will again be held on Saturday afternoon starting on June 5. Any child or grandchild of a member who has completed the first grade is eligible to attend. Kids will be in one of three age groups, so please sign up early by calling the Pro Shop. The Yellowstone County Junior Tournament Applications will be available on Monday, May 3. We will hand out entry blanks to MEMBERS ONLY, starting at 7 am. There are a limited number of entries, so please be EARLY.

After a very long winter season, I'm sure there are questions that need to be answered. Whether you are a new member or have been a member for some time, please feel free to contact any of us in the Pro Shop. We truly do want to make the "Yellowstone experience" pleasant for all.

PRO'S CORNER

A bad golf shot (including putts and chips) is a fact only. It is not a prediction of things to come. The Universe does not judge us on our poor execution, and yet many of us have been guilty of saying, "I'm a bad putter, or I can't hit my driver." It is our job to take full responsibility for our thoughts and beliefs. It is only a matter of time before we begin to experience the very things that repeatedly come out of our mouths and cross our mind. A positive pre-shot routine is invaluable to proper execution.

SEE it • FEEL it • TRUST it

SENIOR GOLF KICKOFF

WEDNESDAY • APRIL 14

Join us for complimentary breakfast at 8:30 am with golf to follow!



PAUL ALLEN CUP

Men's *Match Play*
Club Championship

Sign up in the
Pro Shop! Entry
deadline is April 30!

HOLE-IN-ONE INSURANCE

If you are golfing, you should enroll for the hole-in-one insurance. The fee to enroll is only \$2 per person, and if you get a hole-in-one, the pay-off is over \$500 in credit to your member account!


Whenever an insurance holder gets a hole-in-one, everyone else holding insurance (that has never gotten one) gets charged \$2, and the lucky golfer gets a credit on his or her account to equal what everyone else got charged. That golfer now becomes a Lifetime member and never has to pay for anyone else's hole-in-one but still gets the credit when they get another hole-in-one! We usually see about eight (8) hole-in-ones each year, so the most you'd probably pay out per year would be \$16 until you get your own.

You can spend the credit on your account in different ways – drinks for whomever is here when you get your hole-in-one for a length of time you specify, purchases in the Pro Shop, or just a nice credit on your account.

There is a list of insurance holders on the wall by the stairs up to the office, but you can call either the Pro Shop or the office to check if you have the insurance and to enroll if you don't.

HOLE IN ONE William Royer – #17 on 3/9/10

You won't want to miss this Partee!

June 21-22 

"Bling It On!"

Montana's Premier
Women's Member/
Guest Golf
Tournament

Limited to first
50 teams
2 best-ball
format each day

\$200 entry fee includes:

- Golf and cart for 2 days for a member and her guest
- Monday Box Lunch and hors d'oeuvres following play
- Tuesday Light Continental Breakfast and Awards Luncheon
- "Bling" gift for each golfer
- Beverages and snacks on the golf course
- Flag prizes!
- 4 Division payouts in Pro Shop credit
- A chance to win fabulous raffle prizes – Goldsmith Gallery's PANDORA bracelet, a limited edition signed Clyde Aspevig print, YCC green fee and cart package, a basket of Ben Ripley's fine wines, and more to come.

Wear your Bling and join us for a Blingin' good time!

Entry fee can be charged to your YCC account.



TENNIS TIMES 2010

by Steve Handley, Tennis Professional

Although it is still Spring, the tennis season at YCC is not that far away. For your planning, this is the schedule for the summer lessons programs. Please read carefully and call me (Steve, at 259-4709) if you have any questions or concerns. This year, we will provide group youth lessons on a **week-by-week basis**, starting on Monday, June 14, and finishing on Friday, August 6 (a total of eight weeks).

All lessons will be on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. If necessary due to weather, make-up lessons will be offered on Tuesdays, or adjustments will be made for lessons missed. The cost for each week will be \$15, with each week covering all of the strokes in a gently progressive manner. **You may join in or finish up whenever you feel it best fits your summer schedule.** We want to be flexible to meet your needs. We will work with groups according to the schedule below:

COURT ONE

8 am Newcomers 4, 5, 6
9 am Beginners 7, 8, 9
10 am Intermediates 7, 8
11 am Intermediates 11, 12
12 pm Advanced Girls

COURT TWO

Newcomers 4, 5, 6
Beginners 7, 8, 9
Intermediates 9, 10
Intermediates 13, 14
Advanced Boys

In addition to the youth group lessons above, private and small group lessons are available by request. Also, competitions for area tournaments and the annual Firecracker Special for our young players will be posted and scheduled as appropriate.

Several other tennis activities are also planned this year. We will be working with the Billings City Parks and Recreation to encourage tennis for all players at all levels. There will be rallies, carnivals, clinics, tournaments, and more! Please check with our Pro Shop to find out what's being offered in Billings and in our area. It is our desire that everyone get out and **"get into the game!"**

For your information, there was one important change for guests using the YCC tennis courts. The Board of Directors raised the Guest Fee to \$5 per guest for each hour-and-a-half of play. That Guest Fee should be paid at the Tennis Pro Shop or to the YCC Main Office. It is the member's responsibility to ensure that the Fee is paid for each time of play and that *members are present on court.*

It may be Spring, but now is a good time to check your tennis gear to make sure you're ready for the warmer weather. Our full-service Pro Shop can restring, regrip, repair and replace whatever's needed. Wilson Racquet Sports (I'm an exclusive dealer) has a great line of new racquets, and we would love to get on court with you and have you demo them. We will give you the best service and best price in Billings. **Give Steve a call at 259-4709 for a free demo/lesson with the new Wilson BLX frames.** Call me if you have any questions about the schedule above.

BEGINNING LADIES' GOLF LESSONS

Every Tuesday in May • May 4, 11, 18, 25
10 am • \$60 for all 4 lessons!

LADIES' MARATHON BRIDGE FINALE

Wednesday, April 7

Join us for the last Marathon of the season!

Bridge at 9:30 am with Lunch to be served at 12:15 pm



APRIL DINING HOURS

GARDEN/ SUNSET ROOM

(Reservations Please!)

Friday & Saturday:
6 to 9 pm

Sunday:
5 to 8 pm

ALIBI ROOM

Monday:

(if golf weather only)

Soup & Sandwiches
11 am to 3 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday
& Friday:

11 am to 3 pm

Thursday:

10 am to 8 pm

Saturday & Sunday:

8 am to 4 pm

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Robert A. (Levonne) Clapper
Transfer from Senior to Social

Patrick (Shelley) Dolan
Transfer from Resident to Social

Bradley W. (Carole) Jensen
New Resident Member

IN MEMORIAM

Roger B. Burtness
Anne Hoene



SUNDAY NIGHT FAJITA BAR

Every Sunday evening in April from 5 to 8 pm enjoy all you can eat chicken and steak fajitas! Sautéed to order at our special Garden Room Fajita Bar. Complete with refried beans and Spanish rice.

Adults \$9.95 • Children 5-12 \$5.50
4 and under FREE

Cuervo Margaritas only \$3.50

*Regular Menu also available.
Please call for reservations.*



April is Crab Month!

Join us every weekend in April as we feature a different crab specialty!

April 2 & 3 – Snow Crab \$25

2 pounds of Newfoundland Queen Crab legs.

April 9 & 10 – Jumbo Lump Crab Cakes \$19

Two large Blue Crab fritters, pan fried and served with Key Lime Beurre Blanc and Louisiana Remoulade.

April 16 & 17 – Norton Sound Red King Crab \$36

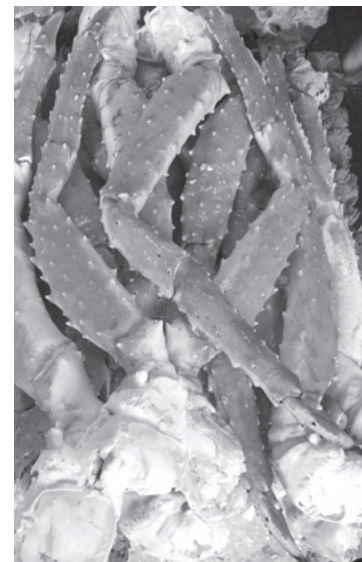
1½ pounds of the largest, sweetest crab from Alaska's most productive waters.

April 23 – Dungeness Crab \$28

2 pounds of Aleutian Island Dungeness Crab legs.

All meals accompanied with Tossed Salad,
Roasted Baby Red Potatoes and all the fixin's!

Make Reservations now! 656-1701



MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

SUNDAY, MAY 9 • 9:30 AM TO 1:30 PM

Make your reservations now for one of our most popular events of the year! This spectacular brunch is sure to fill up early, so don't wait too long and disappoint Mom! A fabulous array of all Mom's brunch favorites plus more!

- Muffins & Pastries • Fresh Fruits & Berries
- Fantastic Salads • Bacon & Sausages • Scrambled Eggs
- Eggs Benedict • Hashbrown Casserole • Fresh Asparagus
- Baked Brie en croute • Smoked Salmon
- Carved Roast Pork • Carved Prime Rib of Beef
- Carved Smoked Turkey • Fresh Breads
- Savory and Sweet Crepe Bar • Delicious Dessert selection

Gifts for all Moms!

Adults \$18.50 • Children (5-12) \$8.95 • 4 and under FREE

Make your reservations now for this event by calling 656-1701

