



Amherst Golf Club Newsletter

Spring 2010

2009 – A Great Year

Happy spring! We had a great year in 2009. The course was in a great shape thanks to Carl and his staff; David and his team did a great job in the Pro Shop, and the Board made sure we are on a sound financial ground! As always, many happy members make Amherst what it is. We have the reputation for the friendliest Golf Course around! Thank you all for participating and making our club what it is.

We are planning to install a Red Maple Tree on the side of the 8th fairway this spring, where we took down the big tree a couple of years ago. We are also planning to install a net for hitting balls on the side of the first tee. The money was raised by the Legends and Carl offered to help in putting it up. AGC is just getting better every year!

2010 Kick-off Tournament

We had a successful 9H opening mixer last year, and we will have another one this year on May first. The tournament is open to all members; men, women, and juniors. It is scheduled for Saturday May 1st at 2pm, followed by a cook out social. The cost is \$12 per person. We are hoping that you will join us to welcome new members and say hello to old friends you may have not seen during the off season.

Amherst Cup

Our team won the Amherst Cup again for the second year in a row. After a number of close matches and some timely putting by Steve Walczek of Hickory, Bob Shumway's squad found themselves down 19 to 8 after Saturday's opening matches at Hickory Ridge. Amherst would need to win 19 points out of 27 at home to retain the Cup. We don't know if it was Bob's halftime speech, Pat Kelley's (2009 Most Improved) steady play or the experienced veteran George Pelis that made for a magical Sunday. Twenty One and a half points won by the home team was an amazing turn around. The high light match of the day was Amherst's Steve Elkins-John Moore vs Jim Cragg-Jim Dahrouge match that saw a total of 9 birdies on the back nine. The final score was Amherst 29.5 Hickory 24.5. Hickory leads the series 4 to 3.

Membership Reminder

If you have not paid your membership dues by now, please mail in your check today. We need your money to keep the course in a good shape. We are offering an introductory new membership to all new members (who have not been a member for at least 3 years) of only \$500, spread the word and get your friend to join. Super seniors (90+ by April 1st and a member for 20 years) are honorary members for life. If you qualify for this select group, please let us know!

Ouimet Fund

The Francis Ouimet Fund was established in 1949 to benefit students who have given to Massachusetts Golf Clubs. Our juniors have received Ouimet Scholarships in the past and we are confident that others will qualify in the future. Tom Chalmers continues as our director of the Ouimet Fund. A donation of \$25 purchases an Ouimet Golf Tag. Please send your tax deductible contributions to the Amherst Golf Club @ PO Box 874 or you can give directly to Tom or David.

Peter Bleau's Birthday Party @ the Pro Shop

David is planning the 6th Pete Bleau birthday party golf tournament on Saturday July 17th. Save the date: Saturday afternoon

Amherst Legends of Golf

The Legends meet every Wednesday morning at 9:00 am for a nine hole tournament. All male members of the club, who are 55 years of age or older are eligible to join. Please contact Dick Bergquist for further information.

Women's Association

A mailing by the Women's Association will be sent shortly. This will include information for the Spring Brunch and the Thursday league. Please contact Jennifer Ayre at 413-323-0078 for further information about the league, and Ellen Hayes at 413-532-5934 or email madlegs@hotmail.com with regard to Women's Association.

The Niner's

Every Tuesday morning from May through October the Niners meet at 9:00am to play a nine hole tournament. Lunches follow each tournament and on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Volunteers provide delicious salads and desserts to enhance the lunch. Twice during the summer the Niners join the Legends in a scramble event. All are welcome! The only requisite is to sign up by noon the day before the tournament so the teams can be drawn up. Good golf, good food, good fun!

In Memory of ...

Five of our members passed away over this winter. Jamie Mullins, Ben Harrington, Sally Gonzalez, Betty Meakim and Steve Waskiewicz will be remembered and will be in our thoughts forever.

Committees

The Board extends its appreciation to the following committee members:

Handicap: Jim Thomas, and Jim Worthley

Tournament: Jim Worthley, Pat Kelley, Andy Smith, and Jeff Edwards

Course Historian: Jack Shea

2009-2010 Board of Directors

President: Reza Shafii

Past President: Bill Dowd

Vice President: Sean Cleary

Treasurer: Jack Olson

Secretary: Edith Hunsberger

Women's Representative: Ellen Hayes

Men's Representative: Edward Kamansky

Green's Committee Chair: George Hassenfratz

Amherst College Representative: Jack Arena

Director at Large: Jim Tudryn

Legal Counsel: Jeff Brown

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel comfortable in contacting any Board member.

Amherst Golf Club 2010 Tournament Schedule

<p style="text-align: center;">April</p> <p>Apr 4 Easter - Open Play</p> <p>Apr 11 Open Play</p> <p>Apr 18 A.M. 4 Ball Best Ball(M) P.M. Women's 4 Club</p> <p>Apr 25 A.M. 4 Ball Best 2(M) P.M. Women's Spring Brunch&Scramble</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May</p> <p>May 1st P.M. Opening Mixer(9H) May 2nd A.M. 2 Ball Best Ball(M)</p> <p>May 9 Open Play</p> <p>May 13 A.M. W. Mass Women</p> <p>May 16 A.M. 2 Ball Stableford(M) P.M. Women's 4 Ball</p> <p>May 22,23 Amh. 2 Ball Open(M)</p> <p>May 29,30 Garber Memorial (Mathch Play)</p> <p>May 31 A.M. Best Ball(M) P.M. Women's Memorial</p> <p style="text-align: center;">June</p> <p>June 5 A.M. Founder's Cup(W) June 6 A.M Ken O'Brien Triathlon</p> <p>June 8 A.M. Founder's Cup(9H)</p> <p>June 10 Women's Guest Day</p> <p>June 13 A.M. Senior's Champ.(M) P.M. Mixed Scotch</p> <p>June 20 A.M. Father's Day Tour.</p> <p>June 23 Amherst Open</p> <p>June 25,26,27 Steam Boat(M) Member Guest</p> <p style="text-align: center;">July</p> <p>July 4 A.M. 4 Ball Best Ball(M)</p> <p>July 5 A.M. 4 Ball Point(M) P.M. Women's 4 Ball.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">July</p> <p>July 9,10,11 Men's Club Championship (9th Champ Only)</p> <p>July 17,18 Men's Club Championship (Divisions 3,4,5) July 18 P.M. Special Cup(W)</p> <p>July 20 A.M. Special Cup(9H)</p> <p>July 23 Member Guest-Metro(M)</p> <p>July 24 Open Mixed Scotch July 25 Open Play</p> <p>July 31 A.M. Women's Guest Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">August</p> <p>Aug 1 A.M. Member Guest(M)</p> <p>Aug 7 A.M. Women's Championship Aug 8 A.M. Women's Championship Men's 2 Ball Quota</p> <p>Aug 15 A.M. 4Ball Stableford(M)</p> <p>Aug 17A.M.Women's President's Cup(9H)</p> <p>Aug 22 A.M. President's Cup(M) P.M.Women's President's Cup</p> <p>Aug 29 Open Play</p> <p style="text-align: center;">September</p> <p>Sep 5 A.M. 4 Ball Best 2(M)</p> <p>Sep 6 A.M. 4Ball Best Ball(M) P.M. Women's 4 Ball</p> <p>Sep 11,12 The Hadley Open Sep 12 P.M. 4 Ball Best 2(W)</p> <p>Sep 18 A.M. Amherst Cup(M) Sep 19 A.M. Old Member/New Member(M)</p> <p>Sep 26 A.M. Member Member /Member Guest(M) P.M. Women's Harvest Field Day</p> <p style="text-align: center;">October</p> <p>Oct 2,3 Amherst 2 Ball Open(M)</p> <p>Oct 9,10 A.M.Octoberfest(M) Oct 11 P.M. Women,s 2 Best Ball</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">October</p> <p>Oct 17 Open Play</p> <p>Oct 24 A.M. Team Best Ball(M)</p> <p>Oct 31 A.M. Turkey Shoot(M)?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">November</p> <p>Nov 6,7 Novemberfest #1(M)</p> <p>Nov 13,14 Novemberfest #2(M)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Legends of Golf Schedule</p> <p>Apr 14 Opening Scramble</p> <p>May 12 Member/Member Member/Guest</p> <p>June 2 Interclub Match Wilbraham at Amherst</p> <p>July 7 Roy Soderberg Scramble</p> <p>July 21 Legends Championship</p> <p>July 28 Interclub Match Holyoke at Amherst</p> <p>Aug 26 Interclub Match Amherst at Holyoke</p> <p>Sept 22 Interclub Match Amherst at Wilbraham</p> <p>Oct 27 Turkey Shoot (Year - End Lunch)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Niners</p> <p>Tuesdays May 5th - Oct.6th</p> <p>Aug 4 A.M. Niners/Legends</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Match Play Tournaments</p> <p>Men's Individual Men's Team Senior's Individual Women's Individual Sign-up before May 1st</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Special Events</p> <p>June 22 Junior Qualifier</p> <p>July 17th Pete's Birthday</p>
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**Remember to sign up for Leagues and Match Play
Sign up is April and play starts in May**

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2010 Membership Specials:

Introductory/New Members \$500 first year

Special Legends or Niners Membership
\$350 (see details at the pro shop)

Juniors:

12 yr and under \$150

13yr-18yr \$250

*Don't forget to sign up for Men's League,
Women's League, Mixed League and also
Match Play.*

Sign up sheets at the Pro-Shop

2010 Important Events:

May 1st - 2010 Kick-off and Social

2010 Guest Passes:

For non-members:

10 All day passes \$225

20 All day passes \$395

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