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AVONDALE GOLF CLUB

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Congratulations on surviving winter. Anyone who managed to stay in the area for the entire winter deserves a great big "atta boy." One of my closest friends, who is a diehard winter lover, even threw in the towel this year. I could hear her crying "UNCLE" all the way in Hawaii.

As the wicked witch of winter hands over control to the blooms of spring, we too at Avondale are ready to let the blooming start. As you read this note we should be playing golf on the lower nine holes on permanent greens. With some warmth heading our way in April it will be no time at all before the upper nine holes are playable. Funny how those few feet of elevation can make such a difference in how the snow collects and melts. The course suffered some snow mold but that will heal under the guidance of Tim Mack, master of all things green.

Dan, along with his staff, have been busy stocking the pro shop, beautifying the driving range and giving lots of lessons on the fancy new simulator Dan installed. This has been a learning curve for Dan as his tech skills are far worse than his putting skills. Thank goodness for Taylor.

The Grill has had a successful winter season and now the process begins to bring on additional help for the golf season. Please remember to be patient with our new staff as they have a lot more names to learn than you do. Our wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Chrissy, our daytime bar manager, as she recovers from back surgery. Her bright and shining face will only be seen from the other side of the bar this season.

I will leave you with a statistic that was passed along to me:

A recent study found that the average golfer walks about 900 miles a year.
Another study found that golfers drink, on average, 22 gallons of alcohol a year.
This means that, on average, golfers get about 41 miles to the gallon! Kind of makes you proud. Almost makes you feel like a hybrid.....

See you on the course or at the 19th hole.

Gayle Foote

Easter Brunch Buffet



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| <i>Omelet Station</i> | <i>New York Strip Loin</i> |
| <i>Lox & Bagels</i> | <i>Honey Glazed Pit Ham</i> |
| <i>Biscuits & Gravy</i> | <i>Scrambled Eggs & Cheese</i> |
| <i>Hickory Smoked Bacon</i> | <i>Country Pork Sausage</i> |
| <i>Crème Brule French Toast</i> | <i>Roasted Rosemary Potatoes</i> |
| <i>Pastries & Muffins</i> | <i>Fresh Fruit Platter</i> |

\$21.95 per person
\$8.95 Kids 12 & Under
Coffee & Juice
Please Call for Reservations
208-772-5963



****The Restaurant is now open 7 days a week for lunch and dinner beginning at 11am. ****
****Friendly reminder, the food minimum is starting April 1st and continues through September 30th****

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AVONDALE LADIES 9-HOLE GOLF LEAGUE

Our first day of play is April 4th and it looks like the back nine will be open. Be sure to check out the rules for carts- they will probably have to stay on the path only- it is very wet out there. Please be at the clubhouse, no later than 8:30 for a 9:00 tee time. We will have a meeting after golf is done at 11:30. If you are feeling lucky our weekly game is \$1. If you want to participate in our first lesson on April 11th, be there at 8:00 a.m. Dress warmly. It is never too late to sign up for the nine holers if you want to join a great group of gals, we take all skill levels. Can't wait to see everyone again!

Joke for April-

The True Rules Of Golf -

- Non chalant putts count the same as chalant putts.
- The shortest distance between any two points on a golf course is a straight line that passes directly through the center of a very large tree.
- There are two kinds of bounces: unfair bounces and bounces just the way you meant to play it.
- You can hit a 2-acre fairway 10% of the time, and a 2-inch branch 90% of the time.
- Every time a golfer makes a birdie, he must subsequently make two triple bogeys to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe.
- If you want to hit a 7-iron as far as Tiger Woods does, simply try to lay up just short of a water hazard.
- To calculate the speed of a player's downswing, multiply the speed of his backswing by his handicap. Example: back-swing 20 mph, handicap 15, downswing 300 mph.

Tami Savage

AVONDALE LADIES 18 HOLE DIVISION

Wow what a difference some sunshine, wind and higher temps do for snow removal. By the end of the week the driving range is opened and the lower nine can be played using cart paths only.

April 6th will be our opening day for golf with a shotgun start at 9:00 AM, weather permitting. Barb Hankins, Sports Chairman, will be e-mailing all of you regarding play. Anyone who is interested in our 18 Hole group can get their membership form from the website (avondalegolfcourse.com). We play on Thursday mornings. The tee times are 9:00 AM for the months of April and May, except for May 11th, that will be an 8:30 start because of the Welcome Back Lunch that day. We will have our first business meeting during/after lunch. We have 60 paid up members on our roster as of March 23rd. Looking over the roster, I noticed some of our past members have not joined us yet. This is not a threat but after April 15th there is a late fee of \$10.

Some future dates to plan for is the first Avondale Cup on May 25th. A group of 20 members will be traveling to Lewiston on June 11th to play Quail Ridge GC on the 12th and on the 13th we will play Clarkston GC. We have the team spirit but lack a little bit of skill in the scoring section. So, we must work hard particularly on the short game. That is where the money is. I am speaking loudly to myself, also,

See at the practice range,

Annie Whipple

AVONDALE MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club Opening Day Tournament is a shotgun on 4/8/2017 at 10am, weather permitting. Then on 4/22/2017 there is a 2 Man Tournament with Tee Times until 10am. Call the Proshop to sign up.

If you or someone you know would like to be a Tee sponsor this year, please let us know. The Cost is \$50. The 2016 money raised from the tee sponsors is being donated to the local junior golf programs in the area.

Don't forget February was the last month for the early bird special on your men's club dues. If your dues have not been paid yet, they are now \$70.00. Your 2017 Avondale Dues will include Hole in One Insurance.

The next Men's Club meeting is 3/23/2017 at 6pm.

Darren Titus

NOTES FROM THE FAIRWAYS

Wow what a winter, as of today the only hole with snow remaining is 5. The snow cover on the lower 9 was around 105 days and I am guessing that hole 5 will be at least 115 days of snow cover, this is not a record but is in the top 3 of continuous snow cover in the 23 years I have been the Superintendent. Now for what's going on around the course.

How did the course fair the winter?

Fairways, collars, tees, banks and approaches, have a lot of gray snow mold damage from the extended amount of time it was under the snow. The good news is that gray snow mold mainly attacks the leaf tissue and very rarely gets into the crown of the plant. This means the plant can recover quickly. We did get a little pink snow mold around in those areas which will take longer to recover.

Greens got very little gray snow mold and the reason for is we use chemicals on the greens to prevent it but are cost prohibitive for us to use on larger acreage areas. Most of the damage on the greens, which on a few is quite a bit, happened last fall with the late aeration and 9.33 inches of rain in the month of October. The ones with the most damage also have a shade issue which makes for weaker plants; some examples are 10, 14, and 17. None of the greens will need to be closed but, it will take warm weather to recover. To aide in the recovery we will be seeding these spots and some we will be plugging out the dead spots.

Hopefully we will be on all 18 soon; we just need some sunshine and dry weather. Please remember to fix your divots and repair your ball marks, right now is especially important as the grass is growing slowly and cannot recover like it does in the summer.

Stay dry, have fun, and Maverick and I will see you on the course.

PORTER'S PUTTS

Time for golf! The Pro Shop is ready for all the activities in April and we are looking forward to seeing you in the shop. Our spring line has arrived. We welcome you to come in and browse around. We also purchased a new Flight Scope Launch Monitor for your rental in improving your game.

The Men's Club Opening Day Scramble is April 8th, 10am shotgun, weather permitting. Regular Wednesday play begins on the 5th. Also, on the 22nd is a Men's Club 2-man Scotchball/Chapman.

The Men's League will hold a meeting on April 12th at 5:30 pm in the Restaurant and match play will begin on April 26th.

The Ladies 18-Hole Opening Day begins is on April 6th at 9am.

The Ladies 9-Hole Opening Day begins on April 4th, with a 9am shotgun.

Scheduled in April is the Annual Coeur d'Alene High School Invite (Krause Invite) on the 28th. Check Pro Shop for details.

ATTENTION GOLFERS: If you carry your handicap at Avondale and have not paid this year's dues, your Ghin number is currently inactive. Please notify the Men's or Ladies Club Handicap Chairman to get activated - thus avoiding any controversy in playing in any spring event.

I look forward to your return for this season.

Dan

TUESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S LEAGUE

E-mail notices have gone out to the Tuesday Night Women's Team League and signups have begun! Those teams that participated last year are given priority to sign up prior to April 15. After that date, if the field is not full, the league will be open to new teams. New events this year will be a review of golf rules, etiquette and swing basics presented by Dan's Pro Shop Staff.

Optional and beneficial group clinics will be scheduled during the season. This is always a great night of golf and friendship! Play will begin on Tuesday, May 2nd with a 5:30 shotgun start. Communication is done through avondaletuesdaynight-golf@yahoo.com. Looking forward to another great season!

Kathy Henderson and Carole Smith