

Welcome to the Delphos Country Club Newsletter



Welcome to 2025 at Delphos Country Club. As we transition from winter to spring, we are all looking forward to better weather. Soon we will be at the club, greeting returning members and

welcoming new ones. Please read the information in these monthly newsletters for upcoming events.

Set up your portal on the ForeUp website to book times, check your club credit balance and track your purchases. If you need help, my door is always open.

Our calendar is current and any updates will be made promptly. Check the calendars outside the golf shop for events two months ahead and continue using the DCC website to view the most up-to-date calendar.

Handicapping for Club Functions

Post your scores early and often. As your head golf professional, I oversee club tournaments according to USGA rules. Handicaps insure fair play, so please post your scores through the GHIN Mobile App on the same day you play. (Even for a 9-hole round) Posting dates are set by the Northern Ohio Golf Association, beginning April 1. If you play in warm weather climates like Florida and Arizona, you can post those scores year-round. However, you cannot post a score from DCC or any course in Ohio until April 1.

Please note the following regarding posting scores and handicaps:

In 2025, you will need to have a minimum of 5 golf scores recorded in the GHIN system from Delphos Country Club from the current calendar year before you can sign up for the Calcutta.

Handicaps are used not only for the Calcutta, but also play an important role in many of our Club Tournaments to ensure teams are paired as evenly as possible.

If you have any questions about posting your scores or need assistance, reach out. I am available to help you enter and record your golf scores.

Your Pro, Trevor J Thomas, PGA



Course Updates from Our Super

It has been a long frigid winter, and I cannot wait for it to be over. Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow on Groundhog Day this year, which according to legend, means we are supposed to have 6 more weeks of winter. Luckily for me and all you early spring golfers, Phil is only correct 35% of the time.

There are a couple of improvements that the golf course will have this year. Sometime this spring, there will be an addition put onto the maintenance building increasing the size of it by 50%. This will be beneficial by adding storage for all our equipment and the storage of golf carts in the winter.

Last fall, Jerry Vetter, Red Menke, Todd Keysor, Brian Hensley, Jeff Martin, Mike Heitmeyer, Larry Stechschulte, Jay Kundert, and I renovated four bunkers on hole #16 and the fairway bunker on hole #6. We also filled in and grassed the first bunker on the right side of #16 fairway. Thanks to Dave Moenter for the use of his dump trailer and Menke Brothers for the use of a backhoe and dump truck. The renovation process involved replacing the drain tile and adding new sand. Over the past several years 24 bunkers have been renovated or eliminated. This is a huge improvement making our bunkers to be softer and playable even after a heavy rain.

You may notice newer fairway mowers this year. We have bought the latest fairway mowers from Toro. They are 20% lighter than our previous mowers and have smooth tires that provide a great after cut appearance. The guys will love using these mowers.

Even though it is cold as I write this newsletter, spring is right around the corner. Enjoy following your favorite winter sports teams and good luck to all the athletes on the tournament trail.



New Traffic Pattern, Hole #18

In order to alleviate the worn grass between #18 green and the parking lot, we added an asphalt exit path on the North side of the dumpster enclosure. When approaching #18 green in a golf cart, please exit to the left on this asphalt path to the parking lot and proceed to the cart path that takes you back to the Pro Shop. We also added asphalt to make a turnaround circle behind the #1 tee. When returning to the parking lot from #18 green, please use the circle to avoid driving in the grass. This will enhance the quality and appearance of the grass around the green and the clubhouse.



Reminders

Monday, March 24
Pro Shop opens for the Season

Tuesday, April 1 Course officially opens (weather permitting)

Tuesday, April 1 Old Pal sign-up begins

• Wednesday, April 16 Taylor Made club demo day on the range

Thursday, April 24
Old Pal Brackets will be drawn

Sunday, April 27 Standing tee times begin

Be sure to go to our website to check out the entire year's calendar which lists all of our special events and currently scheduled outings.



Junior Clinics

Junior Golf Clinics will again be held on Wednesday mornings in June. These clinics are open to all area youngsters and not just members. Stay tuned for detailed information about these clinics which will be available in the April Newsletter.



Understanding the USGA GHIN Handicap System

Establishing an accurate handicap is essential for the matches you play, and the club events you enter to be held in a fair manner. The process for establishing your handicap is surprisingly simple and quick once you either download the GHIN app on your phone or save the GHIN site as one of your favorites on your computer. After completing your round, it will take less than one minute to enter your score correctly.

- 1. Select the course you played
- 2. Check whether it is your Home course or an Away course
- 3. Be sure the date is correct
- 4. Select the tees from which you played
- 5. Enter your score

By entering ALL scores, you are creating a fair evaluation of your current game. The USGA GHIN system uses the best 8 scores of your most recent 20 scores to calculate your handicap index. Because of this, you should only be able to play to your handicap about 25% of the time.

Golf has always been about self-governance and following the rules of play. Establishing an accurate handicap means that you are treating all your partners and competitors to a fair match.



As always, please email any questions or concerns to tthomaspga@delphosgolf.com

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