

# Member News

## Message From Board President, Dan Durow

**It's the dark, cold, and snowy season.**

It has been my pleasure working with the dedicated members of The Dalles Country Club Board of Directors this past year. It is very much a working Board, and each member has worked hard to keep the Club operating and moving forward with the necessary maintenance and improvement projects. And it would be an oversight to not mention the scores of Club members that volunteered many hours of work to keep the course in good shape, to organize and run events, and to keep the infrastructure in good working order. Thanks for all you do for your Club!

Two big accomplishments this past year include the additional water source paid for by the County and the leasing of the Clubhouse to Austin and Tera Woolsey for their fine dining restaurant.

Although the irrigation season was over before the first water flowed, we are all set for the summer of 2024. The Board is currently working on golf course maintenance planning; looking for ways to get the most efficient use of water and staff time as possible. Ideas are always welcome.

Austin and Tara have been working hard to make their restaurant a big success. It has been a welcomed addition to the activities of the Club, and much more is in the planning stages for this coming year. January is always a slow month, so come out and support the restaurant and the club at the same time by having a great lunch or dinner; and bring some friends too. The Clubhouse now has two working fireplaces. So, sit by the fire, visit with friends, and enjoy a hot toddy or your favorite drink. Spring golf will be here soon.



Membership, membership, membership, it's all about membership. So much of our future rides on boosting membership. It represents the new revenue we need to keep the course playable and the infrastructure in good shape. Jason Whitley, Membership Chair, is the newest member of the Board and has jumped in with both feet coming up with new ideas and making things happen. Look forward to great things from him to increase our membership and build business relationships in the Mid-Columbia area in 2024.

### Membership Cards

Membership cards will be needed to take advantage of increasing Club benefits. If you haven't already applied for your Membership Card, please do so soon. It's a quick and painless process to get a card. Just drop in at the Golf Shop and the staff will help you.

*"We learn so many things from golf—how to suffer, for instance."*  
Bruce Lansky

**Enjoy Your Club!**

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# NEWS FROM MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

We look forward to seeing you out on the Links!

Please welcome (back) new general members:

Greg and Pam Jensen



## **“Members Business Discount Program”**

Membership services has been diligently working on a “Members Business Discount Program.” We are looking to partner with great local businesses to pass on discounts for their products and services to our highly valued members. Our goal is to have several regularly participating business partners and have monthly/quarterly/seasonal “spotlight” discount partners. Please look for the new section in the newsletter for participating businesses and new announcements. Visit the businesses with your membership card for savings.

Discount Business Partner	Discount details
The Grill Streak and Seafood Restaurant	10% off total bill
The Dalles Athletic Club <a href="http://www.thedallesathleticclub.com">www.thedallesathleticclub.com</a>	10% off membership dues No initiation fee First month free 10 month commitment
Pure Yoga The Dalles <a href="http://www.pureyogathedalles.com">www.pureyogathedalles.com</a>	\$75 for 2 months unlimited yoga (new members only) Use coupon code: TDCC Regularly \$99

Watch future newsletters for “Members Business Discount Program Participants” feature.

If you are currently a dual member at TDCC and TDAC, see Gretchen or staff at TDAC and secure your 10% monthly savings.

## **Save The Date: February 25<sup>th</sup> (afternoon)**

Polar Plunge for Special Olympics at The Dalles Country Club pool sponsored by The Dalles Athletic Club. We will “plunge” then retreat to the warmth of The Grill Restaurant for warm drinks. Locker rooms available for changing. There will be a 50/50 raffle to help fund the revamping of the pool. There will also be a “Polar Plunge Belly Flop Contest.” The prize for the winner will be announced in February’s newsletter.

## **A note from the grounds crew:**

As you have noticed we have incurred some Snow Mold spots on our greens. This will not permanently damage our greens but is unsightly and affects play on the greens. We actively and regularly treat our greens with granular fungicide and hand spray active outbreaks. Snow Mold is active at temperatures just above freezing in moist conditions. Our weather conditions so far this year are making our greens a smorgasbord for these molds. On top of that due to the mild conditions we have increased play which tends to spread the mold spores. Normally at this time of year our greens are resting, and traffic is reduced due to freezing and or snow conditions. Please be patient as we are working on this.



## Did you know? members can play reciprocal golf courses?

They generally have favorable rates for the golf.

Remember that our golf shop must make the tee times for our members.

Avondale GC Hayden Idaho  
Alderbrook G & YC Union, WA  
Clarkston G and CC  
LaGrande CC  
Lake View CC Soap Lake, WA  
Moses Lake CC  
Orchard HillsCC Washougal, WA

StoneRidge GC Blanchard, ID  
Sunland G & CC Sequim, WA  
Twin Lakes Vill G & CC Rathdrum, ID  
Whidbey G & CC Oak Harbor, WA  
Yakima Elks GC Selah, WA  
Zintel Creek GC Kennewick, WA

## EVENT CALENDAR

January 2024

Please check the calendar below for upcoming events, course closures and other happenings at TDCC. We do our best to ensure that all of the information provided is accurate but it is always a good idea to check with The Golf Shop (541.296.5252) or The Clubhouse (541.296.4185) for more information.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
29	30	<b>31</b> Men's Morning	<b>1</b> Ladies' Morning	<b>2</b> Pinochle	3	4
5	6	<b>7</b> Men's Morning	<b>8</b> Ladies' Morning	<b>9</b> Pinochle	10	11
12	13	<b>14</b> Men's Morning	<b>15</b> Ladies' Morning	<b>16</b> Pinochle	17	18
19	20	<b>21</b> Men's Morning	<b>22</b> Ladies' Morning	<b>23</b> Pinochle	24	25
26	27	<b>28</b> Men's Morning	<b>29</b> Ladies' Morning	<b>1</b> Pinochle	2	3

**Pinochle is played at The Grill every Friday night starting at 4:30 pm.**

Pinochle is a 4 person card game. We need even number of players.  
Bev phones interested players on Wednesdays. All she needs is your phone number!  
Join the fun and stay for dinner and the bar is always open.

Please contact Bev Tuttle, 541-296-6493.



## Join the Wasco/Sherman Plunge Team!

*FREEZE the day. Join us for Polar Plunge and keep Oregon CHILL in 2024! Start spreading the word! Our team will work together to raise money for Special Olympics Oregon Wasco/Sherman and get together February 25th to take the Plunge together!!*

**Each official Local Program Plunge team made up of LP athletes, volunteers and friends and family will keep 100% of all net funds that their team raises and will not be charged for registration or t-shirts fees.**

### PLUNGE LOCATION & DATE:

**The Dalles County Club  
Sunday, February 25th  
1:00 pm**

Questions?  
Contact Ann Goodman  
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