

Member News

Message From Board President, Chad Leeson

Embracing Fall at the Club

As the vibrant colors of autumn settle in and we prepare for the quieter rhythm of winter, I want to take a moment to thank all of you for another fantastic season here at the club. It's been a year of steady growth, great camaraderie, and continued progress on every front — all thanks to our incredible members and dedicated staff.

With the change in weather, we're entering that time of year when the course can get a bit soggy. Please use good judgment when conditions are wet and do your best to stay off the fairways to help preserve them for spring. Every bit of care goes a long way in keeping our course in top shape through the off-season.

A quick reminder — **please check in at the clubhouse before heading out to play.** It may seem like a small thing, but it makes a big difference. Accurate check-ins help us manage staffing, monitor course usage, and most importantly, ensure smooth spacing and a comfortable pace of play for everyone. It's a simple courtesy that keeps the experience enjoyable for all.

Looking ahead, I'm excited about what's to come in 2026. We're already planning new activities and events, and we'd love to hear from you! What would make next season even better? Whether it's a tournament idea, social gathering, or something new altogether — your feedback shapes the future of our club.

Before I close, I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to **Izetta Grossman** for her dedication in putting together this newsletter month after month. Her consistent effort and creativity have kept us all informed and connected. As she looks to step down from this role, we're looking for someone who'd enjoy carrying on her great work. If you're creative, enjoy writing or design, and want to get more involved, please let us know — it's a wonderful way to contribute to the club community.

Thank you all for your continued support, respect for the course, and the spirit of community that makes this place special. Let's enjoy these crisp fall rounds and look forward to another great year together.



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Pro Shop News:

Winter Pro Shop Hours:

The Pro Shop will be moving to a winter schedule. Effective Nov 1st the shop will be closed on Monday, open Tuesday at 11 am to 4:30 pm and 8 am to 4:30 pm Wed thru Sunday.

Members can call ahead to make arrangements for a cart on Monday or Tuesday.

Winter is a great time to get new grips for your clubs. Stop by and see Ross about the variety of grips available.



Handicap Committee Report

For all of you snowbirds, and stay put-ers, The handicap fees for 2026 will stay the same \$41 for the year. If you are going south and want to keep your posting uninterrupted, pay before you leave.

All handicaps will be turned off the last week of December, unless you have paid by then. The automatic fee won't be charged to your bill until January. There may be some delay if you wait until January. Remember. those in the south need to post all winter.

Those who are spending the winter in the North, you post until November 30 ,2025 then start posting again March 1, 2026".

Your Handicap Committee. Thanks Glenda King

KUDOS ARE IN ORDER

WE APPRECIATE YOU

Thanks to Ross Kohl

I would like to let our members know what a fine person we have working in the Pro Shop; his name is Ross Kohl. I am the Tournament Director, and I could not keep up with all of the information that I need without Ross's help.

He is always available to help us with scoring and giving the correct rules for each tournament as well as greeting our guests and taking the many phone calls that the Pro Shop receives. This goes on for daily play as well. He makes sure that the people who play on our course feel very welcome and comfortable with their golf experience.

Ross as well as each person who is employed at the Pro Shop deserves a big thank you. Please make sure to stop in and let them know how much they are appreciated.

Janet Tschanz-Kelly
Tournament Director
The Dalles Country Club



YOU'RE THE BEST!



Women's Group News

We are at the time of year when we collect the dues for one year for Oregon Senior Women's Golf Association (OSWGA). The dues are only \$65.00 per year to belong. It's a great organization to belong to.

This year we played

Royal Oaks Country Club in Vancouver;
Columbia Edgewater (this is where they hold LPGA tournaments).
Tualatin Country Club
Michelbook Country Club (this is in McMinnville)
Portland Country Club
Oswego Lake Country Club
Willamette Valley Country Club
Waverly Country Club
Astoria Golf & Country Club
Orchard Hills Golf & Country Club
Riverside Golf & Country Club.



We also have one tournament a year where we invite our husbands or anyone else that you would like to play golf with. It is a fun event and includes a wonderful dinner. The cost for lunch at each of the events is usually \$40.00 and well worth it, plus sharing gas expenses with whoever is taking their car. We usually stay overnight at Astoria and McMinnville.

We would love to have you join us; it's a great way to play golf at some beautiful courses with some wonderful people.

We are collecting for next year and will take these monies to our 1st meeting for 2026. This will be held on November 12, 2025. I will not be in town but Randi will be here as well as Glenda King. They will both be attending the meeting on November 12th.

Any questions, please contact Janet Kelly or Randi Condon





Upcoming Fun at the Clubhouse

As the weather cools down, the fun is heating up inside the clubhouse! We've got two great events coming up at **The Grill Steak & Seafood Restaurant** that you won't want to miss.



Trivia Night — Monday, November 17 at 6:00 PM

Come join us at **The Grill** for an evening of laughs, good food, and maybe even a little friendly rivalry. Trivia Night is always a great time to relax and connect with fellow members — and there's a chance to win some cash, too! It's just **\$5 per person**, and there's **no limit on team size**, so bring your friends and show off that random knowledge you've been storing up.



Member Holiday Party — Saturday, December 13 at 6:00 PM

Then, mark your calendar for our **Member Holiday Party**, also at **The Grill**, as we gather to celebrate the season and our wonderful community. Enjoy a delicious dinner featuring **prime rib, grilled salmon, and all the fixings**, along with festive fun and a few special awards. The cost is **\$50 per person**. Keep an eye on your inbox — we'll be sending out a **survey soon** so you can help us choose this year's award winners!

Please **RSVP to Heidi Leeson** at ashken08@gmail.com by **Friday, November 29** to reserve your spot.

Let's make these last few months of the year ones to remember. Hope to see everyone there!

RECENT TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Club Championship September 27 & 28, 2025

Winners: Overall: Mike Jesch
Senior: Stacy Alleman
Super Senior: Pete Kelly
Net: Tim Urness

Men's Wind-Down: October 11 & 12, 2025

1st Place: Tanner Elliot & Chris Schanno
2nd Place: Stacey Allman & Travis Nelson
3rd Place: tie between Kevin Gurzler/David Re
Rick Cypress/Jay Kenslow

Ladies Wind-Down: October 4 & 5, 2025

Laura Hess: Gross winner & Women's Club Champion
Janet Tschanz-Kelly: Net winner

Next tournament will be the last one scheduled for 2025

Ladies Organization: Cross Country Scramble - men are invited as well as anyone who plays at the club. Register in the Pro Shop

October 2025 Membership Update

Please welcome TDCC new members

No new members this month. Remember to spread to “word.”

Farewell to these members

Tyler London - general member out of area.

Daniel Saldivar - general member

Harold McBain - general member (now employee)

Membership Monthly Totals: meeting to meeting

	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
General	114	114	113	112	111	111	111	109	110	111	114	116
Business	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	4	5	6	7
Social	9	9	9	5	5	5	4	3	3	3	3	4
Social+	3	5	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	7
Barter	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Junior	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	6	6
College												1
Suspended	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	3

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Business	8	8	9	9	9							
Social	8	9	9	7	7							
Social+	6	6	5	4	4							
Barter	2	2	2	2	2							
Junior	7	7	9	9	9							
College	1	1	1	1	1							
Suspended	2	2	2	2	2							

Membership trends

The annual early winter down trend is occurring. This is a natural annual cycle. Compared to October 2024, overall membership is still up significantly.

Pool is closed for the season:

See you next spring!

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Business Members!

I would like to take a moment to give appreciation to The Country Club Business Members. We appreciate your continued support. Please reach out if you have any ideas on how to further support each other.

- ♦ *C H Urness Motors*
- ♦ *Coats Financial Investments*
- ♦ *Columbia Gorge Motors*
- ♦ *Crestline Construction*
- ♦ *DBA Building The Northwest*
- ♦ *Fix Auto*
- ♦ *Pray Electric*
- ♦ *Precision Auto*
- ♦ *Sunrise Chiropractic*

Please look for opportunities to support our Business Members. Thank you!

Member Volunteering

Thank you to Mark and Josh Sandoz for helping with some much-needed tree limb trimming on hole #6. More to come...

Jason Whitley
Membership Services



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

Weekly Events: Wednesday Men's Day; Thursday Women's Day until Noon;

Friday Pinochle is played at The Grill starting at 4:30 pm. Pinochle is a 4 person card game so I try to get even number of players by phoning interested players on Wednesdays. All I need is your phone number! Join the fun and stay for dinner and the bar is always open. Please contact Bev Tuttle, 541-296-6493.

November 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
29	30	1 Men's Day 'Till Noon	2 All Day: A.B.S.R.W. Ladies Day 'Till Noon 12:30 pm: Women's Day - Regular "Lunch Meeting"	3	4 Ladies Fall Wind-Down	5
6	7	8 Men's Day 'Till Noon	9 All Day: Beat The Champ Ladies Day 'Till Noon 12:30 pm: Women's Day - Regular "Lunch Meeting"	10	11 Men's Fall Wind-Down	12 Men's Fall Wind-Down
13	14	15 Men's Day 'Till Noon	16 All Day: Criss-Cross Ladies Day 'Till Noon 12:30 pm: Women's Day - Regular "Lunch Meeting"	17	18	19
20	21	22 Men's Day 'Till Noon	23 All Day: Blind Partners Ladies Day 'Till Noon 12:30 pm: Women's Day - Regular "Lunch Meeting"	24	25	26
27	28	29 Men's Day 'Till Noon	30 Ladies Day 'Till Noon 12:30 am: Purple Tee Putts - Meeting Day 12:30 pm: Women's Day - Regular "Lunch Meeting"	31	1	2