

ECMGC Newsletter

Eagle Crest Men's Golf Club

February 2021



The board has been very busy since our general meeting conducted in October 2020. We had our elections for Board of Director positions and we filled all of the committee positions to include two staff positions.

The first order of business was to create a non-profit entity and then establish a bank account. We have had weekly Zoom meetings to determine the overall direction of the club. We've created a budget which included several new items for the year such as luncheons, coffee and donuts on a monthly basis, awards for individual, awards for tournament champions and a year-end awards lunch.

The board determined an annual membership fee would be the best method of funding our club. Key committee chairs have completed their roster with additional members stepping up to help. We developed a vision and mission statement to keep our decisions focused on the overall direction of the club. We have published some key policy memos regarding Hole in One insurance, afternoon play, membership dues, local rule E-5 and BOD responsibilities.

The website has been updated and is in the process of making it more user friendly for every member to use and look up information. As well, we started a raffle before the Wednesday Men's day and all proceeds go back to the ECMGC in the form of new prizes while adding low gross and low net to the days play.

We are looking forward to the 2021 golf season as there are many new items on the agenda for our men's club to participate in this year. We will continue to work hard to make the club one of the best in central Oregon. Stay well and keep healthy.

Roger Edgerly
President



The golf committee is in charge of setting up the games and tournaments for the year. Here is the latest news. The payouts are larger this year because there is no money being deducted from the weekly buy-in for overhead. Club expenses are now covered by the annual dues. Each weekly round that is scorable for an individual will have a low gross and low net winner. (note, you cannot win both) So far Joe Kosanovic, Stephen Laurin, Bernie Phillips, Jerry McVay, Helmut Bloo and have been winners.

Our tournaments will have some new features this year. The Match Play will take place on Wednesday, Thursday and Wednesday (May 26,27 and June 2nd) The Match Play overall champion will be determined by June 9th. Jim Trench is our defending champ. Dennis Rector will defend his club championship in August this year. The Club Championship will be held on three consecutive days, August 24-26. The Fall Classic will have a similar format but a new date. The classic is scheduled for October 4, 5, and 6. It may be hard to match the chip-in for birdie victory by Tim and Pat Swope last year. In addition to date changes, we plan to have

some side games with the tournaments such as KPs or skins. One new game we are going to try this year is “Master’s Match”. We will play an individual low net game flighted on Wednesday April 7th. The flight scores will then be matched with the top players in the final round of the Masters on the following Sunday. The totals of the two scores will determine the weekly winners.

The annual EC membership rates are now out and you can pick-up a registration form at the Ridge Pro Shop. Also, we will start posting our scores on March 1st. Be sure to have your GHIN application for 2021 taken care of by then.

One final note, you have probably noticed that we have different people doing the check-in on Wednesday mornings. If you would be willing to help with that please let me know. This has been a great help to our scorers John and Reed.

Mike Bessonette
Golf Committee Chairman



Your Eagle Crest Men’s Golf Club (ECMGC) Board set out to enhance our golfing and social experience by adding benefits and events as described by Roger Edgerly. To be a member in good standing, the annual dues of \$45 and your GHIN are your tickets to play in all our club sponsored golf competitions and outings and social events that are being planned.

If you have a friend or family member (or yourself for that matter) that is not an ECMGC member who wishes to play in a Wednesday morning Golf day with the

club, we have a way to do that. If there is space in the tee assignments, a non-member can play by paying the regular \$10 Golf fee plus a \$5 Guest fee. As of now, the board has not set a limit on the number of times a non-member guest may do this.

This will **not** be available for the Match Play or Club Championship tournaments. However, the Club and Pro Shop opened play to guests in the Fall Classic in 2020 with great success and will likely do the same this year. You can check on seasonal Greens Fees and Cart Fees that will apply by calling the Pro Shop (541-923-5002).

So, members and guests alike.... get your sticks and your game warmed up and ready to go. Before you know it, we’ll be into our famous warm weather season that is so great for our spirits and our game.

We’re looking forward to an outstanding golfing year here at the three great courses at Eagle Crest Resort.

Pat Swope
VP / Secretary

An Advisory Committee has been formed with the responsibility of collecting information from club members on issues and suggestions for improving the Men’s Club experience. Information collected will be presented to the Board of Directors for consideration.



With all the changes, the board is interested in what you think. Let us know how we are doing? If you have an idea, comment, or suggestion that you think may benefit the organization, pass it on to one of the Advisory Committee members. Our members are listed on the ECMGC website.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Advisory Committee Chairman
Dan Kellogg



Courtesy of Joe Perry

The USGA Rules of Golf will Govern all play except as modified by the following Local Rules:

Power Lines:

A ball striking and overhead power line must be replayed in accordance with Rule 14.6: no penalty.

Yardage Markers: Yardage markers (removable poles excepted) are considered Immovable Obstructions (Relief is allowed in accordance with Rule 16.1).

Note: Interference with the line of play is **not** considered interference

Stones in Bunkers: Stones in bunkers are Loose Impediments (Rule 15.1a applies).

Course Aeration: Through the general area of the course, a ball that comes to rest on or on an aeration hole may be lifted without penalty, cleaned, and dropped as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole. On the putting green, a ball that comes to rest in or on an aeration hole may be placed at the nearest spot not nearer the hole that avoids the situation. (Rule 16.1b, 16.1d)

Dung: Bird or animal dung is considered ground under repair. Through the general area of the course, if a ball lies in or touches the dung or it interferes with the player's area of intended swing, relief may be taken under Rule 16.1 (ball dropped within one club-length of the nearest point of relief, not nearer the hole). If the ball lies on the putting green, the player may lift and **place** it at the nearest point of relief (no club-length area permitted). The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

Out of Bounds: If a ball is out of bounds the

player shall play a ball, under penalty of one stroke, as nearly as possible at the spot from which the original ball was last played. A ball is out of bounds when all of it lies out of bounds. Out of bounds stakes are on nearly every hole. The stake colors are all white. **Note:** Some homeowners have placed signs on their property stating "out of bounds, free drop" These signs are to be ignored during tournament play. **No play is allowed from homeowner-maintained property.** The inside edge of all paved roadways, including public roads, are out of bounds. (Rule 18.1, 18.2)

Provisional Ball: A player should play a provisional ball for any shot that may be lost or out of bounds. The player must inform their marker or fellow competitor that they intend to play a provisional ball and must play it before they go forward to search for the original ball.

As part of the Membership Team supporting the Mission of the EC Membership Committee to play enjoyable, competitive golf with strong camaraderie, our committee is responsible for keeping an updated roster with members pertinent information. We assist to provide fast and effective communication with our members.

We work to provide ongoing insight on recruitment, engagement and retention of members from the Eagle Crest Resort golfing community.

Being a member of our golf club is easy, we have a registration form at the Ridge Pro shop to fill out or you can e-mail us for one and further information when needed.

We look forward to keeping our men's club vibrant and growing.

EC Men's Club Membership Team





George Mead

At the end of January the club was ahead of budget as memberships were coming in a little ahead of budget.

We stand at 74 paying members as of January 31st, with a budget at March 31st of 80 members, and our current bank balance stands at \$4,748. Please keep in mind we are accumulating funds now that will be used for food, prizes and activities mainly during the summer and fall. As of January 1st we are no longer taking a skim off of Wednesday's pot to support operations as our membership fees will now cover our costs while 100% of the pot each week will be paid out. In sum, the club's finances are in good shape for a successful 2021.

Dave Miller

ECMGC Treasurer



Number of holes finished / to play	Number of holes the leader is ahead										
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10 / 8	A/S	1up	2up	3up	4up	5up	6up	7up	8up	9&8	10&8
11 / 7	A/S	1up	2up	3up	4up	5up	6up	7&7	8&7	9&7	-
12 / 6	A/S	1up	2up	3up	4up	5up	6up	7&6	8&6	-	-
13 / 5	A/S	1up	2up	3up	4up	5up	6&5	7&5	-	-	-
14 / 4	A/S	1up	2up	3up	4up	5&4	6&4	-	-	-	-
15 / 3	A/S	1up	2up	3up	4&3	5&3	-	-	-	-	-
16 / 2	A/S	1up	2up	3&2	4&2	-	-	-	-	-	-
17 / 1	A/S	1up	2&1	3&1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	A/S	1up	2up	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Current score during the match.										
	The final score. The match is ended.										
	Results irrelevant to the final score.										

Match Play -
May 26-27+

