

# ***SOUTH PARK GOLF CLUB REPORT***



## *The South Park Golf Club Report is a Newsletter on:*

- Results of recent tournaments and special events at the South Park Golf Course;
- Selected Articles on matters of interest to the general membership; and
- Other issues pertaining to the South Park Golf Club.

## **2003 Tournament Schedule**

### **Welcome Back Tourney:**

Sunday May 18<sup>th</sup> 9 holes of individual play.

### **Memorial Day Tournament:**

Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup>, 18 holes  
Member-Guest

### **Polish v. Irish Classic:**

Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup>, 18 holes.  
Team match play format.

### **Hall of Fame Tournament:**

Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup>, 9 holes of individual play.

### **Club Championship:**

Sat. July 26<sup>th</sup> and Sun. 27<sup>th</sup>

### **Labor Day Tournament:**

Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup>  
9 hole 2-man format

### **Challenge Match against Buffalo Golf Club:**

Sat. Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> & Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **Fall Classic:**

Sat. Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> or Sun. Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>,  
18 hole 3-man best ball

### **Turkey Shoot:**

Sat. Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>  
9 hole 4-man scramble.

## **NOSTRANT & POLONCARZ 2002 CO-PLAYERS OF THE YEAR, KARAM NAMED MOST IMPROVED**

On November 23, 2002 the South Park Golf Club held its annual awards banquet where Jerry Nostrant and Mark Poloncarz were named co-players of the year, while Mike Karam was named most improved.

As in the past, a points system was used to determine the player of the year. For the first time co-players of the year were named after the points were added up. Poloncarz and Nostrant each received 60 points thereby tying for the player of the year honors. Each received an engraved plaque at the Banquet for their honor. The final totals for the top five were the following:

Jerry Nostrant:	60 points
Mark Poloncarz:	60 points
Paul Higgins:	59 points
Rich Zambron:	54 points
Tom Kozaczka:	52 points

Mike Karam saw the greatest drop in percentage of handicap from the beginning of the year to the end, and as a result was named most improved.

Prizes were given out for the winners of the Club Championship and Match Play Events, as well as etched glasses to those who recorded eagles during the year. Sean McNamara, Mike Simonick, Sr., and Rich Klubek each received a trophy for winning their respective classes in the

Club Championship.

Mark Poloncarz, Jerry Nostrant and Tom Quinn received plaques for winning the scratch match-play championship in A, B, & C classes respectively. Dr. Richard Zambron, Jim Connors and Paul Higgins also received plaques for winning their classes in the President's Cup.

Paul Higgins and Jerry Nostrant were honored for winning the George Lesso Best-Ball Match Play Tournament.

Finally, as in years past, etched glassware was given to every member who recorded an eagle or hole-in-

## **SOUTH PARK TO PLAY CHALLENGE MATCH VS. BUFFALO GOLF CLUB ON SEPTEMBER 13TH &**

All members of the South Park Golf Club will have the opportunity to represent the Club in a Challenge Match against the members of the Buffalo Golf Club (Grover Cleveland G.C.). On Saturday and Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, the South Park Golf Club will participate in a Ryder Cup style Challenge Match against the Buffalo Golf Club. 4 representatives from each class will square off in

matches both days.

On Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup>, 6 best-ball matches, 2 in each class, will be held at Grover Cleveland between the squads. On Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup>, the members of each team will square off in 12 individual matches per class at South Park. The winners of each match will earn a point for each team. The first team to 9 1/2 points will win the Challenge Match. A party will follow the matches on

Sunday which all members will be invited to attend.

The scratch match play champion per class, as well as the first 3 finishers per class in the Club Championship will qualify for the team. If a player is unable to play, his spot will be filled by the next finisher in the club championship. Players must be available to play to both days to be a member of the team.

Even if you don't qualify, all

## NEW TOURNAMENTS AND GOLF LEAGUE HIGHLIGHT 2003 SCHEDULE

The Club's officers are pleased to announce new tournaments and the introduction of a golf league for the 2003 season.

### New Tournaments

The Club will hold a 9-Hole Welcome Back Tourney on Sunday May 18th. This Tournament will be a fun event to "welcome back" old members and introduce the Club to any new members.

Upon the request of the membership, the Memorial Day Tournament on Sunday May 25th has been changed to an 18 hole Member-Guest Tournament. Members can invite a guest, or if a guest is unavailable, play with another member in an 18 hole best ball format.

Finally, the Club is pleased to announce the Challenge Match against the Buffalo Golf Club.

### Match Play Golf League

Due to the request of Members, the Club shall run a weekly match-play league for Members only. Members shall sign up for the League at the beginning of the season. Members of the league shall pay \$3.00 per week, \$1.00 of which shall go to the Club as an administrative fee, \$1.00 of which shall go for a weekly winner's prize, and the remainder of which shall go for league end prizes and party. Points shall be awarded based on the outcome of each match. No person may win a weekly prize 2 weeks in a row.

Matches are played over 9 holes at handicap any time during the week. The league shall last through the end of August, at which time the members with the 4 highest point totals shall play for the

League Crown. Winner of the final match shall be the league champion. A party shall be held for all league members after the finals. Questions should be directed to League Chairman Jim Connors.



**Ray Zyga and his nephew Dan Sadowski on the 11th tee at Glen Abbey G.C. this past October.**



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### 2003 OFFICERS

**MARK POLONCARZ**  
PRESIDENT

**DARRIN KOEPNICK**  
VICE-PRESIDENT

**MIKE SIMONICK, SR.**  
SECRETARY-TREASURER

**KEVIN HAYES**  
HANDICAP CHAIRMAN

**JIM CONNORS**  
TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN

**STEVE SCANLON**  
GOLF CHAIRMAN

### Financial Report:

As of December 31, 2002, the Club's bank account balance was \$1,347.08.

Congratulations to all who made the 2002 season the golfing and financial success that it was!

## SOUTH PARK CLASSIC: FROM THE PAGES OF THE BUFFALO COURIER-EXPRESS: AUGUST 27, 1934

### BIRDIE ON 36TH GIVES M'GEE LUCKY CROWN

Pat unleashes 300-yard drive then chips second to lip of cup in thrilling match

Pat McGee again reigns as champion of the Lackawanna Golf Club after two years' interval but he was forced to play sensational golf on the 36th hole at South Park yesterday to swing the title in his favor over the defending titleholder—Stanley Kusmierczyk.

They were all even as they came to the final hole in the late afternoon, and Patty unleashed a tremendous 300-yard drive, which stopped just at the edge of the carpet. His chip from off the green for an eagle 2 hung on the lip of the cup, but he tapped it in for a birdie 3 to regain the title. The match was witnessed by an enthusiastic gallery of approximately 2,000—one of the largest ever to attend a match in that section of the city.

### First Time He Was Up

When McGee holed out on the 36th it marked the first time in the entire match that he was up on his opponent. Pat was three down at the end of the first nine holes and two down at noon. They were all even at the 27th, but Kusmierczyk again took the lead by winning the 29th, and it wasn't until the 33rd that McGee was able to square it again.

Kusmierczyk carded a 68 in the morning with birdies on the 3rd, 5th, 9th, 13th and 18th while McGee had a 69, birdying the 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th, 17th and 18th. In the afternoon the wind at times reached the proportions of a gale, and McGee needed a 72, featured by birdies on the 9th and 18th while Kusmierczyk required a 75.

Their cards: **Morning Round**

Pat: 454 355 334 36 444 235 433-33—69

Stan: 443 334 443 32 444 264 453 36—68

**Afternoon Round**

Pat: 545 345 443 37 454 344 443 35—72

Stan: 544 356 444 39 444 345 444 36—75

### Mark Your Calendars:

**2003 South Park Golf Club Spring Party!!**

**Saturday April 5th: Location and More Details to Come!!**