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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.

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER TOURNAMENTS:

WNYPLGA
Senior Championship
Monday August 5th
Bridgewater C.C.

WNYPLGA
Class B Team Event:
Saturday August 10th at
Bryncliff G.C.

WNYPLGA
Class A Individual at
Dande Farms G.C.
1st Round: Sat. August 17th
2nd Round: Sun. August 18th

S.P. LABOR DAY TOURNEY:
Saturday August 31st
Partners event decided by
blind draw.

WNYPLGA
2 Man Scramble
Saturday Sept. 7th at
Audubon G.C.

S.P. FALL CLASSIC
Saturday Sept. 21st
3-Man Best Ball

SEAN MCNAMARA WINS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP IN STYLE, SIMONICK AND KLUBEK TAKE B & C TITLES RESPECTIVELY

On the strength of an opening round 3 under par 67, Sean McNamara won his 5th South Park Club Championship on Sunday July 28th. McNamara entered the final round with a 4 stroke lead over defending champion Tom Kozaczka. After waiting out a 1 hour rain delay before commencing the final round, McNamara relied on solid shot-making to carry him to the title. Only former champion and club president Mark Poloncarz could mount any charge against McNamara by eventually cutting a 5 stroke deficit to 2 strokes on the back nine. However, a double bogey 6 on the 17th hole dashed Poloncarz's chances and sealed McNamara's vic-

tory. McNamara finished in style by birdieing the final hole for a 36 hole total of 1 under par 139.

Club Tournament Chairman Mike Simonick, Sr. parlayed rounds of 73 and 76 to win his first Class "B" title against an always strong field. Jim Connors pressed Simonick on the back nine until he reached the difficult 150 yard par 3 13th hole where his chance to win ended with two balls in the water.

Rich Klubek capped off a wonderful golf week by taking home the "C" Class title by 5 strokes over Larry Connors and Paul Higgins. Earlier in the week Klubek

recorded his first hole-in-one on South Park's 4th hole when he stroked a perfect 5-iron right into the cup. Though he did not record a hole-in-one during the tournament, Klubek relied on consistent scoring to carry him to the title.

The Club thanks everyone who assisted during the setting up and running of the championship. Special thanks are given to former member Dick Jaromin who helped with the provision of on-course beverages to the members. Your support was greatly appreciated.

Final scores for those who made it to Sunday's final

JULY MEETING DISCUSSES FINANCES & NEW TEES

At the July 2002 general meeting of the membership of the South Park Golf Club it was Club Treasurer Mike Gulino stated that the Club has stabilized its finances. Club members sold more than 660 daily lottery tickets, resulting in a gain of over \$2,000 for the Club. While final tallies were not yet in, it was expected that the Club will be in a better position fiscally after the Club Championship this year than in the past few years.

Additionally, Club members voted almost unanimously to discontinue awarding a "class champion" award to the runner-up to the Club Champion. After much debate it was decided that past "A" class champs were being unfairly rewarded with a trophy for finishing second. If the runners-up in "B" and "C" Class did not receive any awards or trophies, neither should the "A" runner-up.

Finally, there was much debate on the planned construc-

tion of new tees at the course. Club President Mark Poloncarz revealed that he, P.J. McPartland and the City Architect walked the course to develop a plan for placement of the new tees. Tom Breen argued that the new tee on the 4th hole, tentatively planned to extend the hole to 175 yards, might be too difficult when the ground hardens from dry conditions. Poloncarz assured members that appropriate tees will be used by the Club in all events depending on course conditions.

2002 SOUTH PARK CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL SCORES

A CLASS

Sean McNamara: 67-72-139
 Mark Poloncarz: 72-73-145
 Tom Kozaczka: 71-77-148
 Don Buckley: 76-75-151
 Jerry Kuwik: 76-79-155
 Jim Miller: 72-84-156
 Mike Gulino: 79-79-158
 Mike Karam: 81-78-159

C CLASS

Rich Klubek: 83-90-173
 Larry Connors: 86-92-178
 Paul Higgins: 89-89-178
 Tim Yuskiv: 84-99-183
 Tom Quinn: 90-96-186
 Moss Sullivan: 107-106-213

B CLASS

Mike Simonick Sr.: 73-76-149
 Jim Connors: 78-80-158
 John Kennedy: 79-82-161
 Wayne Cross: 78-84-162
 Kevin Hayes: 82-82-164
 Pat Quinn: 82-82-164
 Joe Tomaka: 83-81-164
 Jerry Nostrant: 80-90-170



The Gallery Waits To Greet the New Champ.



Sean McNamara receives congratulations from Tom Kozaczka and Mark Poloncarz on the final green while Liam Friedman looks on.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO RICH KLUBEK

ON RECORDING HIS
 FIRST HOLE-IN-ONE
 ON THE 150 YARD 4TH
 HOLE WITH A 5-IRON!!

SOUTH PARK CLASSIC: FROM THE PAGES OF THE BUFFALO COURIER-EXPRESS, SEPTEMBER 12, 1938

Joe May Has First-Round 63 in Beating Pat McGee, 9-8, for South Park Title

Joltin Joie May, who generally relies on his booming tee shots to bring him home in front, switched tactics with a sensational putting spree to defeat Pat McGee, 9 and 8, in the 36-hole final for the South Park Golf Club championship yesterday. Joe's putting touch was so perfect that he didn't miss one under ten feet in the entire match.

Starts with Birdie

He started right off the bat by dropping a 30-footer for a birdie and remained in front all of the way. He got down a 25-footer to halve the seventh in birdie 3's, where Pat also got down from 27 feet, and birdied the ninth for an outgoing 32.

Joe birdied the eleventh, thirteenth, fourteenth and eighteenth coming in for a 31 and 63 total, giving him an eight up lead over Pat, who had on the fifth, seventh, tenth and fourteenth for a 71

In the afternoon, Joe birdied the fifth and sixth, getting down a 40-footer on the latter hole, and was dormie 9 as they took the final turn for home. Pat had birdies on the first and seventh going out.

On the tenth or 28th hole of the match, Pat belied a 305-yard drive down the fairway, his ball stopping just two yards short of the green on this 307-yard hole. He chipped to within five feet of the flag and then missed the putt, which would have enabled him to extend the match another hole at least had it gone down.

Dave Stirgeroon defeated Joe Gaffney, 1 up, in the eighteen-hole final for the second-flight title.

Next Club Meeting: Tuesday August 27th at 7:30 p.m.
Please Note new day due to President Mark Poloncarz
being out of town on August 20th.