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## 1990 AT WAVELAND - A YEAR OF CHANGE

As we enter into the 1990 golf season, members of the Waveland Golf Association are going to find that a number of different things have occurred in the physical makeup of the golf course itself, and in the way our association and league are operated. Most of you are aware that the fairway watering system is going to be installed this Spring, and while it will take a few years to fully develop the turf, for most of us it is a dream come true. This project began in 1984 with the USGA Course Study, which was paid for by our association and shared with the City of Des Moines Park Board and Golf Course Superintendents. The USGA made several suggestions at that time - sand bunker locations - tree planting ideas - various thoughts on grass seed, pesticides and fertilizers - tiling for heavy water run-off areas etc. - but the bottom line in this report was the need for a fully developed fairway watering system. Now, through the hard work and persistence of a number of individuals, the City of Des Moines, and the City Council (special thanks to our friend Tom Vlassis), it will be only a matter of time until this becomes a realization.

Two new sand bunkers have been added this year; one will guard the lower left side of number nine green (hopefully keeping slightly errant shots from rolling down the hill into the perimeter fence) and a huge bunker on the right side of number eleven green, which should keep many balls from skittering into the woods and high grass. In the fall we will add left-side sand bunkers to number four and number eight greens, which will complete the golf course bunker recommendations of the 1984 USGA Turf Study. Plans also include the installation of new and improved asphalt cart paths and new tree plantings as soon as funding for these projects becomes available.

All of these improvements take time and certainly a great deal of money, but when they are finished, and the golf course has a chance to live up to its fine potential, we will soon forget any inconveniences and added costs that have been incurred, because we will have a facility that we can enjoy and appreciate for the remainder of our golfing years.

## TUESDAY LEAGUE NIGHT

This year we are going to do all we can to stimulate interest in league participation from "Beat The Pro" to special 2-man and 4-man best ball events (all competition to utilize handicaps), and closest to the pin events in which you have a chance to double your wager, as well as regular team play, which we have had in the past. League Chairman Jim Calvert has assured me that his imagination knows no bounds - whatever that means - but he did say something about some kind of competition involving nubile young ladies, water and T-Shirts - he promised to keep the membership posted concerning the date of that event. We have requested and received permission from the City about having the Tees closed to the public from 4-6 PM on League Nights, and are hopeful of having starters on both Tees during our peak usage periods. We will provide improved signage and information regarding any and all of Mr. Calvert's strokes of genius, and hope that you will all participate and enjoy them. We want this year to be more fun for our membership and invite each of you to contribute any suggestions you may have - however, "go jump in the lake etc." and other like ideas have already been sent in to the Board.

## SPECIAL WEEKLY EVENTS

We have a secret organization within the WGA, these twenty-some individuals play in regularly scheduled weekly events that are open to our entire membership, but they are the only ones who show up - the league contributes to their "secret" prize fund every week and they just keep taking the money - same guys, all year, every year - Now, if you play Waveland every week and are interested in secret organizations, please contact Chairman Nile Tannatt for your special invitation - initiations are held weekly. Nile will also be responsible for our Handicap/Scratch Club Championship and our Match Play Tournament. We are going to post the dates of these events as soon as we can get information regarding other nearby tournaments to best avoid conflicting events. We encourage all of you to come and play in these tournaments, and we will do all we can to make them an important part of your competitive golfing enjoyment.

## WGA SPRING BANQUET

The 1990 WGA Spring Banquet will be held on Tuesday evening April 3rd at the Waveland Clubhouse. Registration and the sale of raffle tickets will begin at 5:30 PM, and a spaghetti supper will be served beginning at 6:30PM. The beer will flow as usual, and there should be enough for the dry of throat and steady of demeanor. For those of you who have not attended our Banquet in the past, the equipment raffle will provide you with a chance to win many a fine prize, and if Les Calvert is not present we will all have a chance to win a new set of irons. A short meeting will precede the raffle, and we will use this time to explain the changes that are taking place in the WGA this year -- from the handling of the Men's City Tournament to the new approach we are taking with our handicap system, and the introduction of some new wrinkles in League play. Please plan to attend -- the Board is going to do everything it can to help our organization be as much fun as possible. Larry and Jan Castagnoli along with the rest of their staff are also committed to making the 1990 golf season at Waveland a huge success, and will provide all the help they can to ensure this goal.

## WINTER STORM WOES

The Ice Storm to end all ice storms left its mark on Waveland just as it did on the rest of central Iowa. We were having a WGA Board meeting at the clubhouse that evening and watched tree limbs fall like leaves in a sudden thunder storm. How the Mighty Oak next to number nine green survived is beyond the imagination -- it must have had thousands of pounds of ice on it -- and the steel support cables that held the largest of branches together now hang down, snapped from the weight. Scott Wallace, after surveying the damage, estimated that it would take several weeks of intensive work to finally clear away all the debris. Luckily enough, none of the fences surrounding the golf course were damaged by the falling tree limbs. WGA members and the golfing public will have to understand this situation, and have the necessary patience until the clean up process is completed.

## WGA DUES - NO INCREASES FOR 1990

The bad news is that the WGA dues for 1990 will remain the same as in 1989, the good news is that the Board is adding more events for your enjoyment, and kicking in extra prize money to most of them. The WGA membership for 1990 will continue to be \$20.00, which entitles you to a ticket to our Spring Banquet, a USGA handicap, the chance to play in our weekly special events, and qualifies you to enter our Handicap/Scratch and Match Play Tournaments. The WGA League fee is an additional \$10.00, and players are reminded that this money is turned back to the prize fund in its entirety. The Weekly Special Events will begin during the second week in May and continue through Labor Day Weekend. The League Season will run from May until early August, and we are looking forward to the added events that will be offered.

## 1990 WGA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1 - Begin turning in scores for handicaps.  
April 3 - Spring Banquet  
April 24 - League Draft  
May 1 - 1st League Night  
May 8 - 2nd League Night  
May 15 - 3rd League Night  
May 22nd - 4th League Night  
May 29th - 5th League Night  
June 5th - 6th League Night  
1st Half Champion Crowned

June 12th - 7th League Night  
June 19 - 8th League Night  
June 26 - 9th League Night  
July 3 - 10th League Night  
July 10 - 11th League Night  
July 17th - 12th League Night  
2nd Half Champion Crowned  
July 24th - 1st Half & 2nd Half  
Championship Playoffs and  
Extra Events for the other teams  
July 31st - Fun Night - Triple Prizes  
August 7 - Fall Banquet

## 1990 WGA SPRING BANQUET

**DATE: TUESDAY APRIL 3RD PLACE: WAVELAND CLUBHOUSE**

**REGISTRATION: 5:30 PM DINNER: 6:30 PM**

**DUES: W.G.A.: \$20.00 LEAGUE: \$10.00**