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Amy's Anecdotes

Amy Adams: Course Manager:

Well, October sure has been full of excitement and change! We have a new team in the Proshop and Mr. Perry and Gerri, to whom I am very grateful, have passed the torch to me.

While I have big shoes to fill, I am committed to providing you all with

excellent service and communication. I am always open to coaching and suggestions as well.

Our Member End of Season Scramble was soggy but it looked like a good time was had by all who were hardy enough to participate. Kudos to you!

The first place winners were Jeff Davis, Kevin Costin, Bill Martin and John Pearl. The second place winners were Kevin Kenney, Leon Jennings, Dean Borden and Roger Hill. Third Place, Cliff Borden, Jim Jarreau, and Jim Dilg. Our fourth place winners are Sterling Keen, Gail Reynolds and Donny Stotler. Congratulations to you super troopers! Please stop by the office at your convenience to retrieve your prize certificates and thank you all for making the G man's send off a lovely event. While he pretended to regard the festivities as much ado about nothing, I think we all know how touched he was. If you haven't signed his farewell banner in the dining room, it will be there until November 6th or 7th when Gerri will be by to get it. I wanted to acknowledge Beau and his fabulous team for cranking out more delicious food for our events this month than the club has ever done! Great job! (See Insert for Pictures)

For your information, the league play is officially over and we will begin 8 o'clock tee times starting November 1st. Other exciting changes are in the works as well! The 2020 Member Event calendar is officially published and is available in the proshop.

I would like to invite you all to participate in the Turkey's for Sharing tournament on November 16th, in memory of Richard G. "Dickie" Dick, with proceeds going to provide Thanksgiving turkeys to our local Salvation Army. Mr. Rick Miller is busy reviving this charitable event and I hope we can provide a good number of teams to represent us. What a wonderful way to start the holiday season! Entry forms are readily available in the proshop and Rock Harbor members have a reduced entry fee from \$85.00 to \$65.00 per player.

Thank you for your patience with me and the new staff. During the off season I will be training them to a fare thee well, if they surpass the 30 day or so trial period, and I'm hopeful.

I will be scheduling some unique and exciting Winter Socials and I would love to hear some of your ideas for activities during the cold months. I want to keep the camaraderie and warm feelings of friendship and the closeness we share and get to know all of our new members and get them involved in our Rock Harbor Family.**Continued on page 2**.....



Sunrise over a no-mow area. Picture credit: Chris Dieter



**WING NIGHT
ENDS
OCTOBER 31**

Fresh From The Grill

Beau Rudiger,
RH Grill Manager:

As time and seasons change so will the hours of the grill. The Grill will now close at 6 PM, except for on Saturday nights. Our Wing Night is also coming to an end as of October 31. We are considering starting back up in January but haven't made a decision yet. We will keep you posted on a startup date when we decide. Please don't forget that it is the members responsibility to close out their

daily charges and verify the items on their bill. This will continue to help curb mis' charges or wrong account charges in the future. It is your account and your charges so verify and close your daily charges before leaving the course every time, please.

We will be changing a few menu items within the next 10 days, so be looking for those changes. We have also changed our Black Angus Certified beef producer to Black Mountain. This is a local beef company in

the Shenandoah Valley and Lehigh Valley that produces award winning beef. We have pretty much changed over already and have had great comments so far. Also along the line of local supplier we've added Belle Vodka which is produced in Maurytown, VA.

One last thing, if you are interested in having a holiday party or catered party for you or your business please let us know as soon as possible so we can put something special together for you and your guest.

Saturday Evening Dinner Hours 5-8:30 PM

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A special shout out to John Saunders and his wife for providing wonderful protein smoothies to get me going these early, early mornings!! I have been in awe of the gorgeous sunrises I get to behold each new day and I am very grateful to you all for your well wishes, and support. Thank you to Walt and Mary Jo Brown for the beautiful bouquet too! Made my day!

I love it here and will do my very best to take care of you!

Player Testimony

"Drove out from Sterling to play your course again yesterday, Boulder at 10:30. Met a friend from Frederick MD and picked up a friend in Leesburg on the way. Kudos to your course superintendent. The course is in absolutely incredible condition. The greens are amazing, ran fast and true all day long and kicked our butts. We played Boulder about 3 weeks ago and had the same experience. It is worth the 75 minute drive out there to play and we will be back again soon. Thanks for a great experience.."

Tom from Sterling, VA

The Green:

Chris Dieter, Course Superintendent:

After having many leaves fall due to the draught, some of the trees have finally decided it is Fall.

(Picture to the right)

The crew will be busy with cleaning up leaves, blowing greens clear and trying to keep everyone from losing balls in the middle of a golf hole. Unfortunately, it only takes one leaf to cover a golf ball.

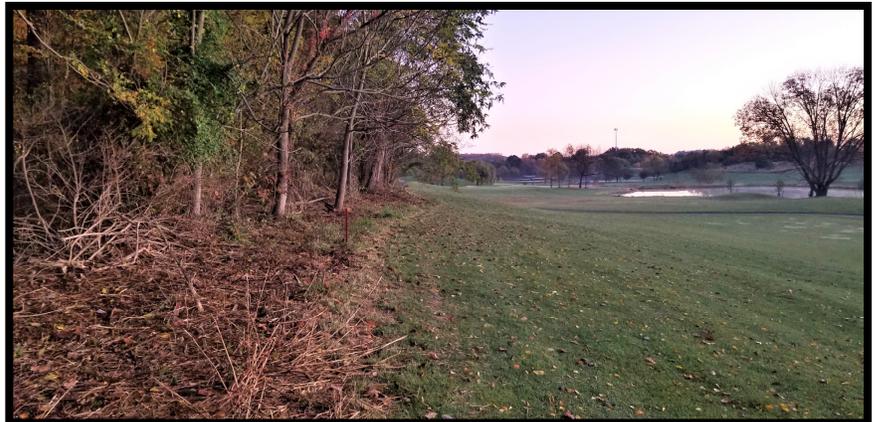


Currently we have renovated 35 out of 102 bunkers; with the onslaught of leaves, we are suspending bunker renovations temporarily. This year left the newest bunkers fluffy due to the lack of moisture. The recent rains will settle the sand and they will become more playable. As we get into Winter, we will resume work on the remaining bunkers.

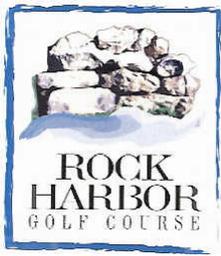


What is happening on Boulder #3? *(Left)* Do not get too excited, we are not adding a new fairway nor are we putting in regular rough. The no mow/ waste area has been seeded with a *fine Fescue blend*, this blend of grasses has a very thin leaf and will only grow approximately 6 inches. The area will be more “playable” was part of Mr. Perry’s original plan. In the Spring, we will plant 3 or 4 brushy obstacles in the area as well.

Ever feel like the golf course is closing in on you, always seeming narrower, losing balls along edges more. Well it is not your imagination. Dealing with all the living plant materials around the edges of each golf hole is a constant battle to keep nature at bay. This Fall/ Winter we will be using a Brushcat to cut back tree lines to their original locations. *(Picture Right)*



As always feel free to stop buy with questions, comments, or criticisms.



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Pictorial Diary



This picture was taken on August 19, 2006. Do
you know what hole it is now?

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November 16 Turkeys for Sharing Tournament
November 20 Member Social
December 11 Members Annual Christmas Party