



## Rock Harbor Golf Course

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Pictured above: our very own Course Superintendent, Chris Dieter, standing tall with his daughter, Katie, in unplanned matching outfits!



### Up Coming Events at Rock Harbor

July 4th: Independence Day Scramble

July 8th: Adam Carter Memorial

July 10th: Mike Moore Two Person

July 17th: Medal Play Championship

July 23rd-24th: Member/Member Scramble

July 27th: Sand 'N Suds

July 30th-31st: Club Championships

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# Rock Harbor News

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## Curt's Corner

*Curt Corey: General Manager & Pro*

What a busy month June was! It is so enjoyable to meet members and get to know the culture of our golf club.

The Rock Harbor Golf Course *MEMBER/GUEST* Tournament was a success! Devin Faircloth and Ryan Boehm earned the honor of **CHAMPIONS!** Ken Rea and Steve Mayo enjoy the runner-up status for the tournament. Congratulations to all who placed and participated!

The Rock Harbor Junior Golf Camp is upcoming! Kids aged 6-15 are welcome to sign up with the chance to learn from a PGA Golf Professional. All facets of golf will be taught, including etiquette. Most of all, it will be **FUN!** Stop in the Pro Shop for more details.



The month of July has us looking forward to some great events including:

July 19-21	Junior Golf Camp (10-11:30 am each day)
July 26-28	Junior Golf Camp (10-11:30 am each day) with Pizza Party following

Let me know if I can help you with your golf swing. We can set up times to get your game on the road to improvement!

## Fresh From The Grill

Beau Rudinger,  
RH Grill Manager:

July, the month of MEMBER/MEMBER!! I hope we have a great turn out for our MEMBER/MEMBER, it should be competitive. I hope that everyone who played MEMBER/GUEST enjoyed the food and golf. The course looked fantastic!!

Well, moving on to July—we have the 4th of July MEMBER SCRAMBLE, Mike Moore's Two Person Scramble for Fair Ways for Youth Tournament for a great cause, Member Medal play, MEMBER/MEMBER and, of course, the Club Championship. July is a very busy month.

I've been asked by a few members why my prices are going up at the grill and I wanted to give some examples of why. Of course, every time diesel or gas goes up, it's instantly added

into either, the delivery cost, or the price of food. This is a breakdown in 14 months:  
Eggs have increased in total price of 300%.

Wings have increased 220%.

Beef products like steak or burger, have increased 35%.

Chicken breast, tenders and Boneless, have increased 44%-58%.

Romaine increased 300%.

All produce is up at least 50%-100%.

The black, round, to-go containers (if you can get them) I use to put dinners in, increased from \$77 a case to over \$228. The octagon to-go containers have gone from \$58 to over \$130.

The clear 16-ounce cups have gone from \$55 a case to \$120 a case.

Here's a comparison, I used to

pay for a 35-pound container of oil for the fryers at \$17.80, it's now

\$48 - \$54 a container. It takes two containers to fill up my fryer, and we do it twice a week. So, instead of it costing me \$71.20 a week, it now costs \$192.

All beverages have gone up, from Gatorade and tea to beer and Pepsi products.

These are only a few examples. Every item we use in the kitchen to cook with, clean with or prepare, are all in the same line of price increases I've covered, and getting products in has become a major problem. I placed a \$1,230.00 Pepsi order, and when it was delivered, I wrote a check for \$560—not even half of what I ordered.

I hope I answered why food and beverage prices have gone up.

## Golf Tip of the Month: Putting

Curt Corey: General Manager & Pro

- If you shoot a free throw with your right hand only, you would realize that you need your left hand for a guide. The left hand is your directional hand in the putting stroke and is just as important as your right hand. Practice putting with your left hand only, and you will soon realize this to be true.
- Never allow your wrist to “break down” or “flip.” During the stroke, never allow the putter head “pass up your hands” and win the race back to the ball.
- Concentrate on your distance control. The key to distance control is to “roll” the ball, not “hit” it. Try to keep the putter head low to the ground past impact. Never “hit up” on the ball, as it will make the ball hop.
- Grip the putter any way you choose, as long as it does not hinder your left hand's role in the stroke. Be sure you hold the grip in your fingers. Many people point their right finger down the shaft, which is okay as long as the finger does not steer the putter. Don't concern yourself with what your palms are doing. **“Fingers Equal Feel.”**
- **Always, always, always** accelerate through the ball. Never hit “at the ball” and stop your stroke. This is my most important tip for putting.

If you have any questions regarding your putting stroke, please stop by the Pro Shop to set up a putting lesson.

## The Green

Chris Dieter, Course Superintendent:

It's hard to believe another month has passed already. The MEMBER/GUEST TOURNAMENT seemed to have been a success. I appreciate all the compliments we received about course conditions. If we can all work harder on fixing ball marks and divots, as well as keeping all four tires on the path at greens and tees, the course would improve drastically. Most of the ground that I marked ‘under repair’ was due to cart traffic. Golfers always take the same path through the rough, which will wear the grass out.



I heard several comments about our crew getting things in shape for MEMBER/GUEST. To be quite honest, we were working to get the course to the ‘everyday conditions’, which we always set as a goal. Everything came together, by chance, for MEMBER/GUEST. We had equipment issues, weather issues, waiting-on-parts issues and employee issues, which all kind of worked out just a week or so before the tournament. I want our members to be able to tell their friends, “No, it's this nice *all the time*, not just for MEMBER/GUEST.” I always try to keep the course in the best conditions possible, with that in mind, I have yet to be happy with the conditions of our course.

As a last note, we think we have patched another pond leak. I say “think” because the first pond we “fixed” seems to have started leaking again. If at first you don't succeed, try-try again.

Remember, Ball Mark and Divot Repair will ALWAYS improve your golf game.



Pictured: Joe and Trent packing clay at Rock #5's green pond.