

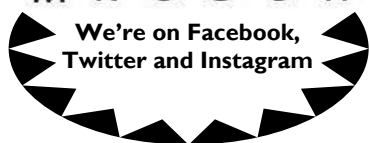
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FAIRWAY	TRAP
FLAG	WATER
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Up Coming Events at Rock Harbor

- September 2nd: Frederick Co. Parks & Rec
- September 5th: Labor Day Scramble
- September 14th: Ladies Invitational
- September 18th: 2 Person Chapman System
- September 23rd-25th: Harbor Cup Championship
- September 28th: Sand 'N Suds

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Curt's Corner

Curt Corey: General Manager & Pro:

How is it that September has already arrived? Our golf season continues to move along smoothly as we transition into the month that brings us Autumn. As we look forward to seeing the courses change into the beauty of Fall colors, be sure to watch the website for upcoming opportunities for play.

A smooth golf operation can only be possible when dedicated staff members work as a team. I would like to take a moment to highlight **Rene Basque**, who is a familiar and friendly face in the Pro Shop. Rene is committed to providing members and guests with the best possible experience. He can answer questions, showcase our retail items, assist patrons with tee times all with a smile that never waivers, and is always willing to learn and try new things, just a few of the many ways he is present and loyal to *Rock Harbor Golf Course*. Our appreciation for Rene runs deep. **Thank you, Rene!**

I am always available to our Rock Harbor members and guests. Do not hesitate to get in touch if you need anything!





Fresh From The Grill

Beau Rudiger,
RH Grill Manager:

This has been a great August!! Great weather and the courses look fantastic for August weather. Hopefully, this will continue through September. I did a newsletter in July discussing how the average prices of food and supplies has skyrocketed with inflation. I received a good amount of feedback on it for, at least, letting everyone know the difficulties in stocking the kitchen. We have hit a

new threshold with products.

The mid-west drought that has been ongoing for several months has devastated the potato crops along with the future feed crop. So, I am not expecting to return to normal any time soon. This will affect prices on chicken, beef, and pork products for at least the next 6-9 months, on top of inflation. We still are very much hit-and-miss on the delivery of products. I spoke with a salesman from our local Pepsi and Coke

distributor on Monday. They also supply us with our candy products. I asked him how many cases he had of a certain product and his answer was, he is "standing in the warehouse, and has 8 cases." I told him that that would be plenty, and he informed me that he had only 8 cases of all products in his entire warehouse. He was expecting a few deliveries this week, so we may have Mt Dew again shortly. That is how things are shaping up for the fall.

The Green

Ross aerifying Boulder 4, pictured below.



Chris Dieter, Course Superintendent:
Another aerification in the books. It was hard to accept the need for aerification with the greens looking so good. I promise you; it is a necessary process. Having adequate pore space in the root zone keeps the roots

growing, as well as letting water and nutrients infiltrate into the soil. The Boulder Course had a few greens finish a little rougher than the others. A lot of movement in the turf gave several greens a wavy look. We will be doing some heavy rolling in the upcoming week to smooth/true the surface. In the next month we will be overseeding a few of the fairways and spreading a light dose of compost.



Cali assisting with the aerification of Boulder 16, pictured above.



Cross section of aeration holes, filled with sand top dressing, pictured above.

This should have little disruption to your game since most of you play in the rough!

On a more serious note, while we were aerifying the Boulder course, someone took six divots out of Boulder #12

I will never understand why anyone would take one divot, much less six. I also do not understand why anyone would want to play golf with individuals who do this sort of thing. I am sure there could be an accidental frustrated swing, but those individuals should report the damage. There is no excuse for unreported damage. This behavior will not be tolerated at Rock Harbor. Anyone caught intentionally taking divots out of greens will be asked to leave the course immediately and banned from the course. If anyone knows who took the six divots from 12 green, please report them to me.

It is always nice to have your input so please stop me and let me know what you think.



Six divots on Boulder 12, pictured left.



Rock Harbor Golf Course Wildlife Spotlight!