



Volume XV, Issue 2 June 2022

From the President

Dear Members,

We're off to a great start to the season. The Kentucky Derby and Mother's Day (about 185) had a very good turnout. Friday night happy hours are already rocking and rolling, the new member Meet and Greet was well attended and it was nice to meet the new members. The 5K was a lot of fun with a great brunch, and thanks to the many volunteers who made the Spring Spruce-up a huge success.

Please join us for the Opening Party on Saturday, June 4. If you're not signed up yet, contact the restaurant ASAP for reservations as it is filling fast. Great food with live music!

Our fundraising effort is underway, and we are aiming higher than last year. If you would like to order a ticket, please email Nate Lehmann at NLehmann@caduluth.com. Let him know the number of tickets (\$100 each) and he can bill your account. Prizes will be awarded on the July 4th weekend, and proceeds will go to Grill Room expansion/renovations.

We are planning to have plans/sketches of our grill room project available for viewing during the 4th of July weekend. It is an exciting project, including an expansion of the grill room and a deck toward the lake, and we are hoping to break ground on the project during the month of July. We are not planning any assessments for this project. However, in addition to the regular fundraising, we are asking for donations that would help fund the project and reduce the loan amount needed. Please support this effort!

Have a great summer and see you at the Opening Party!

Best wishes,

Tim Virant
President, ECC Board of Directors

Capital Improvement Fundraising Event is back in 2022!

Our 2nd Annual Capital Improvement Fundraising Event for ECC is set for July 2nd, 2022. Like last year, the money will go towards the Grill Room renovation.

Tickets are now on sale so please reserve your ticket to win cash and other great prizes by emailing Nate Lehmann at: nlehmann@caduluth.com or at 218-940-8422. Your ECC account will be charged for the ticket like last year.

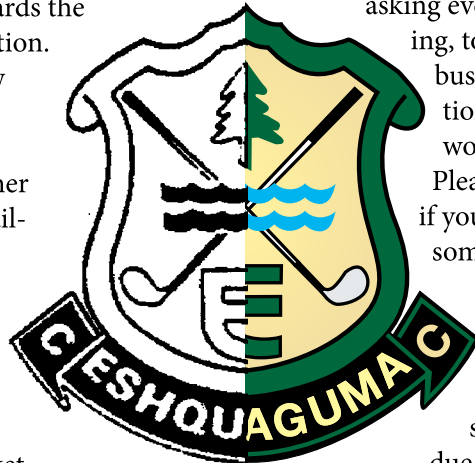
We also encourage you to ask family and friends to purchase a ticket and to attend our awesome event. You do not need to be present to win. We'll have a silent auction, a putting contest

and other fun events for everyone!

To help boost our Silent Auction and raffle prize offering, we're kindly asking everyone who's willing, to please ask local businesses for donations or items you feel would be a good fit. Please contact Nate if you've accumulated something that will help our cause.

Last year we raised \$43K which was a great success. This year, due to high demand, we've increased the number of tickets for sale from 300 to 400. Our goal is to eclipse \$50k this year!!

Thank you in advance and we look forward to seeing you at the event on July 2nd!!!



Father's Day Brunch and Golf

Sunday, June 19th
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

All ECC members, families and guests are invited to honor their fathers with a delicious brunch at the Club!

Call the restaurant for reservations 865-4263.

New this year: Golf Scramble see details on page 3.

A 9-hole Dad/Child golf scramble starts at 1:00 p.m.

Eshquaguma Country Club

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Upcoming Events

June 4 Opening Night Party/. Social: 5:00,
Dinner: 6:00, Band: 7:30

June 7 Restaurant opens for full menu!

June 9 Ladies' Glitz & Glam. Social: 5:00,
Dinner: 6:00.

June 17 Smear Tournament 7:00 p.m.

June 18 Live music with Cowboy Angel
Blue at 7:30 p.m.

June 19 Father's Day Brunch 10-2 p.m.

June 19 Father/Child 9-Hole Golf Scramble
1 p.m. Shotgun start.

June 20 Youth Golf (a.m.) and Tennis (p.m.)
all week.

June 23 Bonfire for Youth 6:30 p.m.

June 25 Mother/Daughter/Granddaughter
Luncheon 2 p.m.

Busy June for ECC Ladies!

June is looking like a very busy month at Eshquaguma – especially for the Ladies!

Ladies Buddy Golf will be played the week of June 12 and June 19 with a week off over the 4th of July. We will restart on the week of July 11, July 18, and July 25. The first weeks of August can be used for makeup and the last two weeks for the playoffs. The pairings/poster will be in the ProShop later in the week.

Any questions/suggestions, call Barbara Hecomovich at 612-581-5630.

A busy June includes these events for the ECC Ladies:

- **June 8 - Guest Day**
- **June 9 - Glitz & Glam Social and Dinner**
- **Week of June 12 - Buddy Golf begins**
- **June 25 - Mother/Daughter/Granddaughter Luncheon**
- **June 29 - Ladies team event**



Kentucky Derby 2022 was a success again this year, everyone had fun. Winners of the Best Hat Award were Boz and Edie.

From the ECC Restaurant

As we plan for special events at Eshquaguma Country Club, please keep in mind that food prices are steadily increasing. Therefore, we will have to increase the cost per person for all events.

If you have volunteered for a committee and the restaurant is involved, please contact Bryan at least two weeks prior to the event at 865-4263 or bryan.ecc2021@gmail.com

Now you know . . .

What is the Honor Box anyway? It is a green box located at the 1st tee box and is a way for the Club to account for golfers when the ProShop is not open.

Basically, it allows you to enjoy golf with your guests after hours! Page 22 of the ECC Directory offers the complete details.

Welcome
NEW MEMBERS

NON-RESIDENT CORPORATE

John and Andrea Berger
Lauri Osmundson and
Robert Bratulich

SOCIAL

Charles and Lynda Mattson
Peter Van Patten
Dayna and Michael Peterson
Donna and Dennis Peterson

JUNIOR

Ben and Amanda Delich
Zachary and Margaret Pohto

Cart Barn Reminder

It never hurts to remind each other that we always need to be vigilant about locking the cart barn doors and taking extra care in storing our equipment.

ECC is not responsible for your golf carts, equipment or personal items stored on the premises.

Of course, we want to be welcoming to our guests, but please let someone know if you see suspicious activity. And, please . . . let's lock those darn cart barn doors at the end of each day!



From the ECC Pro Shop

Golf is the closest game to the game we call life.
You get bad breaks from good shots; you get good breaks from bad shots - but you have to play the ball where it lies.

Bobby Jones

Thursday Night Golf Starts again!

- 9 Holes starting at 5:30 p.m.
- Sign up in the ProShop
- All skill levels welcomed
- Beat the Pro
- Fun, competitive, and social all together . . . the way golf should be played. Handicapped for fairness.
- June 2, 6, 30

Youth Golf and Tennis Week, June 20-24

- Sign up in the ProShop or with Jessica Reelfs
- An annual tradition at ECC
- \$30 Golf/\$35 Tennis

Father/Child 9 Hole Scramble: Sunday, June 19

- 1:00 p.m. shotgun start
- Participants must be 14 years and older
- \$30 Members, \$40 Non-Members
- Hole Prizes & ProShop Winnings

Ladies Golf Guest Day

- June 8, 9:30 a.m.
- Bring a friend, Ladies!



Another Hole in One in 2021. Boz Bozicievich's trusted 7 iron landed his ball in the hole on Hole #9. Distance was about 150 yards. He celebrated with Larry Cuffe, Brian Cepek, and Carver Richards.

Tennis and Pickleball court update

The pickleball nets are up, the lines are chalked, and it appears it is already quite popular!

The tennis and pickleball courts are maintained and paid for by our members. Just like the golf course, guests must be accompanied by a member and must register in the ProShop . . . NO EXCEPTIONS! The fee to use the courts is only \$10.

History Making at ECC!

The ECC Pickleball Era begins. The group shown to the right initiated the pickleball court. Left to right: Henry Tamminen, Jane Stunkard, Terri Kern, Pat Tamminen, Mike Kern, and Tom Stunkard.



United Way's "Flavor of the North"



ECC participated in the "Flavor of the North" which is a fundraiser that the United Way of NE MN sponsors and proceeds go to the Buddy Backpacks. Cathy Lisenby, Terri Nelson and Kathy Nelson represented ECC at the event.

Currently, Buddy Backpacks is helping to fight weekend hunger by providing these food kits to more than 1,000 children between the Iron Range and in Koochiching County each Friday or holiday break from school.

The program provides nourishment for food-insecure children so that they can come back to school on Monday mornings ready to learn, grow and thrive.

**BUDDY
BACKPACKS**



**of Northeastern
Minnesota**



NOTICE

It was great to see so many people using the Club, golf course, and tennis/pickleball courts over the Memorial Day weekend! It's quite evident that everyone loves ECC not only for the hidden gem it is but for the community it fosters. It's important to remember that members enjoy the Club in many different ways. **It is the members' responsibility to educate their children and guests on proper etiquette and behavior at ECC.** Here are a few points to remember:

Slow down! The speed limit on White Pine Lane is only 15 mph; kids and dogs are all over!

Watch out! Be mindful of walkers and runners on the trails in the woods.

Be careful! The driving range is meant for practicing golf shots, not horsing around on a cart.

No guns! Airsoft guns are NOT ALLOWED on ECC property.

Have fun! There is still a lot of fun to be had while respecting ECC property and fellow members.

2022 ECC 5K is in the books!



Despite Mother Nature's objection, the 11th annual ECC 5K Run/Walk/Bike was a huge success. Participants braved the weather and a good time was had by all. The event was followed by a scrumptious breakfast buffet in the dining room.

We had 78 participants ranging in age from 1 to 80. Sam Dahlquist (11) was the overall winner with a time of 24:02 followed closely behind by his father, Pete Dahlquist with a time of 24:06. Blaise Noble-Schueller popped onto the course about two minutes after the race started and came in second for the Men's division with a time of 24:20. First time participant, Noah Finseth (9), took second in the junior boys division with a time of 26:20. Tessa and Keira Dahlquist were #1 and #2 for junior girls with times of 25:31 and 28:22.

A huge thank you to all of our sponsors: First National Bank of Gilbert, Larry & Teresa Lehtinen, Tufco, Uhan Professional Services, Devich Chiropractic, Lundgren Motors, Taconite Tire, Tom & Linda Deluca, Cathy & Brian Hiti. All of these donations help to ensure all junior participants get a medal and a prize of their choice.



Can't. Quite. Catch. Him!



Cale Finseth



Sam Dahlquist



Ellie Bjorge and Lucy Virant

ECC Men's Club Update

Date change on Men's Guest Day Golf

The Men's Club will again host a structured Men's Guest Day on **Wednesday, July 27**. All men playing that day will be required to participate and bring a guest in this shotgun start event. Guests will enjoy 18 holes of golf, on-course prizes, a steak dinner, drink tickets and a voucher good for 18-holes to be used at a later date.

Handicapping

Eshquaguma is an MGA Club and the MGA offers a handicap service.

Handicapping enables golfers of differing skill levels to play equitably together- a vital and important component in the overall golf experience.

As the authorized golf association and central handicapping authority in Minnesota, the MGA strives to uphold these values:

Peer Review - Golf clubs issuing Handicap Indexes(r) must have a minimum of 10 members, and members must have a regular opportunity to play golf together

Score Posting - Each golfer will post every acceptable round for peer review
Rules of Golf - Golfers must follow the Rules of Golf when posting scores for handicap purposes.

Frequency of Revision of a Handicap Index - Golf Clubs issuing Handicap Indexes(r) must follow the MGA's score-posting season. A player's Handicap Index will be revised and updated the day after a score is posted.

Handicap Chairperson - Golf Clubs issuing Handicap Indexes(r) must have an appointed Handicap Chairperson to work with all handicap-related issues.

Club Licensing - All member clubs and clubs affiliated with the MGA for handicap administration purposes are required to attend an education seminar and complete a quiz demonstrating knowledge of the new Rules of Handicapping.

WHS: New Handicap Rules for Golfers in MN

January 1, 2020 by W.P. Ryan

You may have heard about the new **World Handicap System**, a collaboration between the USGA, the R&A and the world's six handicapping authorities to unify the golf world under one system. It's great news for traveling golfers who can now port their Handicap Indexes from country to country and post acceptable scores for handicap purposes everywhere they play. It also heralds the introduction of new handicap rules for golfers in Minnesota. Here's what you need to know:

1. The WHS is more responsive, so your Handicap Index may change slightly after Jan. 1. The average of your best eight scores from your most recent 20 will be used, versus the old formula of 10-of-20 scores x .96.
2. Par is significantly more important now. Your Course Handicap represents the number of strokes needed to play to par. If you play with other golfers from the same tees with the same par, no adjustment is needed. If you are competing from tees with different pars, the player competing from the tees with the higher par must add the difference to their Course Handicap.
3. Your Handicap Index will update daily if you submit a score the previous day. Safeguards in the new system will limit extreme changes in your index.
4. Net Double Bogey is the maximum score any player can take on a hole: $\text{NOB} = \text{par} + 2 \text{ strokes} + \text{any handicap strokes}$.
5. Fifty-four is the number of holes needed to establish a Handicap Index (any combination of 9 and 18-hole scores will do). It's also the maximum Handicap Index (54.0) for all golfers regardless of gender.
6. Your Handicap Index will be interchangeable for both 9-hole and 18-hole play (9-hole Handicap Indexes "N" are no longer necessary and have been phased out under the WHS).
7. Playing Conditions Calculation: when

abnormal course or weather conditions affect scores, an automatic adjustment (the PCC) will be made to better reflect a player's actual performance.

8. Course Handicap Calculation represents the number of strokes received in relation to the par of the tees being played, thus: $\text{Course Handicap} = \text{Handicap Index} \times (\text{Slope Rating}/113) + (\text{Course Rating} - \text{Par})$.

9. Playing Handicap Calculation represents the number of strokes a player receives in a competition, thus: $\text{Playing Handicap} = \text{Course Handicap} \times \text{Handicap Allowance}$.

10. The distinction between a Course Handicap and a Playing Handicap serves two specific purposes under the new Rules of Handicapping:

- The Course Handicap is used to adjust individual hole scores (such as Net Double Bogey and Net Par).
- The Playing Handicap is used for net competition purposes, including determining the results and winners.

Definitions

Course Handicap: The number of strokes you need to play to par (not to the Course Rating).

Target score: Par plus your Course Handicap. **Playing Handicap:** Your Course Handicap adjusted for any terms of a competition you're playing in, such as a handicap allowance or a difference in par.

Playing Handicap - Calculate handicap to play chosen format.

GHIN Mobile App

With the launch of the new World Handicap System on January 6, the USGA also introduced an updated GHIN Mobile App. It's available in the Apple IOS or Android App stores. Remove the previous version of the GHIN Mobile App from your mobile device prior to downloading the new version.

See Jason in the ProShop to register.

Free Well Testing Opportunity

From Erin Pepelnjak: I have a friend who is a researcher at the U of MN and her colleague is looking for wells to test in Northern MN. He will be testing our cabin well in June and is interested in testing others. Everything is free and results are confidential. We are given access to our results, which is a nice perk for participating.

Here is the information:

We have a project funded by the state (LCCMR program) which involves sampling private wells around MN to test for biological water quality. We do a few different things. One is the standard coliform test (called colilert). We also filter several hundred gallons of water through an ultrafiltration system (like a kidney dialysis system) to collect/concentrate the microbes, extract their DNA and RNA, and then use advanced molecular biology tools to test for all kinds of microorganisms with an emphasis on pathogens (bacteria, viruses, and protozoa that can make people sick). We also measure pH and temperature.



We could use some sites in the NE part of MN. Would you be interested in allowing us to do this testing (for FREE) on your well water? All we need is access to a conventional hose barb connection on the outside of their house and some basic info on the well (i.e., well depth and approx install date). We will not identify any properties by address in any

presentation of the data. We will likely aggregate according to county or similar manner that does not allow one to know the precise location. We stopped testing due to winter, but we will resume testing sometime in May.

If people are interested, they should email Dr. Nour Aldosarri at: aldos015@umn.edu



Wednesday night Men's Golf League was rudely interrupted by a storm that included hail. The 9th green and practice green) almost looked like snow!

Charles Flynn

EGG SPRING SPRUCGE UP

The 2022 Spruce-Up Day at Eshquaguma was a huge success. There were 25 volunteers who helped complete many tasks – and then enjoyed a light lunch afterwards. Golf balls were picked, the pontoon area cleaned, doors were painted, garden beds weeded, and new mulch applied, new garden beds developed, lake shore brush removed, beach area raked, and more. Thank you to everyone who volunteered. Thanks to all of you – the areas look GREAT.



June

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Ladies' Golf 1 9:30 a.m. Business Meeting Noon Men's Golf 1:15	Private Event 2 Fireside Thursday Night Golf Event 5:30 p.m.	3 ERA - a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m.	4 Opening Night Party 5:00 Social 6:00 Dinner 7:30 Band
5 Breakfast 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	6 Restaurant/Bar Closed	7 ERA - a.m. Restaurant open for FULL MENU through closing party	8 Ladies' Golf Guest Day 9:30 a.m. Men's Golf 1:15	9 Ladies' Glitz & Glam Social 5 p.m. Dinner 6 p.m.	10 ERA - a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. Fish Fry	11
12 Breakfast 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	13 Restaurant/Bar Closed	14 ERA - a.m.	15 Ladies' Golf 9:30 a.m. Men's Golf 1:15	16 Thursday Night Golf Event 5:30 p.m.	17 ERA - a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. Smear Tournament 7:00	18 Celebration of Denny Reagan 1:00-4:00 p.m. Band 7:30 p.m.
19 FATHER'S DAY Father's Day Brunch 10 - 2 Father/Child 9 hole Scramble 1 p.m. shotgun start	20 Restaurant/ Bar Closed Youth Golf a.m. Youth Tennis p.m.	21 No ERA Youth Golf a.m. Youth Tennis p.m.	22 Ladies' Golf 9:30 a.m. Men's Golf 1:15 Youth Tennis p.m.	23 Youth Golf a.m. Youth Tennis p.m. Bonfire for Youth 6:30 p.m.	24 No ERA Youth Golf a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 Fish Fry	25 Mother/Daughter/ Granddaughter Luncheon 2 p.m.
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