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From the President

Dear ECC Members,

Strange weather as of late with freezing temps so late in May. Hopefully it has not impacted your gardening efforts. On a positive note, our course is looking beautiful, and is in excellent condition thanks to the efforts of Rachel and crew. So time to get out and play!

We've already had some great events. What a wonderful turnout we had for Mother's Day (about 200), and we had a fun Kentucky Derby party. We're looking forward to the Opening Party on Saturday, June 5. If you are not signed up yet, contact the restaurant for reservations.

Stop into the ProShop and see Jason, our new club pro, for a new shirt or other new merchandise, and he can also help you with club repairs and lessons. Also, check the ProShop for golf event sign-ups. Our restaurant is fully staffed under the leadership of new manager Bryan Quintanar, and ready to prepare culinary delights.

We have recently made improvements to drainage around the cart buildings and will be making major improvements to the boat landing during the week of June 1st. Our new gazebo is scheduled to be installed between the 1st and 10th tees during the week of June 7th.

The fundraising effort is going very well. If you have not ordered a ticket yet for yourself or friends, 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 July 3 at the Clubhouse. Proceeds will go to Grill Room clubhouse renovations that will begin this fall. Please support this effort!

I hope to see you at the Opening Party. Have a great summer!

Best wishes,

Tim Virant
President, ECC Board of Directors



Opening Party set for June 5

Come Out, Come Out, Wherever You Are! Be a part of ECC's "Kickoff to Summer" with great friends, food, and entertainment.

The night begins with cocktails at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. Then celebrate our opening and dance to the music of the "4 Blue Teardrops" from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

This year's menu features a Prime

Rib Carving station, baked potato with all the fixings and vegetables – or choose pan-fried Atlantic salmon with citrus bure blanc, rice, and vegetables.

Both dinner choices include a tossed salad, assorted dinner rolls and an Ice Cream station for dessert.

Cost for this year's event is \$39 per person. Reservations are required by June 2nd. Call 865-4263.



More live music

June 19th, Saturday

Fireside Room, 7 to 11 p.m.

Music by Cowboy Angel Blue

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Events for June

- June 2** Ladies Business Meeting - Noon
June 5 ECC Opening Party - Cocktails start at 5 p.m. (See page 1)
June 9 Ladies Fun Day - "50 Shades of Green" - 10 a.m. (See page 3)
June 10 Ladies' Glitz & Glam - Cocktails 6 p.m., Dinner to follow. Make your reservation before June 8th.
June 18 Smear Tournament - 7 p.m.
June 19 Live music from Cowboy Angel Blue- 7 p.m.- 11 p.m.
June 20 Father's Day Brunch - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
June 21, 22, 24, 25 Youth Golf Clinic - 9:30 a.m.
June 21-24 Youth Tennis Clinic - 1 p.m.
June 26 Mother/Daughter Luncheon - 2 p.m.

More New Members

From Brian Hiti, Membership Liaison

We now have a total of twenty-two new or upgraded members for 2021!

Corporate Non-Resident

Luke & Amy Soderling

Out of the Area

Patrick & Elizabeth Barrett

Eric & Kathy Allen

Andy Sacchetti & Amanda Nolan

Jessica & Decker Rolph

Junior Member

Michael & Hannah Tuerk

Social Member

Kasie Quandt & Craig Lasart

Lauri Osmundson & Bob Bratulich

Aaron & Elizabeth Vovk

Dirk & Bonnie Megarry

2021 Membership break-down: Resident: 96, Non-Resident: 46, Out of Area: 23, Junior: 5, Clergy: 3, Businesses (3): 9, Honorary: 1, Social: 42



From the ECC Board

Every year, we have had to do repairs to the boat landing area. Doing this by piecemeal has not been cost effective. Therefore, the Board has approved the monies to rebuild the boat ramp and area. The concrete planking and ballast will be removed and new ones will be added. This will be about a two day closure of the ramp.

The cause of the failure of this ramp is "power loading" of boats (loading a boat with excessive prop power) which washes the aggregate away between the planks. We are installing a heavier railroad grade ballast to help out the situation. But we ask that in the future – please do not power load boats.

The cart barn drainage problem has been addressed and the areas around the barns regraded for better drainage. We also removed 30 yards of accumulated debris and old equipment around the barns.

Concrete work is underway and the new Gazebo will be installed June 8.

As you know, the club pontoon trailer was repaired. A big thank you to Ken Gileck for donating parts and labor, and also to Joe Cramer for donating new tires and rims. Volunteering is alive and well at ECC - many thanks!

Brian Maki, Golf Course Liaison

Fundraising Report

Our Capital Improvement Fundraising Event for ECC is on July 3, 2021. This fundraiser is to raise money for the renovation of the Grill Room of our aging club house.

Tickets are now on sale for the raffle on July 3rd. We have a total of 300 tickets to sell at \$100 each and are half way there. You can reserve your ticket by emailing Nate Lehmann at: nlehmann@caduluth.com Your ECC account will be charged for the ticket. If you have friends or family that would like a ticket, give us their name and we'll charge your account

for you to collect from them. You do not need to be present to win.

Your raffle ticket will put you into a drawing for cash prizes and another 50 or so raffle items. We'll also be holding a Silent Auction the entire day at the club that will have multiple attractive items. Ticket winners will be read on the afternoon of July 3rd.

Nate Lehmann, Fundraising Liaison

Buildings and Grounds

We have been doing a lot of work to fix water issues in the cart barns, landscaping and cleaning up the outside areas surrounding them. We also are working on cleaning out the inside of the cart barns. To this point, we have mini bikes, bicycles, and other personal property that do not belong in the cart barns. These cart barns are strictly for gas carts, electric carts, and push/pull carts. They are not personal storage sheds for members. If you have personal property in the cart barns that do not meet these criteria, please remove it before June 15.

Scott Strudwick, Buildings & Grounds Liaison



Mick Giblin and Kathy Nelson enjoying the 2021 Derby Day festivities on May 1st.

The Fab 5

Eshquaguma Country Club has many meanings to our members, but long-lasting friendships rank right up there at the top. These lovely ladies are known to most of us, as the Fab 5. They have been friends through Es-hquaguma for well over 60 years. They most recently attended the Ladies' Cocktail party on May 20th. and posed for this photograph.

As they come and go from ECC, their friendship will last forever. Congratulations Micki Day, Gerry Carey, Donah Sten, Loretta Russ, and Mary Louise Meredith!

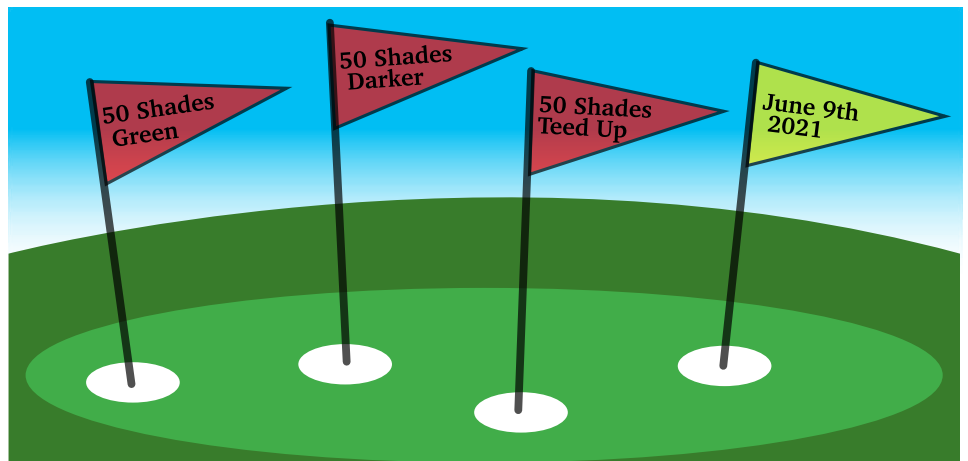


“Slade Chairs” are refurbished

If you take a walk around the practice green or new gazebo area, you may notice two beautiful wooden chairs. There is a very nice story behind these chairs.

In 2004, the Slade family donated two Adirondack chairs in memory of their parents, Jane and Bud Slade. These chairs were crafted by their son, Len Slade. For 17 years, these chairs sat prominently at the 10th fairway for all to enjoy. However our Minnesota weather had taken its toll on them. So . . . Len picked them up and refinished them to look like new again. Thank you Len, for this beautiful gift(again).

Jane and Bud were well known Iron Range residents who owned a grocery store in Babbitt. They were resident members at two different locations on ECC property - Ponderosa Drive and White Pine Lane. Thank you to the Slade family for contributing to ECC history.



LADIES FUN DAY

All women, both corporate and social members are welcome to join - this is more social than golf, so no worries if golf is not your thing. Just a great morning to gather, share some laughs and be outside. Lunch will be around noon – you can sign up for lunch only – please indicate that when you sign up in the Pro Shop by June 6

Begins at 10 a.m. in the Clubhouse Rain or Shine

This will be a 3-hole scramble and get ready to play it wacky style!

DRESS UP GREEN STYLE FOR A COSTUME PRIZE!



**FUN
GAMES
SOCIALIZING
PRIZES**



REMINDER

June 21-25: Eshquaguma's Youth Golf & Tennis Week

This special week focuses on our ECC members' kids and grandkids. Space in the golf camp is limited to the number of adult volunteers we have. If you are willing to help, sign up and be available for the mornings of Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Please sign up by June 17th.

Group A 9:30 - 11:30 Ages 12-14
 Group B 10:00 - 11:00 Ages 9-11
 Group C 10:30 - 11:30 Ages 7 & 8
 Krafty Kids 10:30 - 11:30 Ages 5 & 6

Cost for the Golf Clinic is \$30.00. Cash or check please – do not charge to your account. Pre-register in the Pro

Shop. All participants will be required to walk and carry or pull their clubs. No motorized carts are allowed. Krafty Kids will have fun working on several projects and creating their own art.

The Youth Tennis clinic runs from Thursday, June 21 to Thursday, June 24.

Group A 1:00 to 2:00 Ages 8-12
 Group B 2:00 to 3:30 Ages 13 - up

Cost is \$35 – cash or check please – do not charge to your Club account. Participants will need to bring their own tennis racket, non-marking court shoes, drinking water and sunscreen. Sign up in ProShop.





The Kitchi Gammi Club

A reminder that we have a reciprocal agreement with the Kitchi Gammi club in Duluth, a private social club founded in 1883. The agreement allows ECC members to visit the Kitchi Gammi club, rent an overnight room, use the restaurant, and even attend some of their events. In return, their members have access to our golf course and restaurant. When contacting the club, mention you are an ECC member and the reciprocal agreement, and make sure all charges are to your credit card.

More detailed information will be posted in the Pro Shop or in an eblast.

June

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Friday Fish Fry		1 ERA - a.m. Restaurant/Bar closed	2 Ladies' Golf a.m. Business Meeting Noon Men's Golf 1:15 p.m.	3 Thursday Night Golf Event 5:00	4 ERA - a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m.	5 ECC Opening Party 6 p.m.
6	7	8 ERA - a.m.	9 Ladies Fun/ Social Day - "50 Shades of Green" Men's Golf 1:15 p.m.	10 Ladies' Glitz & Glam Dinner 6 p.m.	 11 ERA - a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m.	12
13	14	15 ERA - a.m.	16 Ladies' Day a.m. Men's Night 1:15 p.m.	17 Thursday Night Golf Event 5:00	18 ERA - a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m. Smear Tournament 7:00	19 Live Music from Cowboy Angel Blue 7 p.m. - 11 p.m.
FATHER'S DAY 20 Father's Day Brunch 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	21 Youth Golf a.m. Youth Tennis p.m.	22 Youth Golf a.m. Youth Tennis p.m.	23 Ladies' Day a.m. Youth Tennis p.m. Men's Night 1:15 p.m.	24 Youth Golf a.m. Youth Tennis p.m.	 25 Youth Golf - a.m. Happy Hour 4-6 p.m.	26 Mother/Daughter Luncheon 2 p.m.
27	28	29 ERA - a.m.	30 Ladies Golf Team Event Men's Golf 1:15 p.m.			