



From the President

Dear ECC Members,

The screen door seems like it's slamming shut on our wonderful summer! True, but there are still many nice days ahead for you to enjoy your Club.

As we draw the year to a close, I want to pay a special thank you to four board members – Gary Drobnick, Mick Giblin, Lee Anne Lundgren and Denny Reagan – who are retiring from active board membership. I want put “retiring” in quotes because like all of you, we want to continue to draw on their experience and expertise. But a special thank you is due for all the time, consideration and involvement in managing the affairs of ECC. Thanks so much for your service.

As we say good-bye to those board members we elected Kris Coombe, Terry Hill, and Scott Koker as new board members starting three year terms. The Board also appointed Carver Richards to fill out the remaining two years of Gary's board term.

With a new board there is new leadership. The board has elected the following officers: Kym Drain, President; Dick Shank, Vice President; Joanna Johnson, Treasurer; Kris Coombe, Secretary.

As we reflect on the year, in this last ECHO of the season, it is heartening to know that your Club is in pretty good shape. We did have special challenges this year with winter-kill issues on the golf course, the typical challenges of maintaining our ever-aging buildings and grounds, and other issues that come about in the normal course of business.

We can thank so many for our success. Special thanks to those that have stepped forward during the year to create and participate in events that keep us all engaged. The Women's Cultural series was a big hit. So were the parties and events sponsored by the Women's and Men's Club and other events that often just took the sponsorship of an individual or a couple of people . . . youth tennis and golf; trivia; Kym's fishing extravaganza for kids; the outdoor movie planned for Labor Day weekend; road bowling and other events . . . all examples of someone's good idea well executed. Thank you for going out of your way to the benefit of all.

The Club Closing party is Saturday, September 15. Hope to see you all there! The course will stay open as weather permits so we'll be able to take advantage of those wonderful, fresh fall days that are sure to be in our future.

And, we'll hopefully see many of you at Holiday parties that will be scheduled.

John Hovanec

2018 Season concludes with Closing Party

As another year at ECC draws near, why not join your friends at the Closing Party on **Saturday, September 15th!** It's “Dinner with the Stroh's” and their band.

Johnson Brothers Distributors will provide a guest bartender with “Minnesota-themed” beverages. This will include drinks with and without alcohol, signature drinks for each entree on the buf-

- \$32 per person
- 5:00-6:00 Specialty cocktails offered
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:00 -11:00 Dancing

Reservations must be made by September 7, 2018. Please call the club at 865-4263

fet – as well as dessert. And let's not forget a special after dinner drink suggestion!

So get the gang together and have a great time at ECC's final bash of the season!



Labor Day Weekend Events

Friday August 31 Fish Fry/Road Bowling/Dance Music 7:30 - 10:30 by “Everybody's Uncle”

Saturday September 1 “Movie Night” - Caddy Shack - 8:30 pm - Get more info at the ProShop

Sunday September 2 Brunch: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. with music by “Jukebox Jane”



Upcoming Events

August 28 FIRESIDE CULTURAL SERIES - 6 p.m. (see page 3)

August 30 MIXED GOLF 5:30 p.m.

August 31 NORTHERN LITES MUSIC FESTIVAL ROAD BOWLING - 2 p.m.
Fish Fry and music by Everybody's Uncle from 7:30 - 10:30

September 1 DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT
8:30 p.m. Golf Carts only!



September 2 SUNDAY BRUNCH 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Music by *Jukebox Jane*

September 3 LABOR DAY - Restaurant Closed

September 5 LADIES' BUSINESS MEETING

September 6-8 HOVANEC TOURNEY

September 12 LADIES' FUN DAY

September 15 DUMPSTER JUICE TOURNEY 9 a.m.

September 15 CLOSING PARTY See page 1

Annual Meeting Election Results

Wishing a warm welcome to newly elected board members Kris Coombe, Scott Koker, and Terry Hill.

We would like to thank Gary Drobnick who was the golf course liaison, and unfortunately resigned on August 20th, due to his wife Kathy's ongoing health issues.

The board also approved Carver Richards to fulfill the remaining two years of Gary's term.

Newly appointed board members are: Kris Coombe - Secretary, Joanna Johnson - Treasurer, Dick Shank - Vice President, and Kym Drain - President.

And thanks again to Mick Giblin, Lee Anne Lundgren and Denny Reagan for their years of service, along with many thanks to Laura Hughes who handed off the bookkeeping duties to Melanie Hedin.

Ladies' Shoot-Out

This year's Shoot-Out for the Ladies was a bit out of the ordinary – to say the least!

Because of the difficulty finding enough ladies to participate, in order to continue with this fun event, we scrounged up enough men to partner up with the ladies!

It turned out to be a great event and a whole lot of fun to not only participate in, but also for spectators to follow. We're guessing this will become a tradition for all future Ladies' Shoot-Out events. First Place went to Teresa Lehtinen and Ken Olsen. Second place went to Cathy Lisenby and Tom Stunkard.



ECC Men's Tournament Recap

This year's club championship featured a similar format as prior years and again provided the club with some great golf action. Contested over three days, August 17-19, the tournament included

25 golfers in five different divisions – Championship, Palmer, Nicklaus, Staver and Senior. Championship flight players were seeded according to USGA/MGA handicaps with the defending champion earning #1 seed honors. The seedings were unexpectedly changed when six-time defending champion Beau Mitchell withdrew prior to the pairing party. The other divisions were filled based on golfing ability and personalities which provided a jovial round of golf and some close competition.

The Men's tournament continues to be on the rise despite having a few less golfers than 2017! Thanks to all who helped grow this event!

Championship flight matches started

Friday, August 17 and continued throughout the weekend with the final pairing teeing off at 1pm Sunday. Friday's first round and quarterfinal matches proved quite competitive with some upsets and

extra holes action. This was the first time a Friday double dip was scheduled. Look for more of the same with some added time in between matches for 2019. The Palmer flight saw four participants square off in a match play round robin format that culminated with the overall best record winning the group. The Nicklaus division featured five men battling it out in a unique round robin flight format where

points were earned based on number of holes won. The Senior division had three members and also played a round robin competition, respectively.

The tournament weekend kicked off Thursday afternoon, August 16, with the men's shootout. This year's shootout was



2018 Champion Matt Uhan and Runner-up Tom Stunkard

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Ladies' Club Championship Tournament

The 2018 Ladies' Eshquaguma Country Club Tournament was a lot of fun and great success! There were many hot and humid days, but everyone lived to tell about it!

Thank you to everyone who participated and gave it their best shot!

Championship Flight: Champion - Trish Olsen, Second Place - Maggie Hillmer, Third Place - Sheri Harms, Consolation - Jane Stunkard. Kris Coombe, Teresa Lehtinen, Kris Polus filled out the rest of the Championship Flight. (Jane missing from photo.)

First Flight: First Place - Carolyn Woodle, Second Place - Loretta Russ, Third Place - Donah Sten, Fourth Place - Jean Enloe

Second Flight: First Place - Mary Louise Meredith, Second Place - Becky Reagan, Third Place - Kathy Nelson, Fourth Place - Gerry Carey.

Third Flight: First Place - Pat Tamminen, Second Place - Edie Carr, Third Place - Joanna Johnson.



Championship Flight



First Flight



Above right: Second Flight (Kathy missing from photo); below right, Third Flight

Kids Fishing Contest



The First Annual Kid's Fishing Contest was held August 4th and was a huge success. The weather even held out! There were 17 kids total – four girls and 13 boys.

In addition to the fishing, the kids enjoyed minnow races, water balloon neck races, spoon and raw egg races, Skittles buried in whipped creme, but the big winner was a 9.5" fish reeled in by 9 year old Remy Larsen! (Smolich's Grandson).

An extra big thank you to all those that helped that morning – especially Louie Hippolt & Todd Rosati (minnow race builders), Mike & Julie Smolich, Mike Hippolt, Mark Karpen and Rob & Renae Pecchia.

Contest Winners

1st place - Remy Larsen (9.5" - 9 years old, Smolich's grandson)

2nd place - Finn Theis (8.5" - 9 years old, Tamminen's grandson)

3rd place (tie) - Cavanagli Theis (5.25" - 6 years old, Tamminen's grandson) and Arbor Stone (5.75" - 10 years old - Jim Fritz stepson)

Smallest Fish - Berklee Reelfs (4.5", 11 years old, Jim Scott's granddaughter)

"Most Skittles in the Whipped Creme" Winner - Polly Cepek

Water Balloon Race Winner - Lucy and CeCe Virant

Egg Race Winner - Lucy Virant



Minnow Races



Skittles/Whipped Cream Contest



Remy



Finn



Cavanagli



Arbor



Berklee

ECC Men's Tournament Recap

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a two-man alternate shot format and provided for some interesting strategy and teamwork. The seven two-person teams decided who was going to put the first shot into play and alternated shots accordingly until the final putt was holed out. The seven teams started on hole #9 and dropped one team per hole on holes #9, #2, and #12 and two teams on

#16 until the final two teams arrived on #18 vying for the cash title. The teams of John Cochems/Steve Harms were bested on the first attempt by the winning team of Ken Olsen/John Sullivan. Note: two time defending champions Carver Richards and Dave Boz were eliminated on hole #16. Congratulations to all!

After the shootout, the annual Past Champions' Reception was held at 6 p.m. This event, sponsored by various past men's and women's tournament

champions, invites all members and their guests to come out for an evening of socializing and an opportunity to bet on tournament favorites and dark horses. Thank you past champs for your gracious donations.

Congratulations to all winners and thank you to everyone for playing and

Men's Club.

Be on the lookout for a direct mailing for 2018 Men's Club dues. Our bank account is dry since we haven't billed dues for several years. In the mailing you'll see a breakdown of our funds and contributions to the club. These dues are used to supplement men's events, men's day prizes and other special evens and occasions.

	Championship	Staver	Nicklaus	Palmer	Senior
First Place	Matt Uhan	Larry Lehtinen	Carver Richards	Erik Erie	Roger Hensen
Second Place	Tom Stunkard	Steve Harms	Dave Boz	Scott Strudwick	Ron Bonkosky
Third Place	Nick Devich	Tim Virant	Gary Drobnick	Scott Schueller	
Consolation	Troy Hughes				

making this another fantastic rendition of "Glory's Last Shot".

ECC Men's Club Update

The ECC Men's Club held its annual meeting on Wednesday, August 8, in the Grill Room at the Club. The group discussed potential new events to the calendar, including an evening men's event on Wednesdays and a junior tournament for area juniors. Thank you to all who attended and continue to support the ECC

If you have any questions or comments regarding the ECC Men's Club, please contact Matt Uhan at 741-7844 or matt@gilbertbank.com

2018 ECC Men's Champion Matt Uhan poses with his wife Megan. top right, Shootout Champs John Sullivan and Ken Olsen ; Bottom: Nicholas Division - left to right, Boz finishes in 2nd Place, Carver - 1st place (he shot his age 75) and 3rd Place - Gary Drobnick.

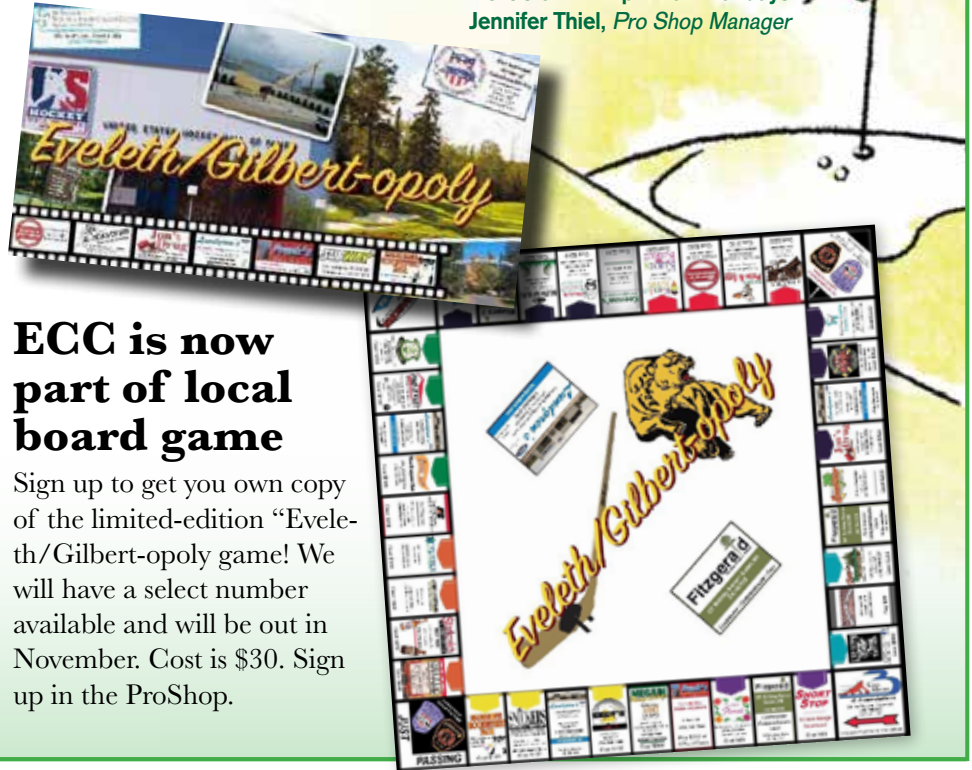


From the ECC Pro Shop

865-4706 Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 Tuesday thru Sunday
 9:00 a.m. - 7 p.m. on Mondays
 Jennifer Thiel, Pro Shop Manager

End of Season Blowout Sale





Stop into the ProShop and check out our season-ending sale. We are running a Par Fore green dot sale with 50% off those items – and 20% off select regular apparel – plus 15% off golf balls. We'll also have the new ECC wine glasses soon.



ECC is now part of local board game

Sign up to get you own copy of the limited-edition “Eveleth/Gilbert-opoly game! We will have a select number available and will be out in November. Cost is \$30. Sign up in the ProShop.

September

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 Fish Fry Every Friday						1 Movie Night 8:30 p.m.
2 Sunday Brunch with music by “Jukebox Jane”	LABOR DAY 3 Restaurant Closed	4	5 Ladies’ Business Meeting	6 Hovanec	 7 Tourney	8
9 Sunday Brunch	10 Restaurant Closed Board Meeting 4 p.m.	11	12 Ladies’ Fun Day	13	 14	15 Dumpster Juice Tourney a.m. Closing Party
16 Kitchen Sale	17 Restaurant Closed	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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