



INDIANOLA COUNTRY CLUB NEWSLETTER August 2020

Fall Membership Special

Join on September 1st and pay nothing until 2021!

Want to play in August? Simply pay the monthly rate for August and still take advantage of the Fall Special on September 1st!

Included in this special is receiving a 15% discount during your first full year of membership! Find your membership category below and check out the savings.

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Normally Month</u>	<u>15% Discount!</u>	<u>Monthly Savings</u>	<u>Yearly Savings</u>
Junior Single (Under age 30)	\$139	Now pay only \$118.15 month	\$20.85	\$250.20
Junior Family (Under age 30)	\$155	Now pay only \$131.75 month	\$23.25	\$279.00
Intermediate Single (ages 30 - 35)	\$155	Now pay only \$131.75 month	\$23.25	\$279.00
Intermediate Family (ages 30 - 35)	\$179	Now pay only \$152.15 month	\$26.85	\$322.20
Full Single (35+)	\$171	Now pay only \$145.35 month	\$25.65	\$307.80
Fully Family (35+)	\$203	Now pay only \$172.55 month	\$30.45	\$365.40

Why wait until spring when you can join now and enjoy golf now for free?

We have also left in place the sponsor incentive. If you sponsor a new member you will also receive 15% off for a full year beginning January 1st!

Covid 19 Update

We have begun reintroducing some of our normal practices on the golf course. Players are now allowed to pull the pin when putting. Ball washers along with bunker rakes have also been put out. Water Coolers will NOT be placed out during the 2020 golf season. We continue to follow guidance from the PGA along with the

USGA. Kitchen staff continues to utilize facemasks and gloves while preparing and delivering food. The clubhouse staff continues to disinfect touchpoints on a more regular basis. The state of Iowa continues to encourage social distancing so please respect others while you're enjoying your time at the Club. During these challenging times we appreciate everyone's support.



Glowball

Hosted by Matt & Jenni Spaulding along with Andrei & Alyson Murphy

Friday, August 30th

2 person teams

\$10.00 per person

Contest for Best Night Glow Cart

ADVANCED REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

The field will be limited to the first 54 players registered.

Because of the limited number of participants nonmembers are NOT allowed to play unless accompanied by a member.



Parent/Child/Family Fun Golf #3


Please join us at 6:00 p.m. on Friday evening August 21st for Family Golf . The east nine will be reserved for families with children to come out and play. There is not any age requirement and we encourage you to bring out even the youngest of young as we will have an abbreviated course set up for our little linksters. Afterwards we will serve dinner to the kids along with ice cream afterwards! The regular menu will be available for adults. We had a fantastic turnout last time and we are hoping to have even a larger number this month. Advance sign up **is not** required for this event.

Ball Marks

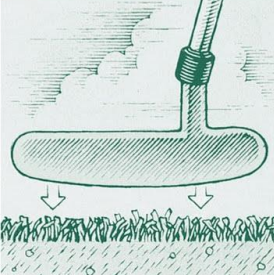
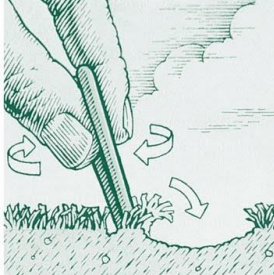
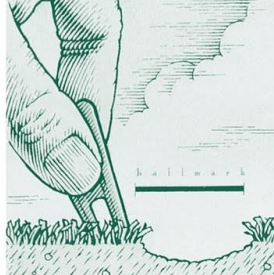
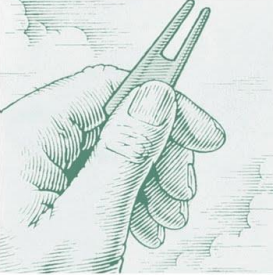
The image below is from the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America and shows the proper way to repair a ball mark on the green. Notice in step 3 it says, "don't lift the center." This is a key to proper ball mark

repair. Lifting the center of the ball mark detaches the roots and the grass in that spot will die. Many of the “unrepaired” ball marks you see when playing are actually “improperly repaired” ball marks. These take weeks to heal compared to days for a properly repaired ball mark.

The Proper Way to Repair a Ball Mark



- 1** Use a prolonged ball mark repair tool (preferably), knife, key or tee.
- 2** Insert at the edges of the mark—not the middle of the depression.
- 3** Bring the edges together with a gentle twisting motion, but don't lift the center. Try not to tear the grass.
- 4** Smooth the surface with a club or foot. You're done when it's a surface that you would putt over.



Source: Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

Please take care of your course. Repair your divots and fill in some others while you wait for your playing partners to hit. On the greens, repair your ball mark and one other. The result will be a better golf course and more enjoyable playing experience for all.

2. Avoid driving on heavily travelled areas with your golf cart. Excessive traffic leads to a poorer stand of grass and eventually mud. A simple rule is to leave the path in a different spot than the cart before you. We kindly ask you to use the carts paths as much as possible at all times. It doesn't take any more effort to follow the 90 degree rule at all times. Your course will look better for it. Also, golf carts need to return to the cart paths near all tees and greens. These are the areas that have the highest areas of cart traffic. **A good rule to follow is once you're approximately 30 yards from the green you need to return to the cart path for the remainder of that hole. Also, please partner up on carts. Two players should = one cart, three players should two carts and four players should = two carts.** As we move into the hot and dry season the less cart traffic we have on the grass plant the better!

3. Please allow us the opportunity to acknowledge you and get out of the way before you hit your shot. Please note that we may need to “finish one pass” before we pull to the side. Because of the fast pace of play here at your club, the fact that not everyone plays the course in order and the number of singles and twosomes it makes it extremely difficult to “stay ahead of play” or avoid play all together.

4. Per the member handbook we'd like to remind everyone that the maintenance staff schedules their workload believing that most golfers play the course in order. As a result, if you cutover or simply begin on a random hole, you may run into the maintenance staff mowing rough or fairways, greens or collars, or cutting holes. **THE MAINTENANCE STAFF HAS TO HAVE THE RIGHT OF WAY IN THIS SCENARIO, WHERE YOU DON'T PLAY THE COURSE IN ORDER, SO THEY CAN COMPLETE THEIR MAINTENANCE FOR THE DAY.** The player who has cutover, or simply started on a random hole, should expect to have to wait, skip a shot, skip a hole and go around the maintenance staff.

High School Boy's Golf Team and the Practice Facility

Indianola Country Club is the home course for Indianola High School Golf. The fall season is when the boys' team competes. The high school varsity golfers who are members of our club will be allowed to play Saturday and Sunday mornings during their high school season. Coach Finn will provide a list of names of these players so that our staff has record of who these players are. Please note that we have asked the boys to park in the parking lot on days when they are on the range so they don't have 15 cars down on the street clogging up traffic and taking parking spots away from our members. Therefore, you may see some of our junior members walking down/up the cart path on #1 during Wednesday's and Thursday's when they are not allowed to play.

Remember, they have not been playing they are simply walking back up to their cars once practice is over on the range.

Simpson College Men's and Women's Golf Team

The Men's and Women's teams at Simpson college also utilize our facility as their home course. As a major donor to our practice facility back in 2011 please welcome these young adults to our club this fall.

Sole Survivor

The ever-popular Sole Survivor Tournament is coming up on Sunday, August 9th. Players qualified for this event through the Club Championships. This event does **NOT** close the course, but it does change the order of play for the entire day. On the 9th we will be playing the course East-West. All players will play the East Nine first followed by the West Nine as the Sole Survivor is played on the East Nine. The Women begin at Noon with the last wave of players beginning at 2:00. Please note that the first tee will be closing at noon and not reopening until 4:00. The West Nine will remain open for regular member play during the event.

Congratulations!

The Firecracker Open was a 4 – Person Best Shot this year where players could form their own team. The low score this year was 59 which was shot by three teams. Winning the card off this year and being crowned champion was the team of Jason Buchanan, Clint Brown, Jeremy Johnson and Alan Archibold. The runner up teams were Paul Smith, Roger Thompson, Gene Capps and Pat McMahon along with the team of Charlie Sessions, Ann Sessions, Jeremy Smith and Scott Stern.

The Men's Club Championship was held on July 11th & 12th. Ethan Mechling was crowned as our champion this year with rounds of **67** and **69** for a two day total of 5 under 136. Finishing runner up again this year was Matt Spaulding who fired rounds of **68** and **70** for a two day total of 138. The winner of the Koepka Division, which is all players in regular division that didn't qualify for the championship flight, was Shaun Guyer who won a card off with rounds of 77 and 76. Mike Everhart finished runner up with rounds of 78 and 75. The Champion in the Michelson Division/50 & Over was Gene Capps who recorded rounds of 74 and 69 for a two day total of 143. Our champion in the Couples Division/60 & over was Dave Turnball who recorded rounds of 79 and 76 for a two day total of 155. This was our fourth year of our Nicklaus Division, which is players over age 70, and this year's champion was Ken Pollock who recorded a two over par round of 79 in this one day division.

The Ladies Club Championship was held on Sunday, July 21st. Laura Leszcynski won this year's Ladies Club Championship firing a round of 71. Runner Up this year was Steph Zeller who fired a round of 73. This was the first year of the Senior Division beginning at age 60 and our champion was Rhonda Buchanan with a round of 95 while Janet Crum finished runner up with a 96. The Net Champion this year was Tiffany Junk who shot a Net 65. Again, congratulations to all the winners!

Couple's 2 – Balls in August

Please mark your calendars for Friday, August 14th as this will be our only couple's two ball event of the month. Grab another couple and enjoy a great time of couples golf at the club. Tee times will begin at 4:00 p.m. and advance registration is required.

Announcements and Notices are Posted at the Registration Booklet

Please remember that every player must sign in at the registration book. The registration book is where all announcements and notices will be posted for the day. Maintenance that cannot be interrupted by play can happen at any time of the day and on any day of the week. Yes, we attempt to keep this type of maintenance to Monday's but unfortunately weather is going to dictate when certain maintenance occurs. The registration booklet is our way of knowing where play is and how many rounds were played. Your ball rack continues to determine order of play/your tee time on the first tee.

Members Only Portion of our Web Site

Many of you are now accessing the Members Only portion of our web site. In this area we store information that does not need to be available to prospective members or information that we want to keep private within our membership.

In order to access this portion you will need to go to www.indianolacountryclub.com. From there you will need to click on the Members Only tab. If you're a first-time visitor you need to enter your e mail address where it asks for an email. From there it asks for a password which is gogolfing. From there you click submit and it will then redirect you to create your own password. Each membership will only be able to use one e mail in the section that asks for an e mail address. If your e mail isn't recognized please e mail me at jason@indianolacountryclub.com and I can get you set up and or your problem resolved.

Dress Code Policy for Members & Guests

In the last month we have observed a few of our members and guests not following our dress code policy. The below policy has been in place of over three years now so we are expecting everyone to be observant of the policy put in place by your Board of Directors.

Golf Course Dress Code = At Indianola Country Club we want all of our members and guests to have an enjoyable experience during their round of golf. The membership at Indianola Country Club prides themselves on having a private club experience with affordable prices. The goal at our club is to allow casual dress with the understanding that we are a private facility. Muscle shirts, tank tops, un-hemmed cut offs and **tee shirts with graphics are not allowed. A solid colored tee shirt without graphics and in good condition is allowed.** However, outerwear pieces, such as sweatshirts, will be allowed with graphics as long as the graphics are not inappropriate. A collared golf shirt and golf related layering piece is our preferred choice. Our female members and guests are allowed to wear sleeveless golf shirts designed for the golf course. Female golfers must wear a top and bottom that doesn't reveal too much. Again, we want our dress code to be relaxed but not to the point that others find it distracting, disturbing or inappropriate. Golf Shoes or golf sandals with soft spikes or athletic shoes must be worn at all times while playing. Members and guests are not allowed to play barefooted or with footwear that could damage the grass plant. It is every member's responsibility to make sure their guests are aware of our dress code policy on the golf course.

Clubhouse Dress Code = At Indianola Country Club we want all of our members and guests to have an enjoyable and relaxed experience. Muscle shirts, tank tops, un-hemmed cut offs, dirty and or poor

conditioned clothing, any piece of apparel with inappropriate graphics or suggestive sayings are not allowed. Our goal is to give you every opportunity to enjoy your clubhouse experience in a casual yet neat appearance. It is every member's responsibility to make sure their guests are aware of our dress code policy prior to entering the clubhouse.

Late Season Beverage Cart Service

For some reason our regular beverage cart attendants have decided they needed to go back to their regular jobs or back to school? We will do our best to offer this service as much as possible, especially on our traditionally busier days. If this service is something you take advantage of always check with our staff. If the beverage cart is not available, we would be happy to offer you a cooler of beverages or snacks.

ACH Withdraw Reminder

ACH withdraws will occur on the 10th of every month for those who registered for monthly ach. Please see below for the monthly dues for those who are not receiving a discount.

Junior Single	\$139	Junior Family	\$155
Intermediate Single	\$155	Intermediate Family	\$179
Full Single	\$171	Fully Family	\$203
Heritage Single	\$151	Heritage Family	\$183

Membership Changes

Please help me in welcoming new members David McNeill & Helen Eddy, Jeremy Smith, Ken & Freda Pollock, Jeff & Tami Siebersma, Marsha Kelliher, Keegan & Jennifer Smith, Mike & Steph Vesey, John & Rebecca Woell along with Dan Duskin. We did not receive any resignations last month.

Mulligans Dining Hours

Monday – Closed	
Tuesday – Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Dinner served from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Dinner served from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Thursday – Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Dinner served from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Friday - Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Dinner served from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday - Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	
Sunday – Closed	

Traditions Dining Hours

Monday – Closed	
Tuesday – By Reservation Only	
Wednesday - By Reservation Only	
Thursday – By Reservation Only	
Friday - Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Dinner served from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday - Closed	
Sunday – Closed	

Weekly Chef Specials

Chef Nick's Weekly Specials will be announced on Facebook on Tuesday mornings.
Please follow us on Facebook



Mulligans Clubhouse Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday Open at 7:30 a.m.
Saturday & Sunday Open at 6:30 a.m.