



INDIANOLA COUNTRY CLUB NEWSLETTER

January 2022



IOWA vs. Kentucky

Saturday, January 1st

Kickoff @ Noon

Make plans to stop out for the game and enjoy \$15.00 buckets Busch Light, Miller Lite, Budweiser, Coors Light or Bud Light.

All other cans and bottles will be \$20.00!

We'll have the kitchen open from
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



President's Report

As we close 2021 and look forward to 2022, the Club is grateful for the continued support from the entire membership. We have been extremely fortunate to have received unwavering support from our membership over the past two years.

With our solid membership base and our dedicated management team, we have returned to normal activities at the Club. We continue to take precautions and your safety remains a continuing concern; however, I believe golf remains a safe and enjoyable activity during these trying times. All that said, I am keenly aware that many of you were unable to enjoy all the clubhouse activities over the past year because of pandemic-related restrictions or concerns. I want to express my appreciation for your continued support of your Club.

During 2021, we gained 21 new members, bringing our total social and corporate membership to 344. We continue to promote Club membership amongst our wider communities, but we rely on you, our members, as you provide our best referrals and prospective members. Please continue to refer your friends, family, and acquaintances to the Club.

We continue to make regular and measured investments to our course and clubhouse. Over the past year, a large portion of the driveway was replaced. We anticipate replacing the remaining driveway this spring. Additionally, the patio was expanded to allow additional tables for outdoor dining. The cart path on the west side of the clubhouse was widened.

A major capital investment was updating the water line from the new sewer plant being built north of town. Currently the club is allowed to pump effluent-treated water from the current sewer plant, which is adjacent to the course for our irrigation needs. This endless supply of water allows our turf team to maintain a lush green course while other courses struggle with either lack of water from their water sources such as ponds or reduce their water usage because of the high cost to purchase adequate water supply. As a Club, we are fortunate the city of Indianola worked with us closely to ensure the new water line was feasible. They also assisted with the financing in the form of a long-term note, at a very reasonable interest rate, to make it affordable for the membership. I would like to thank the City of Indianola for their cooperation as they understand the value the Club brings to our community.

Budgeting for capital expenditures remains a priority of the board. The board maintains both a long- and short-term budget for capital expenditures. I am happy to report that much has been accomplished over the past few years in the form of upgrades and maintenance to both the course and facilities. Mike Coppess will provide a financial summary below; however, I am happy to report that the loan for the development of the west nine addition is scheduled to be paid off in 2024. The timely retirement of this debt, along with the major upgrades, positions the Club for a healthy financial future.

Our achievements during 2021 would have been impossible without the efforts of our outstanding staff, both full and part-time. I would like to thank Jason, Joe, Jennifer, and Nick for their dedication to our membership and the success of our

Club. They worked together as a team and remained flexible, while ensuring our members received a quality experience.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you as your Club President. I know I don't need to remind everyone; however, we have a wonderful Club and are fortunate to have the opportunity to enjoy the services it provides. The board understands that golf is a discretionary option, and we truly appreciate your continued support. Thank you, again, for your support over the past year and we look forward to another great season of golf in 2022.

Kevin Halterman, Club President

Indianola Country Club 2021 Financial Update

The board of directors is pleased to report that Indianola Country Club is in a solid financial position and the club continues to use your dues, fees, and purchases for capital improvements to enhance the clubhouse and golf course, upgrade equipment and pay-down long-term debt. The most obvious improvement during 2021 was repaving a portion of the entrance drive. No one recalls when the driveway was installed, but we are optimistic the new drive will serve our members and guests for the next 40 years. The remainder of the driveway is scheduled for replacement in the spring of 2022. The clubhouse patio and west sidewalk was also replaced, resolving the hazard of an uneven surface, and expanding to provide more room for outside entertainment.

ICC acquired \$29,000 of new golf course equipment during 2021. The most recent addition was an aerator at a cost of \$25,000 which allows Joe and his crew to open small holes deep into the greens. This provides a rapid recovery and saves the club \$2500 each time it is used as we no longer need to hire a 3rd party to complete this task; ICC will benefit from this purchase for many years.

Twenty years ago, ICC borrowed \$1,000,000 to build the west 9 holes and there remains a balance of approximately \$175,000 on this loan. ICC is on track to make the final payment in March 2024 and the mortgage on the golf course will be paid-in-full. While this will be a huge milestone, in 2021 ICC entered into an agreement with the City of Indianola to finance \$355,000 for the waterline to pipe effluent water (used for irrigation) from the city's new sewer plant to the golf course. Without this pipeline, ICC would have been forced to cut back on the amount of water applied to the course or pay market rate for city water. To assure ICC has adequate water at an affordable cost, the city financed our loan at 2% fixed rate for 10 years and beginning in July 2022 ICC will pay the city approximately \$40,000 each year until July 2031. The City of Indianola has always been supportive of ICC; this is one more example of how our city leaders recognize the value ICC brings to our community.

COVID has changed the world and the way we work and play. As families and individuals sought ways to remain active without close personal contact, the sport of golf has become quite popular. ICC has increased family and individual golf memberships from 282 on October 1, 2019, to 325 as of October 1, 2021. From a financial perspective the club has benefitted as these new memberships contribute additional cash flow to pay for operating expenses and capital improvements. Your board and staff will continue to seek ways to apply these funds to improve our club and enhance your golf experience, while building on the long-term financial strength necessary to sustain ICC for future generations.

Michael Coppess, Club Treasurer

Join us on New Years Eve for Dinner in Traditions!

Make plans now to enjoy dinner at the Club in Traditions on New Year's Eve. The evenings special will be Surf & Turf! Enjoy an 8 oz. Sirloin and five garlic shrimp loaded baked potato and side salad for only \$19.99. Chef Nick will also be offering his traditional Friday Night Prime Rib meal as well as our regular dining menu. Dinner will be served between 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Reservations are required and can be made by e mailing
Chef Nick at nick@indianolacountryclub.com
or by calling the club at 515.961.3303 and entering option #4.

**Reservations are asked to be made by the end of the day Wednesday,
December 29th.**

Friday Night Prime Rib Special!

Stop out on Friday evenings and now enjoy Prime Rib! Chef Nick will have a limited number of offerings so make sure to come early! If you're looking for a smaller option Nick will also have an 8 oz. sirloin available. Make sure to like us on Facebook as Chef Nick will also be offering select seafood/fish specials when product is available.

Kids eat FREE on Friday Night in Mulligans!

Grab the kids and head out to the club of Friday evenings for kids eat free! For every regular menu item ordered a child will receive a complimentary item off our

kid's menu. The pro shop is dwindling so we've created room to set the bags up so the kids can entertain themselves!

Offseason Dining/Lunch Special

Were you aware that every 5th regular menu item you order is now complimentary through March of 2022! Pick up your punch card the next time you're out dining with us during the week. Our lunch hours are Tuesday – Saturday from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Winter/Offseason Golf

Currently the greens are closed. Tee markers and flags have been removed. If there isn't any frost on the grass plants, you may play from any teeing ground you choose. Approach shots must remain short of the green as the greens are closed. Golf carts must now remain on the cart paths.

Winter/Offseason Driving Range

Once the practice facility has been picked for the last time the range will move to hit and pick. We will provide a rubber made container of balls that we use during the offseason. Once those balls are depleted, we become pick and hit as we do not pick the range once our regular range balls are put away for the season. The putting green on the range is now closed and all shots must be hit off the mats.

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	\$142	Junior Family	\$159
Intermediate Single	\$159	Intermediate Family	\$183
Full Single	\$175	Fully Family	\$208
Heritage Single	\$155	Heritage Family	\$188

Membership Changes

With the bylaws change in 2019 that only allows resignations on January 1st and July 1st we have several resignations on January 1st. Ethan Mechling, Judd & Leah

Heidemann, Kasey & Angela Peterson, Jon & Mary Peterson, Red Sinclair, Joe & Stacy Strong, James Mertz, Eric & Leann Schieber, Jeff Larson, Libby Cambron, Jeremy Smith along with Trent Guerts, The following **New Members** will be joining on January 1st – Jeff & Kim Marchant, Austin & Kaylee Marchant, Matt & Stacy Wormley, Jason & Cindy Berkley along with Lucas Berkley.

Board Member Election

Election ballots will be mailed out later next week. We have three openings and have three members running. Ballots must still be mailed out as our bylaws state mailed ballots will be sent to the membership for vote. I'd like to thank Jeremy Johnson, Gabe Capps and Cory Drees for their efforts on the board. Below are the bios of the three candidates.

Carsten Moeller

32 year old Manager and IT Architect at Ruan Transport. Growing up in Indianola, I learned how to play golf at Junior golf and still occasionally call holes by their old number. I went from Irving Elementary through Indianola High School and then got my business degree at Iowa State. I live in Indianola with my wife Hannah (Schlenker) and we have 3 kids: Fred 7, Todd 5, Alden 1mo. I love the Country Club. I fashion my schedule so I can golf Thursday's and often consider it one of the best parts of my week. I want to ensure a great member experience for years to come. I played a lot of team sports growing up. I wasn't the best, but I learned how to make others play better. I have continued this practice in my career, and I would bring this mindset to the board

Nate Ohnemus

I have been a member of the Indianola Country Club since 1993. I grew up playing the course and have been a jr. member, employee, member, and board member. My family (Michele, Brynn and Dax) live in town and all love utilizing all of the amenities the club has to offer. I have been apart of the greens, social and membership committees during my 3 previous terms on the board. I look forward providing my input and experience to help the club grow.

Wade Elgin

My name is Wade Elgin and I would appreciate your trust and support to serve on the ICC Board of Directors for 2022. I was raised in Indianola and graduated from

Indianola High School in 2004. In the summer of 2003, I made a commitment to service in the United States Marine Corps and was Honorably Discharged in the summer of 2008 after a little over 4 years of active duty. My time in the Marine Corps instilled in me strict attention to detail, accountability, and leadership amongst many other qualities that I feel would benefit the club and our members. For the past 8 years I have been employed at Convergent as a Security Account Executive. My position with Convergent allows me the chance to work with my clients to utilize physical security technology to protect people, assets, and reputations, while also listening to and working with a diverse group of individuals to solve non-traditional problems. My goal as board member would be to act as a voice for our members while bringing new ideas to the club to grow membership, promote a positive culture for members and guests alike, all while being fiscally responsible to ensure the health of the club for both the short and long term.

My wife Molly and I have made Indianola our home with our Daughters Claire (7) and Cora (2). Molly is an Emergency Room Nurse and will graduate her master's degree to become a Nurse Practitioner in the Spring. We enjoy spending our free time at the club and the friendships we have made. I am looking forward to the opportunity to serve the ICC membership and will see everyone at the club!

Traditions Winter Hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Thursday	Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Friday	Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Dinner served from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	Closed
Sunday	Closed

Mulligans Winter Hours

Monday **Closed**

Tuesday **Closed**

Wednesday **Closed**

Thursday Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Dinner served from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday Lunch served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Dinner served from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday **Closed**

Sunday **Closed**

Weekly Chef Specials

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