

March-April Newsletter 2018



Happy Easter!

GM Report

We enjoyed a wonderful Presidents Day weekend on the mountain. Thank you all for attending both a great dinner service on Saturday and brunch on Sunday.

We are approaching spring! As I write this letter, we are experiencing very warm winter weather and I can finally see the green grass! We look forward to seeing you all on the mountain very soon. I am excited to inform you that Kal will be returning as first assistant golf professional and his brother Kade will be joining our team as second assistant golf professional. Kade was an intern on our golf team several years back. I just spent a couple days with Kal and Kade in Orlando at the PGA show as we prepared for the season ahead.

The schedule of golf events for the entire 2018 season has been posted to the website. We will be opening the golf shop on Saturday, April 7th. The weekend of the 7th we will start taking sign ups for May and June events. Men's League participants should start confirming your team and we will be sure to have the sign up sheet ready opening weekend.

Lastly, I am pleased to inform you that we will be a new member of Golf Association of Philadelphia (GAP). Due to some significant changes from the USGA we will no longer be with the North Central Pennsylvania Golf Association. The USGA will be recognizing two associations within the state and all clubs on the eastern part of the state will be provided GHIN through Golf Association of Philadelphia.

Here are some benefits of GAP moving forward:

The oldest regional golf association in the country, GAP, as it's known, was founded in 1897. While it was focused on the immediate area around Philadelphia for most of its history, the Association has now expanded its offerings to cover all of Eastern Pennsylvania as well as Southern New Jersey and parts of Delaware. The membership in GAP will enable a new set of benefits for Eagles Mere members. Since GAP utilizes the USGA's GHIN service, there will be no changes in your USGA handicap. All GHIN numbers remain the same. Scores can be posted at the club's posting computer as well as online at GHIN.com or Gapgolf.org, or on your phone with the GAP Mobile App (search the App Store for "gapgolf"). GAP runs tournaments for all ages and skill levels, and our members are now eligible to participate in these prestigious events. The event schedule is listed here: <http://www.gapgolf.org/event.asp?id=5>

Another exciting participation opportunity is the GAP Member Play Days, which are one-day net stableford events at private country clubs in the region. This is a great chance to have a casual, fun day on the golf course at a top-notch facility. The events are extremely popular and a lottery system is in place for registration. For more information, see this website: <http://www.gapgolf.org/eventplay.asp?id=206&pid=5>

Additionally, members get access to free subscriptions to Golf Digest and the Golf Association of Philadelphia Magazine, as well as discounts on travel and sporting event tickets. Those can all be accessed by creating an account on [Gapgolf.org](http://www.gapgolf.org) and setting your member preferences.

See you on the mountain,
Seth

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Clubhouse Notes



We are looking forward to spring with some warmer weather and sunshine. It has been a long winter and the staff and I are eager to get the season started and look forward to seeing everyone here at the club.

We are busy updating the clubhouse for the upcoming season. We are also starting to prepare some exciting events for 2018. Chef Melanie has been preparing wonderful entrées so make sure you stop by and enjoy one of our Featured Meals. This year St. Patrick's day falls on a Saturday so make sure to join us for drink features and our Irish special for the evening. See our insert in this newsletter. Also, bring your friends and family to Eagles Mere Country Club for our delicious Easter Buffet which we will be serving on April 1st from 12 to 3. The menu is listed in this newsletter.

Please don't forget to make your reservations early to ensure quality service. If you have any suggestions for the upcoming season please send me an e-mail or let me know when I stop by your table to ensure you are having a great dining experience. We also have a suggestion box at the end of the bar so drop a note for any ideas that you may have. Have a great March and April.

Deb- Clubhouse Manager



Chef Melanie's Notes:

Greetings from the kitchen, I hope everyone is looking forward to spring as much as I am. It's been a long winter. We're excited to introduce new and creative dishes on our spring menus.

This season I would like to welcome Amy Markee to our staff as the new sous chef. She has worked well with us throughout the winter and is very creative and knowledgeable to the kitchen. The Easter buffet has a few new items and we are looking forward to seeing you.

Head Chef
Melanie Faus

KENTUCKY DERBY

Saturday, May 5th
5-7pm

Wear your fancy hat and order a mint julep at our annual Kentucky Derby Cocktail Party. After the race, join us in the Dining Room for a Buffet Dinner.

Triple Crown Dates:
Preakness Stakes,
Saturday, May 19th at 5pm
Belmont Stakes,
Saturday, June 9th at 5pm



Easter Buffet Menu

Sunday, April 1st 12pm

Carved Ham
Braised Lamb
Smoked Salmon
Salmon Lox
Kielbasa
Pierogies
Green Beans
Root Vegetable Medley
Salad Bar with Easter
Bread
Dessert Table

Adults: \$27.00

Children under 12: \$13.50

St. Patrick's Day!
Saturday, March 17th

Drink Specials
and
Seafood Irish Stew- Seafood
Medley cooked in a creamy
bouillon broth with mixed
vegetables served with Guinness
cheddar bread \$27



Black and Tan- Yuengling Lager
and Guinness Beer



Irish Coffee- Jameson Whiskey,
Coffee and Whipped Cream



The Irish Cocktail- Jameson Whis-
key, Pernod, Cointreau with Hon-
ey Syrup, Maraschino and Bitters



Golf Committee Notes

With the record temps here in PA over the past couple days, I found my mind wandering from ski racing and the 2018 Winter Olympics to golf, which seems a bit strange in February, but it is certainly a welcome distraction. With the 2018 EMCC golf season on the horizon, it's time to start making preparations. Golfers will find the 2018 calendar posted on the EMCC website. This year we already have dates posted for our interclub matches, so now is a great time to start planning for all of this season's events. Seth will begin sending reminders about upcoming tournaments, but note that Ladies' Day and Turkey Shoot events will start up in April. The pro shop opens on 7 April, and the Ice Breaker tournament will be on 12 May, with a shotgun start. Men's League participants should consider forming teams now, so that Seth can begin organizing this season's schedule promptly

For those interested in early season practice on the course, please be mindful of frost. Golfers should refrain from play until frost has thawed, as walking on frosty turf can permanently damage the grass, and especially the greens. If there is a question of whether frost is an issue, please err on the side of caution.

Please be sure to post scores from winter or spring play, so that handicaps remain accurate. Frank Schetroma, our Handicap Chair, will continue to monitor handicap accuracy. With the on-line option, it is easier than ever to post scores electronically, thus keeping handicaps up to date and allowing golfers to enter scores from anywhere.

This year, EMCC will again be offering a seasonal cart program. The cost for a family is \$1200, and for a true single member it is \$800. Last year we had a number of members take advantage of the program, and the feedback we received was excellent. For details, feel free to contact Seth.

The USGA has an initiative underway to better organize the large number of golf associations across the US, and starting this season, EMCC will become a member club in the Golf Association of Philadelphia (GAP). Many of you have likely been receiving emails from GAP, and you will note that it is an extremely active organization. With so many of our members in or near Eastern PA, consider taking advantage of the many tournaments. GAP has an "Outing Central" calendar on their website, as well as a GAP Tournament schedule, both of which are very comprehensive.

Thank you for your support of our fantastic club, and we look forward to another great season at EMCC. See you on the course.

Art Pursel and your EMCC Golf Committee



USGA Rule of the Month

Very little will change to the rules of golf for the 2018 season.

One rule change will be put in play - A player will no longer be penalized two additional shots for signing an incorrect scorecard if they are unaware of the rules infraction when signing the card.

A large number of rule changes could be coming for the 2019 golf season.

Golf Shop

Lots of new and exciting brands coming to the golf shop in 2018...



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GREENS COMMITTEE

With the warm weather fluctuations throughout Pennsylvania and the April pro shop opening, the greens committee would like to remind the membership about cart usage and walking patterns. As weather patterns shift from winter to spring there are several issues that come to play regarding the course.

- Freezing and thawing conditions - cold frosty mornings lead to muddy afternoons.
- Weather patterns can restrict or delay play.

We will make the decision on a daily basis for the protection of the golf course and the safety of our membership.

Disregarding these rules will cause immediate damage; such as muddy tracks and footprints... long-term damage such as compaction may not become apparent until the summer months.

Please be careful and enjoy your play this season.

Rodd Melzer- Greens Chairman

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Clubhouse Schedule:

**Saturday, March 17th
5:30pm A la Carte Dining**

**Saturday, March 31st
5:30pm A la Carte Dining**

**Sunday, April 1st
12pm Easter Buffet**

**Saturday, April 7th
5:30pm A la Carte Dining**

**Saturday, April 14th
5:30pm A la Carte Dining**

**Saturday, April 21st
5:30pm A la Carte Dining**

**Saturday, April 28th
5:30pm A la Carte Dining**

TIPS FROM YOUR GOLF PROFESSIONAL

This time of year it is important to get swings in! Take any chance you can to best prepare yourself for the 2018 season.

Take more swings!

Repetition is vital. These swings will build consistency and help you build more speed. You do not need a driving range and golf balls to improve your game. Keep taking swings.

REPS! REPS! REPS!

Your body and swing will be more prepared to start the season if you can utilize this time to start taking swings.

Good luck,
Seth