



Gentlemen of the BTC,

November 9, 2023

SORRY ABOUT THE DELAY IN THE NEWSLETTER THIS WEEK! Andy

The 2023 golf season came to an official end this week at the annual Golf Awards Dinner at Silver Lake. I would like to start by showing my appreciation to Larry Garetto for all of the time effort he put in to guide us through another golf season. Larry's work is not confined to just the 26 weeks of golf each year. There is plenty of off-season work that also needs to be done. Larry understands that with a group this size it is impossible to please everyone but he does his best to do the most good for the most people. You can't ask for more than that. Thank you Larry.

We had a really nice turnout at the awards dinner with 95 members attending. Silver Lake laid out a nice buffet for us and as I walked around the room it seemed like everyone was having a good time. Especially those that collected envelopes for finishing at or near the top of our various tournaments. The evening was also profitable for our split the pot winners. Jim Fowler took the top prize of \$400. Our newest applicant Jeff Dinga grabbed the \$290 second prize and Jeff Quilici picked up 100 bucks. We also had 13 members win golf packages. The raffle was an \$800 net profit for the club. Thank you to all that supported the raffle.

In other business at the dinner we voted in our 2024 officers. Next year's officers will be Scott Lee (President), Bob Kennedy (Vice President), Anthony Serritella (Treasurer) and Lee Kaz (Secretary).

Also at the dinner the membership committee had a meeting to vote on new members. The following are now BTC Members: **Jack Parisi, Mike Christophersen, Bob Stanford, Jim Moretti, William Janda, and Matthew Janda.** Welcome to the Builders Tee Club Gentlemen.

Prior to the dinner on Tuesday, the bowling and tennis seasons got started. The staff at Burr Oak Bowl welcomed us back with open arms. The shot seemed to be a little tough out there. I don't have access to this week's scores but as I looked around, I didn't see very many big scores. My five seventy something sure isn't going to impress anybody. I did receive from Mike Breier a bowling pin with a number 4 painted on it. In last year's position round I missed a 4 pin in the tenth frame. Missing that 4-pin kept is out of the championship roll off. I also got a hat from John Bondi decorated with a number 4 on it. It's nice to have special people in your life that will constantly remind you of your failures. I used to like these guys.

As for tennis this week some of the top performers were Chris Cesak 18/27, "Rosy", I am assuming that is Roosevelt Kees won 16/25 and Keith Kluge had 14/25. I hope I got the names correct. I have to make some guesses because the results I received have just first name or nicknames or initials. I think Al Baldermann enjoys making things difficult for me. Fortunately they all got through the start of the season without any major injuries other than Steve Andersen. I heard that Steve sprained his ass.

Back to golf for a moment. Congratulations Bob Kennedy. While golfing in California recently Bob got his first hole in one. I don't have too many specifics other than that it was on a 123 yard par three.

After the dinner Tuesday I had a chance to speak with Andy Zilis for a few minutes. Andy was unable to attend the dinner because he had right knee replacement surgery that day. Andy said that the surgery went well and he was in some pain but doing well. A couple hours after the surgery he was able to walk a little bit with the help of a walker. He was expecting to be released from the hospital Wednesday afternoon. The recovery time should be about 4 to 6 weeks. Let's pray for a speedy recovery for Andy. I'm sure we will see him at the bowling alley soon.

On a sad note, **BTC Applicant Al Alfini passed away.** I only had the pleasure of speaking with Al a couple times. He told me about his battle with cancer and that he was going for treatments. He seemed like a really nice guy. Please keep Al and his family in your prayers. R.I.P. Al Alfini.

Its never too early to start thinking golf. There are just 25 weeks until the start of the next golf season. Don't wait too long to start preparing.

Happy November Birthdays: Paul Maksimovic (2), Bill Foster (2), Tom Tucker (2), Dan Tomkins (2), Ken Poteracki (5), Tony Alexander (5), Robert Long (9), Roger Stewart (11), Gary Foster (11), Kelly Melfi (13), Scott Lee (13), Mike Breier (16), John Roberts (16), Ron Bazan (17), Scott Carter (17), Tom Wilson (21), Mike Ganz (21), Kevin Bewley (27).

Let me know if I missed anyone.

Anthony Serritella – Secretary
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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Our newest applicant is:

Terry Conway, 6422 W. 26th Street, Berwyn, IL 60402 cell number: 708-404-5299
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We meet today at Silver Lake and accepted the following applicants as members:

Jack Parisi, Mike Christophersen, Bob Stanford, Jim Moretti, William Janda and Matthew Janda. On a sad note I was informed that applicant **Al Alfini** passed away, RIP Al. Please make our newest members feel welcome.

Sincerely,
Jerry Jasinski, Chairman

Tennis Report – Al Baldermann

Our first night of tennis went well. 13 players. Only a few minor injuries and one fall.

I'm sure there will be more players next week as a couple of guys were away and a couple are recovering from ailments.

Don't forget GIO next week. 34 guys have signed up.

Results:

Court 1

Ganz	9/13
Johnson	8/13
Rollins	6/13
Bewley	5/13
Heraty	6/16

Court 2

Lillwitz	16/21
Reschke	10/21
Abramowicz	9/21
Rosy	7/21

Court 3

Anderson	14/24
DiNolfo	12/24
Baldermann	12/24
Rooks	10/24

BOWLING NEWS

Our first week of Bowling is in the books, welcome back! Please note we had a couple of bowlers who while they are long time Builders Tee Members and bowled last year, they did not bowl enough games last year to qualify for an entering average and therefore there was an adjustment to their handicaps off of the sheet that I handed out this past week. This was all corrected and we should not have that issue moving forward. We are in need of a few bowlers to fill-out teams if you know of anyone interested in bowling, please call or text me at 708-912-8831.

A couple things I would like to remind everyone. I will have the USBC Sanction Cards again this week available to fill out. Most bowlers have filled them out and I thank you, as it makes it easier for me. Since our league doesn't start until November, if you are bowling in another USBC Sanctioned league this season chances are you have already paid the Sanction Fee through that league. You just have to indicate on the card you are paid through that other league. If you have not paid through another league there is a fee of \$29.00 due when you fill out and turn in your Section Card. All Builders Tee Club bowlers must be sanctioned in order to participate in our league.

This week I am going to hand out Invoices for your Team Sponsors. The fee is the same as years past and is \$125.00. This fee is due by the 6th week of bowling, if you have any questions or concerns about this please come see me during bowling. I am working on our 2023-2024 prize list and will have a couple different versions available within the next couple of weeks. I will provide these to all team captains, at which time we will have a vote on which one the members prefer.

As for the rules which were revised and updated at our bowling meeting before bowling last week. There were two changes of note I would like to point out. We had decided to bowl the first 3 weeks as just one division, and then after the first 3 weeks we will split the league into our usual "A" and "B" divisions. The divisions will be divided by the total pins plus handicap with the top 6 teams going into the "A" division and the bottom 6 teams going into the "B" division. The other rule change is that we no longer have the 15-pin drop rule. Which means after 9 games bowled this year you will receive your "true" or actual average and the corresponding handicap. In addition, we added a 10-pin drop rule for all new bowlers to the Builders Tee Club, which will remain in effect all season, I am currently trying to see if the computer system will monitor this, or it will have to be done manually each week by me.

Finally, we have quite a few members returning to bowling after taking some time off, as well as, members new to the Builders Tee Bowling League please help me to make them feel welcome. We still have a few weeks according to our rules to welcome more bowlers, so as always if you know anyone interested in bowling please call or text me at 708-912-8831.

See You all Tuesday!

Keith Tadevich – Bowling Secretary

Pots for the week

	<u>Handicap</u>			<u>Mystery Pot</u>	
Game 1	Wayne Hutchinson	239		1st Game	No Winner
	Roger Stewart	237			
				2nd Game	John Bondi
Game 2	Roger Stewart	259			
	Bill Slusarczyk	250			
					<u>Clean Frames</u>
			Forward	Dennis Samoska Jr.	14
Game 3	Gar Ward	268	Reverse	Ken Wisniewski	10
	Keith Tadevich	228	30	No Winner	

Standings

#	Builders Tee Club	W	L	Pins + HDCP	#	Builders Tee Club	W	L	Pins + HDCP
7	Team Schwenn	7	0	3096	2	Tri-Star	3	4	2977
10	Creative Colors	5	2	3329	3	Bright Metals	2	5	3213
11	Oak Forest Bowl	5	2	3250	9	Beggar's Pizza	2	5	3150
4	Traitors	5	2	3239	12	Ascend Welath Planning	2	7	3055
5	Smokey's Bandits	5	2	3094	6	Mama Vesuvio	2	7	3028
1	Burr Oak Bowl	4	3	2964	8	Bluebird Lanes	0	7	2889

Lane Assignemnts

Lanes	1 & 2	3 & 4	5 & 6	7 & 8	9 & 10	11 & 12
11/14/2023	4 vs. 5	6 vs. 2	12 vs. 3	9 vs. 11	1 vs. 7	10 vs. 8
11/21/2023	9 vs. 3	1 vs. 10	11 vs. 4	5 vs. 12	8 vs. 2	6 vs. 7

GOLF NEWS Hot-line number 708-888-1355.

THANKS TO ALL THE BUILDERS TEE GOLFERS, IT HAS BEEN CHALLENGING AT TIMES, LOTTA WORK MOST OF THE TIME, REWARDING AT TIMES, BUT **I TRULY ENJOYED DOING THE JOB,** AND I AM COMMITTED TO ANOTHER YEAR WITH THE INTENTION OF PASSING IT ON TO SCOTT LEE, OR WHOEVER ANTHONY SERITELLA WANTS TO ASSIGN IT TO.

I HOPE THE 65 AND OVER FORWARD TEES HAS MADE GOLF MORE COMPETITIVE AND FUN FOR THE VAST MAJORITY. I HAVE GOTTEN A LOT OF THANK YOUS THIS YEAR WITH A FEW WITH DIFFERENT IDEAS AND COMMENTS. I CAN'T EVEN MAKE MY WIFE HAPPY ALL THE TIME SO NO SURPRISE I HAVE A FEW OUT OF 110 GOLFERS NOT COMPLETELY ON BOARD .WITH THAT BEING SAID I THINK PUTTING THE FLAGS OUT FOR OUR SENIORS IS SOMETHING THAT WILL CONTINUE AND IS WORTH THE EFFORT.

I HAVE BOOKED 20 GOLF COURSES FOR NEXT YEAR AND AM WORKING ON GETTING ALL DONE BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR. I HAVE BOOKED LAKE GENEVA AGAIN AND I DON'T KNOW YET ABOUT THE MICHIGAN TRIP.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BTC MEMBERS FOR THE \$1000 STIPEND FOR DOING THE GOLF CHAIRMAN JOB, AND I WAS EVEN HAPPIER THAT I WAS ABLE TO GIVE THAT \$1000 TO THE ST. JUDES CHILDREN CHARITY IN THE BUILDERS TEE NAME. THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU WHO MAKE THIS A GREAT CLUB TO BE INVOLVED WITH. I AM COMING UP TO MY 32ND YEAR AS A BTC MEMBER. MY SON PETER WHO HAS BEEN YOUR PRESIDENT HAD A LITTLE GIRL THIS YEAR AND WAS ONLY ABLE TO GOLF AND RUN, AND I WAS HAPPY TO HELP HIM OUT, AS I HAVE DONE FOR THE LAST 3 YEARS.

FINALLY, I HAVE DONE MY BEST TO MAKE EACH AND EVERY WEEK AS ENJOYABLE AS POSSIBLE FOR A GREAT BUNCH OF GUYS.

A few quick questions that I would appreciate responses to. This is not a vote on next year just a survey.

Tee boxes

Seniors 65 and over forward tee box?

Yes or No

Raising the max handicap

Yes or No

I really need our seniors to let me know if they liked the forward tees and if so to let me know. This affects them so I would appreciate their votes. Since a vast majority of our players are seniors.

If you could call the hotline and let me know your answer to the 2 questions, I have had many suggestions on how to proceed and I am looking for info only on these 2 issues. So yes, or no would be great.

Thanks

Your golf guy.

Larry Garetto

BTC CALCUTTA	1st TIE	1ST TIE	2-MAN		
	KERKSTRA	OLLENBURGER			
	BRUNO	MCDERMOTT		1ST	2ND
	LOYE	VANECK		GARETTO,P	VARDIKOS
CLUB CHAMPIONS	BOTWINSKI	MARINO	DIVISION A	HESLOP	KOGUT
			DIVISION B	MUSSER	BAND AUSKI
	1ST	2ND	DIVISION C	WILL	JASINSKI
	LES	KENNEDY		BAY	SCHWENN
	QUILICI	WILSON		TOMKINS	SAMOSKA
	VIZDAL	SERITELLA			
	RAYMOND	ROBERTS			
	MUSSER	ZILIS	BTC CALCUTTA		
	KLEINPASTE	KAZ	BOLINGBROOK	1ST	2ND
	YOUNUS	SEEBOCK		KOGUT	SCHLESSLER,T
WORLD SERIES	1ST	2ND		TUCKER	MCDERMOTT
	ROBERTS/SERITELLA	TIE		GARETTO,L	HAMMOND
	KAZ	MUSSER		KAZ	HUTCH
	MCDERMOTT	VIZDAL			
WEEK 1 DIVISION A					
WEEK 1 DIVISION B					
WEEK 2 DIVISION A					
WEEK 2 DIVISION B					
TWO WEEK TOTAL					
DIVISION A	MCDERMOTT	SERITELLA			
DIVISION B	KAZ	TOMKINS			