



TWO WAYS TO WIN A TRIP TO FLORIDA!

PALMER PARTNER CHAMPIONSHIP

- The Winning 5 Member Team Enjoys
- Complimentary Airfare and Transportation, 4 day/3 night accommodations at PGA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens Florida
 - Three Days of Championship Golf
 - Nightly Receptions and Events
 - Incredible Prizes and Gifts
 - National Private Club Team Championship Traveling Trophy
 - Packaged Valued at \$25,000 per team!

WIN THE QUALIFIER TO PGA NATIONAL

Crofton Country Club Play-In Qualifier
Saturday, September 24, 2011
2:00 pm Shotgun Start

FORMAT

2-Person Team Better Ball
 (80% Handicap)

COST

\$50.00 Per Person

One 2 Member Team Wins!
 The runner-up group will be the first alternates in case any or all of those players cannot attend. Individual scores will be used to determine individual alternates.

** For any other questions regarding the qualifier or to sign up call:
 The Pro Shop or see Fred Ryder at (410) 721 2916.

SPONSOR YOUR WAY TO PGA NATIONAL

There is another way to qualify, you must be one of the Top 3 Sponsors of new Members or compete in the Club Qualifier on September 24th.

The deadline for this contest has been moved up to September 15th, but there is still plenty of time to charge your way to the top by sponsoring new Members!

THE CURRENT STANDINGS ARE:

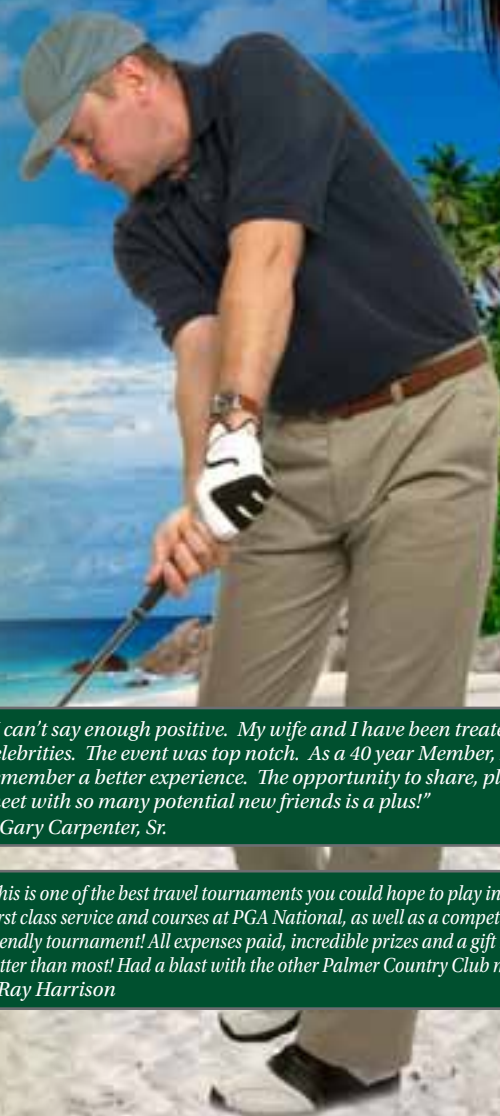
Dave Webber.....3	Mike Brannigan1
Jim Koenig & Sue Baughman...1	Craig Kennedy1
Carl Weiss1	Josh Upton.....1
Mike Voorhees1	Al Pinocci1
Andy Furtado1	Ron Brown.....1
Bob Hollembaek.....1	Meghan Richardson1
Dan Madrid.....1	

With a close tie for second and third place it is still anyone's race to win. In the event of a tie, those who have provided the most referrals would be the winner of the tie, then go to a blind draw for any remaining spots.

If you have someone you would like to refer or sponsor, please contact Justin Cornelius in the Membership Office at 410-721-3111 x 204 or jcornelius@croftonclub.com

"I can't say enough positive. My wife and I have been treated like celebrities. The event was top notch. As a 40 year Member, I can't remember a better experience. The opportunity to share, play and meet with so many potential new friends is a plus!"
 ~ Gary Carpenter, Sr.

"This is one of the best travel tournaments you could hope to play in! First class service and courses at PGA National, as well as a competitive but friendly tournament! All expenses paid, incredible prizes and a gift bag that is better than most! Had a blast with the other Palmer Country Club members!"
 ~ Ray Harrison





From the General Manager

Dear Members,

The wonderful weather is back as we roll into September. It was another record breaking summer for heat in our area. Although our greens and tees held up well, I am not satisfied with our course conditions. Back in July, before the course started to show the stress we now see, we went to our partners for additional resources to address these concerns. We have recently purchased three new pieces of equipment totaling about \$75,000 and additional materials, manpower and seed. We are taking our original over seeding and golf course improvement plan, and have beefed it up significantly. We are now doing a wall to wall turf renovation with our over seed program that will not just be done this year, but for many years to come. The goal of this approach is to grow and maintain more good turf. The majority of areas on the course that have experienced turf loss are from the Poa Annuua. This grass variety takes over and thrives in the cooler months, which has taken over some of the weaker bent grass areas. We will be over seeding with a variety of Bent, Rye and Fescue in our surrounds, approaches and roughs. The new varieties are much more heat resistant and disease resistant. This strategy has been proven to be effective at other courses in the area.

Although we were more aggressive on our tee green and fairway applications for Goose and Crab grass control, the product applied to the roughs were not effective in controlling these unwanted types of grasses. Our ultimate goal is to develop course conditions that offer consistent, playable turf coverage tee to green. I am committed to making the necessary changes in our cultural practices and challenging our team to look for and implement long term solutions that don't just address the symptoms, but the root cause of these problems. Unfortunately, due to some limitations with the timing of pre-emergent weed control, we were not able to begin this course wide aerification and over seeding project.

In addition to the Golf Course, our Golf Shop Operations are also being improved. We are conducting a search for a new Head Golf Professional, and Assistant Golf Professional to enhance our team in the Golf Services area. Fred Ryder and his team are holding down the fort during this search. We want to ensure we do our due diligence to build the right team of people on our professional staff so that you receive the best possible golf experience.

I know we are all proud of being a part of the family that is Crofton Country Club. I am confident and I commit to you that we will do whatever it takes for you to also be proud of our course layout, our course conditions and overall your club. I am very excited for what this project will bring to the course over the next 6 weeks. Thank you for your continued support and thank you for being a member.

See you at the club,

Ryan Doerr
General Manager

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- Golf Shop(410) 721-2916
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- Pool.....(410) 721-3111 ext. 235

September Cocktails at Crofton

Thursday, September 22nd • 5:30-7:00 pm

It's a great way to mix and mingle with Members and share your club experience with guests!

It's time for our drawing to win a 3 day, 2 night vacation at PGA National or the Legends Resort in Myrtle Beach. Includes golf for two, lodging and a \$500 travel certificate. All Members who have brought a Member Candidate to recent Cocktails at Crofton events have been entered to win. You won't want to miss it!

Adult beverages, soda and delicious cuisine are complimentary.

Come for cocktails, stay for our new Thursday Night Tradition featuring Comfort Classics!

5:30-7:30 pm

Weekly dining specials starting at \$9.95!



DON'T MISS THE LAST DAY OF THE POOL!

Monday, September 5th

Open 11:00 am-8:00 pm

Labor Day Celebration at the Pool 1-4 pm

Featuring Ritas and Fajitas by the pool!

All you can eat nachos, tacos, fajitas and MORE for \$12.95++ Adults, \$6.95++ Kids under 12!

Come celebrate the end of the pool season!

What's Up Weddings Fall Bridal Showcase

**September 18th
1:00-4:00 pm**

Meet all the local vendors that will bring your wedding plans to life in just one afternoon!

Fresh Fall wedding ideas from local exhibitors

Gowns, gowns & more gowns!
Strolling Fashion Show

Fantastic prizes for your wedding day

Sip champagne while you sample cakes and hors d'oeuvres

Get tickets now before they sell out!

Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door



Have You Received Your \$1500 Credit?

As part of our Partner Fund Capital Membership Campaign, you as a sponsoring Member receive a \$100/month Statement Credit for 15 months when you refer and sponsor someone to Membership at Crofton Country Club.

Don't Delay! This is only available for a limited time. Contact Justin Cornelius or Ryan Doerr with your candidate's information and to request an invitation to Membership. We will schedule a club preview for your guest and provide them with a convenient enrollment process.

Additionally, you will be helping to reach our goal for our Partner Fund Capital Campaign. Each New Member contributes toward achieving our

goal and triggering the \$420,000 in Capital Dollars to be spent on improvements to your club.

There has never been a better time to be a Member or Sponsor a Member at Crofton Country Club.

Please forward your nominations for Membership Candidates to Justin Cornelius jcornelius@croftonclub.com or stop by the Club and speak with one of our Department Managers.





Wednesday

Every Wednesday is Pasta Night
5:30-7:30 pm

Build Your Own Chef Prepared Fresh Pasta Dish
Includes Salad, Garlic Bread and All You Can Eat Pasta

All You Can Eat for just \$12.95 Adults
Kids Under 10 Eat Free

Reservations Encouraged. Call (410) 721-3111 ext. 205



Thursday

Introducing Comfort Classics
5:30-7:30 pm

Starting at \$9.95

*Featuring favorites like Mom used to make...Meatloaf,
Spaghetti and Meatballs, Baked Chicken, Salisbury Steak,
Lasagna, Chicken Pot Pie, Macaroni & Cheese and MORE!
Menu options will change weekly.*

Reservations Encouraged. Call (410) 721-3111 ext. 205



Fish Fry Friday

Fish Fry Specials at \$10.95



Friday & Saturday Chop House Specials

Fresh Steak and Seafood Selections
at amazing prices

UPCOMING GOLF EVENTS

MATCH PLAY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Includes Men, Ladies and Junior Divisions

DATES: September 16-18 (Friday-Sunday)

COST: \$30

FORMAT: Individual Match Play, Tee Times

MEN'S SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Was - September 24th & 25th

Now - October 1st & 2nd

**Rescheduled to accommodate the recently published Senior A Team Matches

DATES: October 1 -2 (Saturday & Sunday)

COST: \$30

FORMAT: Individual Stroke Play, Tee Times.

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CROFTON MEMBER-MEMBER

DATES: October 7-9 (Friday-Sunday)

Three-Day Member -Member Tournament

SUPERINTENDENT'S REVENGE

DATE: Saturday, October 29th

FORMAT: 10:00 am shotgun

2-Person Team Better Ball and Scramble

Call the Pro Shop to sign-up (410) 721-2916



**Check out our
Grab & Go Menu!**

Call in your order and
pick it up at the Turn!
(410) 721-9618

GOLF COURSE UPDATE

After the first week of seeding and aerating, our seed is already germinating. Last week, in an effort to calibrate the new walk behind slit seeder and train our crew to operate the machine, we seeded the back tee on #1; as well as, the tee surrounds on #1 and #9. After the rain over the weekend, the new grass has sprouted. So far this week, we have aerated and over seeded the green surrounds on #1, #17, and #18 with a few more scheduled later this week. The tee surrounds on #3, #4, #5, #6, #17, and #18 have been seeded early this week.

On Monday, we completed the new zoysia approach on #17. Unfortunately, the old bent grass approach just could not take the more aggressive pre-emergent herbicide application that is necessary over the fairways and the lack of consistent morning sunlight. The new turf is shade tolerant and can stand up to the pre-emergent herbicides needed in this area. The high traffic areas along the cart path near the putting green and the small practice approach were also converted to zoysia. These areas will be mowed short to offer more chipping options and stand up to cart traffic parked at the putting green.

The most exciting news is that our new large slit seeder is scheduled to arrive in a week. Once the machine arrives, we will begin seeding. The new seed is already in stock. In preparation, fairway aeration has been moved up on the calendar. Our goal is to complete the initial seeding process by the week after Labor Day. We will continue to over seed thin areas this fall. Green surrounds and tee surrounds seeding will continue through the end of August.

Greens' aeration is scheduled for August 29th and the greens will be seeded at that time too, using a new shade-tolerant bent grass called Tye to enhance our turf health. On August 30th, we will apply our scheduled organic fertilizer on fairways and roughs to aid seed development. If you come out during this week, you may experience the not so fresh scent of this treatment.

Thank you again for your support and patience while we punch holes and seed the golf course. If you have any questions please contact me at pwhite@croftonclub.com or find me at the club.



NOW is the time to plan your Holiday Party! Your Club is ready to help - and here's how...

Holiday Celebrations • Employee Appreciation Events Departmental Meetings/Parties
Year-End Strategy Meetings • Corporate Retreats Holiday Luncheons and Dinners
Promotion and Retirement Parties • And so Much More!

Our expert culinary and catering teams will assist you with all of the details necessary to make your event truly unforgettable! Regardless of how grandiose or intimate the occasion, our customized menus will exceed your greatest expectation... not only in flavor but also in presentation. We're your solution for productive and successful corporate and holiday events. Contact your Catering Director, Amy Rippey (410) 721-3111 ext. 205 or email her at arippey@croftonclub.com.

Crofton Country Club

STRATEGIC PLAN

Mission

Crofton Country Club delivers an exceptional private country club experience by promoting an atmosphere of camaraderie, sportsmanship and sense of pride among our Club Family and guests served by a professional staff dedicated to consistent service excellence.

Vision

Crofton County Club will be the premier private country club destination where excellent amenities and superior service nurture enduring personal and business relationships within our Club Family.

Values

Integrity: Success is achieved by exhibiting respect and integrity among our Club Family in adherence to our mission, vision and values.

Member Focus: Members are our most important asset and greatest advocate. Member satisfaction is always the ultimate test for any action.

Communication: Open communication within the Club Family is honest, timely and consistent.

Ownership: Achieving and maintaining high standards of excellence requires accountability and a sense of ownership.

Quality Focus: An exceptional experience is achieved through consistently maintaining the quality of our facilities and delivering service excellence fostering camaraderie, sportsmanship and pride among our Club Family.

Chef's Corner

Late Summer Recipes

Moroccan Cous Cous Salad



4 cups cooked couscous
1/4 cup raisins
3 tablespoons
extra virgin olive oil
2 tablespoons
lemon juice
1 clove garlic - minced
1 teaspoon
ground cumin
1 teaspoon
ground coriander
1/2 teaspoon
ground ginger
1 teaspoon salt
1 carrot - grated
1/2 red pepper
finely diced
1/4 red onion
finely diced
1 cup canned chickpeas
rinsed and drained
2 tablespoons chopped
flat-leaf parsley

Traditional Tomato Feta Salad



4 pints grape tomatoes,
red or mixed colors
1 1/2 cups small-diced
red onion (2 onions)
1/4 cup good white
wine vinegar
6 tablespoons good
olive oil
1 tablespoon kosher salt
1 teaspoon freshly
ground black pepper
1/4 cup chopped
fresh basil leaves
1/4 cup chopped
fresh parsley leaves
1 1/2 pounds feta cheese

Pear & Blue Cheese Salad



2/3 cup salted cashews
1 bunch watercress
1 bunch arugula
1 tablespoon
cider vinegar
2 teaspoons
whole-grain mustard
1/4 teaspoon kosher salt,
plus more to taste
Freshly ground
black pepper
3 tablespoons
extra-virgin olive oil
1 Belgian endive
2 ripe pears, Anjou
or Bartlet
2 ounces mild
blue cheese

September 2011

Crofton Country Club



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

				1	2 Friday Night Chop House	3 Saturday Night Chop House
4	5 Labor Day Pool Party	6 CSMGA Championship	7 Ladies Twilight Pasta Night	8 Comfort Classics	9 Friday Night Chop House	10 MSGA Senior Team Saturday Night Chop House
11 MSGA Senior Team Patriot Day	12	13	14 Ladies Twilight Pasta Night	15 Comfort Classics	16 Friday Night Chop House Match Play Club Championship	17 Saturday Night Chop House Match Play Club Championship
18 Bridal Show MSGA Senior Team Match Play Club Championship	19	20	21 Ladies Twilight Pasta Night	22 Comfort Classics Cocktails at Crofton	23 Friday Night Chop House	24 Palmer Partners Challenge Craft Fair 10-4 pm Saturday Night Chop House
25 MSGA Senior Team	26	27	28 Ladies Twilight Pasta Night	29 Comfort Classics	30 Friday Night Chop House	

October 2011 Crofton Country Club



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Men's Senior Club Championship Saturday Night Chop House
2 Men's Senior Club Championship	3	4	5 Pasta Night	6 Comfort Classics	7 CMGA Member-Member Tournament	8 CMGA Member-Member Tournament
9 CMGA Member-Member Tournament	10 Columbus Day	11 CSMGA Member Member	12 Pasta Night	13 Comfort Classics	14 Friday Night Chop House	15 Saturday Night Chop House
16	17	18	19 Pasta Night	20 Comfort Classics	21 Friday Night Chop House	22 Saturday Night Chop House
23	24	25 CSMGA Annual Meeting	26 Pasta Night	27 Comfort Classics Cocktails at Crofton	28 Friday Night Chop House	29 Superintendent's Revenge Tournament, Shotgun Starts Begin 10am Saturday Night Chop House
30	31 Halloween					



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SAVE THE DATE

**CMGA
Member -Member
Tournament**
October 7-9

Columbus Day
Monday, October 10th
Open for Member Play
10:00 am Shotgun
Holiday Rates Apply
Call the Pro Shop to sign up (410) 721-2916
Traditions Grille Open Until 6 pm

**Superintendent's
Revenge**
Saturday, October 29th
10:00 AM shotgun
2-Person Team Better Ball and Scramble
Call the Pro Shop to sign-up (410) 721-2916

**Halloween Family
Fun Night**
Friday, October 28
Food, crafts, games and MORE!
Details to follow.