

Gentlemen of the BTC

June 26, 2025

It was a very hot day at Green Garden. Not a good day to play 5-hour golf. I understand there were lots of 2man matches out there, but in my opinion, it's no reason to play slower. Well, I lost my match, but I have no results for the others. Not a lot of great scores out there but there were some good ones. Scratch wise, Frank Kossman had an 80, Nelson Radcliffe an 85-68, John Boyle 87, Stevie O 87, Phil Schlesser 87, Bob Stanford 87, Gary Foster 88, Scott Lee 88, Julian Lopez 88-69, Tony Alexander 89 and our Vice President Anthony 89.

There were some good handicap scores out there as well. Chuck Schwenn had 90-68, Paul Kleinpaste 97-69, Dwight Hammond 96-70, Terry Jesk 104-71, Rich Schroeder 91-72, Larry Konopacz 92-72, Lou Vardikos 91-73, Willie Janda 94-73, Rob Connors 99-73. Now for the Ageless Wonder Club, Don Franko 101-82, Marv Huddleston 110-74, Jim Musser 103-83, and my bowling buddy Gar Ward 99-79. It was pretty darn hot so kudos to all that played 18.

Well, next week, we move on to Glenwoodie. Some of us will be playing in a scramble and some golfers will not. In the scramble, you better hope to get Gary Foster, Bob Kennedy, Frank Kossman, one of the Schessler brothers, and not me as your A player. I am much better as a B player, so I am hoping somehow to be one. Not much to say about Glenwoodie, I find it a tough course. Keep the ball in the fairway and it's a little easier. Still have to do a better job on divots on the green. Fix one or two even if you don't leave one. It really helps the conditions of the green.

Not much else to say, but I guess I will say something about the rules of golf and there are lots of rules and we have some of our own. There are a lot of obscure rules in golf that don't come into play very often and then there are basic rules that come into effect more often, but in my opinion, if you're not willing to call a rules violation on yourself, you shouldn't call one on someone else.

Your secretary, DJ

P.S. Play your best, one hole at a time.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

I would like to schedule a **membership meeting for 7/1 after golf at Glenwoodie**. Listed below are the candidates up for consideration:

APPLICANTS	SPONSORS

Larry Konopacz	Ostrowski/Day
Frank Kossman	Day/Radcliffe
John Gagnon	Krygowski/Delano
Mike Dzierwa	Krygowski/Delano
Kevin Kennedy	Kennedy/Rob
Nick Voutiritsas	Les/McDermott

Please contact myself or any officer if you can't make this meeting. NOTE: Next meeting will be scheduled before the end of golf.

Jerry Jasinski

Historian News

Fellow Members,

It seems like as our Club has been getting older, with two years from the Club a hundred years old, and as our Members keep on aging, a lot of our Members are Gentlemen with not just age but also great athletic ability. Today I would like to tell you about another one of them. **Ron Abramowicz** has been a Member since 2002 with the BTC. One of his Sponsors was Longtime Member, Bill Opelka. Ron knew Bill from St. Rita High School and from the Oak Lawn Tennis Club where he was a member.

During his time with the Club Ron has always been one of the most competitive players both on the tennis courts and on the golf course. I can speak from experience that on the tennis courts that it is almost impossible to get a shot past him at the net. And also on the golf course he always has been terrific around the greens. During his time with the BTC Ron has won many a Division in golf as well as Club Championships in tennis.

But back to the beginnings, as .Ron grew up in "The Back of the Yards" on 51st and Racine. Ron was a graduate of St. Rita High School over 60 plus years ago. He is in the St. Rita Hall of Fame for his athletic ability playing football among other sports. He has been on the St. Rita Board of Advisors for over 60 years and not only was Man of the Year for that group in 2002 but met and worked with Pope Leo XIV when he headed the Augustinian Affiliate that teach and run St. Rita High. After High School Ron joined the Marine Corps Reserves and spent 6 years with them coming out as an E-6 Staff Sgt. We want to Thank Ron for his Service to our Country.

He graduated from DePaul University with a MBA in 1969. His first job after that was in the printing industry. After a year he switched to working for 3M Corporation where he stayed for 14 years. After that he was with Wallace Business Forms that sold commercial printing until 1998. He retired in 1998 but not for good because the Lang Ice Company called and in 2000 Ron became a Consultant for them until 2021. Ron and his wife, Cheryl, have in lived in both Homer Glen and Frankfort over the years. In the 1970's Ron was a Village Trustee for Homer Township and also served on the Board for 6 years and as President of Crystal Tree Country Club the year that they completed a multi million dollar clubhouse. Ron and Cheryl have been married for almost 59 years and have two sons, one on Earth and one in Heaven plus 6 Grandchildren. So when you see Ron, either on the golf course or tennis courts, do not let his 80 plus years fool you. He is still one of our best players.

Thanks for listening,

Your Historian, Bob Vizdal

GOLF NEWS

From the Golf Desk:

It was obviously a hot one at Green Garden. We had 90 golfers signed up and ended up with 75 completed rounds. Not bad for a 100+ degree day. We also had all but two of the scheduled 2nd round 2-Man matches completed. Congratulations to all of the teams that won and will be advancing to the semi-final round.

We are still taking entries for the July 1st **Scramble** (\$50/man). The entry fee is to be paid on the day of the event. We currently have 56 entries which gives us exactly 14 four-man teams. If you would like to participate in the scramble, we will continue to accept entries until 8:00am Friday June 27th. Teams will be computer generated and sent out in an email Friday night. Call the hotline (708-888-1355) if you want in. Also call the hotline if you would like to golf that day but not participate in the scramble.

The **Club Championship** sign-up sheet will still be on the bulletin board this week. Don't forget to sing up for this free tournament. Rules for both the Scramble and the Club Championship can be found on our website builderstee.com

Attached to this newsletter you will find the Daily Game results from Green Garden as well as Handicaps for next week and updated 2-Man brackets.

As always, if you have any questions call Scott or Anthony. Either one of us would be glad to hear from you and happy to answer your questions.

Your 2025 Golf Guys,

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2025 GOLF SCHEDULE

(subject to change)

Da	ate	Golf Course	1st Tee Time	
June	24	Green Garden Gold	9:00	2 - Man
July	1	Glenwoodie	8:00	Scramble
July	8	Deer Creek	8:30	Split Tee Times
July	15	Silver Lake North	8:06	2 - Man
July	22	Green Garden Blue	9:00	Club Championship
July	29	Silver Lake South	8:06	All Start On 1st Tee
Aug	5	Hickory Hills	8:30	2 - Man
Aug	12	George Dunne	8:30	Club Championship
Aug	19	Glenwoodie (Italian Day)	TBD	Shotgun Start
Aug	26	Ravisloe	8:30	

Sept	2	Sanctuary	8:00	Club Championship
Sept	9	Deer Creek	9:00	
Sept	16	Silver Lake North	8:06	All Start On 1st Tee
Sept	23	Ravisloe	8:30	
Sept	30	George Dunne	8:30	
Oct	7	Green Garden Blue	9:00	Split Tee Times
Oct	14	Waters Edge	8:30	Split Tee Times
Oct	21	Naperbrook	TBD	Split Tee Times
Oct	28	Silver Lake	10:00	Shotgun Start