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FROM THE BOARD ROOM Scott Beutler, President

Dear Members,

May has arrived, and with it, a wave of energy at the Club! As the weather warms, our facilities and activities are opening for another fantastic summer season.

At our most recent Board meeting, the Long-Range Planning Committee provided an update on the development of a 5-year capital spend plan. This plan outlines both necessary projects and aspirational improvements designed to keep our Club thriving for years to come. We look forward to sharing more details with you in the coming months.

In addition, the Board reviewed the Club's first-quarter financials. I'm pleased to report that we are operating better than the budget and ahead of where we were at this time last vear!

Memorial Day weekend will kick off the summer season in style, with the pool reopening, ready to show off its new tile and complete deck makeover. It's the perfect spot to relax and enjoy time with family and friends.

Mark your calendars for some of May's key events:

- · Spring Fiesta May 2: Join us for an evening of delicious Mexican cuisine!
- Roy Lalonde Tournament May 10: The opening tournament of the golf season.
- · Annual Finance Meeting May 15: An important opportunity to review the Club's financial health.
- · Men's and Women's Golf Leagues Both leagues are set to tee off this month.

Looking ahead, don't miss the highlight of the summer: Blues, Brews & BBQ on June 14. It promises to be an unforgettable evening, so be sure to save the date!



Thank you for your continued support. Your involvement is what makes Inverness Golf Club such a special place. I'm always happy to hear your feedback; feel free to reach out anytime.

See you at the Club!.

Sincerely, **Scott Beutler** President Inverness Golf Club #BeInIGC #ThePlace2B



NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL FINANCE MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF INVERNESS GOLF CLUB

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Finance Meeting of the Members of Inverness Golf Club will be held in the McIntosh Room at Inverness Golf Club on Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 5:00 pm for the following purposes:

- 1. Review of 2004 Annual Report
- 2. To Transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

Sincerely. **IGC** Board of Directors

Treasurer's Letter

2024 Annual Report



IGC & NCA PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT

Inverness Golf Club is thrilled to welcome back students and staff from New Connections Academy in Palatine for our fourth year in a row! This continued community partnership with NCA will serve as a pre-employment site for students enrolled in NCA's summer vocational training program. This vocational experience will take place at Inverness Golf Club from June 10 - July 10 between 9:30 AM - 1:15 PM. The goal of this collaboration is to provide NCA students with community-based education, an opportunity to practice a variety of vocational skills in a new setting, and diversify the hiring practices at IGC.

New Connections Academy provides educational, therapeutic, and vocational services for children identified with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). These students may be identified with Autism (previously Asperger's Syndrome and Pervasive Developmental Delay), Emotional Disturbance or other special education classifications. New Connections Academy serves students ages 6 - 22 placed by local school districts. New Connections Academy provides school, family, and community partnerships leading to successful learning.

Over the past several years, IGC, NCA, and FUTURE have worked closely together to identify vocational tasks throughout the club, support students with the application and interview process, and provide orientation and training to prepare participants for this time-limited training program.

Please join us in welcoming these young adults and NCA staff for another summer when you see them around the club!

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the IGC board or Lyndsay Palach Shelton.

A NOTE FROM THE GM Charlie Smith, GM/COO

Dear Inverness Golf Club Members,

As spring arrives in full swing, we're delighted to announce the official start of the 2025 Inverness Golf Season. League Play and the Roy LaLonde Golf Tournament mark the beginning of what promises to be another exceptional year on the course.

DRESS CODE & CLUB ETIOUETTE

As we return to regular play and social gatherings, we kindly remind all members to review the Dress Code and Etiquette guidelines on pages 4 and 5 of the 2025 Events Book. These standards help maintain the welcoming, respectful environment that defines our Club. Please pay particular attention to policies regarding baseball caps and collared shirts when visiting the Highlands or any indoor dining spaces.

PATIO ENHANCEMENTS - A FRESH LOOK FOR THE SEASON

We are pleased to share that the patio has undergone a thoughtful and stylish refresh during the winter months. New black awnings were installed in April, the wood trim has been repainted, and damaged windows repaired. To complete the update, black and white striped umbrellas and 2-inch thick seat cushions have been added—elevating both comfort and visual appeal. We invite you to enjoy this beautiful setting for lunch, dinner, or a relaxing cocktail as the weather warms.

RECREATION FACILITY OPENINGS

Centre Court reopens Tuesday, May 20 New Hours: Tuesday-Sunday, 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

The Pool opens Friday, May 23 at 3:00 PM for the holiday weekend. Following Memorial Day, the pool will be closed Tuesday-Thursday of that week.

Regular summer hours begin Friday, May 30:

Tuesday-Sunday, 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Best

Charlie Smith General Manager/COO Inverness Golf Club

NEW MEMBER:



Ryan Martin Junior 25-29

TRANSFERS:

Zachery Sicher Junior 35-39 > Regular Jacqueline Hanna ... Junior 25-29 > Junior 30-34

REQUEST FOR SENIOR MEMBERSHIP:

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1.	Ray Franczak	. Regular > Senior
2.	James Winslow	. Regular > Senior
3.	Thomas Kotel	. Regular > Senior
4.	John Canning	Senior > Sr. Social
5.	Dick Gallager	Senior > Sr. Social
6.	Kevin Fanning	. Regular > Senior
7.	David Schawk	. Regular > Senior



Regine Erna Emilie Sladcik
December 17, 1938 - February 24, 2025
IGC Member from 2011-2022

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

5 YEARS

William & Brittany DeGironemo Michael & Stacie McManus

15 YEARS

Todd & Elaine Pieropan Ronald Stavoe

30 YEARS

Terry Delany

40 YEARS

Larry & Janie Austermiller Gerald & Denise Fitzgerald Herb & Laura Johnson Jim & Nadine Kobs



Membership Questions? Contact Elizabeth Bandura at ebandura@igc-il.org

Welcome to the Team!



JOE HILLENBRAND, Assistant Golf Professional, was born and raised in Palatine, Illinois, and graduated from Palatine High School in 2011. "My love for golf began before I could even stand, with my earliest memories being of my father and me hitting balls into the pond at Twin Lakes. From that moment, I was hooked.

In 2020, during the COVID-19

pandemic, I married my incredible wife, Leah. With her unwavering support, I realized that my true calling was in the golf industry. In 2021, we made the bold decision to leave our friends and family behind and move to Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, so I could pursue a golf degree.

Since then, I've had the privilege of working at some remarkable places, including Berkeley Hall, Harbour Town, and TPC Southwind in Memphis, Tennessee—the host of the FedEx St. Jude Championship. These experiences have provided me with invaluable knowledge and connections in the golf world.

Now, I'm beyond thrilled to be back home in Palatine and to be part of this exceptional club. I'm eager to share my experiences and bring a fun, engaging atmosphere to the course. I look forward to meeting everyone and making golf an enjoyable experience for all."



LINDSEY ANDERSON, Director of Catering & Events, has been part of the hospitality industry nearly all her life, having begun at age 9 when her father opened a restaurant in her hometown of Hampshire, II. Since then, she's worked in private clubs, conference centers, hotels, as well as both casual and fine dining restaurants. Along with Event Management, she has

vast experience in the operations of Food & Beverage, Housekeeping, and Maintenace. "I'm passionate about providing exceptional service and going above and beyond for members and their guests," she says. When she's not working, Lindsey enjoys fishing, clay target shooting, and spending time with her family at their lake house in Wisconsin.



ANNIE KAMPS, Aquatics Director, is a M.S. graduate from Illinois State University where she pursued instructional and interpersonal communication while working as a collegiate communication instructor and group fitness trainer. No stranger to recreation and fitness, Annie has held multiple positions teaching group fitness, aqua fitness, and lifeguarding courses

over the years. In her free time, Annie enjoys spending time with her two dogs, Ellie and Benjamin, competing in the Miss America Organization, and eating lots of spicy pickles! Follow her on instagram to keep updated with her journey @ official_anniekamps!"

STAFF NEWS



We are thrilled to share that Josh Pius has been honored by the Illinois PGA Section with a Special Award in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the game of golf!

This prestigious recognition highlights Josh's dedication to growing the game, his professionalism, and his impact on our golfing community. His passion for teaching, mentoring, and elevating the experience for players of all ages is truly inspiring.

Please join us in congratulating Josh on this incredible achievement. We are thrilled to celebrate his well-deserved recognition and are grateful to have him as a leader and mentor at our Club.

DEACON PALMER AWARD

The Illinois PGA Section proudly announces Josh Pius the Head Golf Professional of Inverness Golf Club as the recipient of the prestigious Deacon Palmer Award. This distinguished honor recognizes individuals who personally display outstanding integrity, character, and leadership in an effort to overcome a major obstacle in their life. This individual is an unsung hero/heroine at their facility and in their community. Pius's journey has been nothing short of inspiring.

Since surviving a heart attack in 2016, he has dedicated himself to making a lasting impact on the lives of others through meaningful initiatives and personal challenges. Reflecting on the life-changing event, Pius believes that in a lot of ways, his heart attack was the best thing to happen to him because it allowed him to dedicate himself to the causes that he feels are most important in life. Among his many accomplishments, Pius has made a significant impact through two standout initiatives. The first is Sunshine Through Golf for GiGi's Playhouse Clinics: Pius teaches clinics that introduce children with Down's Syndrome to the game of golf, fostering inclusion and skill development. His work through GiGi's Playhouse highlights the transformative power of golf in creating opportunities for all.

The second is Running for Team PGA Reach. In 2024, Pius joined Team PGA Reach to run the NYC Marathon, which featured 16 PGA Professionals, and raised funds and awareness for PGA Reach Foundation programs. A total of \$127,000 were raised by the team. Pius contributed \$12,000 to that total, the second highest of the team. This commitment to supporting the foundation's initiatives will continue as Pius will once again participate in the New York City Marathon in 2025.

The Illinois PGA Deacon Palmer Award celebrates Pius's resilience, passion, and unwavering dedication to positively influencing others through golf and community involvement. This award marks the first career Illinois PGA special award honor of Pius' career.

RACQUETS Jonas Merckx, Director of Racquet Sports

Spring Season

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the US, and we are happy to announce that we are expanding the pickleball program at IGC this Summer. For the first time, we will have **travel pickleball teams** competing against neighboring clubs in the North Shore Pickleball League West Region. I would like to thank all of you who have signed up for our inaugural season. The pickleball courts are open for court reservations on CourtReserve and we have our official **Pickleball Opening on Friday, May 16.**

May traditionally marks the opening of our clay tennis courts. All Ladies are invited to our **Ladies Tennis Opener on Friday, May 9** to mark the beginning of a great Summer season. We are also starting up our tennis program drills for our Ladies Tennis Teams competing in the Fox Valley League and the weekly Tuesday Ladies Social Tennis. Later this month, we are organizing Ladies Tennis Bootcamps with Pros from other clubs to get you up to speed on technique, tactics, and doubles play!



Reservations for all racquets events are made through CourtReserve. If you are a new user to this system, please see the links here: CREATE AN ACCOUNT

COURT RESERVE FAQs



More than 190 couples participated in the Married Mixed Tournament held at Evanston Golf Club on Saturday, April 19th. We are proud of our three couples who represented IGC at this year's event:



Joe and Kelly Lapetina Matt and Kelly Carroll Tom and Kelly Valverde

A special congratulations to Tom and Kelly Valverde for reaching the Finals of the B2 Draw. An impressive feat after playing 11 sets in a day!

Tunior Summer Racquets Program



We simplified the junior schedule this year by putting each clinic for pickleball (on Tuesday & Thursday) and tennis (on Wednesday and Friday) at the same time in the afternoons. Our program will run for 8 weeks from June 2 to July 25. Each

clinic is split up per age group, but we can be flexible if we think your junior would be a better match in a different group. Our goal is to teach each player according to their skill level and have a ton of fun while learning tennis and/or pickleball!

JUNIOR SCHEDULE

Pickleball (Tue/Thu):

Bronze Squad (Ages 6-9) | 1-2pm Gold Squad (Ages 13+) | 2-3pm Silver Squad (Ages 10-12) | 3-4pm

Tennis (Wed/Fri):

Red Squad 1 (Ages 4-5) | 1-1:30pm Red Squad 2 (Ages 6-8) | 1-2pm Orange Squad (Ages 8-10) | 2-3pm Green Squad (Ages 9-12) | 2-3pm Yellow Squad (Competition) | 3-4:30pm

If you are interested in signing up your junior, please fill out the registration form:

JUNIOR INTERCLUB

Our talented juniors will have the opportunity to participate in the junior interclub circuit with players from local clubs (Biltmore, SBC, Barrington Hills CC). While the schedule has not been released yet, competition starts in early June and runs until the beginning of August. If your junior has not participated in the junior interclub before, please contact Jonas to set a time to evaluate their skill and game knowledge prior to competing

JUNIOR RACQUETS CAMPS

Prior to the start of the Summer and following the 8-week schedule, we offer several racquets camps for kids of all ages and levels to join. During the camp, juniors will play pickleball, tennis, and lots of fun games. Juniors will be divided per age and skill level. Lunch and mini prizes are included for all campers.

Camp 1 - May 20-23

9:30a-12:30pm \$75/day or \$280/week *Register on CourtReserve.*

Camp 2 - July 28-August 1

9:30am-12:30pm \$75/day or \$350/week **Camp 3** - August 4-6

9:30am-12:30pm \$75/day or \$210/week

Registrations for Camp 2, Camp 3 and Junior Racquet Events will open 1 month prior to the start date and will be announced in the "What's the Racquet" e-blast.

JUNIOR RACQUETS EVENTS

Junior Racquets Events at Inverness are always a smash hit—whether it's the wild Memorial Day Jr. Mayhem or a cheesy-good Jr. Racquets Pizza Night, the kids have an absolute blast on the tennis and pickleball courts!

Memorial Day Jr. Mayhem

Mon, May 26 | 10a-12p \$35pp Registration opens on Sat, Apr 26 at 10am

Jr. Firecracker Tennis

Fri, Jul 4 | 10a-12p \$35pp Registration opens on Wed, Jun 4 at 10am

Jr. Racquets Pizza Night

Thu, Jul 10 | 6-9:30p \$35pp Registration opens on Thu, Jun 10 at 6pm

Jr. Racquets Movie Night

Fri, Jul 25 | 6-9:30p \$35pp Registration opens on Fri, Jun 25 at 10am

Labor Day Jr. RacketFest

Mon, Sep 1 | 10a-12p \$35pp

Registration opens on Fri, Aug 1 at 10am







League Information

Golf Leagues start this month! If you are considering joining a league this season, please see the appropriate contacts below:

MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE

Tuesday night is Men's Golf League night at IGC. The season begins on Tuesday, May 13th. To sign up, please call or visit the Golf Shop.

SENIOR GOLF LEAGUE

Signups for the senior league have ended. For information on the league please contact the captains listed here:

MIDWEST LEAGUE Captain: Gary Conrad INTERSTATE LEAGUE Captain: Herb Johnson Co-Captain: Norb Kaiser

LADIES 18 HOLE

We're gearing up for a great 18-hole season! Opening day of official play is Tuesday, May 6. Save the date for our fun Guest Day on Tuesday, June 24, and come Golfing & Glamping. We are still accepting new players. For more information contact **Ilona Kazmer** or **Lisa Tworek**.

LADIES 9 HOLE

Play on Thursday mornings beginning May 1st with breakfast and clinic. Guest Day is Thursday June 19th. Contact **Meghan Haddad** or **Lisa Holloway** for more information.



GET READY TO STEP INTO THE SPOTLIGHT!

WE'RE ROLLING OUT THE GREEN CARPET FOR YOU AND YOUR GUESTS!

INCLUDES: 18 HOLES OF GOLF WITH EXCITING ON-COURSE GAMES TO KEEP THINGS THRILLING, APPETIZERS AND AN OSCAR-WORTHY DINNER FIT FOR A-LISTERS PRIZES, RAFFLE BASKETS AND THOUGHT PROVOKING CONTESTS TO DELIGHT OUR AUDIENCE!

GOLF Josh Pius, PGA, Golf Pro

Simulator Golf League

Our 3rd year of the Winter Simulator League is complete! Eighteen teams competed in two divisions with 7 of the teams forming a Ladies Division. Jim LaFalce and Sean Crowley took the Crown for the season in the Men's Division. Joanie Stern/Paula Graunke Foltman took the top spot in the Ladies Division. Congratulations to our champions and to all those who made this seasonal league a success.

SEASON LONG STANDINGS:

TEAM LADIES DIVISION

Joanie Stern/Paula Graunke Foltman

Weeks 1-5 Winners Weeks 6-10 Winners Overall: 1st Place

Kelly Lapetina/Raeann Shedd
Overall: 2nd Place

Thank you to all participants:

Terry Delany/Sharon Griffin Kristie Carlson/Diane McGrath Amy Shade/Colleen Barlo Kathy French/Margit Mckee Barb Poczatek/Deb Martin

TEAM MEN'S DIVISION

Jim LaFalce/Sean Crowley

Weeks 6-10 Winners Overall: 1st Place

Joe/Joey Lapetina
Overall: 2nd Place

Jimmy Walsh/Nick Bokios

Weeks 1-5 Winners Overall: 3rd Place

Thank you to all participants:

Dan Banakis/Ben Gottlieb Paul Barry/Trevor Biebrach Karthic Challa/Azmey Matariah Joe Carlson/Neil Shelton Brian Nelson/Chad Watson Raj Wadyal/Mike Fisher Phil Horn/Hunter Horn Ed McGrath/Tom Carlson

GROUNDS Brian Mores, GCSA, Golf Course Superintendent

Extra Challenge



And now, a public service announcement from your golf course superintendent......take a closer look at your tee markers before teeing off. This season, we've added a new set of "championship" tee markers for those golfers looking for the extra challenge of playing the course from the tips. These new markers are positioned behind the existing "member" tee markers and towards the back of the farthest tee box on each hole. To help you spot them, look for a blue dot in the center of the logo, in contrast to the black dot found on the member tee markers. So when you're stepping up to the tee, remember to take a quick look down...... you might have more options than you think!

To get the latest updates on course conditions, be sure to follow the IGC Grounds Department on Instagram at @igcgrounds. As always, please feel free to contact me with any additional questions you may have.

Brian Mores

Golf Course Superintendent Office: 847-358-7030 Email: bmores@igc-il.org



Caddie Training

This past month, 40 new Caddies took part in a three-day Caddie Training Class. This class provided a valuable opportunity for aspiring caddies to learn the fundamentals of the role in a hands-on, supportive environment. The event combined classroom instruction with on-course training, covering everything from golf etiquette and club selection to reading greens and effective communication. A heartfelt thankyou goes out to the members who generously volunteered their time to mentor and guide participants throughout the training. Their involvement not only enriched the experience but also helped foster a sense of camaraderie and community between members and future caddie staff. Caddies are a great addition to your game—please support their growth and consider using them during your rounds this season!

If you are interested in continuing their training augmentation and being a mentor for this group, please let us know and we will match you with a new "B" caddie. Class "B" Caddies are the beginner caddies (remember, every Honor Caddie started here). As young recruits, they need practice, understanding and encouragement as they develop the core values of caddying. "B" Caddies can be identified by their hunter green caddie bibs.

Class "A" Caddies are usually the younger, less experienced caddies who have some experience and earn ratings of "Satisfactory" and "Good" from golfers. They have the desire and aptitude to become Honor Caddies and are capable of handling double loops. "A" Caddies wear silver bibs.

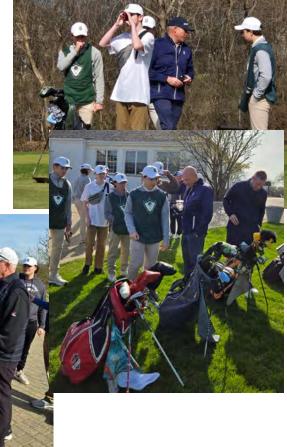
Honor Caddies have earned their rating by faithful attendance, outstanding work and help in training younger or less experienced caddies. These caddies know the duties and responsibilities of caddying and have a record of consistent high-quality performance. IGC Honor Caddies can be identified on the course by their blue bibs.



Of note, caddies are assigned based on the time stamp on your golf reservation on Foretees. Last minute caddie requests may or may not be filled based on availability. I will always do my best to be as accommodating as possible.

I would also ask that everyone complete the caddie rating cards and note areas that still need improvement so that I can address your concerns with the caddies.





IGC CADDIE PROGRAM GOALS

CONTINUING the IGC legacy for Caddie Program excellence through quality training and member training augmentation.

IMPROVING the member golf experience.

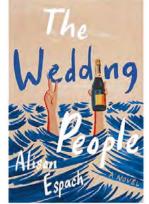
MAINTAINING the high quality conditions of the course.

ENABLING the development of young women and men through social, scholarship and scholastic modeling in youth employment.

CONTRIBUTING to the welfare and wellbeing of our neighboring communities through youth employment and scholarship opportunities.







May's book will be: **The Wedding People by Alison Espach** Chosen by Lisa Holloway

See the bulletin board and sign up sheet in the ladies locker room for more details.

DISCUSSION:

MAY 29th at 1PM



POOL

SOFT OPENING Friday from 3pm-7pm Pool open Saturday-Monday 10am-7pm DJ POOL PARTY Monday Noon-3:30pm

GOLF

Chits will be available at the first tee to fill out with the desired donation amount to the Folds of Honor program. **MONDAY BBQ**

Monday, May 26 4pm-7pm \$50**/Adults \$25**/Children ages 4-12 Seating by reservation ONLY. No a la carte available after 3pm on Monday.

for adults followed by games and

All levels of play are welcome.

activities for Juniors from 10am-12pm.



Folds of Honor =



CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE







& Cocktails

Choose your game

then come together

for the ultimate Sports Social Night! Thursday
Play: 6pm

June 26

Cocktails: 8pm

9 holes of Golf or Round Robin Play on the Tennis or Pickleball Courts Men & Women, Age 2I+ \$50** per player includes one Cocktail RSVP on Foretees or CourtReserve Sign up as a single or with a partner



SATURDAY, JUNE 14 \star 6:30PM

Regional BBQ Food Stations Craft Beer & Bourbon Tasting FEATURING The Nu Blu Band from 7:30-10:30pm



Menu

STARTERS

Fried Pickles Stuffed Jalapenos Country Trash Pie

SALADS

Watermelon & Feta
Grilled Corn
Memphis Style Potato

SIDES

Mac & Cheese Skillet Corn Bread Southern Baked Beans Tator Tots

ON DISPLAY

Smoked Sausages & Cheese Baba Ghanoush & Pita Chips

FROM THE SMOKER

Pulled BBQ Pork Sandwiches with Coleslaw

DINNER STATIONS

Brisket Southern Fried Chicken

DESSERT

Peach Cobbler
Bread Pudding
Texas Sheet Cake

HOURS OF OPERATION: MAY 2025



Junior Sports Programs & our daycamp, Camp IGC, start NEXT MONTH! Are your children registered?





HIGHLANDS

Tuesday-Friday	9am-8pm
Saturday	8am-9pm
Sunday	8am-8pm

FRONT DESK

CENTRE COURT Closed through 5/19

