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The Island Green

Minnechaug, the *Fun* Golf Course

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Minnechaug Junior Summer league, fight on for Junior Cup.

The future of Glastonbury High Schools golf team are on display at Minnechaug this summer. Not sure if the GHS coaches know what they got coming in the next few years but they sure will find out in a hurry.

Shooting in the 30's is becoming the rule rather than the exception. Mr Hole-in One, Sean Sullivan leads that parade of 30's shooters. His 3-Under 32 was one shot shy of the course record, he followed that up with a 39 and an "Ace" on number eight.

Nick Dinino leads the Junior Cup point race with 307.50 points as he has recorded four wins and is a member of that 30's club. Sullivan is second with 245 points.

Steady Flynn Doherty continues to improve and climb the leaderboard, he is now third. Aidan Januario has been in the top five all year and is currently fourth. Kyle Durant has made up ground quickly and has climbed to fifth place

Ethan Sill shows improvement each week, Emmett Barry shot a 35 as he shows great improvement and promise. Joe Salamone, Sean Savidge and Cam Pinkowski round out the top ten.

Others who could be a factor come Club Championship time, are Catherine Peng, Jared D'Angelo, Jared Hanas, George Juliano, AJ Stefanich and Luke Burns.



Sean Sullivan is tearing up Minnechaug this Summer. The 13yo shot a 3-Under 32 in the Junior Summer league and then backed that up with a 39. In that 39 was a hole-in one on the 8th hole using a pitching wedge. Sean is a hockey player but has picked up this game very quickly.

Minnechaug Golf Course

Twilight Golf is finally here!

Starting Monday, June 11th

6:00PM - 7:00PM

\$20 w/cart

\$13 walk

First come first serve. No reservations.

Giovanni's at Minnechaug

Now serving breakfast

8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Saturday & Sunday

Breakfast Sandwiches

Burrito's

Breakfast Pizza

Kids Menu

Giovanni's Golfer Brown Bag Special.

4 Beers "fore"

\$14.00

Get your special at the bar!



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Monday Mornings are for the Seniors here at Minnechaug!

For 15 weeks starting in the Spring, Monday mornings belong to the Seniors. It's a league run through the Senior Center here in Glastonbury.

The league started in 2013 with only 12 members. It has grown to 32.

"League players range in experience, newer to advanced" said Steve Mekkelsen league coordinator. "age 60 + with some in their eighties. A third of the league are ladies, 2/3 of the league are men".

The league plays mostly scrambles



Many of the Seniors above played Minnechaug when it was an 18-Hole course up until the early 90's. We're glad they are back!

"The Senior Center appreciates how well we work together the course and all the staff". Mekkelsen went on "The players are very please with the condition of the course and green. Each year our league grows and the course seems to get better"

It's great that the Senior Center gives them the opportunity to play each week, we here at Minnechaug are grateful they are here. It's a pleasure to have them here. Monday's are enjoyable, the course is filled with people who have a great love for the game and are respectful of the course.

Thank you Seniors! We look forward to having the Seniors here for many years to come!



Above, Steve Mekkelsen (Middle) talks with the Seniors before they hit the course.

and each week they throw in some changes. Up-coming on August 20th, their scramble will be played with each player using their favorite 5 clubs.

This year the league went to one league whereas in the past they broke the season up into two leagues, Spring/Summer and Fall.

It has not been the best summer to date weather wise and they have missed a few weeks because of rain and heat. But these Seniors look forward to playing and have fun but are very competitive.

Many of the members played Minnechaug when it was an 18-Hole course. They miss the old 18-hole track but do like they new lay out. It's short but challenging.

The camaraderie and smiles say it all. It's not just about golf, it's about getting together with friends and enjoying the outdoors.

We love our Seniors here at the 'Chaug. For further information you can call the Glastonbury Senior Center at 860.652.7638. They are always looking to add members, so plan your 2019 Monday mornings here at the 'Chaug!



PHOTO GALLERY



The Minnechaug Men's Club played their annual Minnechaug Challenge in early July. Team Blue dominates the match, their reward...Rib Eye Steaks while Team White enjoyed burgers! Manny Rodriquez (holding trophy) was names Most Outstanding Golfer as he went 3-1 in his matches for Team Blue.

Bacon Academy soccer holds fundraiser!



Bacon Academy soccer (Colchester) held a fundraiser here at the 'Chaug. They raised over \$900.00 and have a great time. After the golf was over, it got very competitive on the practice green. All in fun for a great cause.

Minnechaug Men's Club

Men's Club

In July the Minnechaug Mens Club played their annual Minnechaug Challenge. It's a Ryder Cup type of event where the club is divided up into two teams, Blue and White. Four nine hole matches are played. The formats are a shamble, scramble, best ball and singles.

Team Blue took over in round 3 and never looked back winning easily 21 1/2 - 14 1/2. Blue's Manny Rodriquez was named the Challenges Most Outstanding Player by going 3 - 1 in his four matches.



Peter DiFazio



Dave Silverstone



Manny Rodriquez holds the Minnechaug Cup, awarded to the Most Outstanding Golfer in the Minnechaug Challenge.

In the first seven singles matches of the fourth and final round, Blue got 5 1/2 points, victories by Andrew Vliet, Dan bernier, Manny Rodriquez and Gary Perrelli gave Blue the one sided victory.

White didn't quit, victories by Mark Carnelli, Scott Miller and Dave Hecht gave White an advantage in the final five matches but far to little far too late.

So to the victors go the spoils, Rib Eye steaks for the winners created by Giovanni's at Minnechaug. It was good food and fun as the members gear up for a month long of Club Championship qualifying.

Members of the Blue's winning team were; Andrew Vliet, Dan Bernier, Ben Bellows, Manny Rodriquez, Larry Boyes, Gary Perrelli, Wayne Badstuebner, Bill Rodny, Mark Mastrone, Mark Mastrone JR, Rick Carnelli, Marty Szeber, John Hoffman, Lewis Leon and Ray Zeek

With the scored tied after week one at 8 - 8, Team Blue pulled away in the third round of Best Ball.

After the first four matches, Blue led 10 1/2 to 9 1/2. In the final three matches of the round, the teams of Wayne Badstuebner/Bill Rodny, Mark Mastrone/Mark Mastrone JR and Ray Zeek/Rick Carnelli all recorded victories and the rout was on.

