

AUGUST NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT...



Aaron Ness, President

The 44th Annual Hillcrest Pro-Am is now in the books and it was an exciting weekend all the way through to the wild finish for the Pro's on Sunday! Both the weather and course were challenging at times during the week, but with the great staff we have on hand it made it another enjoyable event for everyone who played or attended. There are not enough "thank you's" to hand out in this newsletter so if you see a staff member or volunteer please thank them for their time and efforts.

Last month I mentioned a Survey Monkey would be forth coming and since then it was sent out and I was happy to see that so many people took time to write comments down about ideas they have for the club and what ways we can look at capital expenditures that will make a positive impact both inside the clubhouse and around the course. The board meets later this month and we will be actively reviewing those comments to further discuss and prioritize. I would like to get the comments put in general categories and share them with membership so everyone can see what ideas are out there. Your board will then create a plan of action so we can move forward on some projects yet this year as well as look ahead at the next year or two out there.

Over the last several years we've been doing a great job of paying down debt from both large past projects as well as needed equipment purchases and we now have less than five years to go to officially be debt free! We can assume there will always be new equipment needs from time to time to maintain the course as the older equipment wears out, but the biggest portion of our current debt is from the irrigation / comfort station projects and as they pay off it will provide some excess monthly cash flow that will allow us to continue to complete those great ideas you all have. Now is the time to start our wish list and strategic planning process to put the Hillcrest Board of 2022 in a position to make some exciting decisions about "the next big thing!"

*Please join us for
Couples Night
with a pool party to follow
Friday, August 25th!
(Minimum of 24 couples required)*

Please view our online calendar at
www.hillcrestyankton.com for a list
of our upcoming events!

Dining & Lounge Hours:
Tuesday-Saturday 11am-Close
Sunday (Lounge Only) 1-6pm

Pool Hours
(weather permitting)
Monday-Sunday 1-9pm
Pool closes for the season after
Labor Day



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FROM THE GOLF COURSE...

Another Pro-Am is about to go into the books and I would like to thank all the participants, volunteers, staff, and the committee for participating in all the various capacities required to put this tournament together. We always hear valuable feedback from players and guests and as always we will make some adjustments and changes.

Just as the Pro-Am ends the maintenance staff begins preparations for fall, winter, spring and the 45th Pro-Am. Aerification starts on tees and approaches which includes some interseeding, topdressing, and fertilizing. As day length shortens and night time temperatures cool we will start some more tee renovations and sod replacement on the back of 5 green. Because of some generous donations we will plant the final 10 trees around the property in addition to some minor landscaping. The majority of our tree work is finished until winter now when we will resume tree removal.

It was a real battle during July because of the hot temperatures and lack of rain. I thought staff did a fine job keeping the course in a position that it was ready for a fast bounce back once temperatures retreated. Just like the last time the weather pattern presented us with this situation we will make some changes and identify some areas that need irrigation additions, or a turf change, or turf removal all together to better survive the inevitable return of drought conditions in the future.



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Pro-Am was a fun week! Thank you to all who participated!

For some new featured items this month look forward to the Chicken Tortilla Soup return, Buffalo Patty Melt, Kobe Beef, Tiramisu, Asian Stir Fry with Crab Rangoons, Hummus Dip, and the Pepperjack Burger. For the lounge we will have Blue Chair White Rum coming in and the new Keg Tap beer is available. Right now we have Bud Light, Summer Shandy, Shinerbach, and Stella. Down the road we will change it up and rotate in Blue Moon, Fat Tire, Guinness and other pub favorites. New on the shelf is Johnnie Walker Blue, one of the best blended scotch whisky available.

If you get a chance to look at Facebook, we have pictures of a 7 course meal presented by Chef Kasey and myself. It was a great time and we look forward to hosting more groups like this. Please contact me if you would like to reserve a time.



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FROM THE GOLF SHOP...

Results of the 44th Annual Hillcrest Pro-Am:

Jon Trasamar defeated Tim Ailes on the third playoff hole to win the professional check of \$21,000.

Jace Guthmiller won the overall gross division with a great score of -12 under par. Jace also, won the First Flight.

Tyler Vogt won the Second Flight

Eric Chesley won the Fifth Flight

Steve Weiland was the low gross senior champion and the First Flight senior champion.

Larry Meyer was the Second Flight senior champion

Don Munson was the low net senior champion

Thank you to Bob Haar and the pro/am committee for all of their hard work. Thank you to all the volunteers for helping during the event. Thank you to all the sponsors of the pro/am and a thank you for everyone that had played in the 44th Annual Hillcrest Invitational.

All the events are listed under the calendar section at hillcrestyankton.com

August pro shop hours are Monday's noon-8:00 p.m.,
Tuesday-Sunday 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.



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Upcoming events for August:

August 12th – Yacht Club
– tee times from 9:00-11:00.

August 25th – Couples Night – Golf and Pool Party-Minimum of 24 couples required.

August 26th and 27th – Yankton City Classic. Hillcrest will be played on August 26th.

September 1st – Mount Marty Ladies Invitational
10:00 shotgun start.

