

4 January 2010 Letter

First, we hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday season and here's wishing everyone a wonderful New Year.

On the Tournament Schedule Page of this web site, you will find the **PROPOSED** 2010 Tournament Schedule for everyone's review. The Board had a lengthy meeting and have made some recommendations that were suggested by the membership, and consequently, there are more individual tournaments scheduled. By doing this, you will notice that there are more Tournaments that count towards qualification towards the Club Championship and the Fall Classic. Also, in an effort to recognize all past Club Champions, we have slightly altered the requirements for participation in the Club Championship. The requirements will remain the same, in that a member must have played in at least 3 tournaments during the year, with 2 of those being individual events that count toward handicap, however any current paid member who is a past Club Champion, will be allowed to compete. If that player has not met the tournament requirement's for qualification into the tournament, he will only be allowed to compete for Gross only.

Due to the popularity of the member guest, the tournament on April 24 th will be limited to the first 72 teams that sign up, so make sure you sign up early. Overall, our participation was up dramatically last year, and we want to continue that trend. We averaged just a bit under 100 players per event last year .

Because of the lack of participation, in the last few years, we have done away with the Season Long Tournaments, but with the increase in the membership, we are once again going to try to schedule these. We feel with the internet and e-mail, we should be successful. The sign up sheets will be posted on the Bulletin Board in the Pro Shop.

In an effort to make the final Tuff Country Cup event even a larger success that it was last year, we are going to make it a 2 day tournament, with the leaders being paired together on Sunday, so this should prove to be very exciting. Again, **thanks to Troy Davis and Tuff Country for their continued support.**

Brian has also asked me to let everyone know that whatever type of merchandise you would like, just let him know and he will be more than happy to order it for you and it will be very competitively priced, so please support Brian as he does an excellent job for us.

On the Membership Page of this web site is the registration form for the year. On this form, you will notice a section for donations. We realize that the economy is not the greatest, but if you are able, please donate what you can, as it is these donations that enable us to have little extra's throughout the year.

Our annual meeting will be held February 19th at 7:00 PM, in the Green Room at Sandy Station and we strongly encourage everyone to attend as this is when decisions are made with regards to the upcoming season. One item that has been discussed and will be voted on is whether to raise the tournament fee for 1 day tournaments to \$ 15.00. This will be very important, so please plan on attending as there will also be other items to be discussed and we would like to have everyone's input.

Lastly and definitely not least, Warren Ketcham has again volunteered to maintain our web site as this has turned out to be a very popular item, so again, THANKS WARREN.

Thanks and here is to a great 2010,

Len Wilbur
President