MARCH 2018 PAR-TICULARS

From The President:

I can feel the excitement from everyone I talk to that the golf season is right around the corner. The days are growing longer and even with the recent snow it will not be very long now. I am very excited about the upcoming season and believe we are making great strides in improving everyone's experience at Rutland Country Club.

I wanted to let you know that we have dissolved our relationship with Benchcraft advertising (scorecards). If Benchcraft contacts you and tries to sell you advertising please inform the office immediately. Moving forward RCC will be running our own score card campaign and our employees will be calling you directly.

Baxter's Restaurant started a Tuesday evening Italian night and continues with specials Tuesday through Saturday. Chef Mark, Greg Calvin and their talented staff are definitely focused on serving the members and Guests. Please stop by and enjoy lunch or dinner at Baxter's Restaurant.

Please plan to attend the upcoming annual stockholders meeting scheduled for April 7th at 10am. I look forward to seeing you there.

I strongly recommend to everyone to become more involved at Rutland Country Club for this upcoming season. Join a committee, participate in one of the work activities or cleanup day; divot parties are a fun way to help improve the course condition and interact with your fellow members.

Respectfully, Kevin Thompson President of Board of Governors

Minutes of Board of Governors Meeting Rutland Country Club, Inc. January 23, 2018

Present: Ernie Bove, Vice President, Buddy Miles, Kim Meisinger, Vic Shappy, Bob Kennedy and Ron Cioffi By phone: Kevin Thompson, Candy Anderson, and Dale Laval.

Others present: Rod McPhee, Legal Counsel, Kevin Markowski, Treasurer, and Becky Stevens, Office Manager/Secretary.

Meeting was called to order by Kevin Thompson at 5:20 Minutes of the December 19, 2017 Meeting were submitted for approval.

Moved by Ron Cioffi and 2nd by Kim Meissinger to approve meeting minutes. All members present voted in the affirmative.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> – No report.

<u>Café Committee Report</u> – Report made by Ernie Bove. Discussion was on the café minimum. After much pro's and con's it was decided to do away with it for one year, to see how it progresses. Business has been up and hopefully will continue. Hoping the membership will continue to visit Baxter's even without "having" to come and spend. The café will be doing specials for Valentine's Day, and has started a Tuesday night special.

Finance Committee Report - No report.

<u>Greens Committee Report</u> – Report made by Vic Shappy. He spoke with Karl regarding the course. We are hoping that this weekend will give us some warmer weather to melt the ice so that we don't have problems. KC & Henry have purchased some Verticut reels and are replacing them on a machine we have. They are working on the machines to get them ready for spring. The bidding process was brought up about not being followed. It will be talked about again.

<u>Building/Long Term Planning Committee Report</u> – Report made Kim Meisinger. The garage door for the Maintenance Barn has been replaced, along with a belt for the kitchen hood and a fan for the ladies room.

Membership/Advertising Committee Report: - Report made by Ron Cioffi.

Pro/Cart Committee Report – no report

<u>Tournament/Handicap Committee</u> – Report made by Bob Kennedy. There was no meeting this month, but there will be in February. We will be sending out a notice to all committee chairmen, so that we all have procedures in place.

Moved by Vic Shappy and 2nd by Kim Meisinger to accept Committee Reports as presented. All members present voted in the affirmative.

New Business - None.

<u>Old Business</u> – The updated 2018 Employee Manual is being distributed to all employees. All employees must sign stating that they have received a copy before February 1st. Any employee refusing an acceptance of receipt will not be allowed to work until signing the acknowledgement.

At 6:25 pm it was moved to go into executive session

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Stevens For Bob Wetherby, Secretary

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

All Stockholders are invited to The Rutland Country Club Annual Meeting

> Saturday, April 7th At 10:00am In Clubhouse



Baxter's will be serving Easter Brunch! Sunday April 1st

Seatings at 11:00, 12:00 and 1:00

\$28.00 per person Plus tax & tip **Kids 12 and under \$16.00** Plus tax & tip

Make Your Reservations by calling 773-9153!!

Baxter's March Update

Spring is coming!! It won't be long before we are in full swing again here at Baxter's Restaurant. We are looking forward to another great season.

We will keep the "Winter Hours" for March

Tuesday - Saturday Lunch and Dinner 11:00am - Close **Sundays and Mondays** Closed

NEW Tuesday Nights *Italian Night*

Wednesday Nights Burger and Beer Specials

Thursday and Friday Nights
Fish Specials

Friday and Saturday
Nights
Wine Specials!
All Featured Wines
\$20 Bottle

Saturdays
Dinner for 2 - \$50.00

Our "Summer Hours" will begin in April or earlier depending on the weather!

Baxter's will be serving lunch and dinner specials For St. Patrick's Day — March 17th!!!



From the Business Office:

We would like to "highlight" our <u>Premium Membership</u> this month!! This is Single Membership with additional privileges - for those of you who are not aware of this membership, below are the <u>PERKS</u>:

- Carts are included (for yourself)
- 10% discount on all guests fees and café purchases
- Bag Room Storage included
- Includes 6 guest greens fees
- Includes \$300 Café Minimum

Premium Membership = \$3,000.00 plus tax is \$3,210.00. (can be billed monthly) Single Membership = \$2,000.00 plus tax is \$2,140.00.

For those members who use a cart for most rounds, this is definitely something you may want to consider. Carts are \$10 for 9 holes and \$20 for 18 holes.

We would be happy to answer any questions you may have!

If you are unsure about joining for 2018 we ask that you please contact the office by mid-April to discuss your options. If you have been paying your monthly dues installments – after April 14th you would only receive a percentage back for a refund. So please contact us if you have any questions.

We are continuing to work on building our membership at RCC. Word of Mouth is always the most efficient and cost effective way to do this and with our member's help we hope to see an increase for the 2018 season!! We are still offering to anyone who brings in a New Member a \$50 Gift Card! Any friends or family who may be interested in joining the club? Just have them contact us in the office for membership information!

We are again encouraging our members to share a brief "story" of your experience of being a member of Rutland Country Club. Why do you enjoy spending time at RCC? Is it the course? Baxters? We are using these to highlight on social media to help attract new members to the Club. If you are following us on Facebook you will have seen a couple videos that were posted last year by our members which received great reviews! If you have any questions about this please contact the office or speak to Amanda Wheeler and we'd be happy to help you! We appreciate everyone's help as we push forward to gain new Club Members!!

REFER A NEW MEMBER TO RUTLAND COUNTRY CLUB AND EARN A \$50 GIFT CARD!!!

TELL YOUR FRIENDS!
TELL YOUR FAMILY!!

LET THEM KNOW
WHAT A GREAT EXPERIENCE
RCC IS!



Rutland Country Club <u>Member Benefits</u>

- Reciprocal Agreements with these participating courses: McGregor Links, Ballston Spa, Manchester CC and Imperial Golf Course in Naples Florida. Green Mt. National is also a reciprocal but only during tournament play. All tee times must be set up through Rutland Country Club Pro Shop.
- No initiation fees
- Unlimited rounds of golf
- Member Functions
- Club Tournaments- information on non-club tournaments
- Tee times can be reserved online or by calling Pro Shop
- Discounted guest fees
- Discounted Carts can be prepaid: 25 for \$425 or 50 for \$850
- Member charging privileges
- Convenient payment plans, monthly or yearly, ACH or Credit cards
- Locker rooms available -you will need your own lock
- Bag Storage available
- Discounts at the Pro Shop
- Golf lessons available
- Junior Programs
- Banquet Room Rental Fees waived for members
- Spending in the café is tracked for the year:

If you spend between:	0-\$3,000	0% discount
	\$3,001 - \$8,000	5% discount
	\$8,001 - \$13,000	7% discount
	\$13,001 and more	10% discount

On a yearly basis, if you qualified for one of the above spending categories, in January of the following year you will receive a notice as to the amount being credited to your account. This amount will be credited to your dues account for the current golf season, not to exceed the dues for the new year. The credit applies strictly towards <u>dues</u>. In order to qualify for this, your account <u>MUST</u> be paid by cash or check. Payments by credit cards <u>DO NOT</u> qualify for the discount.

Outside tournaments do not qualify for this.

This is subject to change and will be reviewed by the Board of Governors yearly. Any questions, please contact the office at 773-7061.