

From the desk of Shannon Booker



MUSKEG MEADOWS

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Monday, July 29, 2013

Upcoming Events

• Totem Bar Golf Tournament: August 3rd & 4th
Saturday: 18-Hole Best Ball
Sunday: 9-Hole Best Ball
Played without course modifications.

• Driving Range Maintenance

• Men's and Women's golf Mentoring.
LADIES: Tuesday 5:30pm
MENS: Thursday 6:30pm.

• Ravens vs. Muskeg Meadows Golf Course

• Wrangell Parks & Rec Summer Youth Program.

• Amphibian Research at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course

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BEARFEST 18-HOLE BEST BALL SCRAMBLE

AND

WRANGELL SENIOR APARTMENTS / AL KAER MEMORIAL

9-HOLE BEST BALL SCRAMBLE

*Saturday,
July 27, 2013*

BEARFEST 9-Hole Best Ball Scramble

Last Saturday, twenty-four golfers attended the BearFest golf tournament.

George Woodbury, William Anthes, Wayne and Chris Ellis, Eric Kading, Faye and Keene Kohrt, Paul Reasoner, Greg Scheff, Ed Rilatos, Rafael Nunez, Hal Rhodes, Tammy Davidson, Jane Bliss, Pam McCloskey, Roxanne Yancey, Grover Mathis, Rory Prunella, Bob Hannah, Randy Littleton, Robert E. Johnson, Becky Rooney, Greg and Carrie McCormick.

After a week worth of drenching rain, the weather for the golf tournament was dry



Pictured above is the Wrangell Bearfest's "City Bear" making his mark on the line of the "Straightest Drive".
~Shannon

and comfortable with temps in the upper sixties.

1st place: Greg Scheff, Ed Rilatos, Rafael Nunez and Hal Rhodes. Team handicap, 33. Net score, 39.

2nd place: Tammy Davidson, Jane Bliss, Pam McCloskey, and

Roxanne Yancey. Team handicap, 41. Net score, 41.

The Straightest Drive: Rory Prunella, with 52" from the line.

Closest to the Pin: Bob Hannah with 8' 7.5" from the cup.

One dollar of each per-

son's tournament entry fee goes to the winner of both "The Straightest Drive" and "The Closest to the Pin". The winners took home \$24 at the Bearfest tournament.

The Bearfest's "City Bear" visited Muskeg Meadows during the tournament and parked on the Straightest Drive line until the tournament was over.

Sunday,

July 28, 2013

Al Kaer Memorial/

Wrangell Senior Apartments

9-Hole Best Ball Scramble

Another day of golf in perfect weather conditions. Temps hovered right around seventy degrees with a light breeze for twenty golfers at Muskeg Meadows for the Al Kaer Memorial Golf Tournament.

Greg Scheff, Ed Rilatos, Rafael Nunez, David Deal, Eric Kading, Faye Kohrt, Beth Schreve, Wayne Ellis, Rocky Littleton, Ronald Littleton, Scott Littleton, Sue Littleton, Randy Littleton, Ray Pederson, George Woodbury, Jim Abbott, Betty Abbott, Jeffry Davidson, Hal Rhodes and Ken Davidson, Jr.

1st place: Hal Rhodes, Randy Littleton, Jeffry Davidson, and Ken Davidson, Jr. Team handicap, 21. Net score, 15

2nd place: Jim and Betty Abbott, Ray Pederson, and George Woodbury. Team handicap, 14. Net score, 21

The Straightest Drive: Wayne Ellis with 14'.

No one got "Closest to the Pin" on this day. The money designated to the winner went back to the Wrangell Golf Club's gaming fund.

First and Second places tied with a net score of 21. To break the tie, scorekeeper Leonard Angerman used the team with the fewest strokes on hole #5 to determine the winner. Both teams had the same amount of strokes on holes #1, #2, #3, and #4. On #5 was a 3 to 4 win.

Wrangell Senior Apartments offered six drawings for \$50 each. The winners were Beth Schreve, Betty Abbott, Ed Rilatos, David Deal, Ray Pederson, and Ronald Littleton.

First Place Winner's Corner

Greg Scheff (Handicap, 12): Wrangell Golf Club Member no. 695, and Muskeg Meadows Golf Tournament sponsor, R&M Engineering, former Wrangell Golf Club Board of Directors: Grounds Committee Chairperson, Greg Scheff actively supports the golf club. Participating in nearly every golf tournament this season, Greg proudly calls Muskeg Meadows his home course. After the tournament, Sunday, Greg offered to golf with Alaska Airlines Travel Magazine writer, Eric Lucas.

Ed Rilatos (Handicap, 18): Wrangell Golf Club Charter Member no. 8, and golf mentor, Ed Rilatos years ago, introduced the

game of golf to Greg Scheff. Ed is the former Superintendent at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course. Ed is considered one of the co-founders of Muskeg Meadows Golf Course, as he was involved in the development of Muskeg Meadows. Ed has missed very few golf tournaments at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course during the past two decades.

Rafael Nunez (Handicap, 18): New this season to the Wrangell Golf Club, Rafael Nunez has participated in the majority of the tournaments. Nunez comes to Wrangell, Ak as the new Branch Manager at Wells Fargo Bank.

Jeffry and Ken Davidson, Jr (Each Handicap, 15) : Wrangell Golf Club Charter members, Ken and Jeff (father and son duo) have been golfing at Muskeg Meadows since its establishment. Jeffry has learned about the game in his early years when his grandfather, Ken Davidson, Sr. was the golf course manager. The Davidson family has played an active role in the development of Muskeg Meadows Golf Course and continues to actively support the course and club.

Ray Pederson (Handicap, 10): Wrangell Golf Club Charter Member, Ray Pederson has been visiting Wrangell from Petersburg and playing golf at Muskeg Meadows since the beginning of the golf course's existence. Ray has been known to golf between 27 and 36 holes each time he visits Muskeg Meadows Golf Course. When Ray isn't busy working during the week, he will take a short boat ride over to Wrangell, Ak from Ba-



Pictured above is 2012 Wrangell Golf Club Champion, and golf mentor , Randy Littleton. Photo Credit: Greg Knight, 2012

nana Point in Petersburg, Ak and spend his days at the golf course. Ray has attended the majority of tournaments held at Muskeg Meadows over the past two decades.

George Woodbury (Handicap, 10): Wrangell Golf Club Charter Member no. 99, George has been actively involved in the development of every aspect of the golf course since its existence. Muskeg Meadows Golf Course Co-founder, George Woodbury is the current Vice President of the Wrangell Golf Club and has, in the past, been the President of the club. George has also participated in nearly every golf tournament of the season. Last year, George Woodbury assisted with writing the grant for the Wrangell Golf Club to obtain \$25,000 from the Rasmuson Foundation for golf course repair after ravens had tilled up the entire fairway #4 and other areas. This year, Woodbury Enterprises has donated their time, effort and materials to the construction on fairway #3, and has lent a hand with maintaining the golf course as the ravens continue to cause damage to the fairways.

Randy Littleton (Handicap, 9): 2012 Wrangell Golf Club Champion, Randy Littleton moved to Wrangell, Ak from Petersburg, Ak to be closer to his home course, Muskeg Meadows. Randy rediscovered the game in 2010, but has grown up on golf courses in the lower 48. Randy has only missed a handful of tournaments at Muskeg Meadows since his move to Wrangell. Randy's first job was on the golf course his grandfather managed. Randy has an extensive history winning tournaments, and championships since childhood. Randy has always enjoyed mentoring beginners and continues to hold the game of golf close to his heart.

Hal Rhodes (Handicap, 18): Wrangell Golf Club Member, and employee, Hal came to Wrangell from Naukati, Alaska last year as a music wood timber faller. Hal has learned the game of golf at Muskeg Meadows under the mentorship of Wrangell Golf Club Champ, Randy Littleton. In between microsals of music wood timber, Hal works part time as a greenskeeper to clear brush and help keep Muskeg Meadows beautiful.

Raffle

Saturday, July 13, 2013 The Wrangell Golf Club began another raffle. 16"X20"Canvas photo print of Shakes Island Tribal House Rededication in Wrangell, Alaska, by Alaska Pix (web address:

www.alaskapix.exposuremanager.com

Kathleen Harding. \$5.00 per ticket, and only 50 tickets will be sold. Drawing will be held at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course September 1, 2013, or when 50 tickets are sold. Need not be present to win.

Wrangell Golf Club, Inc. raffle permit #2144. All raffles directly support Muskeg Meadows Golf Course. Each ticket purchased is always noticed and appreciated!



Pictured above is the Shakes Island canvas photo print by Alaska Pix currently being raffled at the golf course.



Donald Groom

The above picture is of the new steps and hand rail on the back porch of the golf shop which was built by Wrangell Golf Club Member, and golf mentor, Tom Wolford. Also built by Wolford were the steps and hand rails to the back of the room of rental clubs.



Donald Groom

Pictured above is the current construction area on fairway #3. A free drop is allowed out of the "Ground Under Repair" areas, no closer to the pin.



Donald Groom

Each of the photos on the right and left are of the same area on fairway #7. The one on the left is the current condition of the ditch. Photo date, July 29, 2013.

Pictured on the right, June 8, 2013 after several ravens turned over the sod.



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Pictured on the right is the view from the champion box, #5 where current renovations are in progress. Please be advised this area is considered "Ground Under Repair" and a relief is given, no closer to the pin, without penalty.



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Pictured in the above two photos are examples of the current raven issues. (L-R) Fairway #7 and green #3.



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Each of the above photos on the right and left are of the same area on fairway #7. The one on the left is the current condition of what remains of the raven damage from last June, pictured on the right. The areas that have been tilled by ravens are considered as "Ground Under Repair" and a relief is given out of the area, no closer to the pin, with no penalty. Pictured on the right, June 8, 2013 after several ravens turned over the sod. Pictured on the left, July 29, 2013 the remains of the damaged areas.

Latest News

Golf course modifications on fairway #3 are no longer in effect. Fairway #3 will again become a par 4. Teams will no longer need to move up on #3 or back on #6, bringing hole no. six back to its original par 3. During the Totem's tournament this weekend, teams will be playing from the designated tee boxes, white for men and red for ladies. A relief is given out of the construction area on #3, no closer to the pin.

Golf course maintenance has begun around the cart path between #4 and #5. Motor carts must remain on the original cart path, to the right, until construction is complete.

Last Tuesday and Wednesday the golf course was closed for weather, which gave the City of Wrangell, Electric Department the opportunity to lend a hand with the lift truck to install new pullies and ropes on the driving range. Phase two is scheduled to take place this week. Golf Club President, Brian Smith and Muskeg Meadows Superintendent, Wayne Harding are heading the project. Volunteers are needed to help take down the old nets and lay out the new ones. Please contact any of us at the golf course if you'd like to help.

Wednesday, July 31, 2013 from 11am-8pm the Oceana Regatta will be visiting Wrangell. The Regatta is 593.7 feet long and has 684 passengers and 400 crewmembers aboard. Muskeg Meadows will have limited rental availability during the time the Regatta will be visiting. Muskeg Meadows

has reserved the majority of club and cart rentals for cruise ship guests. Please call ahead to schedule a tee time if you'd like to fit in to the golf course during the hours of 7am—4pm on these black out dates.

Plans are currently in the making for the beginning of an annual Junior Golf Camp with the Wrangell Golf Club Youth Leaders, and Golf Instructors, Don and Bonnie Roher. The tentative dates will be immediately following the Little League State Championships each year. This program will be based on the USGA Junior Golf Program guidelines. Please watch for progress notes as plans finalize for the 2014 golf season.

Professional photo prints by Donald Groom of Muskeg Meadows and golfers are now available to purchase through the Proshop.

4x6 print.....\$2.00

5x7 print\$5.00

8x10 print.....\$10.00

This is a fantastic scenic opportunity for families who are visiting for the summer. Stop by the golf course to set up a time that works great for you.

Horseshoe pits have permanently been installed in the front parking lot area. Horseshoe rentals are **\$10.00 plus tax per hour.**

Amphibian research continues at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course. Please see the attached pages for more detailed information on how to become a "Citizen Scientist". Please be advised of golf course safety and check in with us if the

front gate is open. There is a very large risk of danger on the golf course. Wayward golf balls have the potential to be just as dangerous as a bullet. It is not advised to go frog hunting when there are golfers present. After business hours, or when the front gate is closed is the best time to have an amphibian adventure at Muskeg Meadows. It is most important that everyone who enters the golf course travel in the same direction. One-way traffic only is allowed on the golf course, this safety rule of golf applies to all golf courses for both foot, and motorized traffic. Its just as important to safety that everyone becomes familiar with golf etiquette. Please see the attached pages for further information about safety and etiquette.



Donald Groom

Golf Mentoring for Men and Women

Pictured above is ladies golf mentor, Kathy Sandess, and in the photo below is Tom Wolford, men's golf mentor.

Mentors slogan, "Drive for the show, putt for the dough".

Men: Thursday evenings starting after work around 6:30pm. Dates are flexible and are subject to change.

Ladies: Tuesday evenings starting after work around 5:30pm.

Club members of the mentoring groups receive special member discounts, only \$15 greens fees, and a "Bonus Round" each week. And 50% off all rentals.

Evening golfers should bring bug repellent, and light rain gear, water proof rain hoods and club covers, marker pens for identifying individual's golf balls.

Golf Course Attendant, Bill Messmer recommends using Listerine or mentholated rub, like Vick's as a non toxic bug repellent.





Pictured above is the current construction area on fairway #3.

Muskeg Meadows Modifications

Course repairs on fairway #3 remain in effect. Beware of cart path, foot bridges, and areas that are roped off. Please note that the areas under construction are considered by USGA as “Ground Under Repair”, and may be played with a free drop out of the area, no closer to the pin.

The “Closest to the Pin” competition will remain on #4. The “Straightest Drive” will permanently remain on fairway #1.

For your safety, please be aware of and yield to ground under construction areas that are roped off throughout the golf course.

The path to tee box #4 has been closed off due to the failing trail. Please use the detour path just to right until maintenance is through.

Ravens vs. Muskeg Meadows Golf Course

This week we seem to be up on the ravens again. Ravens were observed digging in spots throughout the golf course, but no large areas have been overturned.

The effort to control the raven’s food source, grubs, continues at Muskeg Meadows. The golf course Superintendant, Wayne Harding, has administered several millions of predatory nematodes to the sod. He also has a plan to administer several million more. The nematodes will seek out and destroy the grubs. Predatory nematodes cause no harm to anything that isn’t insect larva. Nematodes won’t harm plants or earthworms either.

These predator nematodes kill only grubs by invading the insect’s body and reproducing on the remains.

Nematodes can multiply by the millions per second when the conditions allow and each new nematode will repeat the cycle. Check

out Charley’s Greenhouse, in Mt. Vernon, Washington online to learn more about the beneficial nematodes at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course.

http://www.charleysgreenhouse.com/index.cfm?page=_productdetails&productid=7852&learnmore=1#lmore

The nematodes were funded, in part, by the Rasmuson grant the Wrangell Golf Club received this year for course repair and maintenance within Muskeg Meadows Golf Course after last year’s raven destruction.

Ravens are a protected species and are considered sacred by the local natives of Southeast Alaska. The Legend of the Raven says the once white bird, now black, helped bring the sun, moon, stars, fresh water and fire. The Raven is also considered by local natives to be ancestors who are mischievous, handsome tricksters.



Wrangell Parks & Recs Summer Youth Program ends its 2013 golfing season, Tuesday, July 30, 2013

Photo Credit: Donald Groom

Youth

Wrangell Parks and Rec Summer Youth Program has ended its 2013 golf season at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course.

Don and Bonnie Roher will continue to offer golf etiquette instructions on the driving range and practice putting green, then eventually on the golf course for any of the children that want to continue to learn to golf. Children's golf lessons are \$10/day which includes tokens, golf balls, rental clubs and instructions. Please contact the golf course to make arrangements.

When accompanied by an adult, greens fees at Muskeg Meadows for children under 12 are always free! Children under 18 receive steep discounts on greens fees. Rental clubs are \$1 each, and tokens are \$4 each or \$2 for groups

of six or more.

Muskeg Meadows Golf Course is unique in the sense that it is beginner friendly. Aside from tournaments, and days the large cruise ships are in town, tee times are not required.

During the week, teams who play slower, let faster golfers play through. Hitting the links with the family is encouraged.

At the core of the game of golf there is a standard of behavior that lends itself to positive development in children. Present at any level of competition are personal skills such as honesty, integrity, courtesy and respect. Golf encourages the highest level of sportsmanship by teaching kids to be responsible for their actions and to use good judgment. Golf also allows for quality family time. It's a game that families can learn and play together. Because golf

has an established handicap system that was created to determine a golfer's playing ability and potential, moms and dads can actually *compete* with their children even if they play from different tee boxes, or at significantly different skill levels.

Volunteer Opportunities

There are several volunteer opportunities available at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course.

Salads and side dishes are greatly appreciated for our backyard BBQ during every tournament.

There is always a need for a "Double Your Money" host to spot on fairway #4 during tournaments. Must be 18+ years to participate.

Volunteer position requires taking

and recording bets and verifying if better's tee shot makes it to, and remains on the green.

Painting, pruning trees and shrubs, and tending to the flower beds throughout the golf course is also something a volunteer could help with.

Volunteers for the club cart need to be familiar with golf etiquette, Muskeg Meadows Golf Course, and alcohol servers state laws. Club members familiar with the golf course and volunteers with a alcohol server certification will always take precedence.

Thank You...

I'd like to thank tournament sponsors, Sylvia Ettefagh and Beth Schreve with the Wrangell Bearfest and Leonard Angerman with Wrangell Senior Apartments, and volunteer, Mikel Smith, and each participant who dedicated their time to make this event a success.

Thank you, Eric Lucas, Travel Writer, for Alaska Airlines Magazine for including Muskeg Meadows Golf Course in the upcoming article about Alaska's best kept secrets. Thank you, Carol Rushmore, Wrangell's Economic Developer, for coordinating Mr. Lucas's golf experience while visiting Wrangell. And thank you to Greg Scheff for playing golf with and hosting Mr. Lucas while at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course. The combination of the efforts are very much appreciated!

Thank you, Kathy Sandness, Tom Wolford, and Don & Bonnie Roher,

Thank you to the entire Littleton family, Rocky, Rodney, Ronald, Randy, Scott and Sue (and kids) for visiting Muskeg Meadows during the family reunion.

Thank you, Wrangell Golf Club Mentors, and Advisors. And the participants of golf lessons and mentoring groups.

Thank you, Sylvia Ettefagh, Lisa Nikodym, Nicole Strom and Leeanna Rice at Alaska Vistas for coordinating golf on board the cruise ships, and directing tourists to Muskeg Meadows Golf Course.

Thank you Captain Eric, with the Catamaran Cruise Ship, Alaskan Dream for making golf a regular stop in Wrangell.

Thank you to the golf course employees for the hard work and dedication to the Club and Course.

Wayne Harding: Muskeg Meadows Golf Course Superintendent.

Michael Brewster: Greenskeeper.

Hal Rhodes: Brushing, pruning, greenskeeping and maintenance.

Bill Messmer: Tournaments, Grounds and Clubhouse Assistant.

Donald Groom: BBQ Cook, Computer Tech, Photos, Youth, Driving Range and Clubhouse Assistant.

Thank you also W.G.C. Board of Directors, your hard work and

dedication is what keeps the golf course going.

Congratulations to all the winners!

If you'd like to read up on all the past events at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course, please check out the previous issues of my newsletter on our blog at

<http://wrangellalaskagolf.com/2013-newsletters/>



TOTEM BAR

WRANGELL
ALASKA



Saturday, August 3, 2013 **18-HOLE BEST BALL**
Sunday, August 4, 2013 **9-HOLE BEST BALL**

10:00am starting time both days.
Sign up ** no later than ** **9:45am**



Golf Tournament (907) **874-GOLF**(4653)

Muskeg Meadows Golf Course is providing a golf mentoring program for men Thursday evenings starting at 5:30-6:00pm. If you are a beginner or rediscovering the game, and have a desire to learn come join us with a more experienced golfer, Tom Wolford.

Keep an eye out for future leagues, play dates, social events, and learning opportunities with other mentors.



**Special discounts for W.G.C. Members.*

Annual membership dues \$40.00

(907) 874-GOLF(4653)

Muskeg Meadows Golf Course is providing a golf mentoring program for ladies Tuesday evenings starting at 5:00-5:30pm. If you are a beginner or rediscovering the game, and have a desire to learn come join us with a more experienced lady golfer, Kathy Sandness.

Keep an eye out for future leagues, play dates, social events, and learning opportunities with other mentors.



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2013 Tournament Schedule

DAY	DATE	SPONSOR	FORMAT	STARTING TIME
Sat & Sun	May 4th & 5th	Angerman's Inc. & Outlet	9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Sat & Sun	May 11th & 12th	Bob's IGA	Sat. Mystery Scramble Sun. Best Ball	10am each day
Sat & Sun	May 18th & 19th	Ryder Cup (PSG vs WRG)	4 Special 9-Hole Events (2 ea day)	10am each day
Tuesday	May 21st	YOUTH TOURNAMENT	4-Hole Best Ball	4pm tee time
Fri & Sat	May 24th & 25th	WMC Foundation	9-Hole Best Ball	(Fri. 4pm) & (Sat. 10am)
Sunday	May 26th		OPEN	
Sat & Sun	June 2nd	City Market/Sentry Hardware	Mystery Scramble	10am
Sat & Sun	June 8th & 9th	K&R's Kave	9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Saturday	June 15th	AP&T/KSTK	9-Hole Best Ball	10am
Sunday	June 16th	ELKS Lodge	9-Hole Best Ball	10am
Friday	June 21st	City Market/Sentry Hardware	9-Hole Best Ball	Sign up 5:30pm
Sat & Sun	June 22nd & 23rd	R&M Engineering	(Sat) 18-Hole 2-Person Best Ball (Sun) 9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Sat & Sun	June 29th & June 30th	Ottosen's True Value	Sat. 9-Hole Best Ball, Sun. 9-Hole Mystery Scramble	10am each day
Sat & Sun	July 6th & 7th	Northland Services, Inc.	9-Hole Best Ball, 9-Hole Individual	10am each day
Wednesday	July 10th	YOUTH TOURNAMENT	4-Hole Best Ball	10am
Sat & Sun	July 13th & 14th	Alaska Airlines	(Sat) 18-Hole "Drop-Out" Scramble (Sun) 9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Sat & Sun	July 20th & 21st	First Bank	9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Sat	July 27th	Bearfest	18-Hole Best Ball	10am
Sunday	July 28th	Sr. Apartments/Al Kaser Memorial	9-Hole Best Ball	10am
Sat & Sun	August 3rd & 4th	Totem Bar & Liquor	Sat. 18-Hole Best Ball, Sun. 9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Saturday	August 10th	Women's Cancer Care Fundraiser	9-Hole Best Ball (with special events)	8:30am-4pm
Sunday	August 11th	Men's Cancer Care Fundraiser	9-Hole Best Ball Scramble	10am
Sat & Sun	August 17th & 18th	Sibline Sportsmen Association	2-Person, 9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Sat & Sun	August 24th & 25th	Buness Bro's	9-Hole Best Ball	10am each day
Wednesday	August 28th	B.S.A. YOUTH TOURNAMENT	4-Hole Best Ball	Sign up 3:30pm
Saturday	August 31st	Members Only CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	Individual Handicap	10am
Sunday	September 1st		OPEN	
Monday	Sept 2nd (Labor Day)	Breakaway Adventures	9-Hole Best Ball	10am
Saturday	Sept 7th	2 Clubs and a Putter	9-Hole Individual Handicap	10am
Sunday	Sept 8th		OPEN	

* Sign up no later than 15 minutes before tee time.

\$25 entry fees each day unless otherwise noted.

* Must be 18+ years of age

* Additional youth tournaments pending confirmation.

* Schedule revised 7/07/13

Wrangell Cruiseship Schedule 2013

<u>Month</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>SHIP</u>	<u>Arrival</u>	<u>Departure</u>
MAY	4	Sat	Wilderness Adventurer	12:30	5:00
	15	Wed	Wilderness Adventurer	12:30	5:00
	19	Sun	Alaskan Dream	8:00	3:00
	22	Wed	Wilderness Discover	12:30	5:00
	23	Thurs	Regatta	8:00	6:00
	24	Fri	Alaskan Dream	8:00	3:00
	24	Fri	Seven Seas Navigator	11:00	6:00
	29	Wed	Wilderness Adventurer		
JUNE	4	Tues	Alaskan Dream	1:30	6:00
	5	Wed	Wilderness Discover	12:30	5:00
	9	Sun	Alaskan Dream	8:00	3:00
	14	Fri	Regatt	10:00	6:00
	19	Wed	Wilderness Discover	12:30	5:00
	24	Mon	Admiralty Dream	8:00	3:00
	26	Wed	Wilderness Adventurer	12:30	5:00
JULY	1	Mon	Bremen	12:00	8:00
	2	Tues	Regatta	8:00	6:00
	3	Wed	Wilderness Discover	12:30	5:00
	6	Sat	Alaskan Dream	8:00	3:00
	9	Tues	Regatta	8:00	6:00
	10	Wed	Wilderness Adventurer	12:30	5:00
	11	Thurs	Alaskan Dream	8:00	3:00
	11	Thurs	Bremen	7:00	1:00
	18	Thurs	Silver Shadow	8:00	4:00
	19	Fri	Regatta	8:00	6:00
	22	Mon	Alaskan Dream	1:30	6:00
	17	Wed	Wilderness Discover	12:30	5:00
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Muskeg Meadows Golf Course Safety Reminder

Safety rules are just as important to the Wrangell Golf Club as they are to you and your family. Please take a few moments to explore our short checklist before you begin your adventure at Muskeg Meadows Golf Course. With a few safety precautions, you'll have a piece of mind and can enjoy your adventure to the fullest.

1) *Be aware of Golf Etiquette*

Whenever anyone uses the golf course, they are expected to be familiar with the unwritten rules of golf. This also includes folks who do not golf, such as joggers, walkers and berry pickers. This is the most important safety rule. Please familiarize yourself with proper golf etiquette before you use the golf course for any reason.

2) *Check in*

Every single person on the golf course needs to be accounted for. Please do not enter the golf course without first letting us know. When the golf course personnel knows when each person begins on the golf course, they can estimate a time of return. This applies to golfers and especially walkers, joggers and berry pickers. Besides the normal risks of injury, having a heart attack due to a hole-in-one and getting hit in the head by a wayward golf ball, there are also risks of Alaskan wildlife. Because of the nature of the game of golf, and the location of Muskeg Meadows, potentially dangerous situations often arise. It's important to let us know who you are, and what your intentions are when you arrive.

3) *Keep your head up and report what you see.*

Be aware of your surroundings. Keep your eyes open, and your ears peeled. Be mindful that you are on a golf course in all the abundance of Southeast Alaska. It is also important that you report any wildlife sightings.

Please help the Alaska Herpetological Society <http://www.akherpsociety.org/> and become a citizen scientist.

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Golf etiquette is a reference of manners relating to three specific areas of golf: the pace of play (which makes the game more enjoyable), personal safety, and the integrity of the golf course.

Safety for Walkers: Be aware of your surroundings. Stop and stay behind any golfers that are addressing their ball. Golfers expect all golf course users to be quiet and respectful. "Fore!" is an internationally recognized warning to alert you of danger. If you hear someone from a group yell out "Fore!" immediately protect your head and run for cover.

Safety for Golfers: Be aware of your surroundings. Never swing your club in the direction of another. Never swing until you are sure others are at a safe distance around all sides of you. If you accidentally hit your ball into a group in front of you, give them a warning by yelling out "Fore!" When driving a golf cart, observe and obey all posted cart rules and drive carefully. Golf etiquette requires you to keep off the grass as much as possible. Never throw your clubs in anger. Golf can bring out the best or the worst in you – remember that golf is a gentlemen's sport.

Maintain a Good Pace:

Walkers: Always stay on the cart path and try to move quickly away from any groups of golfers. Keep behind the ball, it is very dangerous to walk in the opposite direction of golfers. It is also important that you respect any approaching groups of golfers by being quiet and stopping to wait for them to address their ball. Move along with the pace of the game.

Golfers: Keep the game moving by being prepared to hit the ball when it's your turn. In tournaments, the player who's ball is furthest away hits the ball first; however, in friendly matches it is often agreed upon by all to "ready-play" where players hit the ball as they are ready. Don't spend too much time looking for lost balls, especially if there is a group behind you. USGA allows for up to five minutes to search for a lost ball during tournaments. Good etiquette allows you to wave on the group behind you to play through. When two players in a cart hit to opposite sides of a hole, drive to first ball and drop off that player with his club, then drive to the second ball. After both players hit, meet up farther down the hole. Anticipate your next shot and take two clubs with you. Making unnecessary trips to your golf bag is a waste of time. Leave the green as soon as your group is done putting.

Be Kind to the Golf Course: Observe and practice all cart rules. There will be some days that will allow carts to remain on the cart path only and there will be other days where the course will allow for the 90-degree rule (where you drive from the cart path to the ball and directly back to the cart path in a 90-degree angle, being careful not to cause damage to the fairway). Keep carts and wheels away from the greens. These sensitive areas can easily be permanently damaged. Repair all your divots. When sand bunkers are present, always erase your tracks by raking after you've played your ball.

- Never talk or make noise while someone is addressing their ball.
- Never shout-out in excitement after your shot. It might disturb other groups playing the course.
- Be aware of your shadow on the putting green. Don't stand in a place that causes your shadow to be cast across another player or that player's putting line. Never walk through another player's putting line.
- Tend the flagstick. It's a golf no-no to leave the flagstick in the cup when putting. It could cost you a penalty during tournaments.

"The true gentleman is the man whose conduct proceeds from good will and an acute sense of propriety, and whose self-control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor man conscious of his poverty, the obscure man of his obscurity, or any man of his inferiority or deformity; who is himself humbled if necessity compels him to humble another; who does not flatter wealth, cringe before power, or boast of his own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness but always with sincerity and sympathy; whose deed follows his word; who thinks of the rights and feelings of others, rather than his own; and who appears well in any company, a man with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe." – John Walter Wayland

The Alaska Herpetological Society

Stikine Amphibian Research



Joshua Ream, a graduate student at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, is researching local knowledge of amphibians in the community of Wrangell, Alaska. Muskeg Meadows Golf Course is a particular interest because amphibian findings have been somewhat atypical of species found on other parts of the island. Information on each of our native amphibian species can be found at www.akherpsociety.org

There is a logbook at Muskeg Meadows to record your findings. Listed below are some specific questions Mr. Ream is looking for help to answer.

1. Where exactly on the golf course can frogs be found?
2. Do you hear frogs in the spring?
3. Do you see tadpoles in any of the ponds?
4. What do the frogs look like and how big are they?
5. Do you have any pictures of frogs from the golf course that you can share?

Please stop by to log your findings the next time you are at the golf course!

CITIZEN SCIENTIST OBSERVATION LOG

Please contribute your citizen science observations here. Fill the form out as best you can and be as descriptive as possible. Use a new observation form for each species. We would GREATLY appreciate the submission of digital photographs. Try to take one of the top of the animal, the bottom and a wider view of the habitat. These should be emailed to jtream@alaska.edu. If you do not feel comfortable providing contact information on this form you may also email it to the above address. Please take a card from the binder.

NAME _____ DATE _____ TIME _____ AM / PM

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

WHERE DO YOU RESIDE FOR MOST OF THE YEAR (CITY / STATE)? _____

Species (Check One)										Life Stage (Check One)				Sex (Check One)		
Rough-skinned Newt	Boreal Toad	Long-toed Salamander	Wood Frog	Columbia Spotted Frog	Northwestern Salamander	Pacific Chorus Frog	Red-legged Frog	Bullfrog	Other	Adult	Juvenile	Tadpole / Larvae	Eggs	Male	Female	Unknown

<u>WEATHER</u>				
Clouds (Circle one):	Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	No Clouds	Overcast
Precipitation (Circle one):	Snow	Heavy Rain	Light Rain	No Precipitation
Wind (Circle one):	Strong Wind	Light Wind	No Wind	

Approximate number of individuals seen _____ Do you plan to submit photographs? _____

Describe the exact location _____

Describe the habitat _____

Coordinates if Possible: Latitude _____ Longitude _____ Altitude _____

What was the animal(s) doing? _____

How sure are you that you made a positive identification? _____

Additional Notes: