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NEWSLETTER



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## President's Message



Once again I would like to thank you for your support and giving me the opportunity to serve you as President. It has been a gratifying experience having served on numerous committees and meeting many family members and friends. Your friendship and kind words have provided the incentive and enthusiasm for me and my fellow officers, board of governors and committee chairmen to move forward.

We aim to capitalize from the success of our past administrations and continue from where they left off. Our committee chairmen are already at work planning for the 2004 season. There are plans to improve on our checking-in procedure, a format to have one overall club champion, weekly closest to the pin and we are also looking into ways of making our outings more exciting, competitive and rewarding.

Regarding the recruitment of new members I ask that you continue to encourage family members, friends and acquaintances to join our club.

Many of you will head for a warmer climate this winter but wherever you are, let us count our blessings by enjoying this winter and holiday season in good health and happiness. *Peace!*

JOE VALENZA, PRESIDENT

## John Gomilas, Andrew Murphy and Lou Stovell 2003 Club Champions.

John Gomilas, Andrew Murphy and Lou Stovell each survived a tight finish in the match play finals to win the championship in flights A, B and C respectively.

It was undecided who the eight finalists would be until the last day of league play. Flight A proved to be the most exciting when the last four players to qualify were separated by a total net of four strokes overall. The final standings for each flight 1-8 made it into the match play playoff championship and they were as follows:

A	B	C
Holewa	A. Murphy	Tobacco
Meehan	Albi	Tesoriero
Takano	Salvato	Kraus
Simone	Monschein	Murray
Yacavone	Staiano	Friedman
Gomilas	Valenza	Magas
Materasso	Ferguson	Stovell
Baran	Holler	Kenny

In the first round four players from each of the flights that lost became eligible to participate in the Club Tournament. In the second round the pressure began to mount Flight A—

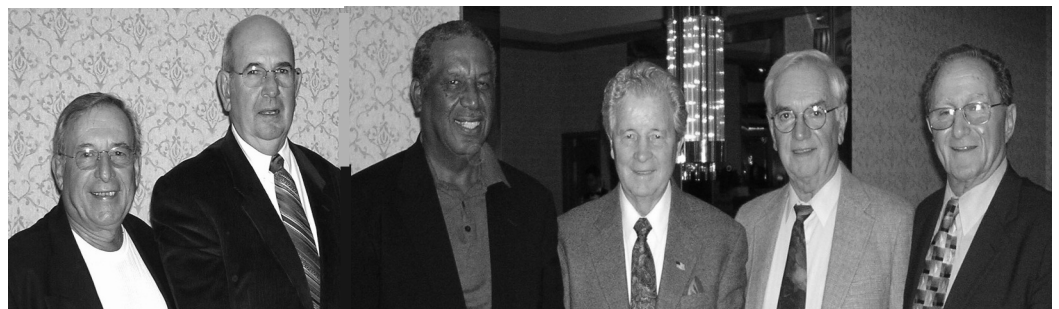
Gomilas defeated Holewa 2 up with 1 to go and Simone defeated Meehan 1 up with 0 to go. Flight B—Salvato defeated Ferguson 3 up with 2 to go, A. Murphy defeated Albi 2 up with 1 to go. Flight C—Tobacco defeated Murray 5 up with 4 to go, Stovell defeated Kenny 3 up with 2 to go.

In the championship round Flight A—Gomilas defeated Simone 3 up with 2 to go, Meehan came in third and Holewa came in fourth place. Flight B—A. Murphy defeated Salvato 3 up with 2 to go, Albi came in third and Ferguson came in fourth place. Flight C—Stovell defeated Tobacco 2 up with 1 to go, Kenny came in third and Murray came in fourth place. It was another exciting ending to a great season.

The remaining members competed in a two round total net stroke Club Tournament with prizes being awarded to the first four places in each of the flights. Flight A—Jim Byrne won by four strokes, but there was a tie for second

between Tom Faraone, Clancy Takano and Jerome Greene. The tie breaker was determined by a matching of holes, on the first hole all the players got a 5, on the second hole all the players got a 6, on the third hole Faraone scored a 4, Takano scored a 5 and Greene scored a 7 concluding the first four finishers. Flight B—Steve Panagakos ran away from the field by seven strokes, second place John Staiano, third place Joe Valenza and fourth place Art Demarest each finished one stroke behind one another. Flight C—Shelly Friedman and Hugh McKeever tied for first place and the tie breaker was decided on the first hole when Friedman scored a 5 and McKeever scored a 7. Third place went to Lou Wirtzer and one stroke behind in fourth place was Ed Magas.

Once again the tournament committee out did themselves with an outstanding job of compiling and recording the scores. Honorable mention goes to Joe Salvato our computer guru.



(From L to R) John Gomilas, Andrew Murphy and Lou Stovell winners of the League Play Championship. Jim Byrne, Steve Panagakos and Shelly Friedman winners of the Club Tournament Championship. PHOTO BY BETTY DOYLE

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Joseph Valenza

# Awards Dinner Highlights

2003 President and Master of Ceremonies Bill Doyle welcomed our members and guests and promised an entertaining afternoon of dining and dancing to the music of John Lane and his band. Art Demarest was called upon to give the Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and singing of God Bless America. Bill Doyle gave special recognition to Sal Italiano and Joe Salvato for organizing this wonderful end of the season celebration. Mike Lupo once again entertained us by singing some of his memorable songs. During the course of the evening there was an on going slide show of pictures from the Hudson Valley Outing thanks to modern technology and the efforts of Betty Doyle. Joe Papillo Introduced the 2004 Officers and Board of Governors. Vinny Buccheri presented Certificates of Merit for perfect attendance during the 2003 season to: Lou Albi, Fred Buhl, Walter Holewa, Mort Kraus, Lou Monschein, Rod Murray, Liam O'Reilly and Clancy Takano. Joe Salvato and his committee made the presentation of Awards to the League Play Champions and the runner ups. Also the Club Tournament winners were awarded. The Closing Remarks were made by 2004 President, Joe Valenza and he acknowledge Bill Doyle in appreciation and recognition for his years of dedicated and devoted service as President .

## Annual Report

**Fiscal Year 2003**  
November 1, 2002—October 31, 2003

### INCOME FROM DUES

83 Members @ \$75.00	\$6,225.00	
9 Members @ 85.00	<u>765.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,990.00</b>	<b>\$6,990.00</b>

### EXPENSES

Wednesday Collation	\$ 377.00	
Board of Governors Meetings	103.00	
General Members Meeting	140.00	
Good & Welfare	50.00	
Members Luncheon	710.00	
Correspondence	178.00	
Championships, Tournaments and Closest to the Pin	1,535.00	
Awards Dinner Dance	3,011.00	
Awards	<u>106.00</u>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,210.00</b>	<b>\$6,210.00</b>

**YEAR END SURPLUS \$ 780.00**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: JOE SALVATO, TREASURER

## Golf Wisdom...

- “When I die, bury me on the golf course so my husband will visit.” ~ Author unknown.
- “If you think it’s hard to meet new people, try to pickup the wrong golf ball.” ~ Jack Lemmon.
- “Golf and sex are the only things you can enjoy without being good at them.” ~ Jimmy DeMaret
- “They call it golf because all the other four-letter words were taken.” ~ Raymond Floyd.

QUOTES PROVIDED BY BETTY DOYLE

### KNOW OF A PERSPECTIVE MEMBER

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR BULLETIN BOARD AT THE CEARVIEW GOLF COURSE OR HAVE MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN, FRANK M. SAVARESE 1 -718-423-7693 MAIL YOU ONE.

## Meehan’s Team Scrambles for a Win

The four man best ball scramble is by far one of the premiere events of the year. This year’s event was won by the Meehan Team. The second and third place finishers proved to be the nail biter of the event when the end result between the two places was separated by .25. Congratulations to the following team members:

- 1st Place**—Meehan, Rada, Kopp and Ruth..... (net score 45.00)
- 2nd Place**—Doyle, Albi, Buhl and Aversa..... (net score 46.50)
- 3rd Place**—Sacco, Tobacco, Friedman and Blind .....(net score

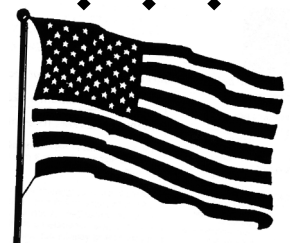
### GOOD AND WELFARE

*Mort Kraus, Chairman*

Our condolences to Ed Bugden whose wife passed away.

Speedy recovery to Rio Okuma

Please call Mort if you hear any news about a past or present member, their family or friend. Thank You.



God Bless America