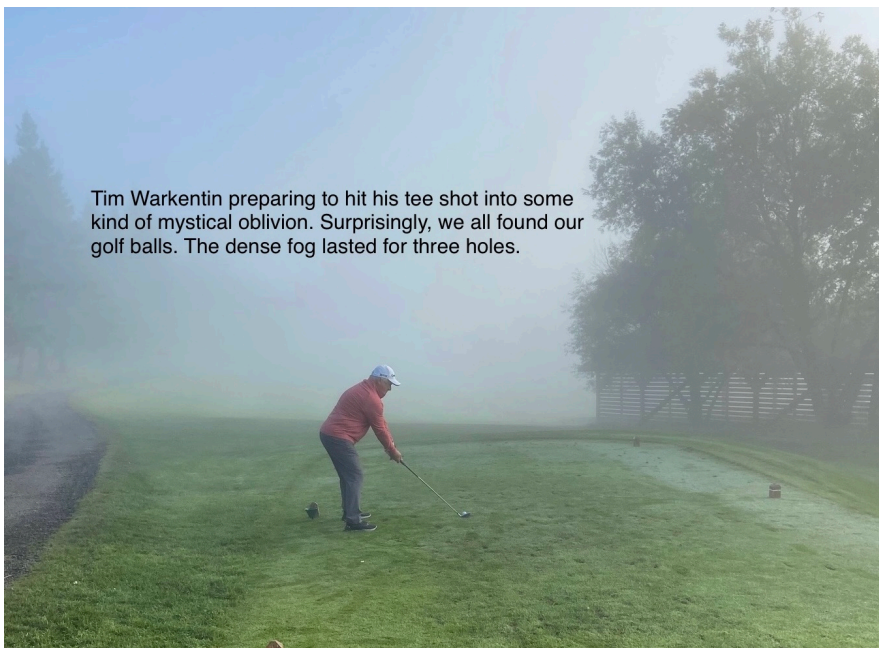


Beauty Bay Golf Course, Senior Men's League, September 9, 2025.

by Bruce Braun

"Golf is a game invented by people who think music comes out of a bagpipe." Lee Trevino.

What a crazy morning. To say that there was some fog when we teed off today would be a dramatic understatement! The competition is now complete. Hurrah! Scorecards have been assembled, and a few sighs of relief were heard. The final scores are tabulated and a select few are in possession of these numbers. Each have been sworn to secrecy. No point in trying to bribe anyone. That is unless you have beer. Beer has been known to twist arms!



Tim Warkentin preparing to hit his tee shot into some kind of mystical oblivion. Surprisingly, we all found our golf balls. The dense fog lasted for three holes.

Next week we will gather for a 10 AM starting time, enjoy a fun scramble, participate in an awards ceremony, then enjoy a meal catered by Blue Water Whole Hog. Sounds like a terrific way to spend a Tuesday and to end our season.

Today we had 57 members doing the best that they can. And despite the competitive nature of today's game, there were certainly a

few laughs. Scores are being withheld until presentation time next week. In the meantime, pat yourself on the back for your successful completion of the final round of the Beauty Bay Senior men's league championship! You are to be congratulated because golf is for not for everyone. I gleaned the following from Dr. Bob Rotella.

"Let's be real-Golf isn't for the faint of heart. Sure, it's beautiful, strategic, social..... But it's also humbling. Brutal, even. If you're looking for a game that makes you feel in control, validated, or "good enough"- this ain't it. Here's why:

1. *You have to fail - a lot. You'll chunk it, blade*



Tim Tuusa with his glow-in-the-fog golf ball.

it, top it, and lose balls that you swear were right there. Golf will expose every ounce of your ego and dare you to come back again. The best golfers aren't the ones who never miss... they are the ones who miss, and swing again anyway.

2. *You have to wait. For your swing to show up. For the foursome in front of you. For the work you've put into to actually pay off. If you need instant gratification, golf will frustrate you to no end. It's a game that rewards patience, not pressure.*
3. *You have to manage your emotions. Golf doesn't care about your mood. Lose your cool? It gets worse. Start blaming your clubs or the course? Still you. Golf forces you to own your own actions and stay present not just for the shot in front of you, but for who you're playing with.*
4. *You have to love the process. There is no mastering this game. There is just refining. There's practicing. There is finding joy in the smallest breakthroughs - a flushed 7 iron, a made par save, a round where you kept your head in it. If you're only here for scorecards and the trophies you will burn out fast.*

So, is golf for everyone? No. But for those who can stomach the struggle, the rewards are unmatched. The friendships, the early mornings, the quiet moments between swings. The slow but undeniable self-growth. That's the real gift."



Next week at our final gathering, I encourage you all to bring your phones (cameras) with you as I present to you the "Group Selfie Challenge." This challenge is for everyone to get a little goofy. We are challenging all the groups playing next week in the fun scramble to submit their own group selfie, so be sure to bring your phone. I would like to assemble the pictures and present them in our

final newsletter of the season. It's hoped that you will take this as a serious request and submit your entry. To do that simply reply to this email (Assuming that's how you got this newsletter). It's not always easy to get adults to be a little silly, but what I have seen so far this season I am quite optimistic! Please include names of your group with your submission. First names is sufficient. Thanks. This should be fun.

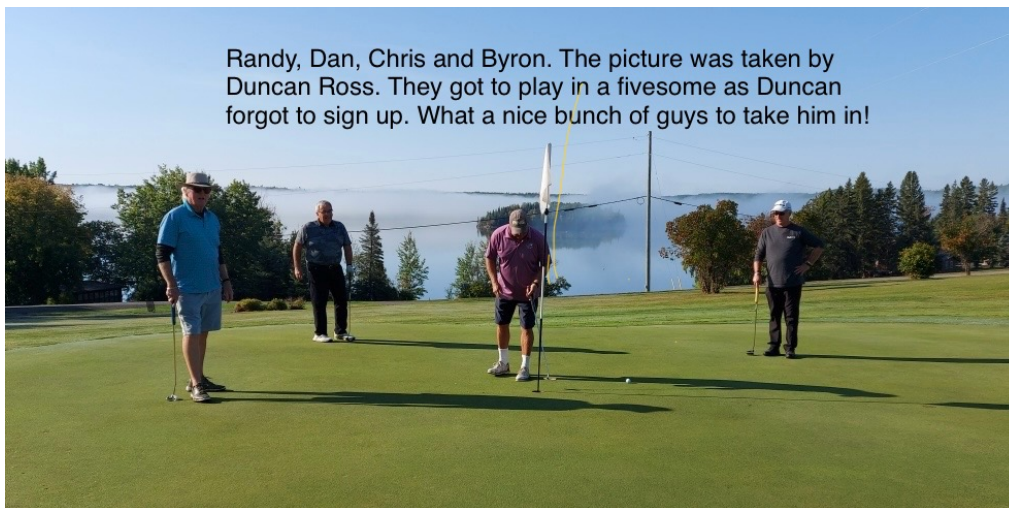
Achievements of the day:

- Number 2 - closest to the cup first shot: Duncan "Holy Cow" Ross.
- Number 7 - Closest to the cup first shot: Wally "Holy Smoke" McLeod.
- Number 8 - longest putt: Bob "Holy Toledo" Calder.
- Number 9 - closest to the pin first shot: Randy "Holy Cricket" Baird.
- Number 10 - closest to the pole: John "Holy Guacamole" Bowiec.
- Number 13 - closest to the cup second shot: Keith "Holy Moly, **IT WENT IN**" Lake.
- Number 14 - closest to the cup first shot: Don "Holy Kamoley" Paterson.
- Number 18 - longest putt: Marty "Holy Mackerel" Poirier.

And, here's a new one called "Honorable Mention." By way of John Palichuk it has become clear that Richard Roy never gets mentioned in this newsletter. Hmmm. How can I fix that?!



This is where Russ Garneys landed his tee shot on number 11. Playing partner, Leo Heyens advocated for a three stroke penalty. Fortunately for Russ kinder hearts prevailed.



Randy, Dan, Chris and Byron. The picture was taken by Duncan Ross. They got to play in a fivesome as Duncan forgot to sign up. What a nice bunch of guys to take him in!

An end of season word from our general manager B McClintock:

"Yet again, it's been a wonderful season working with the Tuesday Senior Mens League. I consider it a personal challenge & enjoy

checking in all the men (50-80+ men) trying to remember all the names and all of their personal nuances.

Example... "I don't need a receipt....I DO want a receipt and you should remember that....I do need a cart...wait, I need a refund because I'm riding with someone from the park.....I don't believe in tap....My warden needs the receipt....My wife spent too much on the card last night so I better get a receipt to check our balance.....etc...." Seriously, it is a pleasure to serve this group every Tuesday. They are respectful, kind and I love their humor.

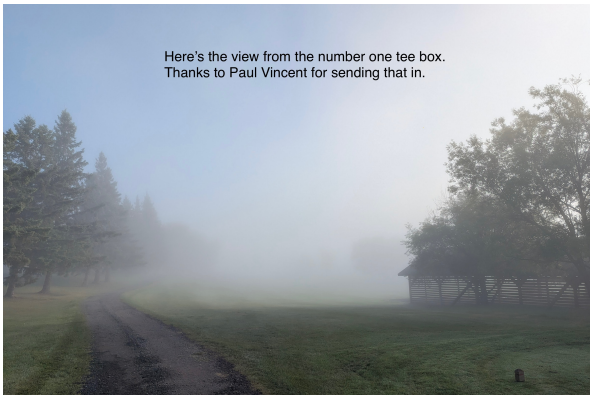
*We strive to keep our green fees & cart rentals reasonable year over year. One way to 'hold' your rate would be to purchase your 2026 membership when it goes on sale after **September 15th**. We honor the 2025 rates and for those who did not purchase a membership in 2025, you are able to golf the rest of the 2025 without any additional fees!*

Punch passes purchased this year at 2025 pricing also remain valid for next year's golf dues.

On behalf of the entire clubhouse & maintenance staff, thanks for continuing to support Beauty Bay Golf Course!

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B mentioned one other thing as a reminder about your Beauty Bay Bucks. Please do not expect change. It is so much easier for staff to know that you are spending all of it!



There is currently nothing further to report on the match play. Gerry Beilner and Tim Tuusa will likely get at their match this week and have their competition completed in time for our season-ending celebration on September 16. By the way, these two men went head-to-head last year in the semi finals. This year, their agents have done their best to delay the final match in an attempt to garner increased angst. TV commercials have shown the two men wrestling on the beach. Yes, I know. Quite the imagination. However, ticket sales have been robust. You can still get yours for \$2500 from the right source. Be wary of scalpers.

Our senior men's club champion will be announced next Tuesday in both the gross score and net score categories. As well, the winners of each flight will be feted. Trophies will be presented to winners in the gross score categories. Sorry, no trophies for net score winners. We also expect to have the match play champion and runnerup



trophies ready to present. By the way, you are welcome to take your trophies home with you should you get one. Nothing says how awesome you are than striking a pose with one elbow on your fireplace mantle and the other hoisting evidence of your victory. It makes a wonderful Christmas card.! Just be sure to return it to the trophy shelf in time for next year.

And here's something to remember... "There is no movement in golf that cannot be made more difficult through diligent study and practice." — Henry Beard

See you next week everybody!