



Gentlemen of the BTC

September 18, 2025

Well, I was not at Italian Day, but I am sure it was a very nice day thanks to our guys Rich Shroeder, George Les, Larry Garrito and anybody else who helped this be a very good event.

As was mentioned in previous newsletters, there was a misprint on this year's schedule. We are playing George Dunne this week (Sept. 23). As I have said before, stay out of the sand traps and you can score on this course.

All I have is a joke. I have only told one so far this year, but this one comes from Jerry Jas:

There is a medical distinction between guts and balls. We've heard colleagues referring to people with guts, or with balls. Do they, however, know the difference between them? Here's the official distinction, straight from the British Medical Journal: Volume 323, page 295. Guts is arriving home late, after a night out with the lads, being met by your wife with a broom and having the guts to ask: Are you still cleaning, or are you flying somewhere? Balls is coming home late after a night out with the lads, smelling of perfume and beer, lipstick on your collar, slapping your wife on the butt and the balls to say, you're next chubby.

I trust this clears up any confusion. Medically speaking, there is no difference in the outcome, both are fatal.

Your secretary,  
DJ

## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Please welcome our latest applicant to the Club:

Bill “Zeke” Zupan, 3720 W. 111<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, IL. Cell # (312) 318-1186

email address: [billzupan@yahoo.com](mailto:billzupan@yahoo.com)

Sponsors: Anthony Serritella and Mike Kampfert

Sincerely,

Jerry Jasinski, Chairman

## Golf News

Check the attached George Dunne sign-up sheet. If you want to play at George Dunne, make sure your name is checked off. If it's not, call the hotline ASAP.

***Don't forget we have a new hotline number.***

If you haven't done so yet please save in your contacts the new

**Golf Hotline Phone Number (815) 242-1597**

Also, if you haven't called in your group for George Dunne next week, please do that right away.

Your Golf Guys,

Anthony Serritella (630) 430-5742

Scott Lee (312) 340-4171

## Sick and Vigil

**Ken Poteracki**, while playing golf today at Phillips Park today suffered a dislocated shoulder and a fracture. Ken was admitted to Rush Copley Medical Center in Aurora, IL. It has not yet been determined if he will need surgery to repair the shoulder. Please keep Ken in your thoughts and pray for his speedy recovery.

## September Birthdays:

Paul Kleinpaste (1), Frank Furman (3), Joe Bonarigo (7), Phil Schlessner (7), Tony Schlessner (7), Jeff Quilici (9), Tom Cleary (10), Ed Chmelar (14), Mike Drabaris (18), Bob O'Connor (19), Dan Lyman (21). Dale Bandauski (23), Ray Bruno (26), Tom Ollenburger (27), Wally Botwinski (28)

Please let us know if we missed any birthdays.

## ITALIAN DAY RECAP (Sept 16, 2025)

Well, the weather was very comfortable, for a change, with an occasional breeze. The day started with 86 players-(45 members and 41 guests) turning out at Glenwoodie Golf Club, at 8:30AM for a Pepper-&-Egg breakfast, courtesy of **George Les**. This year we played a SHAMBLE and used a Peoria handicap system for all. Play commenced with a shotgun start at 10 AM. No complaints of going hungry were heard before the shotgun. Larry Garetto supplied pizza at the turn.

The 12<sup>th</sup> hole was manned by Frank Kossman & John Bondi who collected a \$5 contribution that paid \$10 if you Beat-The-Pro. Jim Van Eck took photos of each foursome as play proceeded on the 14<sup>th</sup> tee (hole-in-One car from Arnie Bauer Auto Group, Ray Buick closed his store on 63<sup>rd</sup> St)) which will soon be displayed on the website, click on "events" tab. Golf continued into the afternoon, and by 3 PM, most of the groups had returned to the Clubhouse. Dinner was served at 3:45 pm then followed by the raffles & golfing awards, and everyone was free to leave by 5:45 PM. Dinner buffet was Italian Sausage & peppers, Chicken Breast, with salad & sides. The cheesecake for desert was courtesy of **George Les**.

We hope everyone enjoyed the day, because the committee worked very hard to pull this one off. The turnout was slightly less than last year, since we had to reschedule the event given the course was flooded on the original date of 8/19. With 18 Hole Sponsor contributions we were able to avoid the club subsidy. As long as the participation continues to be strong, I expect this event & venue will be included in next year's golf season.

Those listed below certainly went way beyond the call of duty. They worked various times during the day, including the awards celebration afterward:

<b>Larry Garetto &amp; George Les</b>	Major donors
<b>Frank Kossman &amp; John Bondi</b>	Beat-The-Pro-#12
<b>Joe Bonarigo (Bob Vivzda)</b>	Cigars
<b>Bob Kennedy</b>	Hole signs & raffle prizes solicitor
<b>Scott Lee &amp; Anthony Serritella</b>	Scoring & Awards
<b>Bob Vizdal &amp; Jim Van Eck</b>	Check-in
<b>Jim Van Eck</b>	Witness for HIO car-14
<b>Larry Garetto</b>	Beggars food table
<b>George Les</b>	Beer keg sponsor, Breakfast and Desert
<b>Osborne 360</b>	Hole Sponsor signs

A special thanks to **Arnie Bauer Auto Group** for sponsoring the hole-in-one car on #14. Be sure to contact them before you buy your next car. Nobody won the car, but there's always next year. Scott Lee also provided a raffle prize, along with Rob Elliot & Corey Rob. The Our Fallen Hero Foundation provided a raffle in support of their charity, promoted by Rob Elliot. All golfers 65 years+ teed off from the green tee box, while all others played from the white tees. The best tee shot was chosen, and each finished the hole with their own ball. Each group was required to use 3 tee shots from each player. A "Peoria Handicap" was calculated and awards were distributed after golf from 2 prize pools, Members & Guests.

Let's not forget the Glenwoodie Staff, **Phil Robbins**, Golf Club Professional & **Clara**-Catering, for coordinating their staff and making the course & banquet the best ever! The course was in fine shape, and **Laurel**, manning the drink cart came by plenty of times to be sure we didn't run thirsty.

More thanks to the members that invited guests to this event. Many members invited 2-7 guests to play, which helps fill out the event. The re-scheduling of the event presented a few challenges, but there were many members that stepped up to fill in the few that had to cancel for various reasons. There is no excuse not to invite a friend to play in next year's outing. This is the BEST golf outing EVER!

There were golf course foursomes & gift cards awarded as this year's door prizes, along with raffle prizes from Al Baldermann, Rob Elliot, Scott Lee, George Les, Gino Maria and Glenwoodie Golf Club. Be sure to buy each of these guys (and the hole sponsors) with a drink while thanking them.

Bill Foster	John Paliga	Jack Parisi	Ron Abramowicz
George Les	Jerry Jasinski	Dale Bandowski	Dick Kerkstra
Gary Foster	Keith Tadevich	Gino Maira	Derek Bay
Larry Garetto	Lee Kaz	Dave Downey	Joe Bonarigo
Rich Schroeder	Al Baldermann	Rob Elliot	Osborne Image360
Larry Gramith/Bob Welsch		Scott Lee/Anthony Serritella	

To wrap things up, I'd like to thank everyone that participated. This year we were slightly short of our goal (120 players were projected). Please tell your guests to visit our website, <https://builderstee.com/specialevents.html>, to print a copy of their 4-some photo (s/b posted by 9/23) and read this copy of the newsletter. If they wish to follow-up with an application, it can also be found there, under the "Club Information" tab. Please feel free to offer your suggestions about this event, and excuse me if you contributed & your name was not mentioned.

All contest winners were paid out at the dinner.

Thanks for your support,

Rich Schroeder & Committee

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There were extra handouts for sale from this year's event. See Rich after golf each week for more information.

Handout package of BTC Golf  
Cap, BTC Golf Towel & BTC  
Cooling Towel \$25, or \$10 each



# 2025 GOLF SCHEDULE

Date		Golf Course	1st Tee Time	
Aug	26	Ravisloe	8:30	
Sept	2	Sanctuary	8:00	<b>Club Championship</b>
Sept	9	Deer Creek	9:00	
Sept	16	Glenwoodie	10:00 Shotgun	Italian Day Redo
Sept	23	George Dunne	8:30	
Sept	30	Ravisloe	8:30	
Oct	7	Green Garden Blue	9:00	Split Tee Times
Oct	14	Waters Edge	8:30	Split Tee Times
Oct	21	Naperbrook	TBD	Split Tee Times
Oct	28	Silver Lake	10:00	Shotgun Start