



CLUB UPDATE

Two-stroke penalty for missing my tee time....

May was quite the month around The Freeport Club, and that has resulted in my being later than usual with this month's Tee Sheet! So I thank you for your patience. I know just how much you look forward to the best read of the month!



With the weather making a turn for the better, we have been seeing a remarkable uptick in activity in and around The Freeport Club. From rounds on the course, to graduation parties & weddings, it has been nothing short of hopping! This is all very exciting, and we look forward to more of the same as we close out the month of June!

A couple of quick reminders:

- Our fan favorite Grill Your Own is back for another season. Join us each Wednesday evening and grill your own steak while mingling with friends and family!
- Couples Twilights & Music on the Patio are back as well. Be sure to check out all the latest happenings on our newly introduced event calendar, conveniently located on the homepage of our website.
 - 6/26- Safari Couples Twilight
 - 6/28- M.O.P.- "Lady and the Tramp"

UPCOMING EVENTS

6/13- Durand Youth Golf Outing

6/23-Sen. Chesney Outing

6/26- Safari Couples Twilight

6/28- Music on the Patio #1

We look forward to seeing you all summer long!

-Rich Rosenstiel

Golf Tip

Did you know that worrying about specific pin positions/zones is one of the most overrated pieces of golf information out there? It's true! Knowing pin positions is nice, but in reality, almost all recreational golfers should focus on the center of the green. Focusing on specific pin positions only adds unnecessary pressure to executing your shot. Focusing on the middle of the green substantially increases your target area, which in turn increases your success rate!

Increased success rates = Increased confidence
Increased confidence = Decreased scores

Mousie's on the Blvd.

School is out, and summer is upon us! That means graduation party and wedding season is officially underway.

Mousie's has been very busy hosting the aforementioned and we would love to host your event too!

If you or someone you know is looking to host an event at the best venue in the area, please reach out as we would love to chat!

Corporate Spotlight

HELM GROUP

The Helm Way. Building Trust Through Exceptional Performance!

For more than 75 years, Helm has been at the forefront of construction and engineering in the Midwest, providing top-tier services across various industries. A family-owned business founded in Freeport, Illinois, we are driven by a commitment to excellence and believe that our people are our greatest asset. Guided by our core values of integrity, innovation, and collaboration, we're dedicated to building a legacy of quality projects, meaningful partnerships and impactful community engagement. We don't just build structures, we build lasting relationships and trust with our clients, partners, and communities.

STATE BANK FREEPORT

Welcome to State Bank, your locally owned and operated community bank.

From the beginning, we have dreamed of starting and growing a community bank devoted to helping customers the right way. We believe in one-on-one, warm, personal attention offered with contemporary products. All of this is provided by knowledgeable, friendly, professional bankers who are committed to serving our community. Today, we continue to research new products and services in order to meet the changing needs of our customers. Since opening our doors in 1999 we have come to provide such value-added products as online and mobile banking, identity theft protection, cash management services, and much more. One thing that hasn't changed over the years is our unique style of doing business provided by the area's most experienced team of professional employees. We are a bank that is far more committed to customers than most. It's that independent spirit that allows us to provide banking with yesterday's attitude and tomorrow's services.



What is with all the little holes in the greens..?

Letting them breathe!

Putting surfaces require a ridiculous amount of care throughout the entire golf season. Sometimes it is even hard to remember that putting greens are actually real grass! Imagine setting your lawnmower to the absolute lowest setting possible (1-1.5in), and then mowing your yard all summer long. Now set your mower 8x lower! When put in that perspective, it truly is amazing how resilient putting greens can be throughout the dog days of a Midwest summer!

So why the holes..?

Occasionally, putting greens need what is known as needle-tining (“venting”)! A special machine is used to drive small metal knives into the turf leaving small holes behind. This process provides many benefits as it pertains to enhancing overall turf health:

- Allows moisture to reach deep into the root system.
- Helps remove thatch from the top layer of the green, thus reducing compaction.
- Provides the greens an opportunity to “breathe” by providing vital oxygen to the root zone.

Needle-Tining

So while we know that needle-tining temporarily disrupts what may have seemed like perfectly manicured putting surfaces, we can assure you, skipping these important turf-health practices will most certainly result in long-term issues with our putting surfaces.

Depending on weather and turf conditions, needle-tining is typically only required about two or three times per season. Fortunately, the bounce back times are usually pretty quick (7-10 days).

So as we work our way through what is sure to be a great golf season, we wanted to shed a little light on some of the horticultural practices you may experience through the year.