

SIGNAL POINT GOLF CLUB

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2024 NEWSLETTER

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Annual Business Meeting
– 3/22 @ Clubhouse
6:30pm
- Three Board Member
positions up for election
- Opening Day Breakfast –
4/14 @ Clubhouse 10am

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT JOEY DIEKHANS

2023 was another great year at Signal Point. As you have all seen, there have been many changes over the past year. We have a new patio addition that was made possible by donations from the Montana Grain Elevators Association and CHS Big Sky. The patio will serve as a lasting memorial to Paul Clark. We also built a new cold storage area behind the clubhouse to store all of our beverages. Connor and Larry have our new chipping green looking great. The tree project has also been continuing. The trees are starting to deteriorate quite rapidly. We are planning to start planting new trees this spring to begin the process of replacing the old ones. We will also be purchasing 10 more new golf cars this spring. The board would like to thank the Lippard-Clawiter foundation for their generous \$30,000 grant to help with this purchase. Their continued partnership with SPGC is greatly appreciated.

At the annual meeting in March, the board has put forth a motion for the membership to vote on the fate of the pine tree on #4. There are arguments to keep the tree, as well as removing it. If you have a strong feeling either way, please attend the meeting so your voice can be heard.

There are also three board member positions up for election. If you'd like to be placed on the ballot, contact Mimi or Orry for an application.

I would like to thank all of our employees for making Signal Point all that it is, and all of you for your support of Signal Point Golf Club.

Lastly, I'd like to take a moment to thank Landon Taylor for stepping in and stepping up to be our Clubhouse Manager last year. We truly appreciate all that you have done for the course over the years, especially last year. We wish you well in your new endeavor and we hope to see still you around the course, whether working a little or just playing a round or two!

"We at Signal Point Golf Club are so grateful to our volunteers, staff, and members. We are looking forward to another great year with all of you."

CONNOR'S CORNER – A YEAR IN REVIEW

Our 2023 golf season got off to a great start with multiple timely spring rain storms. This helped to green up the course quickly in April and we were able to keep the course in good shape throughout the summer. Thank you to all the members who helped with different projects at the golf course last summer, we could not have completed all of them without you. We added two new tee boxes and removed a fairway bunker, to hopefully enhance every golfer's experience at Signal Point. The chipping green was seeded in August and has grown in great; it will be ready in May of 2024. Last winter we were able to trim over 100 cottonwood trees, and plan to continue our project again this winter. I could not do any of it without my amazing crew, Larry Kline, Justin Cartwright, Landon Lee, and Bryson Bahnmitter. Larry put in a lot of time last winter helping to trim trees and clean up the mess. He and the rest of my staff work very hard to keep the golf course in great condition.

I walked the course one early winter morning and everything looks good so far. The greens and tee boxes still had some green grass showing due to the warm weather we experienced last fall. We have hand watered the greens a couple times this fall, due to the lack of rain or snow. Hopefully things will change as we get closer to spring. Either way, I know we will have the course ready to go in time for golf season. Thank you to all the members for your compliments and words of encouragement which keep us motivated. I look forward to seeing all of you at Signal Point next season.

CLUBHOUSE COMMENT

Signal Point Golf Club would like to thank you all for your support in the 2023 golf season. The golf course had a very successful 2023 year and it is all because of our members and supporters. Signal Point Golf Club hosted a total of 20 tournaments this year; 18 of which had a full field. With help from the Montana Grain Elevators Association, we were able to extend our patio which will serve as a memorial for Paul Clark. In addition, our president and grounds crew worked diligently to build and provide a new walk-in storage area behind the clubhouse. This will allow us to store more drinks and give us a designated room in the clubhouse for club gripping/club repair. Signal Point also hosted its first club fitting day this year with our friends from Callaway. Due to the great turnout and phenomenal support, we can look forward to having them back again next year. Our grounds crew has done a great job this season maintaining the course, adding tee boxes, and cleaning up the trees; some say it is the best the course has ever looked. Our annual youth golf camp, put on by PGA Professional, Bill Larson, had a record turnout of 30+ junior golfers. With the help of a junior golf grant, we were able to purchase 8 sets of junior golf clubs to better equip our growing population of youth golfers. We at Signal Point Golf Club appreciate all of your support and all you do for us! We look forward to seeing all of you again in spring of 2024!

SIGNAL POINT GOLF CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MARCH 2024

Joey Diekhans, President	Term Expires 03/2024
Orry Fruit	Term Expires 03/2024
Sarah Olson	Term Expires 03/2024
Raymond Gonzalez	Term Expires 03/2025
Julie Lenington	Term Expires 03/2025
Rex Baack, Vice President	Term Expires 03/2026
Jake Parchen	Term Expires 03/2026

Secretary/Treasurer – Mary A. “Mimi” Heydon

2024 ANNUAL FEE SCHEDULE

<u>Member Type</u>	<u>\$100 Certificate</u>	<u>Non-Certificate</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Carts</u>
Family	\$675.00	\$710.00	\$500.00 New	Inside \$450.00
Couple	\$580.00	\$625.00		Outside \$345.00
Single	\$450.00	\$485.00	\$330.00 New	
College			\$215.00	
Student			\$120.00	
Senior 70+	\$350.00	\$385.00		
Senior Couple	\$485.00	\$515.00		

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