



April, 2015

As one of the oldest golf courses in Oregon, the Neskowin course has been a vital part of our community life for over 80 years. We take for granted that we will see tees, fairways and greens each summer. Maybe like your family, generations of Neskowin families have learned to play golf on our unique 9-hole course. Today this coastal gem is at risk and its loss would be keenly felt. After hearing last summer that the owner, Tom Clark, did not intend to open the course in 2015, a group of concerned community members pulled together to save this piece of our shared history for now and into the future. After months of meetings and many hours of work, we have a plan. It is time to ask for your help.

With legal counsel, the golf course committee formed a non-profit corporation, developed an operating plan for the course, negotiated a lease/purchase contract with the owner, and has a vision for the future. The big job at hand is to gather contributions, large and small, toward the effort to purchase the golf course. These contributions will be in exchange for memberships. Since summer is approaching, time is of the essence.

The entire Neskowin community, surrounding areas, golfers and non-golfers, and businesses will benefit by keeping this beautiful attraction thriving.

Recreation attraction: For business owners (motels, restaurants, farmer's market, grocery store) property owners, renters and tourists, the golf course is a huge draw and brings needed dollars into our community. More people will say, "Let's go to the beach!" For homeowners, the value of our properties will continue to be enhanced.

Community development: For 83 years the golf course has been the heart and soul of Neskowin. It can be more. The intent is to use the clubhouse as a community gathering place, venue for meetings, family events, a place to get an ice cream, movie night and youth programs. With effort, it will be a well-maintained, restored golf course with more play for everyone.

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"When I was 19, and a student at Reed College in Portland, I learned to play golf at Neskowin. I have so many special memories of those summers."

– Barbara Callahan, age 94

"I've been playing this course since I was a youngin'. My Great Great Grandfather designed the course with preserving the natural aesthetics of the environment in mind. Favorite hole has to be the lookout point Par 3!"

– Joshua Kay, great grandson of Ercel Kay

"Four generations of our family have played this amazing course. My Dad's ashes are scattered at his favorite place in the world...the high tee on #7. Count on us for help!"

– Dave Thomas

"Some in this part of the Neskowin "community" are already asking what they can do to support their beloved golf course." – Tom Williams, Neskowin and Friends

"Cool! My family owned NBGC from 1969-1978."

– Mark Carbaugh

"Awesome. Kudos to all of you, as well as gratitude."

– Susie David Oswald

We must take action now! The golf committee has done all the work so far, establishing the business and creating a plan. Putting the plan into action is your part. We have a goal of raising one million dollars to purchase the course property and have initial operating funds. In very simple terms, we need 200 families contributing \$5,000 each to reach the goal. Other contribution amounts are not only appreciated but absolutely necessary to fulfill the purchase agreement by Labor Day, 2015. It will all add up to success. The community has rallied for several worthy causes in the past and we are counting on that spirit now.

Sincerely,



Tom Eaton, *Golf Course Committee Chairman*

Committee members:

Robin Crowell	Kacey Joyce
Susan Amort	Brig Walton
Lyle Rowland	Alex Sifford
Pam Rowland	Michael Knapp
Susan Linman	Laurie Braich
Jeff Linman	Tom Eaton
Lynne Saxton	Matt Wilkinson
Cathleen Callahan	

P. S. Without your contribution, the future of the golf course is at risk. Please help to preserve the Neskowin Golf Course for generations to come. Contribute today! Your contribution qualifies you for membership in Neskowin Beach Golf Course, a non-profit 501(c)7. Contributions to a 501(c)7 are not tax deductible.

"Where I learned to play golf!"
– Rick Barde

"I love this course!! Lots of memories." – Pamela Paquette

"Go, Neskowin golfers!"
– Susan Rennie

"You should really set up a go fund me so I can donate some money toward the purchase of the golf course."
– Jamie Hall

"Thanks for your hard work. It would be a shame to lose this." – Nancy Eaton

"Yes, keep this course going. Many memories."
– Marlene Wellin