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"The best little golf club in the world where good folks get together and enjoy each other."

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Greetings OCC Members and Supporters,

Happy New Year! Welcome to the 2022 OCC season!

Local folks are out on the snow-covered course enjoying the winter beauty of the course, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and sliding. We know many of you are keeping your swing in shape in warm and sunny areas of the country, and those here in the kingdom are hoping to be back on the course in April, just 3 months away.

OCC experienced another positive year in 2021. We ended the season with 349 members! Everyone plays a part in building our membership and is contributing to our success. Along the way we are also building new friendships, experiencing increased lively games and spreading the word about how special OCC is!

Although we have endured some restrictions due to the pandemic, OCC has continued to invest in our clubhouse, course and facilities. Here are a just a few of the investments and improvements we have made over the last 2 years and for 2022. Many have been possible through the generous donations from members of time, resources, and money and some are budgeted items.

- New Pro Shop floor
- New Pro Shop stoop
- Repaired sill and windows in the banquet room
- New door to ladies locker room and new ladies locker room bathroom
- Upgraded irrigation control panels to improve water distribution and automate system
- New tees on Holes #1 and #14
- Acquired utility cart for course crew
- 45 new gas carts for 2022
- Facelift to the bar
- Repaired gas ovens in kitchen
- New water heater
- New shelter and water station for practice range
- New range ball picker
- New golf course entrance sign on RT. 58

We remain focused and are striving to provide everyone with a great place to work and play. We all know prices have gone up for everyone due to the pandemic and to be responsible we have made some minor increases in our fees. We have also revised the age of our Golden Membership to 70 from 75. Our continued goal is to keep costs for members in check while supporting our dedicated and hardworking staff and offering top notch play.

Included in this mailing are the [2022 Membership Application](#), the [2022 New Member Application](#) and the [Member Benefits for 2022](#). These forms are also available on our web site, www.orleanscc.com. Our 'New Member' offer remains available to anyone who was not a member of OCC in 2021. The [30-Mile](#), 'as the crow flies', membership remains available and can be found on the website. Please read the restrictions closely for details on this offer.

Membership Fees can be paid by check or credit card in full, or in 2, 3, or 4 installments, with **early bird rates in effect through Monday, May 2nd**. If you have questions, please call either 802-754-2370 (Irene) or 617-833-0258 (Carol) for clarification. Please take time to review the Member Benefits for 2022 to check out [Members Only](#) special offers and discounts.

Thanks to Irene, our website, www.ortleanscc.com continues to be a great resource, offering a wealth of information about the course, a calendar of leagues, tournaments, and events, membership forms, and additional offerings to our members and the community. Make sure to check out the website, recommend it to friends, and give us your feedback.

The Board of Directors extends their thanks and appreciation to the outside and inside OCC staff for their efforts in 2021 to promote a welcoming environment and ensure the course offered the best play conditions and customer services, regardless of any challenges. We are extremely fortunate to have dedicated, hardworking, and skilled professionals on staff.

We are very pleased to report Josh Olney, our PGA Pro and General Manager will return for 2022 and will continue to help lead OCC to further success and stability. He and his Pro Shop staff maintain a solid focus on supporting the membership, marketing the club and keeping the flow of daily play running smoothly.

Frank Barsalow, Course Superintendent will be returning for 2022 as well. Frank and his outside crew take great pride in their work and once again provided members and guests with top notch conditions for play, and received numerous compliments for their efforts.

Inside, Allison Labor, Bar Manager and her limited wait staff consistently provided valuable customer service and a friendly atmosphere to all. Allison will be returning as wait staff in 2022, however family obligations will prevent her from assuming the Bar Manager responsibilities. Paul Merrill, Kitchen Manager, provided us with a tasty menu and managed to cover all of our events with minimal assistance. We are hopeful Paul will return in the spring. Please send anyone interested in the Bar Manager position to Josh as well as anyone that might be looking for work in the kitchen. OCC, like all businesses right now, will struggle to find qualified staff and we implore you to assist in any way possible in our search.

The **Annual Meeting of the Corporation** is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 26th**. We will offer the opportunity for remote access for the meeting, with the link being sent out in early April. We have 4 Board members up for re-election this year: Mark Faust, Doug Bonneau, Darryl Davis, and Sandy Floersheim. If you are interested in running for a seat on the Board at the Annual Meeting of the Corporation, please let Carol know so that your name is on the ballot.

There are endless ways to contribute to the success of OCC..... join a committee, bring on a new member, help with a tournament, help with a fund raising event, volunteer, offer feedback and suggestions. Whatever you can offer will benefit OCC. If you have any questions, have ideas, or need assistance, please contact a Board member or Josh.

This is your club, a very special place, a jewel of the kingdom that we want to see thrive. We want others to enjoy and experience it too. Please continue to promote OCC at every opportunity. Together, building our membership and creating memorable golf experiences contributes to our financial health and helps us achieve our goals. COVID has significantly changed our daily lives over the past two+ years, however as we plan and prepare for the upcoming golf season let's stay positive and pull together to make our 94th year as memorable and successful as last year!

We hope everyone had Happy Holidays and that the year ahead is a great one for you and yours. We look forward to seeing everyone back at OCC for the 2022 season, enjoying play on our beautiful course, socializing in our facilities and spending special times with friends and family. Thank you to all our members, staff, patrons and volunteers who help us continue to provide a rich and enjoyable experience year after year!

Sincerely,

Carol Boucher, (Secretary) on behalf of the OCC Board of Directors