

My Club 9 Memories

by Les



Happy 25th Anniversary **CLUB 9 !!!**

Really?

Well, maybe not exactly 25th. - I don't really know, but it may be close. Close enough to



Dave Roberts told me some time ago, there was no Club 9 in 1992, when they moved to Nico Wynd. It means, it started later. Maybe, 2-3 years later? I don't know. But it was before 1998, as we can see in a photo of a trophy below. The trophy shows the first award in 1998.

An example of the club's rating and the leaderboard from 2006 is included at the end. Remember, in that time, all players were 15 years younger.

This is a picture showing the link between the Memorial and the Club 9. The text on the trophy is:

-1996-
 E. KURDIS
 -1999-
 G. DAVIES
 -2000-
 R. DOCKSTADT
 -2001-
 F. FRIESEN
 -2002-
 JEN BALL
 -2003-
 LES ELIAS
 -2005-
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REX CLEVELY MEMORIAL
 1900 WYND CLUB TRIM
 LOW NET

2006

As time went on, and we were graciously aging, the Club 9 game was changing to a game for fun only, with no scores and handicaps recorded. Just as it is now. A very popular fun nine-hole game.

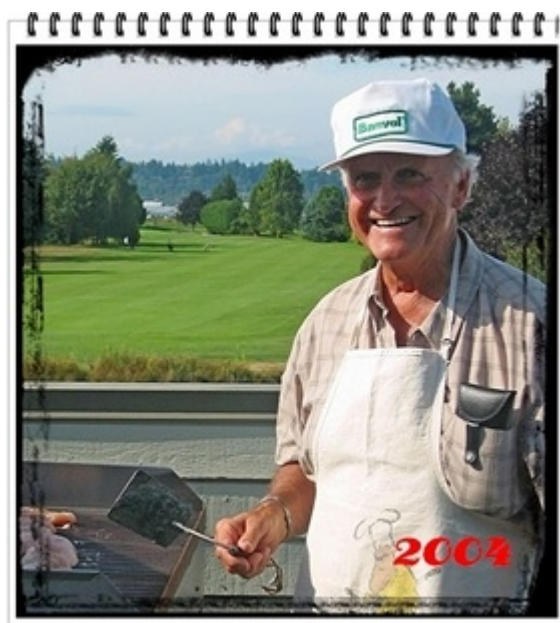
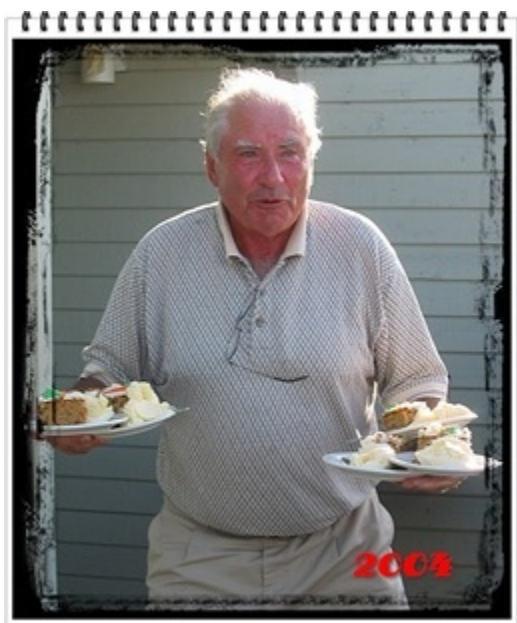
Bob Kurys wrote in “2007 Spring” issue of Nico Wynd Newsletter: *...the Club 9 was organized by Dave Roberts and Archie Miller...* There were few more Niners, helping running Club 9 in the past, including Bob. All of them were long time ago outlasted by one and only – Moe Larter. It seems, he will have no competitors for his position for a long time.

But the Club was not about golf only. It also was about good times we had, every time we met for the dinners.

Sometimes it used to look like that we were on a liquid diet:



But it was misleading. We liked good food as well. In the past, it used to be prepared and served by our, now most senior Niners. We appreciated it – who wouldn't? Freshly prepared barbecued steaks with deserts.



Later, we were using services of our clubhouse kitchen. Different food every time. Take a look at the plates, as served in different years.



As you can see, our diet was changing over the years. Then, slowly, as we were aging, we started to eat less and lighter. And cheaper. Then, one year, Moe surprised us all. He ordered large selection of pizzas.



Everybody could choose different pizzas, as much as he wanted. And - it still was combined with our traditional – beer and wine. It was welcomed by everybody. Since then, Pizzas are our special of the day every time we get together.

We had good times playing golf. We had good times at the tables with good food... After the meal, we had good times talking about anything. Then, Moe found good reasons to give away prizes and bottles of wine. Different brands of wine in different years. Finally he presented **Club 9** red wine to us. You couldn't get in the stores.

There are so many pictures, which could be inserted here to show everybody having fun and enjoying good times. Here is just one example:



Our golf was good, or - maybe - not so bad. But we all wanted to play better, to improve our swing. We were lucky, we got help from inside, from our Niner, Wayne Maier. Once he showed us how to practice to improve our swings. And... the lesson was free.



Time went by every year. And we were getting older. Our liquid diet got smaller, but more frequent, on the course. We drink from smaller glasses, but we drink almost anything. Whatever is offered.



I didn't want to write the history of the Club 9. I just wanted to remind us, how lucky and happy we are to have our CLUB 9. There are thousands of photos in AFTER GOLF albums in mynicowynd.com - if you want to look back, as you, as we were.... Les



CLUB 9 LEADERBOARD 2006

	NAME	# GAMES	LOW SCORE	HIGH SCORE	AVERAGE SCORE	9 HOLE HANDICAP
1	FREEZE AL	12	36	39	37.17	2
2	KURYS BOB	27	34	41	37.81	3
3	WALKER BILL	23	36	43	39.43	4
4	TYLER HERB	13	37	44	39.69	4
5	LARTER MOE	34	34	44	39.79	4
6	ZSOLDOS LES	40	37	46	41.28	6
7	GIRVAN JACK	37	37	45	41.73	6
8	INKPEN WAYNE	23	37	47	41.96	6
9	PARSONS MILES	8	41	44	42.63	7
10	PARNO AL	13	38	46	42.85	7
11	MOFFAT ARNIE	3	42	45	43.00	7
12	CONROY PETER	31	39	47	43.03	7
13	ELIAS LES	27	37	49	43.26	7
14	SHEPHERD ALAN	26	39	47	43.46	8
15	McFARLING SHANE	15	37	47	43.47	8
16	FENSSLEIN PETER	20	40	47	43.50	8
17	ELLIOTT BILL	11	41	46	43.55	8
18	ALLISON RON	31	37	48	43.97	8
19	McDONALD LARRY	4	41	49	44.25	8
20	THORSTEINSON BILL	29	41	48	45.00	9
21	BAILEY BILL	29	42	48	45.48	9
22	MILLER ARCHIE	24	41	49	45.75	10
23	FORTIN JACK	28	41	50	46.46	10
24	ASHENHURST ED	35	41	49	46.54	10
25	COTTRELL DAVID	9	42	51	46.78	11
26	BAKER DICK	35	39	52	46.89	11
27	STEWART JIM	23	43	52	47.91	12
28	MITTEN LEN	29	43	53	48.48	12
29	KURBIS ERNIE	38	42	53	48.79	12
30	ROBERTS DAVE	25	45	55	50.72	14
31	DAVIES GLAN	14	47	57	52.57	16
32	TANNER AUBREY	28	46	60	53.18	16
33	RUDL JOHN	8	53	66	58.75	21
34	RUSSELL WALLY	23	51	64	58.87	21
35	BARTY TOM	33	53	67	60.52	23
36	WILSON BOB	3	60	62	61.33	24