



**Wawashkamo Golf Club  
2026 Annual Meeting  
August 25, 2026**

**Call to order:** 11:00 AM

The Annual Meeting of the Wawashkamo Golf Club was called to order by Board President, Perry Calandrino. Members present and proxies received prior to the meeting satisfied a quorum for conducting business. The minutes of the previous annual meeting were approved as written.

**Pro Shop Report:** Chuck Olson

State of the club through August. Early season was not great weather wise but since the middle of July it's been much better. Later start than usual. Down about 400 rounds for the year through the end of July. A sizable amount was member rounds. All of the tournament play was very good. From the membership side of things, we are in a positive position. Rounds will be down this year, most likely due to the slow start. Even with crappy weather we got all the events in! Junior golf - numbers good - 22 for the championship and cookout. Karen and Ron cooked. Most kids are from the Island rather than just members kids. Speaks toward our goal of grooming more Island members. Merchandise sales good. Mid-October should show us in similar position as usual. New carts: a big expense but they have not shown any problems. Are reliable and will continue to be for the six year lease. Regarding the lithium batteries, we don't have to water them. Lower maintenance for storage. Tyler has been a successful add for the team. He is interested in coming back. 2024 nearly 7000 rounds. This year 6000-6500. When Chuck started it was about 3500. Revenue over the course of his 15 year career at Wawashkamo has grown by approximately 3X. Of course expenses have gone up as well, but there has been progress. Membership has grown from around 100 to 150. Expresses appreciation for the support and the Liberty Ball program.

Additionally Chuck fielded a question regarding the storage of the new carts and he says he will consult with the manufacturer to determine the proper level of battering charging for season storage.

**Superintendent's Report:** Karen O'Dell (in her own words):

"I would like to begin by sincerely thanking everyone here for their generous support for the golf course and their commitment to the quality of the playing conditions. This has never been more evident than this season by getting 2 extra employees for the maintenance staff. We

have been able to get many more small projects done this year and keep up on the general maintenance of the course. I hope that the extra effort and labor hours have met your expectations.

Marvin and Mario arrived here the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in April, just a couple of days after Ron and I arrived. They came to us from Boyne Mountain where they had been working all winter. Their home country is El Salvador. Ryan Macy from the Island House was most helpful in getting all of the legal paperwork done and making sure they arrived when we needed them. From the moment they arrived they jumped right into learning the job with excitement. They were trained to mow greens, tees, collars, approaches, rake weed and edge bunkers, weed whipping, tree trimming, flower planting and I'm sure many other things. Each new job they learned, they took pride in doing it to the best of their ability. They have been a pleasure to work with as they learn quickly, have great work ethic, they are very nice people, and they take pride in their assigned jobs. They have 2 more years left on their Visa and they would like to return next season.

Once again, we had a wet spring with the usual holes being flooded from heavy snow and excessive spring rain. We had to bring out the boards for number 2 again this year to get through the wet area. After the area dried out, Ron and the boys were able to haul in a bunch of soil to the low spots along the woods edge and get it seeded. Hopefully if we need to use the boards again, this area will be high enough to keep them out of the flooding. Phil Porter has suggested a more permanent solution of running a cart path on the inside of the woods on 2.

We were able to keep the course in really good shape throughout the season. We went from drought to heavy rain and back to drought many times this season – add in many 80 plus daytime temps and 70's at night. With properly timed fertilizer and spray applications we were able to keep most disease issues in check and keep the course healthy throughout the tough conditions.

We have all worked hard this year and I am very proud of the course this season. The staff were fantastic and we all worked as a team to get the jobs done. I would like to thank each of them for their effort and hard work.

I would also like to thank Chuck and Tyler for their hard work and dedication to Wawashkamo this season. Without getting sentimental – with Chuck retiring I will not only be losing a co-worker of 15 years, but I will also be losing a dear friend. Thanks for everything you have done for the club and for me personally. You will be missed.”

#### **Financial Report:** Mark Fleisher

The financial report to date can be found on the Members Only page of the Club website.

#### **New Business:**

Member Directory: Nancy Trivisonno reported that an updated member directory will be heading to the printers soon and will also be available in the Members Only section of the Club website. If you have contact information that you feel may need to be corrected or have information you do NOT want to appear in the directory, please contact Nancy as soon as possible at [ntrivisonno@gmail.com](mailto:ntrivisonno@gmail.com)

New Pro Search: A committee has been formed consisting of Todd Callewaert, Phil Porter, Kelly Rayment, Perry Calandrino & Patrick McTigue to search for Chuck's replacement upon his retirement at the end of this season. The committee has been interviewing candidates and will be able to announce the results of their search before the end of the year.

Chuck's Retirement: A reminder of Chuck's retirement party being hosted by the Emorys on September 11th was noted. Please RSVP via your email invitations.

**New Board Members:** Todd Callewaert, as head of the Nominating Committee presented the slate of candidates for the four open positions on the board of directors. An email was sent out previously to the membership with bios of the candidates they had identified for the positions. The candidates included the current secretary of the board, Kelly Rayment, submitted for re-election to a second term; Perry Calandrino, the current president of the board, submitted for re-election to a third term; Charlie Olson, submitted for his first term to fill a vacancy; and Craig Steensma, also submitted for his first term to fill a vacancy. A vote was taken of the members present and their proxies and the slate of candidates was approved unanimously.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 11:34 AM

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly Rayment, Secretary