

## May Meeting at Royal St. Patricks

By Brett Grams, WGCSA Chapter Manager

Attendees of the May 17th golf meeting at Royal St. Patrick's GC in Wrightstown, WI were greeted with windy but sunny weather. Although not ideal golf conditions it was much better than the snow that caused our first golf event to be canceled just a month earlier. The lousy spring golfing weather in WI was a common topic of discussion as our educational topic got underway. Our own Dr. Jim Kerns of the University of Wisconsin – Madison was our featured speaker. His presentation was titled "Hit'em Hard and Hit'em Early" referring that preventing out breaks of Dollar Spot, Take-All Patch, and Fairy Ring is best done by the proper timing of fungicide applications before symptoms are seen. The informative session was a review of each of these diseases and centered on identifying timing the preventative applications to control symptoms as the turf goes into stressful periods later in the season. As always Dr. Kerns had a great presentation and answered questions as we had a great burger and brat lunch prior to heading out on the course.

The shotgun start of the event found 44 golfers ready to get a chance to play the links style golf course. Our host Superintendent Hank Koss was able to have the course groomed to summer like conditions and the links style course was certainly challenging with the stronger winds. The course was opened in 2003 and features many links style features most noticeably the fescue swept rolling terrain. The course also combines water carries over and

around numerous ponds. The course is spread out and meanders through the large property which is also being developed for real estate. The course is just off busy highway 41 and halfway between Green Bay and Appleton. The modern clubhouse was a great place for our meeting and the course also has a large practice facility with driving range and short game area that is used extensively.

The golf event was a two-person best ball format. In the net division Randy Dupont and Todd Fregein were our champions with a 62. Second place went to Ryan Knick and Kenton Rhoades with a 63 while Phil Spitz and Cubby O'Brien finished 3rd with a 64. The gross division saw the low score of 75 by Gene and Chris Hogden take top prize. Trailing just behind in second place was Scott Bushman and Peter Meyer with a 76. Ed Witkowski and Rod Johnson were just one shot back in 3rd with a 77. The flag events were won by Scott Bushman (closest to pin #4), Tim Schmidt (long drive #7), Joe Sell (long putt #9), Jim Kerns (long drive #14), and Jack Schwichtenberg (closest second shot). Congratulations go to Greg Kallenberg who won the closest to the pin prize on the 12th hole with his first ever Hole-In-One! The WGCSA, members, and guest of the event would like to thank the Event Sponsors. This support and generosity provides the funding for the great prizes and awards at all of our events. THANK YOU SPONSORS!

## Coming Events!

**Monday September 19th - Wee One Fundraiser @ Pine Hills C.C. Sheboygan**

**Fri Oct 7th and Sat Oct 8th - WGCSA Couples Weekend @ Minocqua CC, Minocqua, WI (w/NGLGCSA)**

**Monday October 3rd - WTA Fundraiser @ Oconomowoc GC, Oconomowoc, WI**

**Tues Nov 15th & Wed Nov 16th - WGCSA Golf Turf Symposium @ American Club, Kohler**

**Feb 27 to March 2 - GCSAA Educational Conference and Golf Industry Show - Las Vegas, NV**

## 5/17 MEETING AT ROYAL ST. PATRICK'S GC



EDUCATIONAL SPEAKER:  
**DR. JIM KERNS**

TOPIC:  
**HIT'EM HARD & HIT'EM EARLY**  
TIMING PREVENTATIVE DISEASE APPLICATIONS



Greg Kallenberg (L) being congratulated by  
Scott Bushman (R) for his first ACE!



Gross Champions Chris (L) and Gene (R) Hogden



HOSTS:  
**HANK KOSS - SUPT.**  
**ROD LESNICK - ASST. SUPT.**

The WGCSA and Attendees would like to thank our Sponsors for this Meeting.

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Phila Spitz (L) and Cubby O'Brien proving that is fun coming in 3rd!