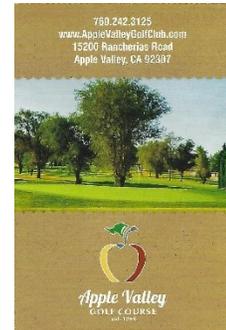
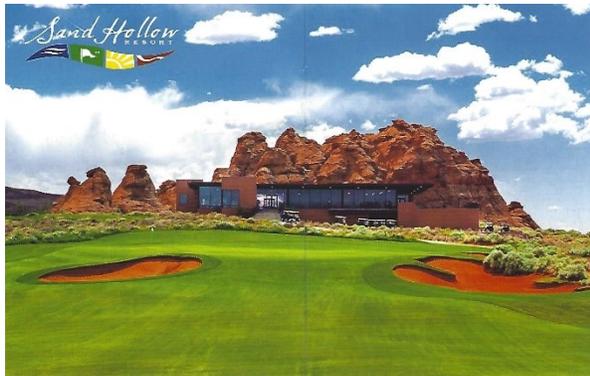


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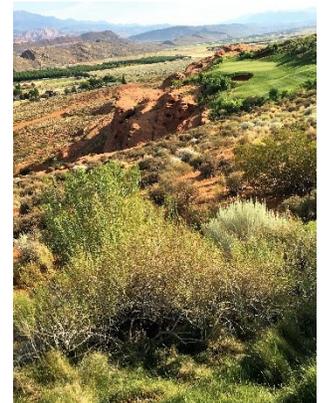
7-9-17 APPLE VALLEY GC (J 101) There was a full moon on the drive here, got out early 7 AM with Song Kim and Bobby the twotime club champ. Frank Sinatra and company or maybe it was Bob Hope and company anyway some celebrities supposedly played here occasionally on their way to Las Vegas. The course is absolutely flat, so I do not know what my excuse was. The drive to the Motel 6 in St. George, Utah was long but uneventful.



7-10-17 SAND HOLLOW (CHAMPIONSHIP) GC (J 95) in Hurricane, Utah

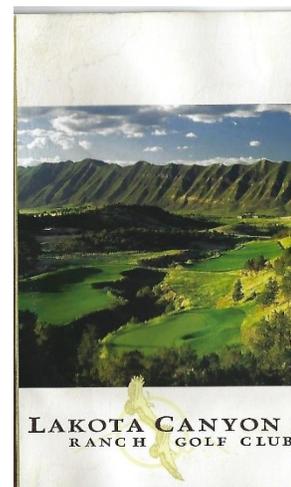


put me first out at 6:20. Pretty course, striking southwest sunrise, full moon over the clubhouse and guess who changed from white tees to red after 3 holes? Not only was I in way over my head in the yardage department at this Golf Magazine top courses in Utah but several holes

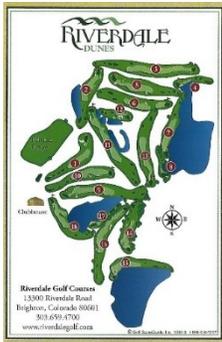


could be legitimate candidates for the world's toughest holes as imagined by Wyman Publishing golf calendar artists. Losing balls is one thing but having to abandon balls in the middle of the fairway because they were cart path only holes and the trek to the fairway was somewhat precarious. The reasoning for the cart path only ruling was obvious in that if carts were allowed and one inadvertently went over the side of the cliff it would probably take 2 or 3 days before it hit the canyon floor. Highly recommend you play this course if only for the adrenalin rush and so you too can cast aspersions on the masochistic course architect. The drive from Hurricane to the Rodeway Inn in Rifle, Colo. Including roundabouts was 465 miles.

7-11-17 LAKOTA CANYON RANCH GC (J 101) in New Castle, Colo. is a very upscale course which absolutely warrants its Golf Magazine rating. However, it is not golf path friendly for seniors as all holes require a hike up and down slopes to the greens. Many of the fairways are recessed in canyons which adds to the excitement of the cart driving adventure. Colorado mountain forest setting.



MOUNT MASSIVE GC (J 46) in Leadville, Colo. is the highest golf course in the United States at an elevation of 10,200 feet. The drive up to Leadville is a true test of sphincter control as several of the turns are less than desirable for this flatlander. The 9 hole course itself is absolutely flat, but who could miss the opportunity to hit a ball at this elevation and think of the bragging rights. The golf carts have snow tires, just saying.



7-12-17 RIVERDALE GC (DUNES) (J 98) Brighton, Colo. was another first out at 6:15 on a rather cool morning. This truly links style course was another Golf Magazine course near you to play. A number of legitimate lakes are situated on an old quarry site that has been superbly landscaped. The drive to the Kearny, Neb. Howard Johnsons was a mere 350 miles where the reward of a chocolate-chocolate cement mixer from Culvers anxiously awaited my arrival.



7-13-17 AWARII DUNES (J 51) Axtell, Neb. the thunder and lightning rain storm last night caused a great deal of havoc to the course in terms of washed out sand traps and sizeable puddles. This was another Golf Magazine course you can play near you which seemed to have been an area farmed for hemp during WW II. The deluge made for numerous cart path only situations because the courses drainage could not accommodate that amount of rain. A walking cart would have better served today. The Best Value Motel in Lincoln, Neb. was just that, even with the multiple TV channel changer issues.



7-14-17 WILDERNESS RIDGE GC (CHAMPIONSHIP) (J 90) Lincoln, Neb. is an excellently rated course where I was paired up with members Tom and Joe, local banker and rancher. They are very proud of their home course and it's no wonder as the surrounding properties are all upscale homes. Quite the challenge finding the facility, but then the residents probably prefer it that way. Another relatively short drive from Lincoln to Omaha and an overnigher at Tim and Sues.

7-15-17 WAVELAND GC (J 87) Des Moines, Iowa located near Drake University. It was difficult getting out on a warm muggy Saturday but I was eventually plugged into a threesome of Jason,



Lee and Lynn. Not every course can claim its own planetarium surrounded by a very hilly oak forest. Today's 385 mile drive with nearly an 1/8 tank of gas left was segmented from Tim and Sues in Omaha to the course in Des Moines and from there to Sean and Heathers in Cedar Rapids. Cheryl had just arrived at the

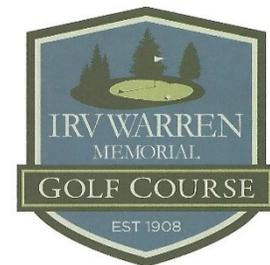


Cedar Rapids airport. Unpacked the car of as many treasures as we could haul, boxes of hockey cards and sticks for Sean, knife collection for Keegan, a Martha Stewart golf card picture thing creation. Laura was visiting so the occasional vodka tonic was the order of the evening, as much as can be remembered.

7-16-17 Said good bye to Laura as she had to head back to Indiana. We drove up to Evansdale and hung out on the patio watching Tony try and master the skill of flying the new drone, a skill that eludes me. Just call me Crash.

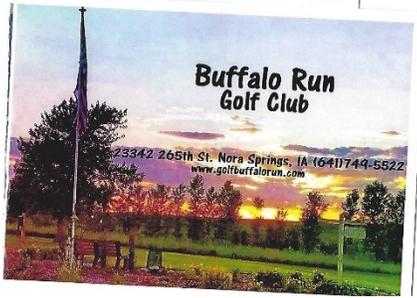
7-17-17 Drove over to Independence to visit Audrey, she has difficulty with staying awake so I guess it's not just my personality that puts people to sleep. You must talk constantly to capture her attention otherwise any lapse in speech is a distraction which causes her interest to turn back to sleep. Made Cheryl an appointment at Covenant for a therapy massage. Chapallas is a legitimate Mexican restaurant in Waterloo where we go for our long overdue fix.

7-18-17 IRV WARREN MEMORIAL GC (C 96, J 94) Waterloo, Iowa after a great breakfast at South Town. We have played this course numerous times and today we joined Gary and Steve for a few pitchers of beer following our round. A necessity to replace the fluids lost due to the humidity, you understand.



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7-19-17 Cheryl got her massage at Covenant while I took the opportunity to use their workout facility. After doing some shopping it was out to lunch at the Corner Café in Reinbeck with Mickey. Thrift stores and lasagna rounded out the day.



7-20-17 BUFFALO RUN GC (J 46) Nora Springs with Ken and Mike followed by WILDWOOD GC (J 50) in Charles City. The Rockford Golf Course once the best 9 hole course in Iowa is no longer in existence, it is now a bean field. Mickey came over and we ordered in Chinese for dinner.



7-21-17 Garage sales

7-22-17 LA PORTE CITY GC (C 52, J 48, K 63) Had to get out early as there was a shotgun tournament starting at 10. Some nice gentleman from California donated the creation hanging over their fireplace. Breakfast at South town followed by a secret shortcut to Sean's with the help of the Iowa state police.

7-23-17 RED CARPET GC (C 92, J 104, K 109) Tony and his friend from high school Steve (Skinny) played. Today was Bill and Carols 65th anniversary and his 85th birthday so I'm guessing he got married when he was 20. Cheryl, Kelly and I went to the arts and crafts exhibition in Hudson where I acquired a bird welded from knives, forks and spoons, and two stainless steel garden flowers made from the same things.



7-24-17 NATIONAL AIRPORT GC (C ?, J 40) keegan and Violet didn't keep score or keep the score cards, but enjoyed driving the carts. Chick-Fil-A and sweet corn later.

7-25-17 AIR FX TRAMPOLINE PARK AND MINIATURE GOLF, enough said as it was marathon miniature golf. Sean and Heather plan to convert their basement into a large entertainment area so we began calling plumbers and electricians for quotes to move some utilities. Visits to Menards and Wal Mart.

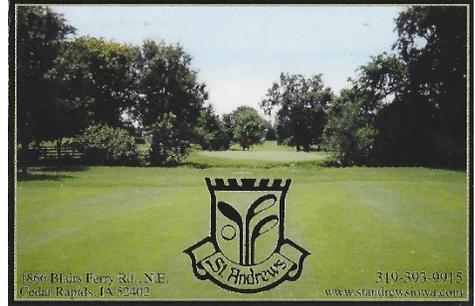


7-26-17 Menards, wood chips for garden area.

7-28-17 Riley's neighborhood restaurant for breakfast, followed by a tour of the Click Stop enlarged facility. Their exercise room has echo issues throughout the building although contractor guaranteed there would be no noise problem. Lucky Penny for dinner has a Lincoln penny chair rail around entire restaurant in addition to celebrity paintings

incorporating Lincolns skull in each pose.

7-29-17 ST. ANDREWS (J 90, S 102) played with Austin and Nathan, boy can hit the ball a ton. Found the Longmier series on their show time station and are beginning a marathon watch.



7-30-17 Drove to Waterloo to meet family at 3 Amigos Mexican restaurant for lunch. First appearance of Tammy and Wills new baby Harper Bell.

7-31-17 PRAIRIE CREEK (C 41, J 47) Maquoketa very hilly 12 hole course. The drive to Bellevue was a challenge as there was no cell reception to operate Google maps, so we used our dead reckoning skills. In other word another secret short cut, but adventuress. BELLEVUE GC (J 51) also very hilly set back from the Mississippi, only played 7 holes as the lead groups were enjoying their outing. Checked into the Dubuque Best Western and hurried over to Chip and Nancy's as they were hosting a party, hors d'oeuvres, barbecue and libations for Barb and Steve, Cheryl and John.



8-1-17 relatively late sleep in by our standards, motel breakfast and then we piled in our car and headed over to Galena. Everybody got something touristy from one of a myriad of shops, my treasure being apple butter. A photo op stop was made at Ulysses S. Grants house on the way to lunch at the Chestnut Hill Resort. The zip line backdropped by the Mississippi River was pleasantly distracting. Drinks at Chip and Nancy's before going out to dinner at Tony Roma's on the patio overlooking the river. Great gossip, catching up and emotional adieus for the girls.



8-2-17 ROLLING KNOLLS GC (C 40, J 45) Dyersville where Field of Dreams was filmed. Good bye breakfast with Steve and Barb they had to be off for a family gathering and Chip and Nancy had to pack as they were leaving for Europe via Chicago. Dropped by Independence to visit Audrey, before putting in an appearance at South Town for their pork loin sandwich. Moved into Tony and Kelly's for an extended stay.

8-3-17 Rainy day, dishes, Fare way.

8-4-17 WAVERLY GC (C 93, J 96) Always make a point of playing this pleasant old course which seemed to be in tournament ready condition. Had an interesting lunch at the Dirty Dog a hangout for the Wartburg College students. Apparently, the Fainting Goat is no longer in existence which is a shame as their pork loins were epic. Maybe that's what



did them in? Jerry Schmidt joined us at Cabellas for dinner after which we repaired to Jerry's for a touch of the dew. Jerry and I enjoyed the occasional taste of Bushmills, or so we've been told.

8-5-17 DYSART GC (C 44, J 47) Another John Waters creation greets the golfer upon entering the club house. Tim, Nicole, Quinton, and Kelly played before another tournament got underway. Kelly cooked one of Nicole's pet cows which was not marbled, but edible. Holly and Bailey stopped by for a short visit which necessitated a visit to the 4 Queens ice cream parlor.



8-6-17 FOX RIDGE GC (C 85, J 94, K 123) Casey's for breakfast before going to Dike for golf, Chinese lunch, a visit with Audrey and back to Sean and Heathers.



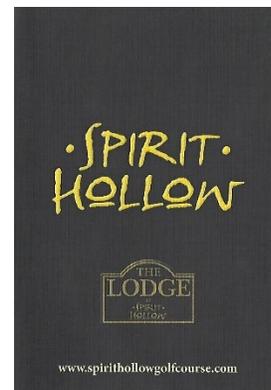
8-7-17 the electrician reran the basement and installed 6 can lights and placed an outlet in the master bedroom. Made a run to Menards for sill tape and treated sill plates. The radon technician dropped by to estimate the rerunning of the vent.

8-8-17 The plumber reran the basement lines to the future soffit area. Had to make an ATM run as they do not accept credit cards. Cheryl watched Keegan and Violet. Butcher Block for dinner then Sean and I repaired to the basement to begin setting the sill plates.

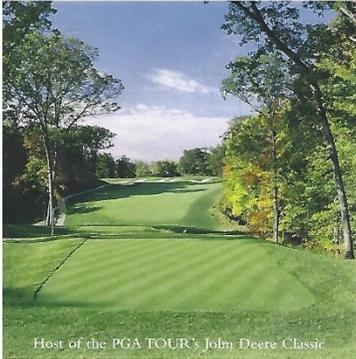
8-9-17 The radon guy reran his vent into the soffit area. Menards.

8-10-17 Menards for a load of 2x4, 2x3, and 1x3, plug boxes, drill bits. Sean did a yeomans job of setting plates and studs.

8-11-17 SPIRIT HOLLOW GC (J 117) Burlington, a horrendous game on one of Iowa's magnificent courses. Brought my F game and Failed completely. Drove over to Silvis, Illinois to visit the famed Deere Run course and believe it or not they had a first out tee time for tomorrow. Checked into the Comfort Inn and treated myself to another chocolate-chocolate cement mixer at Culvers



8-12-17 DEERE RUN GC (J 102) Today I thankfully brought my A game so as not to embarrass



myself with members Art, Scotty and Tony. It is a magnificent course and am anxious to watch it on TV next year so I can see what real players do. They probably hit the fairways a little further than myself, avoid the myriad of bunkers and maybe even chip a little better than himself. Stopped at several garage sales along the river in Port Byron, an opportunity for the locals to unburden themselves of their important stuff. The opportunity being, the Tugfest between Port Byron, Illinois and Le Clare, Iowa. The Mississippi River is shut down to all traffic for several hours while teams from both towns attempt to uphold the honor of their respective communities and states in the attempt to pull both parts of America together in an epic tug of war. If they ever succeed one of these years both states will be inundated by a flood of semi biblical proportions when the Mississippi sloshes over its banks and levees. This event should be covered by all sports news

stations. It is a true feat of strength. Dropped by the pickers store, but was sorely disappointed as all they really sell is touristy stuff. World's largest truck stop on Interstate 80 is just a hop skip and a jump from Herbert Hoovers home and museum. Coralville, in my estimation is renowned for the Hurt's Donut Shop, which necessitates a stop whenever in the neighborhood. The evening was spent on the front porch visiting and meeting the neighbors.



8-13-17 Made a run to Home Depot to swap out the last load of 2x4's as they were short of 8 feet.

8-14-17 ran the electric after completing the studs.

8-15-17 Sean off for the day so they took the kids to the water park. Began insulation, built the 4 gang box and energized 2 runs.

8-16-17 Removed the sump pump old run from upstairs, more insulation and floor plates from Menards. More Longmier.

8-17-17 LAKESIDE GC (C 46, J 44) After stopping for breakfast at Junie's in Elk Run and dropping off some things at Kelly's it was on to Fort Dodge. "Get out of Dodge" was not all that easy, as a matter of fact it couldn't be done, at least not the route I had anticipated taking. Lunch at a nice old resort restaurant on Storm Lake. Cheryl napped while I checked out some antique stores to no avail. Budget Inn.



8-18-17 SUNRISE POINT GC (C 45, J 46) a nice enough course with the occasional view of Storm Lake. We think Buddy Holly, Richie Valens, and the Big Bopper (Tom McClain?) died in a plane crash near Storm Lake after a concert at the Clear Lake Ball Room. Remember Bye-Bye Miss America Pie? Curious, 10 cents extra for rye toast at breakfast, certainly won't break the bank, just curious. Many detours, due to construction, along Highway 20 on the way to the Henshaw's in Sioux City. Many vodka tonics and some great chicken salad. Toby, Marcie and Brooklyn stopped over for a nice visit.



8-19-17 HIGHLAND OAKS GC (C 90, J 93) Larry made breakfast and then we headed to Ponca, Neb. The severe hilly oak forested setting was to die for, but the greens had been verta-cut and never seemed to heal, the greens keeper should be fired. After barbecuing steak and lobster Toby dropped by and took me to the stock car races at the Park Jefferson Speedway as he'd promised. Dirt track modified, cart, stock, custom, loud and fast.



8-20-17 THE POINT GC (C 94, J 97) in Elk Point, S. Dak. Is relatively flat, but we couldn't stop commenting on how nice the greens were after yesterday's experience. They refer to Wal Mart as Wally World and after a grocery run I understand. Farmers from all over the tri-state area come into the big city to do their heavy shopping here, it's a veritable mad house and the driving skills adapted from the county roads don't translate very well to the gigantic crowded Wal Mart parking lot. Cathy made a shrimp alfredo for dinner and I made multiple vodka tonics.

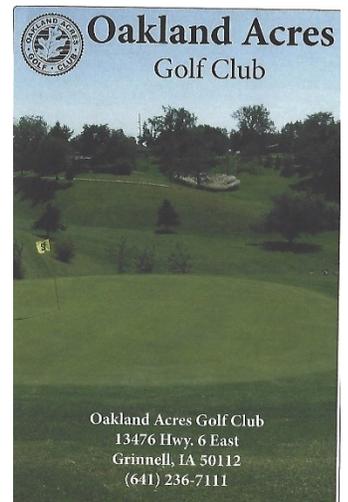
8-21-17 SUN VALLEY GC (C 45, J 42, C 43) a very compact hilly punishing executive course in Sioux City, Iowa. The drive to Tim and Sue's in Omaha was quick. Tim barbecued and we paired off for an evening of pinochle.

8-22-17 Suzy and I made our regular run to Sol's Pawn Shop, of which he has 7, to check up on my counterfeit Jackson Pollock. Shape is deteriorating having been folded and stored in the basement. Left a bid of \$400 which will in all probability never be sold. Tim is right, I should just get an old sheet or drop cloth and make my own faux Pollock. AT&T to check out my cell phones quirks. We made a trip out to historic Fort Atkinson which at one time after the Louisiana Purchase was the largest fort in America. Another pilgrimage to our favorite chicken liver restaurant. Tim gets his political opinions from the Daly show so his take on political issues is not objective in the least and he gets his panties in a bunch if you don't buy into the drivel. So now I must be a Nazi! Yikes! Watched the movie Pollock because of my interest in the subject, he led a very depressing life. Wonder what mom's impression was of him?

8-23-17 BRIGHT-GRANDVIEW GC (C 92, J 94) Des Moines, Cheryl was a trooper surviving all the drives from Cedar Rapids, Fort Dodge, Storm Lake, Sioux City, Omaha, Des Moines and back to Tony and Kelly's in Evansdale. Once again just as the settings throughout the mid-west are replete with oak forests, rolling hills and verdant grasses and foliage so was the course, which according to golf book was established in 1898.

8-24-17 A day of rest and a treat for the car, getting all the bug juice removed at the car wash.

8-25-17 OAKLAND ACRES GC (J 93) Grinnell and BROOKLYN-VICTOR CC (J 49) a long drive, but another opportunity to joust the hills. The hills at the Brooklyn course on occasion rejected the carts efforts to climb said hill and when descending the hill could not be seen over the carts front end, only sky, yes, we are talking steep.



8-26-17 VINTON CC Today was the Click Stop Cares golf tournament a good showing for a worthy cause. Most of the family, probably everyone at Click Stop who golfs as well as sponsors and local residents participated. Kelly became the designated driver with just a little persuasion after the corn hole contests, barbecue and libations.



8-27-17 Tim and Nicole recently purchased a cabin on Lake Delhi. The architect's organizational skills were obviously influenced by a most generous budget. The place is humongous and in all candor cannot be called a cabin, but the setting and landscaping are uniquely perfect. The only drawback I can see is the parking, the garage can only accommodate about 12 cars, so if the place can sleep 48 people



comfortably, where is everyone else to park? Tony and Kelly spent the better part of the day bringing the gardens and landscaping back under control.

8-28-17 Cheryl told Shannon to go ahead with having the furnace-air conditioner replaced. I considered the estimate to be a bit exorbitant so we had them wait until I got home. Breakfast at Riley's followed by more trips to Menard's and Home Depot for more insulation and sundry other things. Began insulating the ceiling.

8-29-17 More insulating. Left an order for drywall which Menards will deliver tomorrow.

8-30-17 40 sheets of drywall delivered right to the basement, gracious sakes alive, thank goodness I didn't have to do that myself, probably would still be in the driveway. Famous Dave's for dinner with Allan, Jordan and James, quite a round trip for dinner.

8-31-17 ST. ANDREWS GC (C 93, J103) Not everyone gets to take his golfing at St. Andrews. We've become regulars at Riley's. Began making tee times and reservations for my trip home.

9-1-17 Our regular table at Riley's followed by more trips to Menards, Home Depot, Target and their CVS department to get prescriptions renewed. Loaded car.

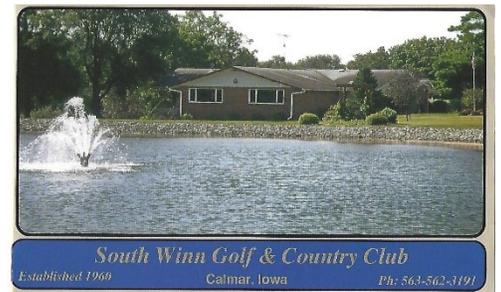
9-2-17 Sean had made up the structure for the soffit which we put up with a few minor adjustments and the use of the appropriate language skills. Prescription request had been sent, but no response.

9-3-17 Sean ran his first half marathon in 1 hour and 47 minutes this morning through down town Cedar Rapids. He was spent! But not enough to keep him from his appointed rounds with his fantasy football group. Still no prescriptions.

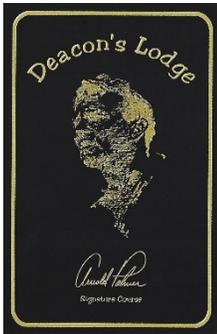
9-4-17 SOUTH WINN G&CC (J 48) Labor Day, got out early at the Calmar, Iowa course which, by the way hats off to the grounds crew, this is perhaps the best maintained course I have played.

CRESCO CC (J 53) was next on the agenda, and the 1st and 9th holes share the same fairway, which could prove to be exciting, but not this day. Their greens were an impossibility for me to hold. Finding Motel 6 at exit 245 in St. Paul was fun, but not as much as trying to get back on the interstate the next morning with all the construction detours at O dark 30.

9-5-17 STONE RIDGE GC (J 93) is not really in Stillwater, Minn. I'm inclined to think that is their mailing address, all thanks go to Google maps. The clubhouse and course rating by Golf Magazine are well deserved. Your sand game better be up to par here as there are pot bunkers, huge sand traps, waste areas and all sizes in between. This morning I wore my big boy pants as it was a bit nippy out. The drive to the Magnussen Hotel in Nisswa was so pleasant and efficient that I was able to get in

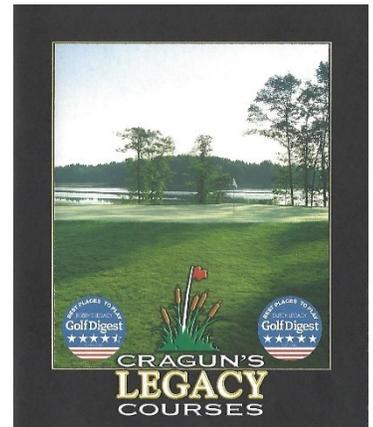


another round. THE PINES (J 100) played the Woods and Marsh sides. Perhaps two rounds at exceptionally top drawer courses, up at 4 AM and 200 miles is asking too much, anyway that's my excuse.



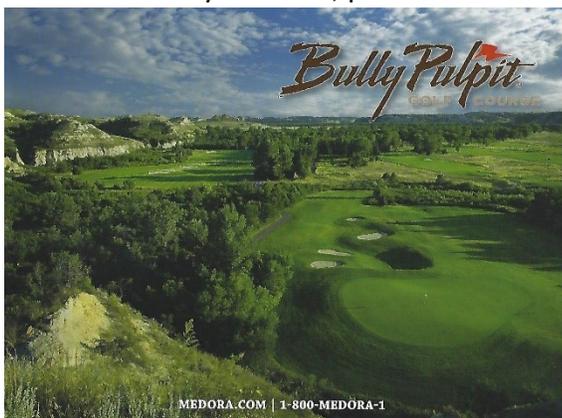
9-6-17 DEACONS LODGE (J 104) Breezy Point, Minn. is an Arnold Palmer signature course and it is all of that. Even wearing my big boy pants this morning and bringing my A game had no influence on this place. I have business playing here, this place is for shot makers. There I am hitting my best shots, but not to where they need to be. Murphy's Law is in full force, "If anything can possibly go wrong, it will". In my opinion Murphy was an optimist! The only reason I'm allowed to play here is because I have a Visa card and own a set of clubs.

CRAGUNS LEGACY (J 98) Prior Lake, Minn. Again, another masterpiece of a course where I have no business playing, but here I am nonetheless, somebody needs to keep the riff raff out. A visit over to the Maddens Resort. This place is preposterous, it is so huge they could probably accommodate all the illegal aliens in America, assuming they brought their own clubs. There are 3 renowned 36 hole courses as well as other executives.



9-7-17 EDGEWOOD GC (J 89) Fargo, N. D. Once again up and out at O dark thirty. A nice municipal course near the University of North Dakota. I continue to be amazed at the expanses in what was once the Dakota Territories. We had wars with the Indians, why? There is enough land here to transplant entire nations of people, yet we continue to relegate the tribes to reservations. In any event it was a long drive to Bismarck as well as the drive from Nisswa to Fargo and then on to the Red Roof Inn at Dickenson, N.D.

9-8-17 BULLY PULPIT GC (J 99) Medora, N. D. Planning to show up in plenty of time so as not to be late for my tee time, passed into the mountain time zone, consequently I was there almost



two hours early. The club house was dark for quite some time. Attempting to reset the clock somehow inadvertently put the radio out of use. Ken my partner for the day was a teacher and golf instructor in a previous life and summers here in Medora. He knows the course, thankfully, but his cart driving skills on the sides of these hairy bad land cart paths, cliffs, leaves a bit to be desired, seems to involuntarily increase the heart rate. And anyone older than myself is automatically suspect when it

comes to driving. Can add another cartoon hole. The course name is derived from Teddy Roosevelt's use of the term "Bully" which would translate into today's use of "Awesome". The local National Park bears his name. Pulpit is the rock formation on their signature hole which resembles a pulpit. An exceptionally lonely (quiet) drive to the Motel 6 in Rapid City, S. D. Worked the Golden Corral into my diet, seems like I have been quite successful, gone down from 189 pounds to 207.

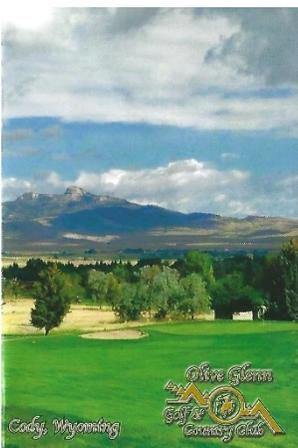
9-9-17 THE GOLF CLUB AT RED ROCK (J 90) Warren, currently serving at Ellsworth Air Base, and Grady were long ball hitters and members, got us off at 6:45. Another remarkable course according to Golf Magazine and myself. Once again, no radio so Mr. Brain had to supply the entertainment. You probably haven't noticed, but sometimes I can be a tad boring. Anyway after the 270 mile drive to the Motel 6 in



Sheridan, Wyo. I was ready to settle in for the Notre Dame vs Georgia game. Nothing doing, all both of the sports bars TV's only received the Wyoming vs Oregon game. So back to the room for a reclusive evening of Notre Dame football.

9-10-17 My intent was to play the POWDERHORN GC in Sheridan, Wyo. but the price tag was a little rich for my blood and a drive by indicated a relatively flat course. A handsome clubhouse in a newish golf

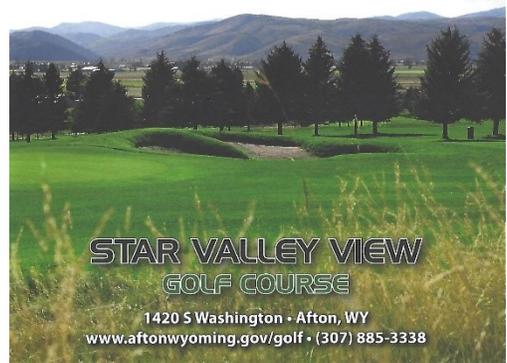
community. The drive up and into the Bighorn National Forest captures your attention with its dramatic drop-offs. Once in it is a magnificent forest, but the ride down the western slope has to be especially exciting for truckers considering the many warnings about the 10 degree grade and numerous emergency truck ramps.



OLIVE GLENN G&CC (J 53) Cody, Wyo. Back 9 is absolutely flat, as was my game. Once more up the mountains into Yellowstone National Park. Yellow stone could be interpreted as gold. Old Faithful was anxiously awaiting my arrival as well as the many hundreds of Americas faithful. The thought of letting go with my best orgasmic sound effects did not seem appropriate at the time. The lake is looking healthy as are the western forests, but the east side does not seem to have healed as well. There were no rooms at the inn in Jackson, or any I wished to stay at for \$350 per night. The streets of old town are jammed with barhopping tourists. Expedia set me up at the Marriott in Afton.



9-11-17 STAR VALLEY VIEW GC (J 86) Afton, Wyo. A nice simple back and forth course visible from the highway. The motel breakfast was interesting. I pointed out to the diners the deer outside the observation window, a number gathered at the window to watch and in turn the deer stared at all the humans in our motel cage. Ironic how we come to the national park to watch animals in their natural environment and in turn the animals get to watch us in our natural environment. Animals are secure in their insecurity, man is insecure in his security. On the way, the thought occurred to me that taking a swing into Idaho would not take any longer than continuing south on Hwy 89, and a postcard to Keegan for his school geography project could not hurt any more than picking off another course.



MONTPELIER GC (J 46) silly me, in addition to the grid



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lock caused by cattle being herded down the highway, across a bridge, and into the cattle loading stockade. Who would have thought that some of those puppies did not relish the idea of becoming Big Macs and skipped the herd mentality thing. In any event we got the opportunity of watching cowboys coaxing them out of the creek and under brush and back onto the highway. You may not believe it but ALL of Idaho's highway funds are being utilized in the southeast corner of the state. Endless stops waiting for the escort car to lead us to the next escort location. Then the short cut took me through the Caribou-Targhee and Cache National Forests. Eventually civilization put in an appearance in the form of Logan, Brigham City, Ogden, Interstate 15 and finally the Motel 6 in Midway a suburb of Salt Lake City.

9-12-17 SOLDIER HOLLOW GC (GOLD)(J 101) Midway, Utah is another Golf Magazine choice course. Paired up with Jeff and Ken who only played the front 9, probably something to do with my deodorant. And another hilly humpy links style outing. Although Google Maps and I have not been seeing eye to eye as of late, this morning was an exception. Especially cruising the mountains east of Salt Lake City in the predawn dark, knowing full we were on another of my infamous short cuts. Highways 40, 189, 52, and 15 to St. George for a Utah postcard. Then on to the Virgin Gorge Casino where I gorged myself at their buffet. Made a tee time at Falcon Ridge as Wolf Run was closed for course maintenance,

9-13-17 FALCON RIDGE was closed for over seeding also. Apparently the service the course uses to make tee times did not get the word they were closed for maintenance. The course superintendent thought all the Mesquite courses were closed because the timing was right. Well some other Falcon Ridge is wondering why I missed my tee time. Las Vegas, Primm, Baker, Barstow, San Bernardino what a drive with no radio for distraction. The first stop upon getting home was the Honda dealership to address the radio and clock issue. The attendant pressed two buttons, stupid old man. And that concludes the summer of 2017.

