



# The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Otis Invitational



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Hosted By Pinewood Country Club Timber Ridge Golf Club

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#### Welcome Otis Participants!

This program will become your Otis bible, containing and pertaining to everything you could want to know about the tournament.

The most important rule, as always is to have a great time.

And in addition to the rules, this program contains prize money info, format, tee times, logistics, and of course, the now infamous Player Bios.

The logistics section includes directions, multiple maps, and for those of you who enjoy taking the back-roads, phone numbers for when you get lost.

Our final count for 2022 is at 32 players.

If you cannot play, let us know immediately, so we can fill your spot. Uneven scramble teams are no fun for anybody. Also, we have already committed to bring 32 people, and deposits have been paid. If we can't replace you, you may not get a refund.

**Tee times** begin at 8:00 AM on Friday, 8:00 AM on Saturday. These are all shotguns, so you NEED TO BE THERE EARLY! Please make sure you get to the courses by 7:30 AM on Friday and Saturday!

Soft spikes are required, so bring a replacement set of spikes if you still use the metal ones.

**Tee Markers**: We will play the Orange Tees at Pinewood both AM & PM. White tees for all individual and scramble rounds at Timber Ridge.

We will have a group dinner on Saturday at Norwood Pines in Minocqua at 9 pm (or whenever we can all get there.) We hope <u>everyone</u> will participate. The dinner price is included in your entrance fee, and includes appetizers, group dinner menu, and tip. There is a bar but you will be on your own tab for drinks.

You can call Zim at 630-373-3404 or Mike at 715-220-1610 if you get lost.



### The Prizes will be distributed as follows:

Closest To The Pin (3 holes per round at Pinewood, 4 holes Timber)	\$40
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Long Drive (1 hole per round, all 4 rounds)	\$40
Long Putt (3 holes per round at Pinewood, 2 holes Timber)	\$40
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Low Net 1 <sup>st</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$70
Low Net 2 <sup>nd</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$60
Low Net 3 <sup>rd</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$50
Low Net 4 <sup>th</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$40
Low Net 5 <sup>th</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$30
Low Net 6 <sup>th</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$20
Low Net 7 <sup>th</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$10
Low Net 8 <sup>th</sup> place (one person, each stroke play round)	\$5
Scramble Team Winners (each person, each scramble round)	\$50
Scramble Team 2 <sup>nd</sup> place (each person, each scramble round)	\$40
Scramble Team 3 <sup>rd</sup> place (each person, each scramble round)	\$30
Scramble Team 4 <sup>th</sup> place (each person, each scramble round)	\$20
Scramble Team 5 <sup>th</sup> place (each person, each scramble round)	\$10
Hole-In-One Pool (Will go up every year until we pay it out)	\$5740

The golf fees for all 4 rounds will be \$164 per person (includes green fees and riding cart, and lunch on Friday and Saturday!) Betting / door prize / Saturday dinner money is \$186 for the entire weekend.

Total cost per person: \$350 (not including the hotel room.)

Birdie pool is <u>optional</u>. You will pay \$1 for every birdie made by others, and receive \$1 from everyone else if you make a birdie. If someone scores an eagle, it will be counted as 2 birdies. A double eagle will count as 3 birdies. (Ya never know....) Hole-In-One Pool is total for the weekend. We will split it if more than one.





# **2022 Otis Invitational**

## Official Otis Format (please read carefully)

<u>Friday AM</u> - *Stroke play with your foursome at Pinewood*. Prizes are awarded for the 3 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #15, longest putt made on #6, #14 and #17, and to the top 8 finishers. Orange tees. This is a SHOTGUN start. Be at course by 7:30 am. Tee off at 8:00 am. Lunch is included after the morning round.

<u>Friday PM</u> – *Handicapped 4 man scramble play at Pinewood*. Teams are determined by a high/low pairing based on your pre-tournament approved score and handicap. For example, each team would consist of players ranked in the A, B, C, and D tiers (to be determined ahead of time.) Prizes are awarded for the 3 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #18, longest putt made on #4, #9 and #18, and to the top 5 teams. Orange tees. Everyone will start on #1 and finish on #18.

<u>Saturday AM</u> - *Stroke play with your foursome at Timber Ridge*. Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #15, longest putt made on #8 & #10, and to the top 8 finishers. White tees. This is a SHOTGUN start. Be at course by 7:30 am. Tee off at 8:00 am. Lunch is included after the morning round.

<u>Saturday PM</u> - *Handicapped 4 man scramble play at Timber Ridge*. Teams are determined by a high/low pairing based on your pre-tournament approved score and handicap. For example, each team would consist of players ranked in the A, B, C, and D tiers (to be determined ahead of time.) Prizes are awarded for the 4 closest to the pin markers, long drive in the fairway on #18, longest putt made on #8 & #18, and to the top 5 teams. White Tees. Everyone will start on #1 and finish on #18.

# **Official Otis Logistics**

Tournament Date: Weekend of Friday, June 17, 2022

Tournament Location: Pinewood Country Club (Friday)

Harshaw, WI (715) 282-5500

Timber Ridge Golf Club (Saturday) Minocqua, WI (715) 356-9502

Hotel Accommodations: AmericInn by Windham - Minocqua

(700 US-51 N, Minocqua, WI 54548, 715-356-3730)

Each room will have 2 queen beds.

Block of rooms reserved under the Otis Golf Outing

Saturday Night Dinner: We will have the entire group eat together at Norwood Pines on Saturday night. Your

dinner is included in the entry fee. Dinner with many options will be provided with a full bar available for purchase on your own. For other dinners, you are on your own.

There are many good spots to eat around the area.

Tournament Format: 36 Holes on Friday and 36 Holes on Saturday.

Cost Breakdown: Greens Fees are \$164 for the entire weekend. This includes 72 holes of golf,

(\$350 Total per person) and a riding cart. Betting, Prize and Dinner money is \$186 for the entire weekend.

(for closest to the pin, low net, long drive, long putt, scramble winners, the dinner,

and other goodies.)

Birdie pool is optional. You will pay \$1 for every birdie made by others, and receive

\$1 from everyone else for each birdie you make.

Please send all entry fee checks to:

Rob Westover, 9262 Brown Court, Minocqua, WI 54548.

Tee Times: Begin at 8:00 on Friday, 8:00 on Saturday.

Player Handicaps: Your handicap will be determined by a mutually agreed upon average score.

If you have not played with us before, you will need to agree on a score with someone who has. We will adjust your score up or down if we determine that you normally play a very easy or difficult course. We ask you to be honest. The

competition will not be very much fun if there are a lot of "sandbaggers".

Other information call Mike Redenbaugh 715-220-1610

Jason Zimberoff 630-373-3404 Rob Westover 715-220-5636



# 2022 Otis Invitational

# **Official Otis Rules**

Unless otherwise stated by the rules committee (Zim, Big Rob and Red), USGA rules apply. Here are some clarifications and local rules that should help eliminate confusion.

#### SHOW UP!

We go through a lot of planning to set up the Otis each year, so if you cannot make it, please do everything possible to tell us early and we will try to find a replacement. Uneven scramble teams are not fun for anybody. If you play, you will be among the first to get invited back every year!

#### PLAY WHEN YOU ARE SCHEDULED!

It is difficult to set up the tee times so that people do not play with the same foursome every day, and still keep teams fairly even. If you cannot play in the first or last tee time Sunday morning, you are not Otis material and you should stay home! Even though your odds are good that you will play when you want, be prepared to stick it out until the last minute. Do not assume you can get home early. Make your travel plans accordingly. You have been warned.

#### NO COMPLAINING

No complaining about the conditions or rules! And especially – no complaining about the birdie pool!

#### NO GIMMIES IN THE SCRAMBLES!

#### **PLAYOFFS**

For the scrambles will only take place if time allows, and the golf course is agreeable to it. We may go back to the first hole, or have a putting contest to decide – if time allows. We may also just split the prize money among the winning teams.

#### KEEP PACE:

Please take no more than double par on each hole. If you get to double par and are still not in the hole, give it up and move on! Please keep up with the group ahead of you. We need to get a lot of people through the course in time to tee off again in the afternoon, and we do not want dinner to be later than it has to be.

#### RAIN:

You are expected to play through all weather. We follow a modified Otis rule. (The original Otis rule is, if the bar is open, you must drink!), thus the modified rule is: if the course is open you must play. With this in mind, be prepared with an umbrella, rain suit, multiple towels, and spare gloves. As Bill Murray would say, "I don't think the hard stuff will come down for a while." Remember, we are coming a long way to play, so be prepared! Besides, everyone will face the same conditions.

#### SHIRTS & SHOES:

Soft Spike shoes are required. Most of us have converted by now, but it is still worth mentioning. Please wear shirts with a collar.

#### TEE TIMES

Arrive at least 30 minutes before the morning tee time. BE THERE BY 7:30 on Fri/Sat!

#### MOVING THE BALL:

Fairway and Rough- You are allowed to move the ball no more than six inches (winter rules)

#### **OUT OF BOUNDS:**

<u>All Courses</u> - All holes - you are allowed to drop the ball where it went OB with a ONE stroke penalty. If the ball is OB but playable, you still must drop it back in play and take the one stroke penalty!

#### LOST BALLS:

You may drop a ball in the area where you think the ball disappeared (you must get agreement from your partners on the spot), and then take a ONE stroke penalty.

#### **WATER HAZARDS:**

Standard - Drop where the ball crossed the margin of the hazard, one stroke penalty (i.e., on a par 3 if you hit your tee shot in the water, after your drop, you will be hitting your 3rd shot.) If there is a marked drop area, you may use that.

#### SCORECARDS:

Must be signed by one member of the group and given to Zim after each round.

#### SCRAMBLES:

Drives: Minimum of 2 drives must be used from each player within 18 holes.

Position - You must hit your shot within 1 club length of where the ball was marked. You can not change the playing surface (i.e., if you are in the rough or sand you must play the ball from the rough or sand). Also, you may not move the ball closer to the hole.

Putting: Once the ball is in the hole, that is your score (i.e., DON'T tap the ball in if someone else still

has a chance to make the previous putt!!)

Finish: Weather permitting, wait at least 30 feet behind the 18<sup>th</sup> green for the following groups.

### Friday Morning Individual Score

(Shotgun start – everyone needs to tee off at 8:00 AM!) (Be There At 7:30!)

Name	Otis Score
Matt Kock	74
Doug Newton	85
Robert Planica	98
Matt Redenbaugh	120
Mike Redenbaugh	85
Jordan Zimberoff	93
Scott Kossman	99
Joe Paver	83
Dave Compton	92
Tim Mahan	98
Chris Schoenfeld	86
Jason Zimberoff	92
Nick Gilbertson	100
Lou Zimmerman	85
Mark Fankhanel	96
Patrick Mackey	90
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Tim Crall	78
Greg Taylor	79
Kevin Brewster	88
Steve Rehfeldt	105
Lance Murphy	104
Mike Reda	95
Kai Bobkowski	91
Joe Booth	92
Bill Krueger	87
Todd Krumwiede	91
Bob Ferris	92
Brian Ziegelbauer	102
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# Friday Afternoon Scramble Approximate 1st Tee Time: 1:30 PM

Name	Score	HCP	Team HCP
Greg Taylor	79	-1	
Scott Marston	85	1	
Dave Compton	92	2	
Lance Murphy	104	4	6
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Joe Paver	83	0	
Kevin Brewster	88	1	
Nick Gilbertson	100	4	
Matt Redenbaugh	120	5	10
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Matt Kock	74	-2	
Mike Reda	95	3	
Scott Kossman	99	3	
Steve Rehfeldt	105	4	8
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Tim Crall	78	-1	
Bill Krueger	87	1	
Mark Fankhanel	96	3	
Rob Westover	109	5	8
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Chris Schoenfeld	86	1	
Kai Bobkowski	91	2	
Bob Ferris	92	2	
Robert Planica	98	3	8
Mike Redenbaugh	85	1	
Lou Zimmerman	85	1	
Jason Zimberoff	92	2	
Bump Waghorne	115	5	9
Holden Rydmark	80	0	
Todd Krumwiede	91	2	
Joe Booth	92	2	
Tim Mahan	98	3	7
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Doug Newton	85	1	
Patrick Mackey	90	2	
Jordan Zimberoff	93	2	
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### Player Bios

# This is the famous Otis Bio section. If you have a better nickname for yourself or someone else, tell Rob, Mike, or Zim and we will try to change it next time...

Score 74 Name Matt Kock





Otis Nickname
"Out of Round"

Information

Leading off the Otis Bios is old hat for Matt. Speaking of old hats, the person wearing the oldest Otis hat on Sat. morning will earn a special prize (waiting approval of prize committee). Matt is sure to be comfortable at home in Minocqua; hopefully, the local diversions will keep him otherwise occupied and we can earn back some of our birdie money...

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**Tim Crall** 



"Triple Crown"

Tim is a 1st time Otis player in 2022. Tim is a great all-around athlete. He just had his 1st 300 game in bowling this past year, after a bunch of brushes with perfection. He is very good at darts as well, and is a top notch golfer. The connection between the games, is he can throw darts at the pin, and roll in putts with perfection, while enjoying a beverage. If Tim plays well, he could possibly be the winner of the triple crown of drinking sports. Welcome and good luck!

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**Greg Taylor** 



"The Waiter"

This year, Greg's nickname may be the most appropriate, as we try to resume Otis activities after a two year layoff. Like the rest of us, the Waiter has two years of Otis rust to shake off. We are confident that he will waste no time finding some birdies and leading his scramble teams. Will he and TK Money find their youthful ways as well? Wait... and see.

80

**Holden Rydmark** 



"The Roommate"

A last second replacement and friend of the Gilbertsons – Holden is known to be a great golfer, and beer consumer, as you would expect from a Wisconsin Badger. Sounds like he will fit right in. Welcome and good luck!

83

Joe Paver



"The Designated Driver"

2 years removed from getting his bachelor in nursing, Joe has moved on from dealing with Covid care, and is doing the noble duty of traveling to places that are short of medical help. Not only does Joe care for others at work, he takes care of his scramble team. Look for Joe to crush the ball, and other scramble team's hopes.



"Red"

As our unofficial Minocqua host (with Big Rob), Mike has a vast knowledge of local diversions. Baugh is always happy to share info on the fishing, hunting, motorsports, dinner clubs, watering holes, and, of course, the courses for our weekend festivities. Always remember, behind that welcoming smile Red still has that killer drive on the links... careful or you may find your birdie winnings whittled down by some cunning side pots.

85 Doug Newton



"Let's Have One More"

Hopefully the Canadian crew, led by Doug, will have no border issues coming down to the good ol' US of A... well, Wisconsin at least... We'll be sure to ask how much the price gas (petrol?) is up in the Great White North, but now that we think about it, after a few brews few us will be able to the calculate the conversions from loonies to Washingtons, much less litre to gallon. We are sure, however, that Doug will do his best to down a few gallons of a slightly different refinement of flammable liquids.

85 Lou Zimmerman



"Lou Purdue"

Lou Purdue is one of many Boilermakers in the Otis (past and present). One of these years we may get to play the new courses in West Lafayette for the Otis as well! Regardless of locale, Lou is always a great scramble leader and cart mate in any round. He can be sneaky good at times. Lou is never a stranger at the evenings' festivities as well, just like (we assume) in his college days...

85 Scott Marston



"Do I Have a Deal for You"

Scott owns the local Minocqua Ford Dealer. If you are having a technical problem with your Ford, I am sure he would love to hear all about it! Word is Scott is pretty good at golf, good at making Captain and Cokes disappear, has a big boat and works out like a warrior. Except for the working out part and being good at golf, he sounds like great Otis material. Welcome to the group and good luck!

86 Chris Schoenfeld



"Topher"

Topher returns to the Otis after a number of years off as well this year. The years and miles have taken a toll on his back (and possibly his game), but none of us would be surprised to see some low numbers from Chris if his lumbar regions play along. Welcome back to an Otis original!

87 Bill Krueger



"Billy Baroo"

Baroo!!!!!! is sneaking down towards a B player this year. Fatherhood has not been the best for his golf game (nor most of us...) With the increased chance of running into some truly wild animals up in the north woods, Billy is an asset on the course and off. He can shoot a few birdies and in the process scare away all the bears, moose, deer, beavers, woodchucks, eagles, and all other critters that, under normal aural conditions, might wander across a hole and slow down a round here or there. He never ceases to amaze!

88 Kevn Brewster



"Boom Boom"

Kevin returns to Minocqua again not to work, but to actually play for a change. This New Yorker has now been transplanted to Arizona where he is free to golf year round. Has it helped? Or has it merely been an excuse to follow the cart girl around year round begging for another White Claw? Only time will tell!

88 Kurt Veldhuizen



"Veldy"

Kurt is joining us this year just for the Friday Morning round – as he is otherwise previously occupied for the rest of the weekend. Not sure if we will see the Cubs hat again this year after that recent performance in Yankee Stadium. For the Cubs, let's hope for the #1 draft pick! Good luck!

90 Patrick Mackey



"Late Night"

Pat is yet another Otis regular with many tales of glories past (mostly after the golf...). He is sure to shoot some good golf, some questionable golf, and some shot specials at the local watering holes. Never a dull moment is spent with "Late Nite" on the links and off, and hopefully he will help us all to find that perfect mix of golf, levity, and comradery the fates have robbed us of the past two years.

91 Kai Bobkowski



"Kai Bob"

Kai Bob, longtime Otis regular, is back to take another swing (or many) at cashing in at the Otis. Kai has moved up and down the leader boards over the years. Even as his game improved, he often found other ways to entertain himself as well... Has Father Time come for his game or will the effervescent glow of renewed Otis festivities propel Kai back up the board? Birdies await!

91 Todd Krumwiede



"TK Money"

TK Money is another long time Otis player with a pocketful of memories to share (if he remembers them all). Todd's early years were known for some exemplary merry-making, followed by a few years of improved golf and cashing in some winnings. Will the two-year layoff from Otis tomfoolery lead TK to find his youthful impishness, or will he be out for blood on the links? Buy him a shot and find out...

92 Joe Booth



"Jo Mamma"

When we last played, Joe averaged just a half stroke under his predicted score in Lake Geneva. This steady golf is really a hallmark of Joe at the Otis, as he is a reliable B player in the scrambles and finds a few birdies year to year. One thing we can always count on is his cool, even demeanor and levelheaded behavior on the course and off (he bribed us to write that...).

92 Dave Compton



"Straight Outta"

Dave is another Otis original, and has also seen his predicted scores improve then slowly decline over the years. So we can't forget that somewhere inside "City Of" there are memories of 80's golf scores and birdies aplenty. We should also not forget that Dave has had many nicknames over the years, so feel free to engage with him in some reminiscing as you make the rounds, there are bound to be stories too numerous to count on this Team Buffet member's resume.

#### 92 Bob Ferris



"Bullseve"

Bob joined us for the Pandemic October Otis, and tried to play in the real Otis in 2021 – but got rained out with the rest of us. In his first October Otis, he managed to do something nobody has ever done in an Otis event before – shoot a hole in one. Lucky for all of us except him, the Hole In One Pool was not in play during that event. Can he do it again? If he does he will be \$5700 richer! Welcome to the real Otis! And good luck!

92 Jason Zimberoff



"Zim"

Big Zim has been busy the last few years. With both kids playing travel everything, unexpectedly finding himself a scoutmaster, overseeing some home remodeling, helping his brother with his home improvement projects, and of course working. He has been burning the candle at both ends for quite a few years now. This leaves him in his usual state of Otis preparation, playing zero golf before the first tee on Friday. Still, he has proven time and again this is not usually a big issue as he usually finds a good round or two by the end of the weekend. Be sure to thank Zim, Baugh, and Big Rob before Sat. evening for keeping this going for 25 years now! Its not like he has anything else to do...

93 Jordan Zimberoff



"Little Zim"

Little Zim retired this spring... sort of. He is no longer coaching sports in addition to his teaching, taking on a new role in his local teacher's union that will keep him plenty busy. He is still teaching and will be for quite a while as his son Connor has at least 11 more years of school before college. As many of you remember, Jordan was the beer (Guinness) chugging mate of Adam at Otis #1 and kept up his shenanigans for many years. While he has moderated slightly over the years, there may still be some life in those legs for an evening of revelry, but remember, with a 10 and 7 year old at home, bedtime is at 9 pm sharp!

95 Mike Reda



"Choke"

Good friends Mike and Joe Mamma are quite similar on the course and off. Both are Otis regulars with calm on-course demeanors, occasional big wins, and a beer or two to be found in their cart. Maybe this year we should try to get them both overserved... With Mike's beloved Blackhawks firmly in a rebuild, he will have to find some entertainment and winning ways on the links so let's help him with a slap "shot" or two from the cart girls along the way.

96 Mark Fankhanel



"Mr. Sunscreen"

Mark returns to the Otis this year without his progeny Troy in tow... Apparently having a baby is more important to Troy than golfing with us... (Congrats Troy!) Without him, Mark can perhaps find a few more opportunities to whoop it up a bit? With plenty of sunscreen and his usual jovial nature, Mark is sure to be a great golfing partner (with the beer gods) rain(ing) or shine.

98 Tim Mahan



"Mr T"

Don't let Tim's predicated score fool you, there is a good golf game in his bag (somewhere). Whether or not he finds it this year is anyone's guess. Regardless, Mr. T is always good for a great joke or story on the links. And maybe a sneaky birdie here and there as well. Don't pity no fools, this Otis C player will help any scramble team's plan come together...

98 Robert Planica



"Paparazzi"

Paparazzi is quite the proud papa this spring as his son Matt recently graduated Magna Cum Laude from UW Whitewater. Quite the accomplishment. Now that we think about it, Matt never joined us for an Otis; is there a connection there? Nah... Regardless, congrats to Matt and his proud Papa(razi). Be sure to help Rob celebrate and don't forget to smile, he'll likely be clicking away as usual this year.

99 Scott Kossman



"Scottie Woo"

Wooooo! Margarita time! We have certainly missed those words the past two summers. Scott has promised to return in full form this year, ready for another weekend of golf and on-course bar tending, just be sure to bring your own salt, limes, and tortilla chips. As for Scott's golf... ay, caramba!

100 Nick Gilbertson



"The Natural"

Minocqua local Nick "The Natural" joins the fray for the first time since our last Minocqua visit, in 2016. How has life changed for Nick in the pasts 6 years? Has he found himself making angels in any sand traps in the interim? Has his golf cart accidentally found any ponds? Has the cart girl run out of supplies? Just ask, we are sure Nick will be happy to catch us all up on his preparations for another Otis summer.

102 Brian Ziegelbauer



"Chief"

Chief is geared up for another Otis. Whether or not he will drink more beers or lose more golf balls is the Otis Fan-Duel question of the championship. Regardless of time of day, Chief will be sure to have a refreshment nearby. And regardless of hole prize, he will be swinging like there is a long drive marker out there somewhere – just might be on a different hole. This combination makes Chief an Otis favorite and contender for all kinds of interesting awards!

104 Lance Murphy



"Murph"

Back in 2019, Lance struggled a bit on Saturday morning, and we have to wonder if Baroo's leadership in the drinking games has finally started to wear on Lance's golf. Well, a deeper dive into Murph's numbers over the years details that it is really not Billy's fault... With his elected duties behind him, has Lance spent more time on the links this spring? Well, he may set some Guinness records, but not any that go in the eponymous record book...



"Radar"

Another Boilermaker, Mr. Consistent was excited about the prospects of his Alma Mater's hoops team this past winter. Alas, the Big Ten fizzled out early this year for all of its alumni. Steve's approach to fandom is similar to his golf; very steady and level headed (see the nickname). While the Boilermakers could not drain enough shots this March, we all hope Steve can drain some long putts this year and go low, earning some well-deserved Otis winnings for this Lapski veteran...

109 Rob Westover



"Big Rob"

A little birdie (not the good kind) told me Rob was our senior member this year... Time flies. While this information may need some further research to determine its veracity, we can be sure that playing a scramble round with Rob is always a good "old" time. And if the duck hook rears its ugly head, remember, we're in Wisconsin, just shoot it.

115 Bump Waghorne



"Sweet Swingin'"

We have another Bump sighting! This Otis founding brother is "back" for some scramble fun this weekend. While his youthful bounce has mellowed over the years, Bump is sure to join the revelry at a metered pace (although the volume will still be high). And, as an elected Trustee of Wayne Township (its a real place) if we need any rulings, Bump will be happy to settle any disputes.

120 Matt Redenbaugh



"Captain Redbeard"

Matt is going into his senior year at Purdue and just got into golf recently. While his golf game is a work in progress, his beer cart knowledge is already at the pro tour level. Unlike his dad, he is more like his Uncle Rob, in that he has steady hands with the putter, and will be an asset in the scrambles. Seems the idiot in charge of making foursomes, may have had inside knowledge.

DNPCD Ken Redenbaugh



"Pa Baugh"

This spot is saved for Ken, who helped start this whole event by taking his young son Mike to Michigan to play in a golf event with some of their neighbors 30+ years ago. Ken's golfing days are behind him now, but we always want to remember that he is still part of the group!

# Otis Invitational History

Long ago there was a group of guys who played golf on Sunday Mornings at Arrowhead golf course in Wheaton. One of them was Terry Bulger, who worked for a bank in Chicago. One day (sometime in the late '80's ) Terry asked two of his golfing partners - Ken Redenbaugh and his son Mike - if they would like to join him in a golf outing run by some of the guys he worked with at the bank.

These two co-workers of Terry's had organized a golf outing in Kalamazoo Michigan at Thornapple Creek golf course, and played 90 holes there in three days. The group - made up of mostly bank employees and their friends - was called the Lapski - after its co-organizers named Gonski and Lapitina.

Back then, Thornapple was a course unlike any that they had seen - rolling terrain, a great layout with lots of trouble, and unbelievably fast greens. It was truly a golf paradise.

Terry, Mike and Ken played in the Lapski for a number of years - occasionally adding a few other neighbors and friends to the group. Eventually, Mike asked his friend Jason Zimberoff to join the group.

By this time, the Lapski group had grown to about 40 men, but the quality of the greens at Thornapple started to fall off from the glory days. So, they had also added another course to the schedule on Saturdays, called Heritage Glen. The Friday and Sunday rounds were still played at Thornapple though.

The Lapski golfers were also more serious about the winning and scoring, and it sometimes led to a lot of under-the-breath muttering about sandbaggers and people not following the rules. It did sometimes take away from what we thought the spirit of the trip should be.

With the addition of Jason Zimberoff also came many of his friends and family members. After a couple of years, Mike and Jason were bringing at least 12 guys to Michigan with them to play in the Lapski - and a great time was had by all...

Until one dark day at the beginning of 1998, Mike got the phone call that changed history forever. The Lapski group wanted to go back to inviting more of the bank employees and more of their friends, and we were asked to only bring 4 players that coming summer.

That was all we needed to hear. How could we choose who could and couldn't go? Would we hang our heads and agree to this? NO!

The group of Mike Redenbaugh, Jason Zimberoff, Bump Waghorne, and Rob Westover, all former Lapski players, decided to create a new outing based on the self-described "Oti" (pronounced oat-eye) club of over-served drinking buddies... named, of course, after everyone's favorite town drunk - Otis Campbell of Mayberry.

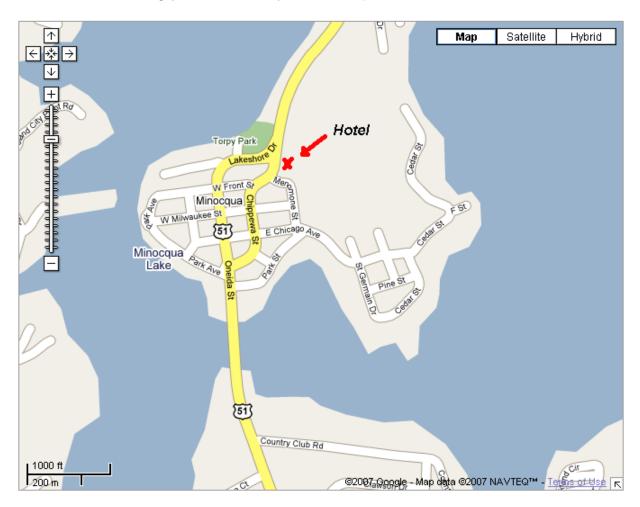
We immediately got together and came up with the idea for the Otis Invitational - a group that would be made up of all of our friends and family. Although we did bring many of the long-time Lapski guys with us, we hope that we left all of the bickering and BS with the old group. We even replaced the Sunday individual scoring round with a scramble to make it more fun - along with a few other minor changes that we all wanted to make.

This year, we return to our 2<sup>nd</sup> home of Minocqua, WI with 32 of our own players, and two great golf courses. We wouldn't have it any other way. Thanks to everybody who has participated these 25 years - and here's to many more!

### Directions to the American from Chicago

From the South – take I-88 West to I-39 North. From the North – take I-90 west to I-39 North in Rockford. For everyone:

Follow I-39 / I-90 North through Rockford.
I-39 will split off from I-90 in Portage, WI. Stay on I-39 North.
I-39 will become US highway 51 in Wausau, WI. Stay on US 51 North.
US 51 will bring you all the way to Minocqua, and the hotel is on US 51.



### AmericInn of Minocqua

700 Highway 51 North. Minocqua, WI 54548 Tel: 715-356-3730 www.americinn.com

# Directions to Pinewood Country Club from the Hotel (Friday)

Take US 51 south for 12.6 Miles to Rocky Run Road.

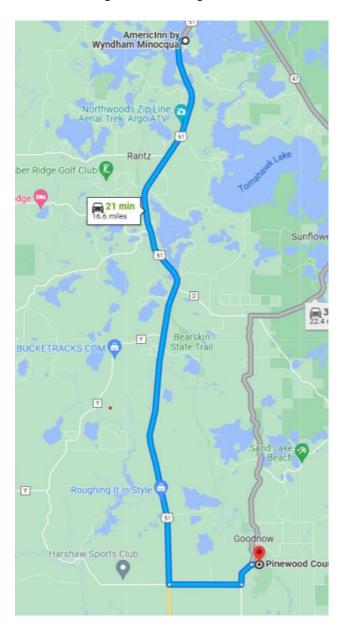
Turn Left (east) onto Rocky Run Road.

Drive east for 1.8 miles to Lakewood Rd.

Turn Left (north) on Lakewood Road.

Drive north less than one mile to Pinewood Valley Road –

turn right to enter golf course.

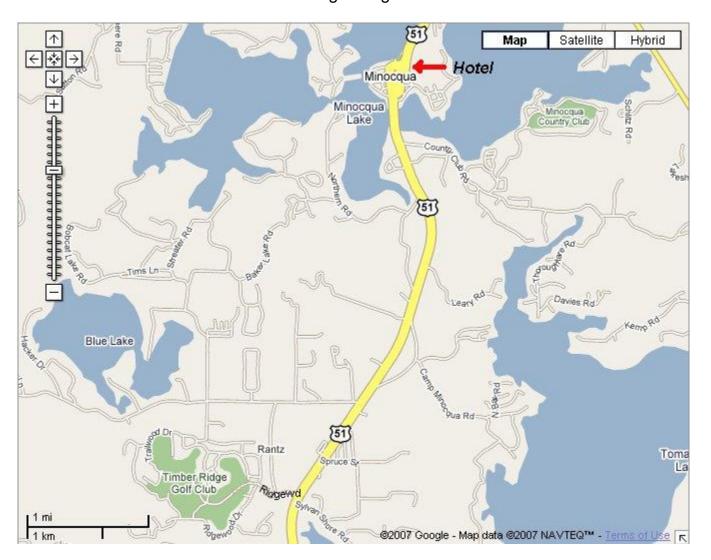


### Pinewood Country Club

9000 Pinewood Valley Road, Harshaw, WI 54529 (715) 282-5500

# Directions to Timber Ridge Golf Club from Hotel (Saturday)

Take US 51 4 miles south of Minocqua.
Turn right on Ridgewood Drive.
Continue straight on Timber Ridge Drive and follow signs to golf course.



### Timber Ridge Golf Club

10030 Timber Ridge Road Minocqua, WI 54548 (715) 356-9502



Finally, many of us may remember the Andy Griffith Show...

We believe we know why Mayberry was so peaceful and quiet....nobody was married.

Here are the single people that come to mind: Andy, Aunt Bea, Barney, Floyd, Howard, Goober, Gomer, Sam, Ernest T. Bass, the Darling Boys, Helen, Thelma Lou, Clara...

In fact, the only one married was Otis - and he stayed drunk.