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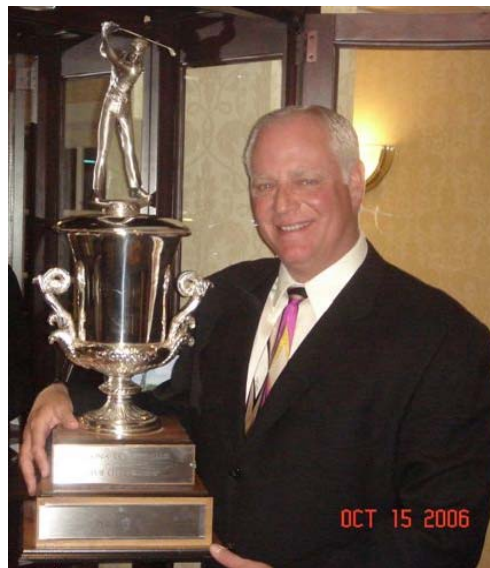
## Bartone Set to Defend Club Championship Title

Sharpshooter Phil Bartone will look to defend his 2006 Club Championship victory beginning Saturday, July 21st.

It will be no easy task, however, as a stacked field, including President's Cup Champion and Staten Island Junior Player of the Year Nick Sica, as well 2004 champ Tom Tuminello will be looking to take the title home.

Tuminello is the only Colonia Country Club member to take points in each of the first 3 Player of the Year points tournaments. Currently sitting in 5th place, a victory would catapult him up the standings.

Andy Prince, a former two-time club champ, will also be in the field following his fifth career ace.



Bartone, though, will not give up the prime parking spot without a fight. Perhaps the short trek from his car to the clubhouse will prove to be the difference over his competitors come Saturday.

The speculation will be put to rest on Sunday, July 29, when a new champion will be crowned and a new name will be engraved below the "Reserved for Club Champion" sign...or not, if you were to ask Bartone.

### Past Champions:

2006: Philip Bartone\*

2005: Daniel Marino

2004: Tom Tuminello\*

2003: Anthony Fauci

2002: Chris DeMenna

2001: Daniel Marino

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1999: Andrew Prince\*

1998: Daniel Marino

1997: Lynn Shallcross

\* - will be in 2007 championship flight

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## Sica Wins President's Cup, Goes to Bar for Celebratory Soda

Eighteen year old Nick Sica captured his first President's Cup in his first year of adulthood by shooting 76 -75 151. The soon-to-be senior in high school finished 4 strokes clear of perennial runner-up Craig Gatto, who also finished 2nd to Phil Bartone in last years Club Championship.

"Gatto played very well and put pressure on me to play my best all day," noted Sica after the win.



After sticking his approach on the 17th, Sica was confident that the cup would be his. He is awaiting scholarship offers, which are sure to come, before deciding on a university to attend next year.



When asked if he was at all bitter about constantly being defeated by his son, Al Sica couldn't help but laugh.

"Bitter? Not at all. I think it's great. I used to be able to out-drive him, but that was when Nick was 12."

Nick will now set his sights on the Club Championship. If he happens to win, it remains to be seen whether his father will take the parking spot.

## Stropoli Takes VP Cup With Low Net

Hard-hitting lefty Anthony Stropoli took home the hardware for the Vice President's Cup by shooting a stellar 66 -70 136.

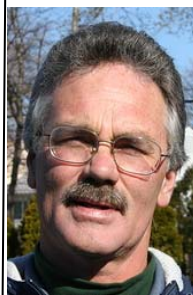
The victory gives the southpaw 20 points in the Player of the Year standings, leaving him just a single point behind leader Paul Ser-son.



## Caddy Tournament!

Monday, July 30 marks the 2007 Caddy Tournament. Members are encouraged to sign up, make donations, or both. It's always a good time, and provides a great change of pace from the more common, high intensity tournaments.

As a caddy myself, I can't stress enough how much we look forward to this day. The trash talking begins on opening day, and doesn't end until the scores are finally posted in late July.



Last year was a great experience. In fact, it is how I ended up becoming editor of this newsletter. We need your help once again to make 2007 just as wonderful.

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# The Caddy Corner

## *Hole in One: A Caddy's Perspective*

By Collin Creange

As a caddy, I find myself cheering for the golfers in my group. On some level, this feeling is selfish: when the men in the foursome are hitting fairways and greens, my job becomes much easier. There's also a hope, however foolish it may be, that if the members have the rounds of their lives, they'll be-



stow some extra money on the caddy. In my experience, this doesn't actually happen, but it's still something to hope for. Yet when a player drains a birdie putt, or makes a beautiful sand save, I derive a certain happiness from it...and it's not just because Mr.

Zurica pays extra for those. As a fan of golf, seeing the game played right brings a smile to my face, and no shot makes a caddy happier than a hole in one.

Last week I fore-caddied for four guests during an outing. For most of the round we were playing from the rough, or from the fairways of other holes, but the guests were nice guys, and it was a fun round. We started on the 8th hole, and four hours later, when we reached the 6th, everyone was ready for the round to be over. There was a closest-to-the-pin challenge on #6, and everyone was joking about putting it in the hole. Considering where the hole was cut, a hole in one seemed to me to be a real possibility. The pin was toward the top of the green, and any ball that landed above the hole had a chance of rolling back down. Lo and behold, this is exactly what happened.

However member-friendly the pin-placement, you still never expect to see an ace. One of the guests, a young guy named Steve, hit a gorgeous-looking iron

that sailed above the trees, causing me to lose track of the shot. I turned around, expecting the ball to land close to the hole; instead, it landed about 15 feet above the pin, and began to slowly trickle back. Every rotation seemed to take longer and longer, and I kept expecting the ball to stop somewhere on the hill. But it didn't. Like a scene from *Tin Cup*, the ball fell into the hole. I turned around and looked at the foursome on the tee. They were completely silent, and I realized that they were waiting for me to confirm that the unbelievable had happened. So I did the only thing that seemed appropriate: I threw my arms up in the air, and pandemonium ensued.

Between the hugs, backslaps, high fives, and yelling, the rest of the foursome finished the hole. Everyone took out their cell phones and immortalized the moment with grainy pictures. The guy who made the hole in one called pretty much everyone in his phone book. One of the funniest calls he made went something like this: "Hey buddy, it's Steve... congrats about your new baby...I just got a hole in one!"

For the rest of the round (one hole), everyone was on top of the world. No one even wanted to play anymore—everyone just wanted to talk about the unbelievable occurrence that just took place on the 6th. The last thing I remember from the round was one of the guys, on the last hole, putting his second shot to about five feet, leaving himself a chance at birdie. I said to him, "Nice shot, sir," but before he could say anything, Steve walked by and said, "Decent shot...it's no hole in one, but hey, not bad."

## A MESSAGE FROM WOMEN'S PRESIDENT BONNIE JOSEPHS

Our first Member-Guest Day of the season was held on Thursday, June 28th, with breakfast at 8:00 AM and a 9:00 shotgun start.

We had a great turnout and the weather was just perfect for a day for golf.

Linda Dene and Pat Nardone were the chairladies of the day.

The theme was "A Day At The Beach," and many wonderful theme related prizes were selected.

The luncheon which followed was also "beach appropriate," and expertly prepared by Chef Donald.

Our next Guest Day will be a NO FRILLS event on July 19th. A member may invite 1-3 guests, make her own format and tee time, and treat as she desires.

Have a Great Summer!  
**Bonnie Josephs**



### Member-Guest Tournament Winners

#### Team Gross

- Chris Terpanick
- Linda Farrell
- Susan Fox
- Jenna Winokur

#### Team Net

- Carol Martin
- Kathy Ingram
- And a Blind Draw



# Name The Baby Hawk!!

Some of you may have already spotted this little fella hanging around the golf course, but for those of you haven't, don't think that he hasn't spotted you. (We still aren't sure if it's a male or female, but for the purposes of this article, lets just call it Hawk.)

Aside from the occasional screech or caw in the middle of your backswing, Hawk doesn't bother anyone. He hangs around the trees near the 3rd tee box, and can be seen with a careful eye.

Frankly, all of us at Colonia CC are tired of simply referring to it as "the baby hawk." That's why we need your help. **THIS BIRD NEEDS A NAME!**

Don't think you wont get anything for picking the winning name. Whoever comes up with the best choice will win lunch for 4 at the pool!



And the best part is...everyone is eligible to participate! Men, women, children of all ages, former presidents, people with handicaps over 30, your pet, and even Fran Lamparello could pick the winning name!

So start asking your friends and neighbors for some good ideas, as there will definitely be a lot of great submissions. Sooner or later, everyone will see Hawk in person, and wouldn't it be nice to have the pleasure of knowing you named the little guy?

**Send All Submissions to Frank Ingram at:**

***Ingo1943@optonline.net***

**There is no limit to how many names you can submit so have fun with it! Winning name will be announced next issue so don't wait to get your entry in!**



# Look-a-Likes??



Grizzly Adams!

Not the closest of matches yet... But with a little effort, Colonia CC member Chuck Scheer could pull off the look pretty well!



Chuck Scheer!

## Independence Day at CCC



Tourny Winners (L-R) Baesler, Hudec, Dene, and Bilotti



# Upcoming Events

**Happy Hour!**  
Every Friday!

Hors D'Oeuvres will be served between 5.30pm and 9.30pm

**Club Championship Begins**

**July 21**

**Pasta Night**  
4:00-8:00

**July 22**

**Women's Club Championship Begins**

**July 26**

**Luau at the Pool**

**July 28**

**Caddy Tournament**

**July 30**

**Men's Member-Guest**

**August 2**

**Buddy-Buddy Tournament**

**August 11**

**Ladies Dinner**

**August 15**

**Senior Golfers: The AARP has negotiated with the USGA to modify the Rules of Golf for seniors (Cont'd).**

**Rule 3.B.3(G)**

There shall be no such thing as a lost ball. The missing ball is on or near the course and will eventually be found and pocketed by someone else, making it a stolen ball. The player is not to compound the felony by charging himself or herself with a penalty.

**Rule 7.G.15(z)**

There is no penalty for a ball in a water hazard, as golf balls should float. Senior golfers should not be penalized for manufacturers' shortcomings.