



Next season will mark the

100th Anniversary of Springville Country Club

The committee has been hard at work to prepare a memorable season that will incorporate fun events and provide the membership insight into the rich history that makes up this wonderful club.

If you are interested in helping, donating your time or contributing memorabilia and photos, please contact :

Cyndi Zalikowski or John Nason

Dues in 1970:

Mens Individual : \$165.00

Spouse \$45.00

Child (each) \$25.00

Junior (attending school, under 21) \$135.00

Ladies Individual \$135.00

Clergy \$100.00

Locker \$12.00

1/2 Locker \$6.00

Initiation Fee \$400.00

Who was Ken Hooper?

The Hooper Memorial Invitational is named in honor of Kenneth R. Hooper. He was a long time member of SCC; served as President and was the club's Treasurer for twenty years. He was a driving force in the development years of SCC. He was a man of total involvement. Many of the facilities which we enjoy today are the untiring efforts. The first watering system using the water retention pond on hole #13 instead of wells on upper course was but one example of Ken Hooper's vision, planning and plain hard work. He also with the help of Alan Brown and Clif Cunningham designed the new nine holes in the 1960s. To those who were privileged to personally know him, Ken is best remembered for his kindness, personality and great sense of humor. Ken passed in 1962, but will always be gratefully honored by the membership of SCC through his tournament. The 1st Annual on e was held in 1964.

June 28, 1971: One of the leading women professional golfers, Susie Maxwell Berning was to appear at SCC and preside at a golf clinic and play an exhibition round with our golf pro Ange Alberico.

April 22, 1972: Springville Country Club will celebrate 50 years of golf and good fellowship at the "Golden Jubilee Year Spring Dance".

September 14, 1972: George Decker's son Terry defeated his twin brother Tim by one point to win the Alan Broun Tournament.

June 6, 1973: 72 golfers turned out to compete in the 1st Annual Founder's Day Tournament. The Tournament was designed to give recognition to those men and women who in the past were responsible for the beginning of our club. It was a 2 man best ball 36 hole competition that emphasized both match and medal play. The flights were name: Pop Warner, Ralph B. Waite, E Richard Lowe, William Weismantel and Ellis Brown. The initial tournament winners were Ed Hoyt and his son Joey.



July 3, 1975 : It's unbelievable but it happened. Three golfers score aces within an hours time:

Larry Siupa, Age 32 7-I on 14th

Ray Handfield, Age 43 6-I on 14th

Charles Jacobsen, Age 65 5-W on 3rd

August 12, 1976: Ron Bus and guest Eugene Schmidt carded an unprecedented 23 under par to win the Hooper Memorial Tournament.

August 20, 1978: Thomas Hughes a past president of SCC was re-elected President of the Buffalo District Golf Association.

September 1978: Yours truly joined Springville Country Club at a rate of :

Initiation Fee: \$500.00

Annual Dues : \$500.00

You had to have a member sponsor you and interview you. Thank you to Harold Rupp and Leroy Williams.

Points of Interest in the 1970's

☞ Trees in the middle of fairways:

Examples: old #4 (hole now gone), old #6 (now 16), old #13 (tree still there but not in play).

☞ There were 2 ponds in play on #13 and the current pond wasn't there.

☞ #13 was a par 5 dog leg right and in 1989 was voted one of the best par 5's in Western New York by the Buffalo News golf panels.

☞ The old #6, (now #16) had a pull cart elevator platform that brought your bag and cart up the hill from #5 green (no longer) to the #6 tee box.

☞ That same hole had a 20' periscope to see the blind spot (now we have a mirror).

☞ That same hole had a bell to ring at the start of the fairway cart path at hilltop.

☞ I remember on weekends, after finishing my 18th hole, walking into the men's locker room to find dozen's of gentlemen sitting around tables playing games of poker, euchre, pinochle or rolling dice, something you don't see anymore.

☞ Ange's pro shop was only the size of Danielle's office.

☞ Some members had their own motorized carts (some 3 wheeled, some 4 wheeled), once the carts died they lost the grandfathered rights and had to use club owned carts.

☞ Ange had his fleet and numerous times you would find Ange and his buddy Bud Horth doing repairs on them.

☞ The spiral ball rack on the #1 tee to determine who was next to the tee off.

☞ The opening day scramble's where you would meet new members and toast them with a swig of warming peppermint schnapps from Eunice Murphy.

So much for the 1970s!!!