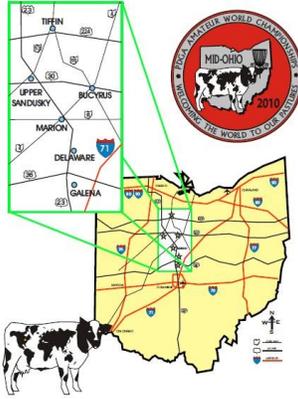


2010 - A MEMORABLE YEAR FOR OHIO DISC GOLF



2010 brought OHIO a lot of rain in the early and late spring, but one thing it did not bring was disappointment to the disc golf community. In fact the year did assemble a great group of dedicated disc golfers to the competitive arena from all over the region. This growing family of friends assisted in hosting the 2010 PDGA Amateur Disc Golf World Championships. An undertaking that four years ago seemed like a pipe dream. None the less the area's movers and shakers combined their talents and strong points with the purpose of challenging some of the worlds best amateur disc golfers on six area courses. The weather was more than a blessing from God, it was a utter gift. Understand too, the event officials actually did not make a final decision on the use of one course until the weekend prior to the start of the championship.



Amazing still today how many great folks came out to make this a great event and a dream come true for many. Not to forget too, the Three Majors [*Innova - DGA - Discraft*] came through with great support of the event with new custom schwag for the players. All things considered, the event was a success. The Ohio State University in Marion, the Marion Star, the PDGA, the Marion Convention & Visitors Bureau and Blue Fusion raised the bar to make this a memorable and very centrally located event. We would be remised not to mention the extraordinary cooperation we had from each of the City's Park Systems involved in the event. For all involved in what ever capacity, THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!

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WINTER 2011

From the Desk of MOODGolf:

- * Back by popular demand? Well if you ask Allen Koehler, he'll tell you so. Seriously, we hope you enjoy this newest Newsletter and find the content interesting, informative and entertaining. Please look for more in the coming year. Content is needed. See article below.
- * **Sincere Thanks** to all of you for the support of disc golf in OH and the dedication to the area courses. Our growth in OH could not be possible without your interest and drive to achieving more courses and building the player base. Those of you that are leaders in your area need reminded that your *thankless* job of promoting the sport and running events is greatly appreciated. Looking forward to seeing more of you in 2011.
- * Be sure to visit us on the web at <http://moodgolf.hyperboards.com>

CONTENT MEANS EVERYTHING...ANY IDEAS?

MOODGolf welcomes you to read and enjoy the latest version of the area newsletter. As in past newsletters, we will strive to bring you news and information that goes beyond what you may have read on the message forums. Area disc golfers as well as other contributors will provide you updates and inside coverage of events as well as stories or info of places you may not get the

chance to visit or see. We will bring you stories of interest and amusement. Just as in the past, time and content will only go so far. This is where you the reader can keep the newsletter going by providing us with fresh ideas and stories. If you have an idea, or you would like to contribute with a story, of course feel free to contact Allen Koehler or one of the other support staff members who will aid you in

bringing your thoughts to the readers. The newsletter will be published about six times a year or as time allows. We hope to have the ability to publish the newsletter on Facebook in addition to the forum. We look forward to receiving your comments and feedback. Thanks for your continued interest in disc golf in the Mid OH area. Email comments/stories to:

alkoehler@wowway.com

Another winter visit to D3...Delaware Draw Dubs

Attendance is **LOW**, BUT

Excitement is **HIGH**.

No matter the weather, an arriving disc golfer can always find someone at the Sunday Dubs at Delaware, earlier coined the D3. Recent visit to the event found 12 die hard disc golfers vying for the little cabbage and the now newer \$24 Ace Fund. Funny just a few weeks ago the mega \$600 + fund was hit as well as last weeks 20 something llars was hit too. Actually it's not about the Ace Fund but more about the fun and perks that go with it. Can't say for sure, but I would venture to guess that there has not been a D3 lately that did not offer some sort of food at the end of the round. What's more, the visi-

tor will be able to kibitz with some of the best folks out there. Enjoy the course? No doubt as you will find the tees in great shape and even might find that someone actually took a snow blower there and cleaned off all tees and surrounding area as well as plowing a path from Tee to Pin over the entire course. Eye spy some great guys from the area that really enjoy their retirement. Don & Jack have been rendezvousing at Delaware and Alum for a while now. Both of them are in their late 60's or early 70's and have discovered



that playing disc golf is great for their health and a great way to enjoy the outdoors. Hoping to meet them soon so I might be able to hand them a new disc. Vulcan or Wedge? Thanks to Don & Jack and others that keep our courses looking good and keeping the fairways warm. Until next time...Keep on Disc'n!



PDGA Competition Rule Changes for 2011

A few rules have changed for the coming season. It is recommended that any competitive disc golfer should review these rules so that clear understanding in a group they are in will decide promptly and help speed of play. Do pay attention to these rules:

DROP ZONE: 800 & 803.11

OPTIONAL RETHROW (formerly Unplayable Lie): 803.06

GENERAL – Provisional Throws: 803.01C

OBSTACLES AND RELIEF: 803.05

DISC ABOVE OR BELOW THE

PLAYING SURFACE: 803.08

The one I find most interesting is the changes on Holing Out. Be sure to read this carefully and understand the changes.

HOLING OUT: 803.13

Groups will now be responsible to make judgment calls on how discs enter the basket. Discs that attempt to enter or actually get all the way into the chains or basket thru the top of the chain support or thru the side or bottom of the basket now will not count if the group or official sees that happen. This means wedgies, most which wedge from the outside, now will not count unless it was a blind shot

where no one saw how the disc wedged. Putts that are observed to properly enter the basket from above the rim and then wedge trying to get out will count as holed out like before. These changes for holing out mean calls for the "putting tree" photo shown below that was in the Rules School story on Interference need to be updated. Under the old rules, only the yellow disc would not have been considered holed out when the player removed it. Under 2011 rules, the white and red discs are holed out (IN). The yellow disc as before and the orange disc hanging on the nub outside the basket are NOT IN. The

orange disc balancing on the rim, which used to be considered IN, is now considered OUT in the 2011 rules because the disc is not entirely supported by the pole, inner wall or bottom of the basket.

The orange wedgie is now NOT IN if the group observed it wedge from the outside. If the group did not see it or watched it clear the top basket wire then wedge on the way out, it is IN.



Most debated rules change.

Disc Golf mart.com Opens the Door to Local Sales

For store hours and details call (614) 481-0808, or go online at <http://www.bwdgc.com/discgolmart.htm>



When in Columbus, be sure to stop in and shop at the new

Disc Golf Mart located at 1971 Riverside Drive. Owned by local golf pro Mike Gates, the store offers over 1,500 discs by Innova and Discraft, as well as a selection of bags and accessories. Mike intends to add selected discs from Gateway and Millennium Discs in the future as well as a line of Innova apparel and original t-shirt designs. You may also find some remaining 2010 Am Worlds merchandise. Mike headed up an important task during the summer of 2010 when he accepted the fulfillment portion of



the recent championships. An undertaking it was with the procurement of a large inventory to try and satisfy 100's of disc golfers from all over the world. Many months in the planning culminated with a surge of sales and prize fulfillment for one week at the temporary location at The Ohio State University at Marion campus. The MOODGolf team is grateful for Mike and his dedication to the event.

WOWS! 2011 Weathering Ohio's Winter Series

New name, new twist same great golf...

Winter 2010/11 has brought yet another blanket of the white stuff to help our disc golf training during the off season. This year is no exception to the fun time that will be had by anyone giving a disc the flick during the brisk 20° days. The hopes that this years WOWS would surpass the previous years was manifested with the kick off

of the series at the Toys for Tots at Alum Creek in December. Allen Koehler accepted the idea of having a duel event to help promote and increase the attendance of both events. 29 players opted in on the "piggy back" WOWS #1 to help boost the attendance by 123% from previous WOWS.

In early January, Clare Wertz promoted his annual Chili Bowl for Patchworks House

where he also endorsed the WOWS #2 event as another co-opportunity for the series. With his auto registration for the duel event, WOWS experienced another great surge of attendance with 161% increase. Many thanks to Allen and Clare for accepting and supporting the series. As a reminder to all interested players the series has four more dates. As in the past, to be eligible for

the overall you must play in at least five of the six WOWS. If you play all six your worst score will be drop off for overall. The remaining dates and locations are listed. For more info visit the forum or contact Ken at moodgolf@yahoo.com

January 22, 2011
 Delaware
February 26, 2011
 Bucyrus
March 26, 2011
 Marion
April 9, 2011
 Mt. Gilead SP

A Picture is worth....

The Makings of a Course of course...



Our Friends from Region 17



Lakeview Pines @ Mt. Gilead State Park

Ryno's ACE Race 2010



1	NAME	RND 1	RND 2	RND 3	TOTAL				
	Ken Rollins	M	A	M	A	M	A	M	A
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@ River Bend Family Campground DGC in Caledonia

a Thousand Words...Here's just a few

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DISC GOLF IN MARION OHIO...REALITY SOON!

The planning stages of Marion's first disc golf course are well under way. Marion's Parks & Recreation Departments lead by Larry Bigford and Jeannie Brewer have been very receptive to the sport and the benefits of the nine hole course scheduled for installation in spring 2004. The departments are looking toward merchants and the private sector for financial support. The efforts of Andrew Swartz, owner and operator of Andrew's Pastries, and Ken Rollins, disc golf enthusiast, have proven to be invaluable in organizing the project. To date Mid Ohio Organized Disc Golf have secured commit-

ments from such organizations as, **Andrew's Pastries, Marion Recreation Dept., Whirlpool, Arby's, Marion General Hospital, Buffalo Wild Wings, Mike Canales (activeabc.com), Johnny Sias, and Jerry & Jo Swartz.** Each of these sponsors will be acknowledged for their support by displaying their logo or name on a designated tee sign for the hole sponsored. This recognition will be displayed as long as the course exists. A donation of \$300 will prove to be invaluable to these individuals and organizations for years to come. Many thanks to them and others to follow. Spots are still

available as we will expand to an 18 hole course as the parks department sees the benefits of the sport and the popularity grow. Ohio already hosts courses in such cities as Findlay, Bowling Green, Dayton, Lima, Toledo, Columbus, Warren, Canton, Massillon, Cincinnati, and Chillicothe. All courses are FREE to play and require no special skill. Just a Frisbee® (flying disc) and the desire to have fun. See you on the course!



From the Desk of MOODGolf

- *Thanks to Warden Money! Without QStP training and her enthusiasm during in-service presentations the dream of establishing disc golf in Marion, OH would have died.*
- *Volunteers Needed !! Contact Ken Rollins @ 740-815-5899 or Andrew Swartz @ 740-387-3830*
- *Yet another seed may be planted!! Upper Sandusky may be interested in a course. Introduction will take place February 2004. Details will follow as any progress may occur.*

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RESOURCES

- www.pdga.com. PDGA-Non-Profit organization dedicated to the growth of Disc golf. Filled with information such as rules, vendors, member lists, forums, and a complete course directory.
- www.disclife.com A web site filled with stories of touring pros, equipment reviews, and other fun disc golf related information.
- www.innovadiscs.com The leader in disc manufacturing and disc golf accessories.

ANOTHER COURSE? COULD THIS BE POSSIBLE?

Recent developments in Upper Sandusky have been brought to the attention of MOODGolf. Craig Swartz, (Pour House) brother of Andrew Swartz (Andrew's Pastries) has been elected to Upper Sandusky's City Council. Craig being a long time enthusiast of disc golf

has toyed with the idea of establishing a disc golf course in the newly developed park within the city of Upper Sandusky. Craig's influence has proven fruitful as he has gained the support of other council members with the idea. After contacting Craig, Ken Rollins

will be attending a council meeting to present disc golf and answer questions with reference to cost, environmental impact, community interest and other related information. Details will follow as progress of this great project unfolds.

Remember, Part of the Fun is the Journey to and From

Similar to TV's "One tank trips" the folks at MOODGolf were looking for someone to report on some courses that are within driving distance but maybe not as well known to you as our local courses.

Our first road trip will take us to the Akron area and a brand new course at Wingfoot Lake State Park. The course was just installed in 2010 and is on property once exclusive to those affiliated with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company before they recently turned it over to the state.

The course won't be a favorite for the pro's and advance players, but for us average golfers it is a fun and challenging course. Not overly long, nothing over 400 feet, but there is plenty of well used elevation and technical shots. New Chainstar® baskets and a course that is well

marked and easily navigated are a plus for first time visitors. You will score some birdies, have a few ace runs and score plenty of bogeys as well. In a recent tournament there on New Years weekend, with 28 amateurs of all skill levels, just two managed to shoot under par for the day. So it's not a complete walk in the park, despite its short nature.

If there is a negative to the course currently, it's that there are only natural tee pads at the moment. The aforementioned tournament and another scheduled for February 5th, are fundraisers for cement pads to be added hopefully by summer 2011.

Apart from the use of elevation and technical nature of the course, there are two signature holes. Holes #6 and #7 make great use of Wingfoot Lake and have the Goodyear Blimp Hangar in

the background. Hole Six is 305' with water on the right for about 2/3rds of it. More water waits if you throw long, while the entire left



side of the hole is thick brush with an out-of-bounds fence should you really fear the water and overcompensate to the left. That sounds imposing enough, but when you figure the landing area is perhaps 40' wide throughout the hole, and wind is always a factor as well. It's a hole you won't soon forget. The following hole also uses the same area, but in this case you throw over the water to a pin on the right, some 265'

away. Trees and an OB road await you if you are too far off to the right.

If you're lucky, you might survive this dynamic duo. If you are really lucky, you could catch

one of the three Goodyear Blimps taking off or landing. It's an interesting sight and takes a ground crew of up to 16 men to bring it in. For more interesting facts about Goodyear Blimps go to www.goodyearblimp.com

Remember, part of the fun is the journey to and from. Take a group... and just play!

Bob Cundiff

2011 Tiffin Chili Bowl - Another Spicy Success!

Winter in January usually brings snow and ice, but always brings Tiffin's Winter Tournament, the 2011 Chili Bowl, benefiting Patch Works house. This is the idea and organization of Clare Wertz. For the past five years, he asks people to show, and they show. One year mud, another 14 inches of snow and a level two snow emergency and this year only 15 degrees with no wind and a bit of sunshine. It was a great day to support The Patch Works house of Tiffin and play a round of disc golf with friends.

The Patch Works House is a family service agency which provides support, guidance and assistance to families who have suffered some type of trauma such as abuse, neglect, divorce, separation or child custody



issues which may cause stress or difficulty.

These are only a few services their staff and volunteers provide:

- Supervised Visitation
- Drop off/Pick up-supervised exchanges between parents
- Guidance, support and assistance during family crisis

This only scratches the surface of what this organization can do to help families and children in need. Since they are a non-profit organization, they would not be able to continue this valuable service with out volunteers and donations on a yearly basis.

Thirty-Two players showed for this year's

frosted festivities, each receiving an Innova Champion X-out driver of their choice. Nine throwers brought chili for a friendly competition for the best food between rounds.

Mulligans (extra throws) were available for an additional dollar each and that gave the purchaser a ticket thrown into a hat for a chance of one of the 25+ door prizes at the end of the tournament. MOODGolf matched the \$378.00 for the mulligans which raised an additional \$378.00 for the tournament total of \$1,040.00.

Jess Taylor nailed basket 13 for the tournaments only ace and was kind to donate her winnings to Patch Works House. And Ryan "Ryno" Shirley took first place for the first time this year with the best chili. He better watch out for next year,

it seems the competition for the best chili is more revered than winning the event.

So, January 8th brought people from around the state to throw, eat, support, laugh and shiver a little bit all for the sake of helping others while having a good time too.

Reported by Rob Ledwedge



Allen Koehler Recaps 2010 Toys for Tots DG Charity Event

Christmas time often brings out the best feelings of hope and charity which certainly holds true for the disc golf community. This was proven once again on a warm sunny Saturday in early December when 41 disc golfers converged at the Players Course @ Alum Creek State Park on December the 11th. Being held was the second annual Toy's for Tot's benefit to help families who were in need of a little extra help this holiday season. With help from some of Santa's very special elves, Shawn Draughon, Ken Rollins, Paul Jay, and Joe Blankenship, over \$600 in toy and monetary donations were raised during this event.

The week leading up to this event was bitterly cold, but luck would soon shine down upon us with temperatures rising to the low

40's which was very welcomed by participants from all over the Central Ohio region. Many local Columbus pro's as well as many Marion and Northern Ohio DGr's traveled to play two rounds of 18 holes. With trophy's and bragging rights being contested in four divisions, the winners on the day were Brad Schick winning the Pro Division. Ryan Wilkerson took the Advance Division while Dennis Hills edged out Chris Henry for the Intermediate win. Mike Nevett capped of the Recreation Division with a seven



Dennis Hills teeing on Hole 2

stroke lead, but a surprising 3rd place finish

was turned in by George Scott competing in his first ever event. You can say we had



winners in the four divisions, but clearly the real winners were the children in Central Ohio who would wake up to find presents under the tree on Christmas day. **Thank You again to all of those who extended support for this great cause.**

Featured MOODGolf Enthusiast

MOODGolf is a club made of many diverse individuals with many talents who all come together to share in their love of the game. In each edition we will try to feature one of these people who have a story to tell about the love they have for OUR great sport. I had the chance to talk with one of our newest players, Sean Mehafeffey, who although hasn't been playing for very long, I do believe that he is hooked for life.

Q. Sean, how long have you been playing disc golf?

I got started on Memorial Day in 2010.

Q. Who got you introduced to playing the game?

Nobody actually, I was looking for a form of exercise and I kept seeing all of these newspaper articles about the "Am Worlds", so Memorial Day weekend I bought a 3 disc starter pack and headed out to Sawyer. I never had any intentions of joining the PDGA or MOODGolf or anything else. When the Worlds came to town, and I was delivering pizzas to the hotels at night, what I saw wasn't a bunch of competitors, but it looked like the world's largest family reunion with everyone having fun, socializing with each other

and there was a sense of camaraderie that I had never seen in a sport before. I had to be a part of this!

I was pretty bummed that I didn't get to play for a whole week, so the Monday after the Worlds, I headed to Sawyer Ludwig Park with CJ. That day is when I met a guy who was looking for his disc on hole #3. We helped him look for awhile, with no luck. He said he was a pro who was in town to help with the tournament. Turns out it was Chuck Kennedy (who I didn't know at the time) and he asked if we wanted to play along. I figured why not. I might just learn a few things from him. Seeing how he enjoyed teaching a couple of newcomers some tips and tricks to make us better, I knew what direction I was headed in with this new sport. (Thanks Chuck!) I enjoy turning new people on to playing disc golf and sharing the basic knowledge I have about playing.

Q. Who have you gotten started with playing?

My dad and 3 kids, CJ who is 17 #46582, Tommy age 15 #46583, and Indigo who is 7.

Q. Sawyer Ludwig in Marion is your current home course. Please tell us more about the new Prospect Park course

that will be your new home, how did this project come about?

A friend asked me about some disc golf comments I had posted on my Facebook page, and I made the comment I wish we could get a course in Prospect. As it turns out he was a member of the park board who took the proposal before the rest of the board, and they quickly approved the idea. All 9 holes were sponsored by local businesses in record time, and installation will be completed this spring.

Q. What would you consider to be your main go to discs?

I use a Beast for my long driver, a Leopard for my fairway driver, for approaches I rely on my Mako, and a Dart for a my putter.

Q. What do you enjoy about being a member of MOODGolf?

Everybody has been really cool and I haven't met anyone I don't like. I enjoy the charity aspect what the club is involved with. I like helping other people out.

Q. Where do you see your future in disc golf?

I certainly would like to improve my game, but I would like to be involved with building more courses. I would like to see disc golf brought into the schools to get more kids introduced to disc golf. I also would love to get more women to play. I think disc golf is on the verge of blowing up, and I want to be a part of its growth.

Q. Your message board name is Munky, so where does your fascination come from?

Monkeys?...I have always loved monkeys. They're smart and if you want to make a situation funny, just add a monkey. As for the name, let's just say I used to be really wild and partied a lot. I picked it up one day and it stuck. Some people don't even know my real name.

Sean, after today, I can almost guarantee people will know who you are and there will remember your name. Reported by Allen Koehler



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~New Stuff~



The Vulcan was designed for less powerful players that want to throw the shots of their dreams. Similar in flight to our Katana with less low speed fade. The Vulcan will be available in lower weights for longer shots. With weights as low as 158 grams, there is a Vulcan for everyone. One of our lightest and longest Distance Drivers available in Star plastic. Makes a great long range roller as well.



Wedged in between a Putter and Mid-Range. The Wedge is easy to grip and release for smaller hands or for those who prefer a low profile straight flying Putter. When used as a Putter, it has a great neutral flight. For beginners, the Wedge is a great all around disc because of its straight flight and minimal fade. The Wedge is an accurate Mid-Range roller and turn over Mid-Range flyer for more advanced players.



“All the latest Moos and more”

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What's up and coming for Feb. / March 2011

February 19: Frosted Flatrocks
Lancaster, OH

February 22: #3 @ MCI Marion Correctional Institution

DG Clinic. Marion, OH

February 26: Wows #4

Bucyrus OH

March 12: Lobdell Open

Alexandria, OH

March 22: #4 @ MCI Marion Correctional Institution

DG Clinic. Marion, OH

March 26: Wows #5

Marion, OH

Reminder: Delaware Draw Dubs (D3)
EVERY SUNDAY AT NOON

Hoover Doubles at the BHMDGC
EVERY SUNDAY AT 11 am.

Be sure to check the tour schedule at www.pdga.com for more information on upcoming events in OH and neighboring states.

Favorite Foods Stops on Speed Dial

Whenever playing disc golf in Mid OH, one very needed ingredient is FOOD! The fuel to drive, putt and get to the next course. Here are a few good places to stop if you are on a trek thru the area:

Near Alum Creek:

Cheshire Market: Great Subs,

Pizza, and more!

5094 Cheshire Rd

Galena, OH 43021

740-548-6334



Near Delaware:

G & R Tavern: World Famous Bologna Sandwich

103 N. Marion St, Waldo, OH 43356

740-726-9685



Near Marion:

Stumpo's Italian Kitchen:

Great Food and Beverages!

1292 Delaware Ave.

Marion, OH 43302

740-387-5900

Andrew's Pastries: Desserts!

1282 Delaware Ave.

Marion, OH 43302

(740)387-3830



Near Tiffin:

Clover Club: Best Burgers, Great Beverage Section, and More!

266 South Washington

Street, Tiffin, OH

(419) 448-9142



Near Bucyrus:

Bratworks LTD: Convenience, Brats

574 South Sandusky Avenue

Bucyrus, OH 44820-2626

(419) 562-6262

To hook up for a round in the area visit forum thread "Where we may roam" at <http://moodgolf.hyperboards.com>. Looking forward to your visit to Mid OH