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## Attending the British Open

The British Open was played, as any avid golfer will know, at Carnoustie Links Course in Carnoustie, Scotland. It was the 6th time the British Open has been played there. What you might not know is that MSOC member Wyatt McCallie was there to watch. This morning Wyatt spoke of his experience and a bit about the tournament and events that occurred at the diabolical 18<sup>th</sup> hole where Wyatt was in the stands to watch the drama play out. Running down the entire left side of the 18th is the Barry Burn, a small creek, and a huge contributor to the 4.611 average score on the hole. Pádraig Harrington, the eventual winner, made a mess of the hole by going into Barry Burn not once but twice on his final round and carding a double bogey. Harrington's double left the door open for Sergio Garcia who missed a 10 foot putt that would have given him his first major championship. Garcia then lost in the four hole playoff and Harrington was the one to lift the Claret Jug and take home the \$1,542,450 first place money. As a small consolation, Sergio took home \$925,470 for his efforts. The numbers are a bit strange but I assume that is the result of making the EURO to Dollar conversion.



Meeting Place - American Legion Hall Post No. 1  
5400 E. Yale Avenue (Yale & I-25), Denver, CO.

# Club News for August 3

## Invocation

Ron Carlson read the invocation this morning and, as always, members gave the pledge to our flag,

## Junior Golf

Ron Cisco and Joe Marci attended the tournament in Florida with the kids representing Colorado. None of our representatives placed that well but they all had a great time. A participant in the 16 to 18 age group from Greeley was 2 over par after the first three rounds but shot four over on the final day to finish 9th. Joe said a number of parents whose kids play in a lot of tournaments indicated that this is the best run program in the country. Ron thanked hole sponsors, volunteers, and others who worked to make this year's event a successful one. The OI Junior Golf newsletter, "Daily Divot", reported that Parker Gordon of Evans, Georgia, who was in the first group to tee off, after getting a birdie on the first hole raised his arms and yelled, "I'm leading the Optimist!" Joe, out bright and early, was the monitor on the hole and saw it all. Fifteen seconds of fame for Parker with hopefully many more to come. We all thank Joe and Ron for their hard work and dedication to the Optimist Junior Golf program.

## Concerts

The Congress Park Choral Union will give two concerts on August 10 and August 12, 7:30pm, at the Christ Church United Methodist located at 7th and Colorado Blvd. All proceeds from the concerts will be donated to Food Bank of the Rockies. A gift of song and a gift of food. Tickets are \$15 but there is a \$5 discount for seniors.

## Thank You

Dumb Friends League "Pet Tales" editor Jan Shelhammer thanked MSOC members for their assistance with the Furry Scurry. Following are excerpts from an article she wrote. "Neither rain nor hail nor sleet nor snow nor heat of day nor dark of night .....

That old saying certainly applies to our friends from the South Monaco Optimist Club who help us every year with the setup for the Furry Scurry.

The group of mostly retired men is best known for conveying an upbeat attitude (they are optimists, after all).

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I want to say thank you to the volunteers and staff members who pitched in again this year and a special thank you to Don St. John, Joe Marci, and the guys from the South Monaco Optimist Club.

## What No Peaches?

For whatever reason (too much rain, not enough rain, too many bugs, too few bees, late frost, it's always something) members may not be able to buy those wonderfully tasty western slope peaches this year. It's not over yet but it's not looking favorable at this point. We are Optimist, however, and we will continue to expect the best outcome.

## Super Market Sales

Cy didn't have a banner day selling the cards this morning. Sales of King Sooper cards totaled \$750 and sales of Safeway cards totaled \$100. I'm sure we will do better at the next meeting.

**INSTALLATION BANQUET  
SEPT 8TH, SATURDAY NIGHT, 6:30 PM  
BLOSSOMS AT HEATHER GARDENS  
DINNER \$20 per person**

**COCTAILS AT 6:15, SETTING AT 6:45, DINNER AT 7:00**

We are welcoming Greg Young as our new President and appreciating Paul Bernard as our outgoing President. This is a special occasion for all Monaco South-ERs and we need your commitment to attend. The cost is \$20 per dinner and so far the Chicken Oscar is ahead over the New York Steak by 11 to 10. Sign up next meeting so we can fix the menu and pay Donlie Smith with a check made out to Monaco South.

“BE THERE OR BE SQUARE” ..... Donlie

**Events on August 3**

1492 : Columbus sets sail	(he was looking for China but found the Americas)
1941 : Gas rationing begins in Eastern U.S.	(we weren't in W W II yet but we were close)
1958 : Nautilus travels under North Pole	(the Russians weren't pleased)

**Monaco South Calendar**

Aug 9	Thur 6:30 pm	Boys & Girls Club Appreciation Bar-B-Q
Aug 10	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Scott Henke, Pitfalls on the Internet
Aug 16	Thur 6:30 pm	Board Meeting, Craig Eley's Office
Aug 17	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Comaraderie Day
Aug 24	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - TBA
Aug 24-26	Fri-Sun	Colorado / Wyoming District Convention
Aug 31	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Dr. Shane Steadman, Stress Reduction
Sep 7	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - First Tee
Sep 8	Sat 6:30 pm	Installation Banquet, Blossoms at Heather Gardens
Sep 14	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Craig Eley, Constitution Day
Sep 20	Thur 6:30 pm	Board Meeting, Craig Eley's Office
Sep 21	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - 100% Day, Y'all come now!
Sep 28	Fri 7:00 am	Meeting, Legion Hall - Speaker TBA

### Past Presidents

Bob Rhue	1976-77	Bill Walters	1991-92
Jerry Whitlow	1977-78	Kent Gloor	1992-93
Bill Kosena	1978-79	Mark Metevia	1994-95
Duane Wehrer	1979-80	Bob Safe	1995-96
Curt Jefferies	1980-81	Tom Overton	1996-97
Frank Middleton	1981-82	Peter Dimond	1997-98
John Young	1982-83	Ralph Symalla	1998-99
Pat Bush	1983-84	Cy Regan	1999-00
Bob Hugo	1984-85	Stan Cohen	2000-01
Tom Mauro	1985-86	Don St. John	2001-02
Curt Lorenzen	1986-87	Jack Rife	2002-03
Oscar Sorensen	1987-88	Karl Geil	2003-04
Lupe Salinas	1988-89	Bryce Slaby	2004-05
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### The OPTIMIST CREED - Promise Yourself

- To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.
- To talk health, happiness, and prosperity to every person you meet.
- To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.
- To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.
- To think only of the best, to work only for the best and to expect only the best.
- To be just as enthusiastic about the successes of others as you are about your own.
- To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.
- To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature you meet a smile.
- To give so much time to the improvement of yourself that you have no time to criticize others.
- To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.

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