



Sleepy Hollow Country Club

MEMBERSHIP



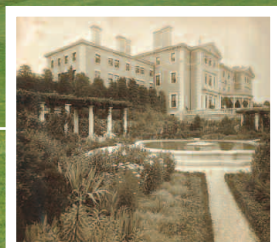
THE LEGEND CONTINUES

Washington Irving wrote in his iconic 1819 murder mystery, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, that the region had “*some of the Godliest scenes of the mighty Hudson*”. Since the mid 1800’s three estates have been built on the 338 acres which now comprise The Sleepy Hollow Country Club.

Margaret Louisa Vanderbilt Shepard, granddaughter of Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt and her husband Colonel Elliot F. Shepard, founder of the New York Bar Association, began construction of the current estate, Woodlea, in 1893. This American Renaissance inspired structure was designed by famed architect Stanford White of the firm McKim, Mead, and White and with its commanding views of the Hudson River, is a prime example of Gilded Age era design. In 1910, the then widowed Mrs. Shepard, sold the home and grounds to William Rockefeller and Frank A. Vanderlip who in turn deeded the property to the organizers of The Sleepy Hollow Country Club which was formed in 1911.

Many of the club’s original advisory committee members were prominent social and business figures of the time including John Jacob Astor, Oliver Harriman, V. Everit Macy, William & Percy Rockefeller and Cornelius Vanderbilt. The original golf course was laid out in 1911 by the father of American golf course architecture, Charles Blair (CB) Macdonald and his design associate, Seth Raynor. By 1930, the Club sought to increase the number of holes to 27, and it engaged A.W. Tillinghast to do so. Since 2005, the club has worked with renowned architect Gil Hanse as he (and CB Macdonald historian, George Bahto) have restored the grandeur, and Macdonald/Raynor design principles and features, to our golf course.

The tradition of excellence upon which the club was founded continues through to today as Sleepy Hollow is recognized as one of the top 100 most prestigious country clubs in America.



The 18th Hole - “Mansion Rise”

“Woodlea” – Sleepy Hollow’s Clubhouse – was built as a 70,000 square foot country manor for a member of the Vanderbilt family.

DEAR PROSPECTIVE MEMBER



Thank you for your interest in The Sleepy Hollow Country Club. The enclosed information is intended to help you gain an understanding of membership in this historic Club.

If you wish to be considered for membership, please complete the enclosed **Prospective Member Information Sheet** and return it to the Club, *attention Rob Rusk & Franco Cerabona, Admissions & Membership Co-Chairs*, for review by the Membership Committee and the Board of Trustees.

Should you be extended an invitation to join the Club, all required information will be provided to you at this time.

SHCC is a historic Country Club located in Scarborough, NY. The club was founded in 1911, and its clubhouse, as mentioned on the previous page was known as Woodlea, a 140-room Vanderbilt mansion owned by Colonel Elliott Fitch Shepard and his wife Margaret Louisa Vanderbilt Shepard. Early editorial coverage in the year of its debut deemed Sleepy Hollow as “The Most Elaborate Country Club in America”.

In the book titled “*The Sleepy Hollow Country Club*” **Copyright 1919**, the end of the first paragraph reads: “Diedrich Knickerbocker – legendary author of the ‘Legend’ – tells us that it was one of the quietest spots in the whole world. “If ever I should wish for a retreat” he says, “whither I might steal from the world and its distractions, and dream quietly away the remnant of a troubled life, I know of none more promising than this little valley.”

The book continues:

“It can scarcely be claimed that the founders of the Sleepy Hollow Country Club had in mind a permanent reclusion from the outer world when they chose this neighborhood for its abode; but they must have considered, with its advantages, the reposeful character of the country, and felt that it offered an ideal setting in which to forget, temporarily at least, the insistent blare of the town where the ‘tired business man’ expends his last energies in the pursuit of ‘recreation.’”

Today the 350 acre Sleepy Hollow landscape preserves history and tradition while seamlessly incorporating today’s modern amenities, including our 18 hole golf course which enjoys a position in the 2014 top 100 classic courses. We also offer a 9 hole par 31 course, 10 tennis courts, pool facility, skeet & trap shooting, 40 horse stable with 3 riding rings, 4 platform tennis courts, and our Vanderbilt mansion clubhouse with 18 guest rooms and 5 function rooms enjoying stunning views of the Hudson River. In 2011, we opened our Indoor Sports Facility which features three singles and one doubles squash court, fitness center, and easy access to our 4 platform tennis courts.

Again, thank you for your interest in SHCC. If you have any questions, please contact Admissions & Membership Co-Chairs Rob Rusk at robrusk@optonline.net, Franco Cerabona at fpcerabona@gmail.com or Paul Brock, General Manager at 914-941-8070

CLUB AMENITIES

- 27 HOLES OF GOLF
with sweeping views of the Hudson River or the rolling countryside as well as lush woodland settings
- GOLF LEARNING CENTER
- GOLF PRACTICE AREAS
- GOLF SHOP
- DINING & BANQUET ROOMS
that can accommodate Gala Events for 400 Guests or Intimate Meetings for a few
- DRAMATIC VISTAS
of the Hudson River and Palisades
- ELEGANT HISTORICAL SETTING
for Weddings, Family Gatherings, Business Meetings and Holiday Parties
- CORPORATE OUTINGS
Featuring Golf, Tennis, Swimming and Equestrian Options
- 18 GUEST ROOMS & SUITES
with antique charm and modern amenities
- SKEET AND TRAP SHOOTING
with Skeet Lodge

“Sloping, velvety lawns, magnificent trees, extensive gardens and a house of architectural beauty are the important features of the Sleepy Hollow Country Club.”
– Article about Club in 1911.



CLUB AMENITIES



- 2 STORY STABLE BUILDING
with Reception & Lounge Areas
45 Horse Boarding Facility
20 Paddocks
Tack Rooms
- CHAMPION SIZE INDOOR RIDING ARENA
with gracious second floor viewing room
- 2 OUTDOOR RIDING ARENAS
- ADULT & CHILDREN'S POOLS
- 10 HAR-TRU TENNIS COURTS
with covered viewing areas
- TENNIS PRO-SHOP
Full Service
- 4 PLATFORM TENNIS COURTS
aluminum, heated and fully illuminated for evening play
- 3 SINGLES SQUASH COURTS
1 DOUBLES SQUASH COURT
with viewing area & locker rooms
- FITNESS FACILITY
with Exercise Room, Fitness Center & Locker Rooms
- MASSAGE ROOM
offering professional therapeutic massage services

“With its palatial building, magnificent location and charming grounds, its outdoor recreations and the beauty of the motor trip from New York to it, ‘Woodlea’ may rightly claim the honor of constituting the most remarkable country club estate in America, if not in the world.”
– Article about Club in 1911.

CATEGORIES

Regular Members shall be entitled to full use of all Club facilities.

Associate Members shall be entitled to full use of all Club facilities *except the golf courses and golf practice facilities; provided, however, some use thereof may be permitted on such terms and at such times as the Board permits.*

National and International Membership shall be available to candidates who are citizens of the United States or of a foreign country, respectively, and have no residence within 100 miles of the Clubhouse and have, in the opinion of the Board, no habitual place of business within 100 miles of the Clubhouse. *National and International Members and their families may use all the facilities of the Club, on such terms and at such times as the Club Rules provide.*

Junior Regular Membership is available to candidates for membership who are age twenty-one to thirty-five inclusive, and who are not eligible for Legacy Junior Regular membership. *Junior Regular members shall be entitled to use all the facilities of the Club.* Junior Regular membership shall terminate on the first day of that fiscal quarter of the Club in which such member shall become thirty-six years old. Memberships of Junior Regular members may be terminated at any time by the Board, with or without cause.



CLUB POLICIES

DRESS CODE

Proper dress while using Club facilities is traditional and conservative and applies to all members, their families, guests and child care providers. Attire may vary with the season of the year or the facilities being used for an event. Except as specifically permitted in the dress code rules for individual sports, denim of any type and color, cargo-style pants or shorts, gym shorts, tee shirts, bathing suits, halters, tank tops, bare torsos or bare mid-drifts, bare feet and tennis attire are not permitted in or around the main clubhouse, golf facilities and other recreational facilities (*unless specific to the particular facility*) or dining areas. Men, women and children - the wearing of baseball/golf hats or visors inside the Clubhouse is considered inappropriate with the exception that women will be permitted to wear sports caps or visors in the Grill Room/Golf Pro Shop/Locker Room areas. Hats worn backwards, in any area, is considered inappropriate. *Persons who are not in proper attire will not be admitted to the facilities of the Club.*

Main Clubhouse Areas and Adjacent Outdoor Terraces - After 6 p.m., or earlier when special events are being held, men and boys are expected to wear jackets and ties. Women and girls are expected to wear similarly traditional and conservative attire. *There are no exceptions unless noted in the monthly calendar or the event announcement.*

Main Dining Room Attire - Jackets, ties and collared dress shirts will be required. Turtlenecks, golf shirts and other casual attire are not permitted. *(Ties are optional in the MDR between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day weekend.)*

Grill Room and Grill Terrace - Traditional and conservative sports attire, as defined by each Sports Committee, are appropriate on most occasions. The monthly calendar or event announcement will determine any exceptions to the rule. Tennis "warm-up"-type outfits are permitted.

Golf Courses and Practice Areas - Properly dressed men and boys will wear tucked-in polo shirts and either golf slacks or full length walking shorts that are no more than three inches above the knee. Proper attire for women and girls is required. Shorts and skirts must be traditional Bermuda-style and length. *Denim of any type and color, cargo-style pant or shorts, gym shorts, tee shirts, bathing suits, bare feet and tennis attire are not permitted on the golf course. Players may not wear shoes with metal spikes.*

Tennis Facilities - Men and boys are properly attired when wearing tucked-in polo shirts and regulation tennis shorts. Proper attire for women includes polo shirts, sports blouses and regulation tennis shorts or skirts. All players must wear regulation tennis shoes. This attire may be worn elsewhere on Club grounds before or after using the Tennis facilities.

Swimming Facilities - Swimsuits are expected to be conservative and discrete. Swimwear may not be worn elsewhere on Club grounds including the tennis courts. *Denim of any type and color and cargo-style pants or shorts are not permitted.*

Riding - All riders are required to wear a regulation-riding helmet with a chinstrap and hard soled shoes or boots that cover the ankles and have small heels. Denim, with no visible signs of wear, is permitted while using the riding facilities, *but not elsewhere on Club grounds or in the Clubhouse.*

Paddle Tennis - Along with other appropriate clothing, denim with no visible signs of wear, may be worn on the courts and in the locker rooms before or after using the paddle tennis facilities, *but not elsewhere on Club grounds or in the Clubhouse.*

Club Rules regarding appropriate dress may be suspended on special occasions by application to the House Committee or the appropriate Sports Committee. All unresolved dress code violations by members, their families, guests or child care providers will be brought to the attention of the House Committee, the appropriate Sports Committee or the Board, as circumstances warrant.

SMOKING POLICY

Sleepy Hollow Country Club is in full compliance with both the Westchester County and New York State "no smoking" laws. Smoking will be prohibited in all Club buildings, under tents and under awnings.

WIRELESS DEVICES

Use of any Wireless Device or Cellular Phone is permitted only in paved parking areas and overnight guest rooms. This includes, but is not limited to, PDAs, Blackberries and Blue Tooth accessories. Members and their guests may not talk, retrieve voicemail, text message, email or play games on any wireless device or cellular phone. *Physicians "on call" and members with medical conditions, may request an exemption from Club management, each time they consider it necessary, when using Club facilities. Members violating these rules will be subject to suspension of their Club privileges at the discretion of the Board.*

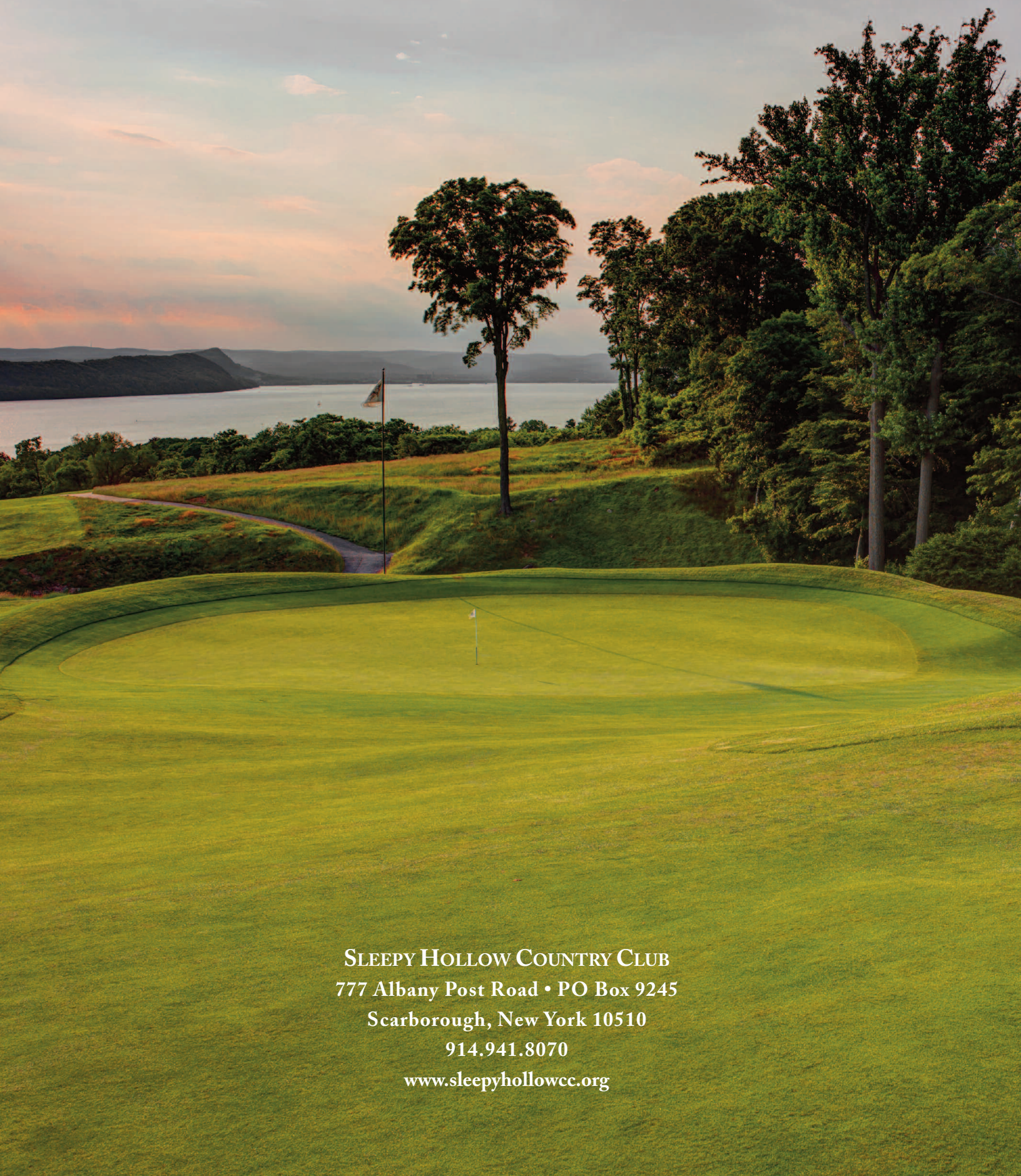
GUESTS

Guests will be admitted to the Clubhouse and grounds only when introduced by a member. Unless other-wise permitted, all guests must be accompanied by their hosts. Limitations as to the number of times a guest may be introduced by a member or group of members shall be published in the Membership Handbook and the Tournament Book or posted at each sports facility. If requested, guests must identify themselves to Club staff. Guests are required to adhere to all rules and regulations of the club, and observe appropriate dress policy.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES AND POLICIES

No cash will be accepted from members, their families or guests for services provided by the Club. Members are to sign chits for all transactions using their signatures and membership numbers. Family members or guests are to sign their own names and the name and number of the member to be charged. *Caddies are not Club employees and may be paid in cash.* Pets are not permitted in the Main House or any other Club facility. Unleashed dogs are not permitted on Club property. Briarcliff Manor authorities will be called to enforce ordinances regarding stray animals. Exception: Registered Service Animals. *(Seeing-eye Guide Dogs, etc.).*

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