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Treetops Resort
Site of the 2004 GNYS!

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Final Payments are due
Friday August 27th!!!!

Yootshoot Facts

At Sugar Springs CC in the
in the early 90's, the area lost
power on the Friday night
before the event due to severe
high winds. Candles lit the way
to the coolers. The power
returned on Saturday and the
event continued under cool,
partly sunny skies.

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YOOT SHOOT POST

Tree Monkey's???



Real Tough Shot at the Smith Signature

Yes, that is none other than Randy "Halfshank" Gomez up in the top of a tree located on hole #10 of the Smith Signature course at Treetops. Some Yoot members did a little scouting to get ready for the upcoming event, and found the going a "little tough". Nine straight holes of frustration set in for "Halfshank", and he finally just blew! After another "missed" shot, his club somehow left his hands at about 60mph and travelled about 75 yards into the top of this maple tree...never to come down. A quick shimmy up the tree and he found the club tightly stuck in the crotch of a branch...nothing that ten minutes of violent tree shaking couldn't cure! After finally jumping from the tree, a sweating, exhausted halfshank declared "I had a good view of the green from up there. I think about a 3 iron from the top of the tree should put us in perfect eagle position...I'm glad I took the time to preview this position" Sorry Randy, tricks are for kids...and sometimes for tree monkeys! You better pack your ladder.

Practice Anyone?



Fazio #5...waiting for your pre-round

We currently have 79 golfers that signed up to golf in the Thursday pre-round (Oct. 7th) on the Fazio course at Treetops. This round of golf will be "Free" by using your free round certificate that is part of the package. Rooms for the Thursday night will be charged at \$69 and paid directly to Treetops when you check-in. If you would like to join in the festivities and haven't already contacted me, please let me know as soon as possible. Thursdays round will be by Tee Times starting at 11:00am and will be automatically assigned. If you require one of the "later" tee times, please respond to the email this post was sent from. The specific tee times will be sent by email and posted on the website prior to the event.

Chow Time

Following the round on Saturday its Chow Time! A scrumptious dinner buffet will be served featuring Grilled Southwestern Chicken Breast, Southwestern Sirloin Tips with Jack Cheese & Tortilla Strips, Garden Green salad bar, Two deli style salads, chefs choice of vegetable & potato, rice or pasta, rolls & butter and an assorted desert table. A cash bar will be available with the Yoot Shoot providing the first Keg of beer!

Yoot Spy Mission



Yoots "Scout" on Smith Signature #1

by Rick Rots

Bring lots of balls!
Recently the Yoot Board members visited the renown Treetops resort to scout, I mean prepare, for this years event. Organizing the "talent" holes took some serious consideration but in the end we came up with some excellent choices that will prove to be challenging to all. For the mixed and ladies only groups, you will enjoy a considerable yardage advantage during Fridays round on the Smith Signature course. Both the Jones and Smith Signature courses were beautiful and in great shape! Treetops "Signature" hole, #6 of the Jones Masterpiece course, is a definite photo opportunity. With the one week delay in this year's event, we should be sitting pretty with a whirlwind of color as you drive your carts through the narrow and heavily treed lined fairways. Speaking of heavily treed, don't forget the water hazards throughout both courses. These are probably two of the most difficult course in the Yoot history, so bring plenty of extra balls, you'll need them!



Rick Rots on Smith #10 "Tree Monkey" hole

Treetops Resort- General Information



Treetops "North" Clubhouse

Below are some general rules and regulations of Treetops Resort. Please read and follow them as any good Yoot would.

- Check-in time is 4:00pm. Check-out is Noon. Early check-in will be as availability allows. Check-in at the Lodge for all rooms
- Pace of play rules will be in effect. No round to last more than 4.5 hours. Keep pace with the group in front of you
- Non-Metal spikes are mandatory
- No coolers allowed on the course. All food and beverage consumed on the golf course must be supplied by Treetops
- Smoking allowed only in designated areas.
- Guests agree to reimburse the resort for any damages or losses caused by the guest to resort property
- Individual rooms will be charged for all incidental charges outside of the group package (ie. Phone, meals, drinks). A credit card from at least one person in each room will be required at time of check-in.

Cement Pond

Both accommodations, the Inn & Lodge, feature indoor / outdoor pools. As well as the pools, they both have indoor/outdoor hot tubs for soothing those aching backs caused from carrying your team members for all 18 holes during the round. And to get your team "Pumped up", a fully equipped exercise facility is available for all guests.



Yoot Where?

Shortly, the official 2004 Yoot Wear will be available for order on the yoot website. However, it will be available for a very limited time. All orders must be received by **Friday Sept. 15th**! Payments can be paid online with a credit card or by check. Follow the instructions for ordering on the website. Orders paying by check must be emailed to (Stitchit03@yahoo.com). A limited number of 2004 Yoot logo t-shirts will be available at the event for a nominal fee.

Yootbird One



The perilous Smith #11

By Iva E. Gall (Brad Gomez)
(edited for space)

As “Yootbird One”, the brand new personal Lear Jet purchased by the Yootshoot Board, touched down upon the runway in this Bavarian Northern Michigan town, I felt a sort of pride or child-like giddiness as one of the select few to take this beautiful aircraft for its maiden voyage. After a short 50 minute ride from Oakland County International Airport where the Yoot Board had a small ceremony christening the splendid aircraft with a toast of Busch Light beer and Pooles Beef Jerky, it was off to the heavens to our destination of the pine forests and perfectly manicured golf courses which surround this picturesque town.

The aircraft is luxury beyond luxury, with its personalized cow grained leather recliners for each board member with their names embroidered in a golfing scheme. There is a personalized locker for each member replicated from the lockers at the famed Oakland Hills Country Club where this years Ryder Cup will be played a month before the Yootshoot rides into town. Word around the golf community is that the Ryder Cup is actually playing second fiddle to the Yootshoot because of the enormous fan base that the GNYS tournament has created in the past few years.

Also on board was Rick Smith himself, the owner of Treetops Resort who was to go over each members swing to tidy up any flaws before the members hit the

courses to give a trial run for the big event in October. He presented each board member with a brand new Northern Michigan Elk Grained leather golf bag with each of their names embroidered upon them. After we were airborne, one after another, Mr. Smith went through each members swing to tweak and perfect it. Paul & Kim Gomez, Keith & Shelly Chene of the famed “Holes & Poles Team, Rick Rots & Brad Gomez of the “Brad & the Ben Wa’s” team all were quick to go through their swings as Mr. Smith was quite impressed with the magnitude of power and grace that each member possessed. Then up walked Randy “Halfshank” Gomez to the teaching area. Mr. Smith asked him to take a practice swing so he could correct any flaws. A bead of sweat could be seen coming down the forehead of Randy “Halfshank” and you could tell he was quite nervous to have such a great golf instructor standing and viewing his swing. The other board members all stood back with the look of horror on their faces. “Halfshank slowly drew his backswing, his left arm perfectly straight up to the crescendo, and then started down with a powerful leg drive and perfect balance right through to his follow through. Rick Smith stood silent. Then with astonishment to all, he said, “Perfect, Beautiful....I have never seen such a beautiful swing in all my life. I...I...can’t believe my eyes. I really need to video tape this swing for all my students. It makes me want to break down and cry. Did you guys see this, did you guys”....just then Paul “Mr. Lucky” Gomez interrupted Mr. Smith and said, “But put a golf ball in front of him....you need to see him with a golf ball in front of him”. Mr. Smith reached into his pocket and pulled out a golf ball and dropped it on the floor in front of Randy “Halfshank”. The drop of sweat that had appeared on his forehead earlier, now turned into a torrent of water cascading down the

front of this face. The other board members put their hands over their eyes and peaked through the openings between their fingers. “Halfshank” started his backswing.....and before the club came back 12 inches, somehow out of nowhere, it came herky-jerky forward...shanking the ball almost through the jet window, ricocheted and hit Mr. Smith in the right temple and knocked him unconscious.

The last we saw of Mr. Smith was of him being transferred into an ambulance on the runway of the Gaylord Airport. He was muttering in his semi-conscious state something about “the worst golf swing I have ever seen....god help me.....and the golf world....”.



A Yoot study's the leader board with desperation



“ Man the life boat stations!”