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The Oregon Golf Association names Black Butte Ranch "Member Club of the Year" and Jeff Fought, Director of Golf at Black Butte Ranch, "Club Executive of the Year" at the 2016 OGA Annual Awards

The Oregon Golf Association (OGA) held its 2016 Annual Awards at the historic Portland Golf Club on Monday, October 24, where Black Butte Ranch received two distinguished honors.

Black Butte Ranch received the "Member Club of the Year" award. This award "recognizes an OGA Member Club for outstanding contributions to the game of the golf, the community, or the Oregon Golf Association," according to the OGA.

Among the many highlights this year at Black Butte Ranch, Glaze Meadow golf course played host to the 107<sup>th</sup> Oregon Amateur Championship, becoming just the third Central Oregon golf facility to host the state's oldest tournament.

During the awards presentation, the OGA lauded Black Butte Ranch's clubs for the amount of time its members put in to help support the Oregon Amateur Championship, both in organizing the event and for providing the tournament's spectators.

"Their club provided first-class support when it came to helping with this year's Championship," the OGA said in its awards announcement. "Most of the volunteers that week were residents from Black Butte – and many of the spectators were as well. The members from Black Butte Ranch were essential in making the championship run smoothly."

The OGA Directors at Black Butte Ranch, Judy and Owen Osborne, were instrumental in helping recruit volunteers to help out at the week-long event. They themselves volunteered throughout the week – helping organize where volunteers needed to go, helping out as walking scorers, forecaddies and more. Judy and Owen Osborne were on hand to accept the award.

Jeff Fought, Director of Golf at Black Butte Ranch, was also honored at the OGA Awards, where he was named "Club Executive of the Year". This award "recognizes exceptional leadership by a General Manager, Clubhouse Manager, Owner/Operator or other similar position of a facility with an OGA member club," according to the OGA.

Fought and his staff worked diligently to help the OGA put on an exceptional Oregon Amateur Championship. The week-long event – the OGA's longest event of the season - went off without a hitch, something that did not go unnoticed by the tournament organizers at the OGA.

"Black Butte Ranch and Jeff Fought created a 'one-two punch' in terms of player experience at this year's Oregon Amateur Championship. Both went above and beyond to ensure the event was conducted in a first-class manner. Not only are we grateful for their efforts in hosting that tournament, but we are also continually impressed by Black Butte Ranch's commitment to golfing excellence," stated Barb Trammell, CEO of the Oregon Golf Association.

Jeff Fought, who attended the OGA Awards along with Black Butte Ranch's head golf professional Tom Baker, said, "To receive this honor is very humbling. I am extremely proud of what we at Black Butte Ranch have accomplished, and it is wonderful to be recognized."

Scott Huntsman, Black Butte Ranch President, remarked, "It is quite an honor to receive these awards from the OGA. They are indicative of a commitment to excellence and passion for the game from our golf staff and a spirit of community and volunteerism from owners and golfers at Black Butte Ranch."

Complete details on all winners at the OGA Annual Awards can be found at <a href="http://oga.org/2016-annual-award-winners">http://oga.org/2016-annual-award-winners</a>.

For more information about Glaze Meadow golf course and Black Butte Ranch, visit www.BlackButteRanch.com.

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Black Butte Ranch is perfectly positioned for an authentic Central Oregon cascade experience. The 1,800-acre destination community, located seven miles west of Sisters on Highway 20, is nestled beneath the Cascade Mountain range with sweeping views of Three Sisters, Mount Washington, Black Butte, Broken Top, Three Fingered Jack and Mount Jefferson. The family-friendly property offers an array of lodging accommodations, two championship golf courses, four swimming pools, award-winning restaurants, a full-service spa and abundant four-season recreational opportunities.



Owen & Judy Osborne, OGA Directors at Black Butte Ranch (pictured front row, 2nd and 3rd from left) and Jeff Fought, Director of Golf, Black Butte Ranch (pictured back row, 3rd from right) receive honors at the 2016 OGA Annual Awards.



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Owen & Judy Osborne, OGA Directors at Black Butte Ranch Judy and Owen Osborne, directors of Black Butte Ranch's club, were on hand to accept the award for "Member Club of the Year" at the 2016 OGA Annual Awards.