

The Country Club News

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Super Bowl Tournament

It's time for the Super Bowl Tournament. It will be played on Sunday, February 2 with a shotgun start at 9:00 AM. The format is a 4-man blind drawn team. The A and B players will play their own ball and the C and D players will play a scramble. The entry fee is \$50 for members, \$34 for Trail Fee members and \$65 for non-members with an optional skins game. There will be a Special Event Party on Saturday, February 1st at 7:00 PM. For more info or to sign up, please call 752-2266. Mark your calendars and make sure you don't miss out on this great event.

Handicap System

The annual charge for the USGA Handicap System is on January's bill. The cost is \$18 per person plus tax. If you don't want to be in it, please let Carl know by January 15 to receive a credit.

Don't forget to call ahead for a Tee Time

Take Care of Your Course

Golfers do more damage to a golf course than anything else. We need your help! Please fix your ball marks on the greens. A properly fixed ball mark takes only 24 hours to heal instead of over a week. Fill in your divots. A properly filled in divot will heal a lot quicker and more evenly than if it is not. We thank you for your continued support.

MGA Tournament

Mark your calendar for the MGA Tournament on Saturday, January 18th. Please sign up in the pro shop by Friday at 5:00 PM. The deadline is Saturday at 7:30 AM. Don't miss out!

Automatic Billing

How would you like to receive a \$50 credit? All you need to do is to sign up for automatic billing; which is:

- Credit card on file to pay bill on the 1st
- Receive Statements by e-mail only
- Receive Newsletter by e-mail only

If you are interested, please come by and sign up in the pro shop.

On the Course with Doyle

A new year has arrived and we look forward to another successful year at The Country Club. It kind of felt like that last year the golf course stayed on cruise control with no major issues such as flooding or any other incidents that would throw us off track. Hopefully this year will unfold in the same fashion and we can continue to have fun maintaining and improving upon this great golf course.

We have reached the point that the Bermuda grass is no longer growing which inhibits its ability to heal therefore it is crucial to avoid any undue stresses to the turf. Please keep golf carts a reasonable distance from greens so that the already thinning turf does not become sparse of turf which will result in poor lies around the greens. Please use cart paths as much as possible to spare the rough and fairways as well. Ball marks on greens also do not heal rapidly thus creating imperfections on the greens. Please pay special attention when repairing ball marks so that the surface remains true. Divots on fairway do not heal at all so please fill the divot with an adequate amount of sand so that in the spring when the divot heals it will be even with the surrounding turf. If you do not have sand please return any or all of the grass to the divot if possible.

This month we will focus on tree trimming, leaf removal, and any other plant trimming which is normally done this time of year. Also this month any poa annua that was not controlled with the pre-emergent application will be sprayed which may result in a particular nine being closed in the afternoon hours.

Thank you for a great 2013 and we look forward to another great year.

Happy New Year
Doyle Worthington Jr.

News from the Dining Room

As we bid farewell to 2013, we resolve to continue to provide the best possible food and service for our members and guests throughout 2014. Whether you are just stopping in for a quick bite before your round of golf or you want to enjoy a leisurely lunch with friends, we want every dining experience to be pleasurable. Please accept our thanks and appreciation for your patronage. We always look forward to seeing you in the dining room.

Our event calendar for 2014 is already booking. If you need to check date availability or need any catering information, please call Regina at 752-0721 ext 12.

Straight from Carl's Desk

I hope everyone enjoyed their holiday season and hope that you are ready for a new year. We are looking forward to a great 2014 here at The Country Club. As always our goal is to continue to improve The Country Club is as much as possible.

Thank you to the MGA for purchasing 120 of the new 150 bunker rakes.

Always remember to make a tee time if you plan on playing golf. Don't assume because you play every Thursday at 8:45, that you will be able to play. This time of year, we have some events as well as groups visiting us for a week at a time. So help us out and remember to book that tee time. Please try to keep up with the group ahead of you and if you have a group waiting on you and have space available in front of you, please allow the groups to play through. This will make everyone's day more enjoyable.

We have already given a \$50 credit to over 65 members and we want to give you one as well. All we need is a credit card number to pay your account balance on the first of each month and an e-mail address for you to receive your statement and newsletter by e-mail only. Then you will receive a \$50 credit on your account. If you are receiving your statement and newsletter by e-mail and don't want to receive it by mail as well, please let us know! This will save us time and money.

We need your help! Please fix the ball marks on the greens, yours and others, and please fill in all the divots with sand. Please drive the carts using the 90 Degree Rule. More importantly please keep the carts off the green slopes as much as possible. Golf cart traffic causes more damage than anything else on a golf course. Please fix the ball marks on the greens, yours and others, and please fill in all the divots with sand. We thank you for your cooperation.

If you ever have an issue with something, please don't hesitate to come and see me. If I am not around, please call my cell phone, 623-2833. I always look forward to talking to all of you. We thank you for your cooperation and support.

Carl Ste-Marie
General Manager

Chamber of Commerce - January 24

Super Bowl Tournament - February 2

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	2 LGA 9:30	3 GOB 10:00	4 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30
5 Sunday Blitz	6 GOB 10:00	7 Ladies Day 9:30	8 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	9 LGA 9:30	10 GOB 10:00	11 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30
12 Sunday Blitz	13 GOB 10:00	14 Ladies Day 9:30	15 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	16 LGA 9:30	17 GOB 10:00	18 Breakfast MGA
19 Sunday Blitz	20 GOB 10:00	21 Ladies Day 9:30	22 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	23 LGA 9:30	24 Chamber 1:00	25 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30
26 Sunday Blitz	27 GOB 10:00	28 Ladies Day 9:30	29 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	30 LGA 9:30	31 GOB 10:00	1 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30 Pairings 7:00

The Country Club
AT LAKE CITY

January 18 - MGA
January 24 - Chamber
February 1 - Pairings Party
February 2 - Super Bowl

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