

# *The Country Club News*

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## **The Rountree a Success**

The Rountree is in the books and it was another success again this year. We would like to congratulate our 2013 Champions, Jerry West and Don Combs. We would like to thank Rountree-Moore for being our Title Sponsor. We would like to thank all of our other sponsors for their support: Beard Equipment, Campus USA, Cheney Brothers, G.W. Hunter, Inc, InsuredByMAC.com, Lake City Medical Center, North Florida Sales, The Country Club MGA, The Parks Johnson Agency and Yamaha.

## **Members Christmas**

Mark your calendars for the Member Christmas Party on Monday, December 9th starting at 6:30 PM. We hope everyone comes out and enjoys the evening with us.

## **Awards Program**

For every dollar you spend you earn Awards that can be used for the purchase of merchandise. To find out how much you have accumulated, just ask anyone on the pro shop staff.

## **Titleist Ball Fitting**

We have the unique opportunity to host the Titleist Golf Ball Fitting Team on Saturday, November 23rd between 8:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. If you are interested in the Titleist Performance Fitting, please call the golf shop at 752-2266 to schedule your appointment. There are limited available times and these will fill up quickly.

## **MGA 3-on-3**

The MGA 3-on-3 will be held on November 16th. The golf course will be set up as all Par 3s. This is a fun tournament to play in. Sign up sheet is in the pro shop. Please sign up by Friday. 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.

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# On the Course with Doyle

For me the worst part of overseeding is waiting for the seed to germinate. It is like watching and waiting for a pot of water to boil. It definitely requires patience especially when overseeding occurs late in the month of October when the weather can sometimes have a significant impact on germination. Colder temperatures and gusty winds can wreak havoc on the overseeding process but so far as of the end of October the weather has not been an issue and hopefully the air temperature will remain slightly on the warm side for optimum germination and maybe the winds will remain calm until all the seed is spread. The most common misconception about overseeding is that cold weather will help the cool season seed germinate faster. The seed varieties used (Rough Bluegrass on greens and Perennial Ryegrass on collars, tees, and fairways) need a warm to cool temperature range to achieve optimum germination. Cooler/cold temperatures can possibly delay germination by days or even a week. Our goal is to irrigate only enough to maintain seed moisture, hope that the temperature range is ideal, achieve optimum germination, and start cutting grass as soon as possible. The latter of the above is the most often asked question this time of year and the answer is simple. Overseeded areas will be cut when an ideal germination has been reached and there is little to no risk of seedling death due to premature mowing. I am pleased to announce that this year the overseed will be cut with new mowing equipment. Several pieces of golf course specific equipment were recently purchased which will improve the quality of cut on high priority playing surfaces as well as improve the entire golf course maintenance operation. Thank you for your patience during the overseeding phase.

Happy Thanksgiving  
Doyle Worthington Jr.

## News from the Dining Room

Shrimp prices have been increasing steadily since Spring because a disease called EMS has decimated the Asian shrimp farms. It is estimated that those shrimp farms supply up to 80% of the global shrimp market. With fewer Asian farm-raised shrimp available, domestic, wild-caught shrimp have surged in price and the demand is greatly exceeding the supply. Since it appears likely that the price of shrimp will remain high through this winter, we will be removing Shrimp Salad and Big Bang Shrimp from our menu once we have exhausted our present inventory.

The Member's Christmas Party is scheduled for Monday, December 9 starting at 6:30 PM. We will be offering an array of hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this festive event.

# Straight from Carl's Desk

The cooler fall weather is here and with that is all the overseeding that has to be done. We ask that you help Doyle out during the first two weeks of November and **KEEP THE CARTS OFF THE FAIRWAYS!** And please remember to fix your ball marks on the greens and fill in your divots. This is a very important time for the golf course and we need your help!

Don't miss the Titleist Ball Fitting on Saturday, November 23rd from 8:00 to 2:00. Please call the pro shop for an appointment.

We want to give you a \$50 credit on your account. 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. 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.

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.

After the first two weeks of November, always 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.

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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

**Please call ahead for Tee Times**  
**Hope to see you soon**

# November 2013

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

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AT LAKE CITY

**Nov 16 - MGA 3-on-3**  
**Nov 19 - LGA Member**  
**Nov 23—Titleist Ball**  
**Fitting**

**Dec 9—Member**  
**Christmas Party**  
**Dec 17 - Roll the Dice**  
**Dec 21 - MGA**

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