

# *The Country Club News*

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## **The Super Bowl**

It's time for the Super Bowl Tournament on Sunday, February 1 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, January 31st 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.

## **MGA Tournament**

Mark your calendar for the MGA Tournament on Saturday, January 17th. 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!

**Don't forget to call ahead for a Tee Time**

## **Handicap System**

The annual charge for the USGA Handicap System is on this month's bill if you are in the system. The cost is \$18 per person plus tax. If you aren't in the system, you should not have been charged. If this is the case, please call Carl at 752-0721 ext 12 by January 15th to get this resolved. After January 15th no changes can be made. Thank you.

## **Thanks for your Support**

We would like to thank everyone for their support of The Country Club. We ask everyone to give us the opportunity to earn more of their business for golf merchandise you plan on buying or food and drinks in the restaurant. Every dollar you spend at The Country Club, goes right back into the Club in some shape or form. Help us make The Country Club better. Thank you for your continued support.

**If you receive by e-mail & mail, please let us know**

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# 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. Throughout this month we will continue to experiment with the green pigments used in December. Incorporating pigments into the maintenance routine will reduce the amount of seed needed during the winter months while still providing a green color. If successful some areas may not be seeded at all next year which will reduce maintenance costs as well as save on precious groundwater.

Thank you for a great 2014 and we look forward to another great year.

Doyle Worthington Jr.

**January 17 - MGA Tournament**

**January 30 - Chamber of Commerce**

**January 31 - Pairings Party**

**February 1 - The Super Bowl Tournament**

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# **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 2015 here at The Country Club. As always our goal is to continue to improve The Country Club as much as possible.

Have you been a member for at least a year and want a \$50 credit on your account? We have given about 90 members this credit already! 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. Please let us know!

If you receive your statement and newsletter by e-mail and still receive it by mail and don't want to or need to, please let us know so we can stop sending it in the mail. Our goal is to have everyone that has e-mail to receive their statement and newsletter by e-mail only. If you don't have e-mail, no problem. We thank you for your help.

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 groups visiting us for a week at a time. So help us out and remember to book that tee time. Always remember to start on #1, groups of more than 4 need to be approved and please let faster groups play through.

We need your help! 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.

When you are playing golf, if possible pair up with someone on the cart. Our warranty is based on the hours a cart is used, the more carts go out, the quicker the warranty expires. Also, more carts mean more golf cart traffic, which means more damage. We need all the help that we can get in this matter. Thank you.

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 continued support of the things we are trying to accomplish here at The Country Club.

Carl Ste-Marie  
General Manager

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## **Please Call Ahead for a Tee Time**

# January 2015

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

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**March 14 - Callaway Demo Day**

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