# The Country Club News

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#### **Country Club Gift Cards**

It's that time of year. It's time to buy that perfect present for that special someone in your life or just a family member or good friend. The perfect gift for any golfer in your life is a Gift Card from The Country Club. These are available in the pro shop and can be used to pay for anything they want and have no expiration date. So stop by the Pro Shop anytime we are open to get your gift card today.

#### 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.

**No Mail, E-Mail Only** 

#### **Members Christmas**

The Members' Christmas Party will take place on Monday, December 8, starting at 6:30 PM. We will be serving heavy hors d'oeuvres and giving away fabulous prizes. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this popular annual event.

#### **Handicap System**

The annual charge for the USGA Handicap System will be on January's bill. The cost is \$18 per person plus tax. If you weren't in the system last year you won't be charged. If you want to be in it please let the pro shop know. If you don't want to be in it, please let Carl know by December 31. Thank you.

#### **Interclub Matches**

Anyone interested playing in the 2015 FSGA Interclub matches, please email Donnie Thomas at mlan1957@gmail.com.

#### **Call Ahead for Tee Time**

### On the Course with Doyle

With this year coming to a close, I would like to express to all the members and to all of the visitors that have played The Country Club at Lake City how much the maintenance staff appreciates your support. I know it can be difficult or yet even aggravating at times to enjoy a round of golf because of a particular maintenance practice such as aerating, vertical mowing (verticutting), topdressing, overseeding, chemical applications, or even daily practices such as mowing, raking, etc. I'm sure this list could go on and on but the important thing to remember is that all these things are not only just good agronomic practices but are done to achieve our main goal, which is your satisfaction in the club by creating superior playing surfaces. As a matter of fact, our New Year's resolution will be to continue to find ways to improve upon this facility.

This month we will begin to lower the mowing heights on some of the overseeded areas. It was quite a struggle to achieve optimum germination last month due to the colder temperatures but four days of rainy conditions at the end of the month finally gave us some decent germination. Since fairways were overseeded later we should begin mowing them the first part of this month. Also this month we will be making every attempt to control the leaves that have begun to fall everywhere.

We could really use your help out on the course by filling extra divots or repairing additional ball marks. Also, please observe the cart traffic signs when posted because nobody likes to look at or play out of unsightly tire ruts across a wet fairway so please use the cart path or rough when the signs are placed by the tee or on the pro shop counter.

Merry Christmas Doyle Worthington, Jr.

#### **December 8 - Members Christmas Party**

**December 13 - MGA Tournament** 

December 31 - USGA Handicap System Deadline

**Please Call Ahead for a Tee Time** 

## Straight from Carl's Desk

We hope that everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend. At this time, we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We would like to invite all the Members out for our Christmas Party on Monday, December 8th. We hope to see all of you there for the fun evening.

The golf course will be open on Christmas Day starting at 10:00 AM; however, the dining room will be closed all day. Come out and enjoy a round of golf with your family or friends on Christmas this year.

Have you been a member for at least a year and want 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. 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 were are trying to accomplish here at The Country Club.

Carl Ste-Marie General Manager

## December 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	GOB 10:00	Ladies Day 9:30	3 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	4 LGA 9:30	5 GOB 10:00	6 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30
7 Sunday Blitz	8 GOB 10:00 Christmas Party	9 Ladies Day 9:30	Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	11 LGA 9:30	GOB 10:00	13 Breakfast MGA Tournament
14 Sunday Blitz	GOB 10:00	Ladies Day 9:30	17 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	18 LGA 9:30	GOB 10:00	20 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30
21 Sunday Blitz	GOB 10:00	Ladies Day 9:30	24 Blitz GOB - 10:00	25 Merry Christmas Open at 10:00	GOB 10:00	27 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30
28 Sunday Blitz	GOB 10:00	Ladies Day 9:30	31 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	1 LGA 9:30	GOB 10:00	Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:30



December 8 - Members Christmas Party
December 13 - MGA Tournament
January 30 - Chamber of Commerce
February 1 - The Super Bowl
March 14 - Callaway Demo Day

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