# The Country Club News

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### The Open Blitz

The Open Blitz will be on Saturday, July 22nd. You make your own group, but must tee off by 9:00 AM. The entry fee is \$30, which \$12 is for the blitz and \$18 is for carryover skins game. The skins is optional, but must get in to be eligible to win The Beltone Cup. The format is your blitz points added to a pro playing in the third round of The Open. New for this year is that you pick your own professional. The left over money in the skins game will be added to The Beltone Cup prize fund. This will be done for The Open and The PGA. Points will be awarded based on finish in these events with the winner winning The Beltone Cup prize fund.

#### **MGA Tournament**

Mark your calendar for this months MGA Tournament on Saturday, July 29th. The **Deadline is Saturday** at 7:30 AM. Please sign up by Friday, July 28th at 6:00 PM. Don't miss out!

Please Keep Carts Off Fairways & Green Slopes As Much As Possible

### **Summer Camps**

There two Golf and Tennis Camps left. Each camp is \$70 for members and \$85 for non-members. Camp is Monday to Friday from 8:00 to 11:00. Please check the website or call the pro shop for more information on both camps. Don't let your kids miss out on the fun!

**GOLF** TENNIS #3 - July 10-14 #2 - July 17-21 #4 - July 24-28 #3 - July 31-4

### **We Want You!**

We want you to become Membership recruiters! For every member you sign up, you will receive a \$100 credit on your account. The new member will not have to pay an initiation fee when they put a credit card on file and at the end of their first year, they will receive a \$50 credit on their account. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call Carl or Jordan for all the details. If your prospective new member will like to play a round to try the course out, feel free to call Carl or Jordan to set it up. We thank you in advance for signing up new members for The Country Club!

### On the Course with Doyle

The month of June brought some needed rainfall throughout the entire month and on some key days we received a little too much resulting in delays in some of our agronomic plans such as aerification. We were unable to aerate 3 and 4 green due to waterlogged conditions. Rainfall and overcast conditions in the days/weeks following aeration inhibited our chance to apply additional sand and fertilizer to the greens to speed up the recovery process. The wetter soil conditions and lower sunlight levels caused the grass to grow more vertical resulting in scalping by the mowers. Since we intended to verticut aggressively this month we decided to wait until then to put the final touches on the greens. This aggressive verticutting is long overdue. Our goal is to remove as much thatch as possible which will result in better ball roll as well as improved water penetration. Excessive thatch can act as a sponge and absorb water and nutrients preventing these essentials from reaching the root zone. I have to admit this is an ugly process but has become necessary. The recovery process is about 10-14 days. Thank you for your patience and have a great Independence Day.

Doyle Worthington Jr.

**July 10-14 - Golf Camp #3** 

**July 15 - Alachua Chamber of Commerce** 

**July 17-21 - Tennis Camp #2** 

**July 22 - The Open Blitz** 

**July 24-28 - Golf Camp #4** 

July 29 - MGA Alternate Blitz

**July 31-4 - Tennis Camp #3** 

### **Straight from Carl's Desk**

We only have 3 outings this month, the Gainesville Junior Tour will close the course until 11:00 on Monday, July 3rd, the Alachua Chamber of Commerce will close the course until 1:30 on Saturday, July 15th and the Mayo Rotary Club will close the course until 1:30 on Saturday, August 5th. We apologize for any inconvenience.

It is strongly encouraged to make a tee time before coming out to play. Just because you play every Thursday at 10:00 does not mean that you will be able to play at that time. We apologize for any inconvenience this might cause you.

Please help Doyle out by KEEPING THE CARTS OFF THE FAIRWAYS & 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. This is a very important time for the golf course and we need your help! We thank you for your cooperation.

When buying something from the pro shop on your account or using Carl Bucks, please wait in line to make sure the pro shop attendant records it properly. A lot of times it is real hard for them to remember who it was that made the purchase and what it was they bought. Thank you in advance.

Have you been a member for at least a year and want a \$50 credit on your account? We have given about 150 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 \$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.

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

### **Aug 5 - Mayo Rotary**

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

## **July 2017**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	Sunday Blitz	3 Gainesville Junior Tour	4 Fourth of July Blitz GOB Ladies Day	5 Blitz GOB Dinner	6	7 GOB	8 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 Ladies
9	Sunday Blitz	10 Golf Camp GOB	11 Golf Camp Ladies Day	Golf Camp Blitz GOB Dinner	13 Golf Camp	14 Golf Camp GOB	15 Breakfast Alachua Chamber
16	Sunday Blitz	17 Tennis Camp GOB	18 Tennis Camp Ladies Day	19 Tennis Camp Blitz GOB Dinner	20 Tennis Camp	21 Tennis Camp GOB	22 Breakfast The Open Blitz Ladies
23	Sunday Blitz	24 Golf Camp GOB	25 Golf Camp Ladies Day	26 Golf Camp Blitz GOB Dinner	27 Golf Camp	28 Golf Camp GOB	29 Breakfast MGA Alternate Blitz
30	Sunday Blitz	31 Tennis Camp GOB	1 Tennis Camp Ladies Day	2 Tennis Camp Blitz GOB Dinner	3 Tennis Camp	4 Tennis Camp GOB	5 Breakfast Mayo Rotary



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General Manager Superintendent Tennis Professional F&B Manager July 24-28 - Golf Camp #4
July 29 - MGA Alternate Blitz
July 31-4 - Tennis Camp #3
Aug 5 - Mayo Rotary
Aug 12 - PGA Blitz
Aug 19 - MGA 400

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