# The Country Club News

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#### **The Open Blitz**

The Open Blitz will be held on Saturday, July 19th. The entry fee is \$15 per person. The format is the normal Saturday Blitz, but when you get through you draw a partner that is in The Open. Your blitz score will be added to his blitz score. May the best two-man team win. Don't miss out!

### **Junior Camps**

We have two Summer Junior Golf and Tennis Camps left this summer. Each camp is \$65 for members and \$80 for non-members. Each camp is Monday to Friday from 8:00 to 11:00 each morning. Please check our website or call the pro shop for more information on both camps. Entry forms are in the pro shop. Stop by or call the pro shop to sign up. Don't let your kids miss out on the fun!

### **Junior Camp Schedule**

#### **GOLF**

#### **TENNIS**

#3 - July 14-18 #4 - July 28-1 #

#2 - July 21-25 #3 - August 4-8

#### **MGA 400**

The MGA 400 will be on Saturday, July 26th. The format is a four-man blind draw counting one gross ball and two net balls per hole. We will have a Special Event at the Pairings Party on Friday at 7:00 PM. The deadline to sign up is Friday at 3:00 PM. Don't miss out!

#### **Lafayette Tournament**

The Lafayette Golf Tournament will be on Saturday, August 2nd with a shotgun at 8:00. The course will be closed until 1:30 PM. The tournament is open to anyone.

#### **The Rountree**

The Rountree will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 13th and 14th. This is the best tournament of the year. The format is a two-person best ball. Mark your calendars now and start looking for your partner.

## Thank You for Your Continued Support

## On the Course with Doyle

Summer has definitely arrived and the Bermuda grass loves these higher temperatures especially when it is accompanied with a little rainfall here and there. Most of the overseed has died off without the need to chemically remove it. Once the fairways have adequate coverage a growth regulator will be sprayed to control upright growth and reduce mowing frequency while providing a better playing surface. This may give the indication that the mowing height has been lowered when in fact the height has not been changed or maybe even raised slightly. The fairways on number 4 and 6 have already been treated twice due to the very aggressive nature of the grass on these holes. Normally during the summer months these fairways need to be cut 3 to 4 times a week at a minimum which can be a problem if they become too wet due to rain. With the use of growth regulators we can cut the frequency in half. There may be some initial discoloration of the grass which is temporary and each application suppresses growth for 3 to 4 weeks so multiple applications will be needed throughout the summer.

On the 7th and 8th we will be verticutting greens very aggressively. The main goals are to control grain and to remove as much thatch as possible. Thatch consists of dead plant debris (leaves, stems, roots) between the leaf surface and the soil. Excessive thatch can lead to numerous problems such as poor water infiltration, increased disease pressure, and can also make it difficult to achieve optimum green speed. We have not done this for a couple of years making it quite necessary this year so that the problems mentioned above are easier to manage. The healing time for this is about two weeks. Once the greens have healed a growth regulator will then be introduced resulting a better more consistent playing surface. Thank you and have a great Independence Day.

Thank you. Doyle Worthington Jr.

July 19 - The Open Blitz

**July 25 - Pairings Party** 

**July 26 - The MGA 400** 

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

We have two golf and tennis camps left this summer. All the camps will be held from Monday to Friday from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM. The cost will be \$65 for members and \$80 for non-members. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Forms are in the pro shop and on our website. For more info, please call Carl.

We have one outing/tournament that will cause the golf course to be closed for regular play. The Lafayette Rotary Club Golf Tournament will be on Saturday, August 2nd and this will cause the course to be closed until 1:30 PM. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience.

Please remember that the pool is for our members only. If you have a single membership you are the only one that is allowed to use the pool. If you have a family membership your dependent kids and grandkids are allowed to swim with you. If you know someone that is not a member and might want to obtain a pool membership, the cost is \$550 plus tax for the season. Everyone must check in before they use the pool. Please be patient with us as we want to make sure that everyone using the pool is a member. If you have any questions or concerns, please give me a call. Thank you.

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

Carl Ste-Marie General Manager

#### Please call ahead for a tee time

**August 2 - Lafayette Tournament - Closed until 1:30** 

**September 13-14 - THE ROUNTREE** 

# **July 2014**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Ladies Day 8:30	2 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	3 LGA 8:30 Scramble	4 4th of July Blitz GOB 10:00	5 Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:00
6 Sunday Blitz	7 GOB 10:00	8 Ladies Day 8:30	9 Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	10 LGA 8:30 Scramble	GOB 10:00	Breakfast Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:00
Sunday Blitz	GOB 10:00	15 Golf Camp Ladies Day 8:30	16 Golf Camp Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	17 Golf Camp LGA 8:30 Scramble	GOB 10:00	Breakfast The Open Blitz 8:00 LGA 9:00
20 Sunday Blitz	21 Tennis Camp GOB 10:00	22 Tennis Camp Ladies Day 8:30	23 Tennis Camp Blitz GOB - 10:00 Dinner	24 Tennis Camp LGA 8:30 Scramble	25 Tennis Camp GOB 10:00 Pairings Party	26 Breakfast The MGA 400
27 Sunday Blitz	28 Golf Camp GOB 10:00	29 Golf Camp Ladies Day 8:30	30 Golf Camp Blitz GOB - 10:00	31 Golf Camp LGA 8:30 Scramble	GOB 10:00	2 Breakfast Lafayette Rotary Closed until 1:30



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PGA General Manager Superintendent Tennis Professional Events Coordinator July 26 - The MGA 400
July 28-1 - Golf Camp #4
Aug 2 - Lafayette Rotary
Aug 4-8 - Tennis Camp #3
Sept 13-14 - The Rountree

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