# The Country Club News

April 2018

Volume 10, Issue 4

#### **New POS System**

We went live with our new POS System on Wednesday, March 21st. We are still learning the ins and outs of our new system, so please bear with us through this process. We do need your help however, we need all of our members to either come by the pro shop or call Carl or Jordan to have your credit card info entered into the new system. None of that information was transferrable. Also please verify your bill to make sure it is correct. If you have any issues, please call Carl. We will also be getting a new website that will have a member portal where you can log in and view your bill. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

#### **MGA Tournament**

Mark your calendar for this months MGA Tournament on Saturday, April 21st. The **Deadline is Saturday** at 7:30 AM. Please sign up by Friday, April 20th at 5:00 PM. Don't miss out!

Please Keep Carts Off Fairways & Slopes

#### **The Masters Blitz**

The Masters Blitz will be on Saturday, April 7th. You make your own group, but must tee off by 9:00 AM. The entry fee is \$30. The format is your blitz points added to a pro playing in The Masters. The left over money in the skins game will be added to The Beltone Cup prize fund. This will be done for The Players, The US Open, The Open and The PGA. Points will be awarded and winner gets the prize fund.

#### **Golfers Please**

#### TAKE CARE OF YOUR COURSE

Fix ball marks, yours and others
Fill in your divots, yours and others
Rake the sand bunkers
Drive carts using the 90 degree rule
Keep carts off tee and green slopes
Don't drive through wet areas
Pick up your trash
Play only the holes you paid for!
Only ride in cart if you paid for it!

### THANK YOU

**Call for a Tee Time** 

## On the Course with Doyle

I sure hope that Spring is here to stay and we can finally say goodbye to those dreaded 30 and 40 degree temperatures. Now the healing process can begin. We made the first step last month with the pre-emergent/fertilizer application. Unfortunately the turf did not receive the full benefit of the fertilizer due to the cold temperatures following the application however the blend that was used consisted of 50% slow release Nitrogen which will continue to feed the turf throughout the next month. The main objective with this application was getting the pre-emergent out on time to prevent as many weeds as possible mainly referring to Goose grass. The follow up application is scheduled for the beginning of June.

I'm sure you all have noticed the abundance of Poa Annua over the season. Poa Annua has been a very troublesome winter weed for us over the years and the past two years has become more difficult to control. There is a simple but yet complex explanation for this. Chemical resistance. The typical pre-emergent herbicide that we apply in the fall is not working well anymore due to these plants becoming resistant to it resulting in significant failure. Also, the herbicides that used to kill the existing populations has proven to be ineffective this year as well. Fairways #2, 9, 12, and 14 have been sprayed multiple times with little to no success. The other alternative herbicide used on the rest of the course worked but is entirely too risky to use on those fairways listed above due to the decline of turf that happened when we lost irrigation last Summer. I have never preferred to use this herbicide here because I have observed spring recovery being delayed by three to four weeks. There are a couple more options if the last application made does not work, but unfortunately these are slow to work and we are stuck with it for a little bit longer. Next year we will have to change our pre-emergent formulation to account for this problem.

Happy Easter Doyle Worthington Jr.

#### **April 7 - The Masters Blitz**

**April 14 - Lions Club** 

**April 23 - Ladies Invitational** 

**April 24 - Busy Bee** 

**April 28 - PCERA** 

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

April is here and that means tournament time at The Country Club. We have six outings that will affect tee times this month. The Lions Club on Saturday, April 14th, the Ladies Invitational on Monday, April 23rd and the PCERA on Saturday, April 28th will close the course from open until about 1:30 PM. The AmeriCredit on Thursday, April 12th, the Sunbelt Senior Tour on Monday to Wednesday, April 16th to 18th and the Busy Bee on Tuesday, April 24th will affect tee times as well. Please check with the pro shop for tee time availability. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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.

If you decide to walk to play your round of golf and did not pay for a cart, please do not ride in the cart with someone else. If we see you riding in the cart, we will charge your account the cart fee. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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.

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

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

Please Keep Carts Off Fairways, Green & Tee Slopes

## **April 2018**

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Sunday Blitz	2 GOB Poker	3 Ladies Day	4 Blitz GOB Dinner	5	6 GOB	7 Breakfast The Masters Blitz Ladies
8	Sunday Blitz	9 GOB Poker	10 Ladies Day	11 Blitz GOB Dinner	12 AmeriCredit	13 GOB	14 Breakfast Lions Club
15	Sunday Blitz	16 Sunbelt Senior Tour GOB Poker	17 Sunbelt Senior Tour Ladies Day	18 Sunbelt Senior Tour Blitz - GOB Dinner	19	GOB	21 Breakfast MGA 8:15
22	Sunday Blitz	23 Ladies Invitational Poker	Busy Bee	25 Blitz GOB Dinner	26	GOB	28 Breakfast PCERA
29	Sunday Blitz	30 GOB Poker	1 Ladies Day	2 Blitz GOB Dinner	3	4 GOB	5 Breakfast Blitz Ladies



717 NW Fairway Drive Lake City, FL 32055 Clubhouse (386) 752-0721 Pro Shop (386) 752-2266 Fax (386) 758-6875 April 7 - The Masters Blitz April 12 - AmeriCredit April 14 - Lions Club April 16-18 - Senior Tour April 21 - MGA Tournament

General Manager Superintendent Tennis Professional April 23 - Ladies Invitational April 24 - Busy Bee April 28 - PCERA May 12 - The Players Blitz

Carl Ste-Marie, PGA Doyle Worthington, Jr. Johnny Young

www.thecountryclubatlakecity.com