

# The Ligonier Links

LIGONIER COUNTRY CLUB 90TH SEASON

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## FROM THE BOARD

Winter seems to be in no hurry to leave, but we have had some diehards out on the course already.

Hopefully you've had a chance to come up and see the new chairs and barstools in the grillroom, as well as our new a la carte china and baskets. The grounds crew has just returned to begin work on cleaning up the course and getting everything ready for golf. If you haven't seen it yet, at the end of last year a new forward tee on #17 and a back



*New barstools and chairs for the Grille*

tee on #18 were constructed late last year. The cart path was reconfigured along #17 and will be paved as soon as weather permits.

As spring breaks, don't forget to visit John in the Pro Shop for all your golfing needs; he

has some exciting new products for everyone.

The event calendar will start busy with the Opening Gala on April 11th, Opening Day on April 18th, and the Member/Guest on May 1st. Sign up early!

*-Dan Horner  
Club President*

## *LCCPGA Opening Dinner!*

*Thursday April 16th*

*5:30 pm  
Cocktails*

*6:00 pm  
Dinner*

*All ladies are welcome!  
Please join us and see  
what is in store for 2015!*

*Call Allison to make your  
reservation: 724-238-7620 ext 6*

## LADIES' GOLF

Our Spring Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, April 16th at 5:30 pm. All female members of Ligonier Country Club and their guests are cordially invited. Please make your reservations through the Club.

The Association's first Tuesday of play is April 21st at 10 am.

Have a Wonderful Easter!

*-Tish McKeown,  
Secretary*



## UPCOMING EVENTS

April 3	Good Friday Event 10:00 am Shotgun
April 5	Easter Buffets 12:30 & 3:30 Sold Out
April 11	Opening Gala 6:00 Cocktails Hamilton Ave. Band
April 18	Opening Day 9:15 am Shotgun
April 22	Administrative Professionals Day
May 1	Member-Guest 1:00 pm Shotgun
May 2	Derby Day 6:30 pm The Bricks

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The Bricks will be performing monthly throughout the year.

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Barbara Sloan

Sponsored by Melane Baraniak

George Walter

Sponsored by Chris Ziance

Sam Paul

David Swauger

Sponsored by Ned Bair

### Welcome Back!

Jay & Jake Vreeland

Doug Welty

### MARCH HOURS

Sunday	11:30 pm to 8 pm
Monday	Closed
Tuesday	11:30 am to 8 pm
Wednesday	11:30 am to 8 pm
Thursday	11:30 am to 8 pm
Friday	11:30 am to 9 pm
Saturday	11:30 am to 9 pm

***Congratulations to Chef Rich on his Third Place win at this year's Soup's On with his Smoked Salmon Chowder!***

## FROM THE PRO

Let's start out with good news, a Swedish study published last year shows that GOLFERS live on an average 5 years longer than non-golfers, coupled with fewer cognitive disorders than most other segments of society. If you are reading this part of the newsletter I can only believe that you are a golfer, so congratulations!!!

**Ladies Day Tuesdays-** in April, May, and September the Ladies Association will begin play at 10am, and during the Summer months play will begin at 9am. On Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> tee will be closed ½ hour prior to the beginning of play, general play will be able to start from 8am-9:30 in April, May, and September. April 21 will be the start date of the new season.

**Pro VI Rewards Program-**Buy 3 Dozen Pro VI or Pro VIx, and receive a free dozen. The offer includes free imprinting and choice of numbers. Your order must be to the Golf Shop by Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Golf Shop Sale-10% Off all Ping Bags in Stock.**

The **Masters Tournament** is slated to begin April 9<sup>th</sup> and we have a pool that will make the event more fun. For \$10 you may pick 1 of the top rated players in the field, or you may take 2 of the other

players in the field. We think we have identified the front runners however the Masters is fun since you always don't see the winner sneaking up the leader board.

**Spring Member-Guest-Friday May 1<sup>st</sup> 1pm Shotgun-**The day begins with a lunch for you and your guests beginning at 11:30 followed by a 1pm shotgun start time. The event being a Best 2 of 4 format, with plenty of Closest to the Pins, Long Putts, and Long Drives. Bill and his staff will follow up play with a great dinner and we will calculate the scores, collect the proximities and hand out the prizes. Our guarantee is that every guest will leave LCC very happy and extremely well fed. This event is open to all membership categories, and is a great way to entertain clients, show off our facility, introduce people you wish to join, or a great way to say Thank You to that person that plowed your driveway all winter (you owe him a lot of thanks). This event will replace the Fall Member Guest, and will contain a drawing for free minimums for a lucky Member, and someone's guest that day will be drawn for a FREE Golf Membership.

We very recently mailed out the **Men's Invitational** letter. This year's dates will be June 4 optional Practice Round, with

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June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> being the actual tournament days. Field is limited so please sign up by May 16<sup>th</sup>, however if we get the allotted teams prior to the deadline a waiting list will be invoked. This is the premier event of the Men's Golf Season, try it once and you will be hooked.

Referral Program-the life blood of a any club is referrals. Golf shops are no different therefore every referral that a Member makes for Irons, or a Driver Purchase will result in a Free Gift from the Golf Shop. It may be that you win a lesson or a Pirate or Pens Shirt, or a nice new logo sweatshirt. We want to show you how much we appreciate that you think we are worthy to fit your friends.

Mothers Day Sale-we will have some great sales the week of Mothers Day, plus (as always)

free gift wrapping. The sale will begin the 5<sup>th</sup> of May and continue to Mothers Day, Sunday May 10<sup>th</sup>.

#### Upcoming Events:

Ping Demo Day Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> of April 3-6pm

Opening Day-Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup>-10 am Shotgun Start, A great way to kick off your season. Breakfast will include coffee and doughnuts, with lunch to follow play. Both the Ladies and Men's event will be 2 Best Balls of 4. Sign up ends for both Men and Ladies on Thursday April 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. (Ladies also must pre-sign to play)

Cobra Demo Day Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup> 3-6pm

Ladies Opening Tuesday-April 21st at 10am

Ladies Senior Championship-Held the 16<sup>th</sup> of May will be split into age groups, 50-60,

61-70, and 71 and above. Results will be posted in the Ladies Locker room.

Senior Championship-Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup>-Split into age groups 50-60, 61-70, and 71-and above. Winners will come from both Gross and Net Divisions.

Memorial Day Sunday and Monday Best of 2 Event-2 days of regular tee-times, play with a different partner each day, or stick with the same partner all 3 days. You can play any amount of days, or the entire weekend.

Junior Golf Camp Tuesday June 29-July 2nd- We are only taking 25 youths for this year's camp, and we anticipate camp filling up quickly. The camp will be Monday from 8-12, and 9-1 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. **Please call the Golf Shop to register ASAP, we only have a few spots remaining.**

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## MARCH 2015 RECAP

We kicked off our 90th season with a full house on March 7th. The Ballroom hosted photo collages of both past and more recent moments in the club's history. If you missed it, don't worry, we plan on leaving the installation up for most of the year. Thank you to Jack Krall for all his help in enlarging and matting the photos.

Thank you to past presidents and board members for sharing thoughts about the club's past and its future. The Bricks entertained the over 100 members in attendance and will return to the club for our Kentucky Derby party on May 2nd, as well as performing monthly throughout the rest of the year.

We look forward to making LCC's 90th year one to remember.

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Exchange Days that we have scheduled are as follows:

May Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Mannitto GC, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Norvelt GC, Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup> Somerset CC, Wednesday May 27<sup>th</sup> Hannastown GC

June Wednesday June 17<sup>th</sup> Latrobe Elks GC, Monday June 29<sup>th</sup> MT Odin GC

August Wednesday August 5<sup>th</sup> Summit CC, Wednesday August 19<sup>th</sup> Latrobe Elks GC

Some Tri-County courses do not want exchange days, they don't see a benefit for their club. Both Exchange Days and Tri-County days are reserved for Full Golf Members only, Social Members and guests are welcome, but must pay the applicable green fee. Please do not put Ligonier C.C. in an uncomfortable position by allowing guests to participate. Exchange days and Tri-County are rewards for being a Full Golf Member. We have asked the participating courses to keep a sign-in sheet and forward to our Golf Shop.

Tri County Golf Courses- Please go onto the Tri-County website to find the list of clubs that are members. I think it would be a great golfing summer if you hit all those clubs, and for \$25 you have quite a selection.

Junior Play Days-the Golf Shop will be announcing in the

May newsletter the dates of Junior Play Days, the day will consist of an early morning start, with the participants playing either 9 or 18 holes. It will be a chance to meet other young people and enable the young member to play more.

Junior Series Lesson- The group lesson will be for players that want to brush up on technique, and spend time hitting shots on the course. This lesson series will be 4 Hours, Saturday's May 2,9,16,23. There will be a Member Guest following the last lesson of the series on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. The cost of the sessions which includes the Member Guest is \$75. Please sign up ASAP. We will fill the group up at 6 players.

Come see our new selection of Pirates and Pens clothing in both Ladies and Men's, you will see great logos in the newest materials and great colors and styles.

The Golf Shop currently has new id labels for your golf clubs, we make them especially for you with telephone number, name and our address. Nothing makes you more mad than a lost club that is never turned in, with our new labels on your clubs you have a much better chance of a lost and found return.

The Golf Shop will not be open Mondays in April. The

course will be open to walkers.

Just as a reminder to all members:

- ♦ Tee times are always required, to allow the staff to better serve you.
- ♦ The Golf Shop understands that athletic clothing is reaching all new demographics, we would like to remind everyone that new Under armour, Nike, and Adidas shirts must have a 1½ inch collar on them to be considered a Golf shirt. Please refer to the Dress Code in your Membership booklet to alleviate all questions.
- ♦ Jeans are not permitted on the course following March 31st.
- ♦ Please be aware that the parking lot speed limit is 15 miles per hour, my young men

### Question of the Month

**Q: Every time I want to play, the rule is cart paths only, especially in the Spring. My friends and I know where the wet spots are, why can't we drive carts everywhere?**

**—Baffled in Bolivar**

A. The question has a two part answer: 1<sup>st</sup>-the main reason is to avoid damage to our Golf Course, our supreme asset. 2<sup>nd</sup>-is the safety of the driver and the passenger of the golf cart.

Thank you for adhering to the rules, everyone appreciates your help.



and women are in the lot trying to service you with your bags and carts, please be aware.

The Golf Shop will open at 9am weekdays until April 14<sup>th</sup>, on the 15<sup>th</sup> we will begin opening on the weekdays at 7:30 and Tee-Times will begin at 8am. We will continue to open at 7:30 on the weekends until Memorial Day when the Golf Shop will begin to open at 6:30; we are trying to accommodate players that wish to get out on the course earlier. We will continue to monitor the effects of the early opening.

Look for these new events:-The White Tee Championship—  
Season Long skins Game—  
Thursday Evening Men's League.

*-John Klinchock  
Golf Professional*

## *Mother's Day 2015 Sunday, May 10th*

### *New Times and Meals!*

*12:30 pm  
Grande Lunch Buffet  
5 pm to 7 pm  
Four Course Sit Down*

*Reservations Only All Day  
More Details Later this Month*

*Call Bobbie Jo to make your  
reservation: 724-238-7620 ext 8*

## OPENING DAY GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH

**Continental Breakfast 8:30 am**

**Shotgun 9:15 am**

**Lunch Buffet 1:30 pm**

**Format: Best 2 of 4**

**Men \$30**

**Women \$21**

**Price include Prizes, Breakfast, & Lunch  
Sign up with the Pro Shop by 5 pm Thurs. April 16th  
Golf Members Only**

## MEMBER-GUEST 2015

FRIDAY, MAY 1ST  
NEW DATE!

**Lunch Buffet 11:30 am**

**Shotgun 1:00 pm**

**Dinner to Follow**

**Giveaways for both  
you and your guests!**

**\$75 each; Price includes Golf with Cart, Range Balls, Lunch &  
Dinner and Prizes (green fees waived for the day)  
More details later this month  
All Members Welcome**

Please Join us for LCC's Annual

## *Opening Gala Saturday, April 11th*

The night starts at 6:30 pm with strolling dinner stations

Entertainment by

*Hamilton Avenue Band*

\$35 per person

Price includes all buffet stations, entertainment, tax and gratuity

Friends and Family welcome, but please no children

Regular Menu will not be available after 4:00 pm this night

Please RSVP by April 6th; 724-238-7620 ext 6

# ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS DAY

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22ND

Bring you Staff up for Lunch

Or After Work Treat Your Staff to 1/2 priced Drinks and Apps at the Bar  
(Special for Staff Only, 4 to 6 pm)

## 2015 Kentucky Derby!

Saturday, May 2nd

\* \$4 Mint Juleps

\* Giveaways

\* Dress the part....best hat wins a bottle of champagne!

\* Get in on the action by buying a horse

\* Come early, race starts

At 6:24



## ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT

## PASTA AND SCAMPI BAR NIGHTS

\$19.99 Adults      \$7.99 Kids

Last Two Saturdays of Each Month 5 pm to 8 pm

# Kids Klub



Hello Kids Ages 3 - 10!

Ligonier Country Club will be hosting the L.C.C Kids Klub again this year! This an opportunity to meet other L.C.C kids around the same age! Best of all, you the parents, will be able to enjoy a quiet meal while the kids are still close by!

*Supervision under Sara Klinchock & LCC Management*



**First Gathering of the Year!**

**Friday Night - April 3rd!**

**6:00 - 8:00pm**

**Please call the grill room  
for reservations!**

**Call Bobbie Jo for more details!**