# Ligonier Links

July 1, 2020

#### From the GM

#### Dear Members:

On January 1st we knew that 2020 was a Leap Year—no one thought we'd "leap" whole months this year! I won't waste your time on the messages that we've all heard from every commercial for the past three months. But I will ask for a moment of your time as I share the current outlook of the club with you.

Like many, LCC was able to quickly secure a PPP (Paycheck Protection Plan) loan. With the government extending the number of weeks to use the funds from 8 to 24, we have little doubt that the entire loan will be transferred to a grant.

Between the loan, the great member support with curbside, and reduction of expenses to the best of our ability, the club essentially broke even at the end of May.

Unfortunately, the funds ran out in June and we are now facing the second half of the year starting out behind the eight ball as 9 outings and multiple other events are unable to hold their event this year, as well as our own club events like the Invitationals.

Let me quickly say that we do not believe our situation to be dire to the future of the club! We have rainy-day funds and an untouched line of credit.

But! We want to be proactive and try our best to not need those reserves. As a business we need stay in front of future challenges!

- Please bring guests. Please take carts. Recouping \$48,000 in outside outing golf fees alone is going to be a challenge but we can make an impact here! The course is in great shape and we hope you want to show it off.
- **Spend your dining dollars here**. We understand

# Upcoming Events

Pizza, Pasta, and Putt Putt July 3rd Bucks & Does Game July 9th Member-Member July 11th & 12th \* Par-3 Jackpot Challenge July 25th Urie Wedding August 1st \* \*indicates dining restrictions, see calendar

## Welcome New Members

Thomas Schachner

David Delozier

Nicholas Thomas and Kristen Gabelt

Thomas Kokoska

Welcome Back! Joseph Polito

that the limitations can be frustrating, but you know we work hard to provide you with the best meal possible! The opportunity to eat outside at the Pavilion is invaluable.

- **Participate in events**. Make this the year you try something new. Not all events are super competitive. This is the year for having fun on the golf course!
- Encourage friends to join. It may not be an ideal time to join a club, but we're still the hidden gem in the valley even with wearing masks.
- **Have Patience!** Chances are that we won't be back to "normal" operations this year. We run a tight ship business-wise; adjusted service times and additional day closures are the only ways for us to mitigate expenses. We have to run this club like a business so that it is here for you and our employees for the 100th anniversary in 2025 and beyond.

With your help, we can mitigate the inevitable loss of 2020, but remain strong enough to weather the covid storm that still hovers.

Thank you for your support. Thank you for your continued support.

We are in this together. Oops-said I wouldn't say that!

Sincerely, Bill Elliott, General Manager

Edit: after this was written but before hitting send, we heard of the uptick in cases in the county. Due to this news, we will be eliminating indoor seating for the time being. The outdoor facility will be available for dining at the same hours as June with the outdoor grill menu and pizzas after 2 pm Wednesday to Saturday. Thank you for your understanding.

### Friday, July 3rd Pizza, Pasta, and Putt Putt

Wood-fired Pizzas Pasta Bar (modified) in the Pavilion Putt Putt Course on the Practice Greens Tim Bush Performs outside 6 pm

Bring your own Putter. Must sign up with the Golf Shop for Putt Putt. Ext 2-3 Dinner Reservations Required ext 2-2

724-238-7620

#### Ladies' Golf News by Barbara Sloan

Our season finally started on June 2 with the Closest to the Pin Forever game. The player managing to get the ball closest to the pin from off the green received a point.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Cindy Soccio 8 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Karen Hough 7 points
- 3rd Place tie: Kare Thompson and Darlene Elliott 6 points
- 9-hole winner: Marcie Larson 4 points

On June 16, we played beat the pro. It was an opportunity for us to spend time with and get better acquainted with our new pro, Sean Knaus. Sean played from the red tees with a plus 4 handicap. Sean shot a 76 for a net 80. Those who beat the pro were:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Pat Warren net 72
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place tie: Carolyn Morford and Gayle Smith net 73

Sean's back hole nine score was 38

• 9-hole winner: Dottie Lynch net 29

Aces Wild was the game on June 16. Players subtracted one stroke from their net score for each one putt.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Carolyn Morford net 63
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Cindy Bode net 65
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Gayle Smith net 66
- 9-hole winner: Suzanne Lynch net 38

The annual <u>King & Queens</u> event was held on June 23. We had a great participation, with 21 queens and 7 kings. Many thanks to Pat Warren for all her efforts organizing a fun day.

The winning team was Ed Elliott, Karen Hough, Pat Warren, and Carol Onufro with a net 125.

Skill prizes were captured by:

- Closest to the hole #4: Ed Elliot 24'3"
- Longest putt hole #8: Jim Votek 14'5"
- Closest to the hole #11: Gayle Smith 4'6"
- Longest putt hole #15: Chuck Suprock 23'4"

Upcoming on July 28 is Friend's Day. It is a fun day with no competition or prizes. Just a chance to share a game of golf and lunch with a friend. Sign-up sheet will be in the pro shop. The event will be hosted by Betty Rosa and Karen Thompson.



#### From the Pro

#### Dear Members,

June was a month to remember where we were back to some normalcy and the weather was beautiful. We had our Opening Day Event that was a big success with 95 participants and a whole lot of fun! We also had our first Buck & Does evening series, crowned a King & Queen and conducted some wellrounded and fun Ladies Clinics.

Below you will see information on new Golf Shop sales, past result winners, upcoming events, upcoming fitting days, reminders, junior golf, and information about the driving range.

#### Online Golf Shop- The Knaus Special(s)

#### **FootJoy Online Golf Shop**

Last month we introduced the FootJoy Online Golf Shop and this

month we will introduce the Adidas Online Golf Shop. Below you will see a links to my **FootJoy & Adidas Online Golf Shop**. The sites will include shoes, apparel and outerwear for Men and Women. On the Adidas site you will also see many options for Youth/Junior items. When you click the link, it will go directly to the site where you will put in the password listed below. You can browse just as you would any other online store, choose your product and check out. All products purchased will receive 20% off and ship directly to the Golf Shop. On the FootJoy website, all apparel will have a logo but with the Adidas, Men will be logoed, and Ladies will not. If you love FootJoy or Adidas, these sites are for you!

#### FootJoy

https://www.acushnetgolf.com/proshop/store/view/12543

#### Password: Ligonier

#### Adidas

#### https://

#### ligonierccadidas20store.itemorder.com/

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### <u>Member-Member (</u>sign up in the Golf Shop)

Saturday July 11 & Sunday, July 12

- 9:15 am Shotgun (Better Ball of Partners BOTH DAYS)
- Open to full golfing members
- Pari Mutual Betting, Raffle and Skill Prizes

#### <u>NEW!! LCC Par-3 Jackpot Challenge</u> (sign up in the Golf Shop)

Saturday, July 25-9:15 am Shotgun

- 18-Hole (Par-3) Event open to full golfing members
- Each hole will be set up as a Par-3 with extravagant prizes. Prizes will include a trip for four to the 2021 Masters, Trip to St. Andrews & Bay Hill, Trip to Las Vegas, \$5,000, \$10,000 & more!
- Food, Skill Prizes, Skins, and a Foursome Event will be included as well
- \$65 per player- Members may bring (1) Guest
- \*Flyer with detailed information to follow soon

#### Bucks & Does Evening Couples Events

- The first Bucks & Does event was a success with 20 participants and a whole lot of fun! You may bring a Guest for \$25 and Social Members can attend. This does not go towards Social Members (2) times a month play allowance.
- The next evening event will be on Thursday, July 9. Sign-up in the Golf Shop

#### Golf Shop Match Play Events

The Golf Shop Match Play events have started and round 1 must be completed by Sunday, July 5. There will be a oneweek extension if needed. If the match is still completed, there will be a date and time made. Whoever shows up for that tee time will move onto the next round.

#### Upcoming Fitting Days, Lessons, Exchange Days, Events & Clinics

#### **Upcoming Fitting Days**

- Tuesday, July 7 (3 to 7 PM)- Callaway (Putter & Club Fittings available)
- Tuesday, July 21 (3 to 7 PM)- PXG
- -Each fitting day will have (8) spots to be custom fit. If you have not been custom fit, you could be costing yourself strokes as no one's swing is the same.

#### Lessons

Jesse and I are in full swing with lessons and would love to better your game in 2020. One of my favorite quotes from Jack Nicklaus, "Confidence is the most important single factor in this game, and no matter how great your talent, there is only one way to obtain it- work."

#### LESSON PACKAGE- (Buy 4 lessons, get 1 FREE)

#### Ladies Only Golf Clinics

Ladies clinics were highly attended in June and we hope the same for July! Each clinic will be from 5:30 to 6:30 PM and focus on different facets of the game. Please call the Golf Shop to sign-up as there will be limited spots available. Dates for Ladies Clinics are as follows:

(Wednesdays) July 1, 8, 15 & 22

#### **Exchange Days**

- We have some exchange days on the books with a few more hopefully to come. If you would like to play on the days listed below, you may call each course to make a tee time or we will happily do it for you. The fee to play will be \$20.
- Champion Lakes Golf Club- Thurs, July 9
- Glengary Golf Links- Tuesday, July 14
- Latrobe Elks Golf Club- Thurs, July 16
- Donegal Highlands- Tuesday, August 11

#### **Driving Range**

The driving range is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 7:30am to 7:30pm, weather dependent. The Range will open at 9:30am on Thursdays and close at 7:30pm. Yearly range passes are available for \$125 or you may purchase per bag for \$5. The Range will close at 445 pm on Wednesday and 5 pm on Sunday nights to thoroughly clean pick the range for mowing the next day. Range balls/bags will be in the Golf Shop only. Please see below for proper divot pattern while on the range.



# Please refrain from using a club you hit longer than 200 yards

#### **Junior Golf**

Ligonier's Junior Golf program will start on Tuesday, June 30. We will have our first Tuesday Clinic with a Play Day to follow on Friday, July 3. The Tee Sheet will be blocked off on Fridays from 8:30am to 10:30 am to allow for this program. We will also have a (3) Day Camp, Pro-junior scramble and a Junior Nite-Lite event with glow-in-the-dark golf balls.

-See flyer for more details (page 1, page 2)

#### **Hole-In-One Club**

- The Hole-In-One club has started but you may still sign up for your chance to win (\$10 entry). All sign-ups from 2019 have rolled over into this year leaving over \$800 in prizes. The first person to have a hole-in-one will receive the pot (half cash, half Golf Shop credit.) New for this year, if you have a hole-in-one and are in the club, you will receive a plaque with all the information on it. Once someone has a hole-in-one, everyone in the club will have their account billed for the next chance to win.
- If you have any questions about what is listed above, questions about new product for the year, corporate orders, or anything else, feel free to shoot me an email. We look forward to a great summer and seeing everyone on the Golf Course

#### Warm Regards,

Sean Knaus, PGA Head Golf Professional sean@ligoniercountryclub.com

June			JULY, 2020			August	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
28	29	30	1 05:30pm Ladies' Clinic	2	3 05:00pm Pizza, Pasta, and Putts	4 Fourth of July	
					06:00pm Tom Bush Performs	11:00am Pavilion Oper 11 to 4 ~ Holiday Menu	
5	6 Clubhouse Closed	7 03:00pm Callaway Fitting	8 05:30pm Ladies' Clinic	9 Champion Exchange	10 09:00am YMCA Outing	11 Member- Member	
				05:30pm Bucks & Does	12:00pm YMCA Shotgun	09:15am Day Shotgun	
					O4:00pm Limited Reservations Avaialable	03:00pm Dining Closes at 3 for event	
2 Member-	13 Clubhouse	Glengary	15 05:30pm	16 Elks Exchange	17	18 06:00pm	
Member	Closed	Exchange	Ladies' Clinic			Kaitlyn Rose Performs	
09:15am Day 2 Shotgun							
9	20	21	22	23	24	25	
02:00pm Clawson Reception	Clubhouse Closed	03:00pm PXG Fitting	05:30pm Ladies' Clinic		06:00pm Alan Getto Performs	09:15am Jackpot Challenge	
26	27 Clubhouse Closed	28 09:00am Ladies' Friends Day	29 08:00am Vistage Meeting	30	31 Urie Rehearsal	1 Urie Wedding	
					06:00pm Mendillo Rehearsal	Lunch Service Only	

Beginning July 1st: ALL dining will be at the Outdoor Facility Sundays and Tuesdays 11 am to 6 pm Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays 11 am to 8 pm with pizzas after 2 pm Reservations are required after 4 pm.