

From the Board

Jimmy Sarver, Club President

The daffodils are blooming and Easter is right around the corner! Soon we'll be golfing, pickleballing and partying in the hot summer sun! Before we get to the warm weather and fun in the sun, we have lots of fun things happening here at LCC in April. We have The Masters Tournament at Ligonier Country Club to be followed by The Masters Par 3 on April 7th, Easter Buffet on April 9th, and the Opening Day Tournament on April 22nd! Please note, Easter reservations are currently sold out! If you haven't had a chance to stop by the clubhouse for some food, you HAVE to add it to your list! Bill and Jessica have comprised a delicious menu and it has been a huge hit so far this year! We also have a delicious brunch menu on Sunday's

from 11am to 4pm! I hear the sausage gravy and biscuits are to die for. Thank you to Bill and his staff for making March seem less dreary and giving us delicious food to look forward to!

As for the golf course, most of the new tee boxes have been sodded and are growing in beautifully! To continue to help these tees grow in, please refrain from walking on them until the ropes have been removed from around them. Aerification has been completed for the spring on Monday 3/27, followed by top dressing on Tuesday 3/28. The greens will be healed in no time and back to their amazing, fast conditions that we've grown to love at LCC. Thank you to Dave Lincoln, Jim Born and his crew for their hard work this winter getting the course ready for all of us!

Proprietary Memberships Available
Now available to all membership categories except social and junior.

Join by April 5th to participate in this year's annual meeting on May 3rd.

We do have a few membership opportunities currently available, so please spread the word about LCC and bring your friends in to join! They'll surely love it just as much as we do! We also still have proprietary shares available to all full golf members of one year or more. These shares are a great opportunity to support your club and have your voice heard! If you have interest in a proprietary share, please feel free to contact Bill, Beth, Michael or any board member for more information!

Ladies' Golf News—Barbara Sloan

Let's hope that April will finally bring warm weather without the showers.

Mark your calendar for our season opening events this month.

The opening dinner will be on Thursday, April 20. Cocktails will be at 5:00 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Please sign up in the Pro Shop if you plan to attend. Members are encouraged to pay dues, set at \$65.00, and the season booklet will be available. If not attending the dinner, dues can be paid in the Pro Shop.

LCC members, who are not members of the Ladies Golf Association, are invited to

attend the dinner to meet the members and learn about our activities.

Tuesday, April 25 will be a no gadget warmup day. Remember to sign up in the Pro Shop if you plan on playing.

LCC members, who are not members of the Ladies Golf Association, are invited to play on the warmup day and opening day scramble. These events are opportunities to share fun days of golf. Even if you work and cannot play on Tuesdays, there is a way your weekend play can allow you to compete in events. We have both 18-hole and 9-hole groups and use both the red and orange tees so there is something for all abilities. Plus, we have set tees times for Thursdays and the weekend so you can always find a group to play with.



Upcoming Events

- April 7th | [Master's Par 3](#)
- April 9th | Easter Buffet [Full]
- April 14th | Joe Golden Performs
- April 15th | [Pasta & Pizza Buffet](#)
- April 20th | Ladies' Opening Dinner
- April 21st | [Golf Bash](#)
- April 22nd | [Opening Day Tournament](#)
- April 22nd | [Prime Rib Buffet](#)
- April 28th & 29th | [Scampi/Pasta Bar](#)
- May 3rd | Proprietary Meeting
- May 5th | [Cinco de Mayo Buffet](#)

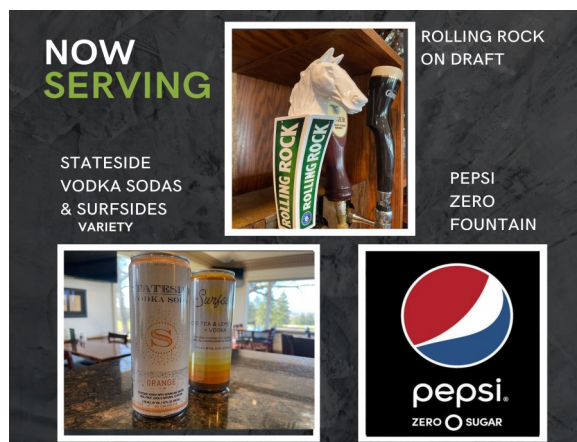
Wednesdays in May | Women's Social Series

Dining News

Sunday Brunch will begin at 10:00 am beginning April 1st. (not available on Easter)

New Drinks are now available including Pepsi Zero and State-side Seltzers.

Great Buffet nights coming soon! Make your reservations early.



<< March		APRIL, 2023				May >>	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
26	27	28	29	30	31	1	
Events	Holidays	DEFAULT	Dining Specials	Ladies' Event	Pavilion Event	Club Event	Golf Course
							Entertainment
							Groups
2 11:00am Tutino Shower	3 Club Closed	4 Club Closed	5	6 05:00pm BPW	7 Lent Specials 09:00am Master's Par 3	8	
9 Reservation Only - FULL 11:00am Easter Buffet	10 Club Closed	11 Club Closed	12 05:00pm LVHS Cheer Banquet	13	14 06:00pm Joe Golden Performs	15 11:00am Schrock Shower 05:00pm Pasta & Pizza Buffet	
16 12:30pm Baker Shower	17 Club Closed	18 Club Closed	19	20 05:00pm Ladies' Opening Dinner	21 05:00pm Golf Bash	22 09:30am Opening Day 05:00pm Prime Rib Buffet	
23 12:00pm Goblesky Shower	24 Club Closed	25 Club Closed	26	27 05:30pm St. Vincent's Retirement	28 05:00pm Pasta Bar	29 02:00pm Newton Funeral Reception 05:00pm Pasta Bar	
30 01:00pm Trumbetta Baptism	1 1 Club Closed	2 10:00am Ladies' Opening Day	3 06:00pm Women's Social Series 07:00pm Proprietary Meeting	4 05:00pm BPW	5 12:00pm Ed Garofalo Luncheon 04:00pm Cinco de Mayo Buffet	6 01:00pm Keslar Wedding	

April Dining Hours: Wednesday & Thursday 11:30 am to 8:00 pm, Friday & Saturday 11:30 am to 9:00 pm
 Sundays (Expanded Brunch Menu Only) 10:00 am to 6:00 pm, Closed Monday & Tuesday
 Dinner Reservations Required. 724-238-7620 ext 2 (or 9 outside business hours)
 Happy Hours: Wednesday to Friday, 4 pm to 6 pm, \$2 off apps, \$2 off mixed drinks, beer and wine

Dear Members,

The Golf Season is off to a slow start, but don't worry, the warm weather and sunshine will soon be here. We were able to hold one of two events in March and that was our Shamrock Open. Twenty-six brave souls played through the bitter cold but in the end, found their pot of gold, including our winners, Ron, and Shari Shannon.

Even though March was off to a slow start, April will be full of entertainment. For one, the best Golf event of the year, The Master's will be on soon. To go along with this, we will once again hold a Golf Shop Master's Pool and host our own Master's Tournament. We'll have our Virtual Golf Bash (60 tickets remain, 20 pavilion seats remain), Beginner Golf Clinics, Demo Days and Opening Day.

Along with events, April begins with many aspects dealing with the course and Golf.

These include:

- Every golfer **MUST CHECK IN** with the Golf Shop before playing, even if you are walking.
- April 1 will start Group Times on weekdays and weekends. A few things have changed for this year, so all group members please reach out to your captain.
- Handicap posting begins on April 1 (see section below for more information)
- Please obey cart rules posted by the Golf Shop and keep all carts 30 yards away from the Green. Daily Cart Rulings are posted on the sign by the putting green.
- Jeans are **NO LONGER** permitted on the Golf Course (until Nov. 1st)
- 5-somes are **NO LONGER** permitted
- If you are playing with a guest, please note guests' fees include a cart, even when walking.
- Pace of Play for Ligonier is 4 hours (2-hour front 9, 2-hour back 9)

Employee Spotlight

As mentioned in my March newsletter, we have a new Shop Manager, but we also have new faces that will be behind the counter.

Emily Danko- Golf Shop Manager

Colleen Pritts- Golf Shop Attendant

Jim Arena- Golf Shop Attendant

Pictured from left to Right (Colleen, Emily & Jim)



Pro Tips- Volume #1.1 (2023)- THE SHANKS

Yes, I did type the word shank and said it out loud while typing this. A word no one wants to talk about; almost as bad as Harry Potter saying Voldemort. A word, feeling and shot you never want but somehow it comes at the worst possible time. How do you fix it?

Well, there's many reasons why someone may shank and getting it out of your mind is another aspect. But one simple way is to gain a feel of what it is like to hit it on the toe and heel of the clubface. How do you gain feeling or see where you're hitting it?

Answer= Foot Spray

Spray your club's face with foot spray and practice making marks on the toe and heel. You may find it hard to hit the toe but once you gain a feel, you will lose the fear of hitting it off the hosel.

Golf Shop Hours April 2023

Monday- **CLOSED** (*course open for walking only*)

Tuesday through Sunday (8:30 am to 7:00 pm)- *weather dependent*

**Tee times on Weekdays will begin at 9:00am*

***Tee Times on Weekends will begin at 8:30am*

Carts must be back to the shop by 7:00 pm

Golf Shop Information

The Golf Shop is stocked and ready with still a few more pieces of new product to come. New for this year includes:

MEN- Black Clover, Greg Norman & The 1925 Collection (Ligonier's Own Clothing Line).

WOMEN- Ibkul, Greg Norman & Puma Golf

As we pick back up for Golf, we don't want to forget that we now have Pickleball Courts. We will have inventory of a few Pickleball items including sweatshirts, hats, and bags. Be on the lookout for an email showcasing what Pickleball items the Golf Shop can get for you.

We will once again have a full assortment of Demo Clubs and Fitting Tools from all the biggest name brands. Our fittings are always free for members, and we use a state-of-the-art Foresight Launch Monitor. We also except trade-ins that can be used for new club purchases or credit.

Golf Shop Major Events

April 7- Master's Good Friday Tournament

April 22- Opening Day

July 8 & 9- Member-Member

August 5- Member/Guest

September 3- 5 Person Scramble

April 21- LCC Golf Bash

June 1, 2 & 3- Men's Invitational

July 15- Men's Senior Club Championship

August 12 & 13- Men's & Women's Club Championship

October 21- Ray's Revenge **November 4-** Pumpkin Par-3

The Hassenplug Cup

Xenophon Hassenplug is our main course architect, so I think we give him some credit for our one-of-a-kind layout.

The Hassenplug Cup will be a year-end total point event. Every event you play in, you have the possibility of gaining points if you place in the top 5 and for participating in the event. This point race will focus on all major events listed below but if you play in the minor events, you will also gain points.

ENTRY: \$10 per person for the year (enters you in all major events)

-The overall point champion will be paid out in half cash & half golf shop credit plus a trophy

-The other top four will win Golf Shop Credit

	Regular Season	Club Championship	Major Events
1 st Place Gross/Net	10	15	Good Friday- Master's Tournament
2 nd Place Gross/Net	8	12	Opening Day
3 rd Place Gross/Net	6	9	Member-Member
4 th Place Gross/Net	4	6	Men's & Women's Club Championship
5 th Place Gross/ Net	2	3	5-Person Scramble
Participation in event	1	1	Ray's Revenge
			Pumpkin Par-3

Golf Shop Match Play Events

The Golf Shop will bring back all (4) season long match play events you will see below. Each event will be played off the low ball (*except the LCC Cup*) and have maximum number of sign-ups. **New for 2023, all handicaps used will be each player's low handicap index from 2022.**

Fliers with Sign-Up procedures and details will be coming shortly.

- Black Tree Challenge (Team Match Play-open to all golfing members)
- The Flossie (Ladies Individual Match Play)
- King of The Highlands (Men's Individual Match Play)
- The LCC Cup (Scratch Individual Match Play)

Hole-In-One Club

The hole-in-one club is a unique way to win some money, receive a trophy and treat your friends and members to a drink. Each time someone has a hole-in-one, golfers will receive 50% off the pot in cash and 50% of the pot in golf shop credit.

The 2022 hole-in-one club ended with **\$800** left in the pot. If you would like to be added to the hole-in-one club or cancel out, please email Sean.

Hole-In-Ones will count for the club starting on April 1.

ENTRY: \$10 per person, per hole-in-one (opt-out anytime)

Upcoming Events

Master's Good Friday Tournament-Friday, April 7

- 10:00 AM Shotgun
- Make Your Own Foursome & Play Your Own Ball
- Before teeing off, each participant will choose a golfer playing in the Master's. The participants' NET score and the master's players score will be used in each group. The two lowest combined of the group will be used for the team score.
- After Golf will be lunch and after lunch will be a 6-hole Par-3 tournament
- To finish off the day, there will be a CASH chipping contest.
- Open to all Membership Categories & Guests
- Members- \$45; Guests- \$55

Virtual Golf Bash- Friday, April 21

- 5:00 to 7:30 pm (Virtual on Ligonier Country Clubs Facebook Live)
- First 80 sign-ups may watch in the pavilion.
- Those that attend will receive appetizer & beer special, tip-boards & 50/50's
- Do not need to be present to win!
- Open to all membership levels
- \$35 donation per ticket- \$5 per ticket will be donated to Union Mission Shelter of Latrobe

Opening Day

Opening Day- Saturday, April 22 (1030 am Shotgun)

- Best 2 of 4 NET (sign up as an individual and the Golf Shop will make teams)
- 9am breakfast
- \$75 per person before April 7. \$85 per person after April 7
- *Golfing Members ONLY*

Intermediate Night(s)

Intermediate Night Out is back along with the now famous Beer Pong Night!

Saturday, May 20- Pints & Par-3's (5:00 pm shotgun)

Saturday, July 16- College Night (5:00 pm Shotgun)

***Themed by Natty Light with a Beer Pong Tournament following play**

Saturday, August 18- Glow Golf (9:00 pm shotgun)- 5-7 holes in the dark

Bucks & Does Evening Couples Events

Our crowd pleasing and most exciting events of the year are back for 2023.

May 11- Drinks Around the World

June 8- Game Night

July 6 Christmas in July

August 26- Couples Cup (1:30 modified shotgun starts)- TBD

Ladies Social Nights- NEW

New for 2023, Ladies Social Nights will bring the laid-back atmosphere Ligonier has and show you what Golf and Pickleball is all about. These easy-going nights are meant for the beginner/novice golfer that may not want to step out on the course just yet or wants to see what social life Ligonier has to offer.

The Social Series will be in May on Wednesdays and are open to all members and non-members. The total package for all events will include cocktails, food and guidance from PGA Professional, Sean Knaus.

\$100 for all (4) Nights (\$125 for guests)- 6:00 pm start(s)

Wednesday, May 3- Walk & Wine Night

-Experience holes 16, 17, 18 while walking with a glass of wine on each hole

Wednesday, May 17- Pickleball & Pints

-A pint of something never hurt when learning to Pickleball

Wednesday, May 10- Cocktails & Chipping

-Enjoy a cocktail while learning how to chip around the green

Wednesday, May 24- Put it all together Pizza & Putting

-Finish of the series, putting around the green and ending the night off with some pizza

UPCOMING SWATS & CLINICS

Beginner's ONLY Clinic (SERIES)

Calling all beginner golfers!!! If you are looking to improve your basic knowledge of the golf game or would like to pick up the game, this clinic is right for you. For 45 minutes, you will be taught the fundamentals of the swing and basic information about how to play as well as some rules.

Social Members- Are you looking to pick up the game but not sure how? This clinic is perfect for you as well!

5:45 to 6:30 PM

Wednesday, April 12 & Wednesday, April 26

Ladies Only Golf Clinics

The Golf Shop will have multiple Ladies only clinics in June, July & August on Wednesdays. Each clinic will be from 5:45 to 6:30 PM and focus on different facets of the game. Dates for Ladies Clinics are as follows:

WEDNESDAYS

JUNE 14

JUNE 28

JULY 26

AUGUST 2

AUGUST 30

Junior Golf

- PGA Junior League is back for its 3rd season at Ligonier Country Club. Detailed information can be found by going to pgajuniorleague.com and searching for Ligonier Country Club.
 - \$299 per child
- Junior Camp will be June 20, 21 & 22. All three days will be from 8:00 am to NOON and include lunch each day after.
 - \$225 per child
- NEW! For 2023, Junior Golf Clinics will be on Fridays. Most clinics will start at 11am and go to 1pm. A detailed listing is below.

Friday, June 16 (11am to 1 pm)

Putting & Bunkers

Friday, July 7 (11 am to 1 pm)

Full Swing & Baseball Golf

Friday, July 14 (1 pm to 3 pm)

Short Game & Tic-Tac-Toe

Friday, August 11 (11 am to 1pm)

Par-3 Play

*Times subject to change based on Outings

Upcoming Demo Days

- Saturday, April 15 (NOON to 4 PM)- TAYLORMADE
- Friday, April 28 (3 to 7 PM)- CALLAWAY & PING
- Thursday, May 18 (3-7 PM)- CALLAWAY
- Wednesday, May 31 (3-7 PM)- CALLAWAY

GHIN

Score Posting, GHIN & CAP Patrol

You may start posting scores for handicap purposes on April 1. The handicap posting season will run through November 14.

- **REMINDER:** Scores should be posted daily as handicaps will change daily. If your score is not posted in a reasonable time, you will receive a score of PAR. The Golf Shop will happily post your scores, you may enter them online or on the GHIN APP.
- Handicaps will not be posted on the bulletin board but will be available in the Golf Shop. On Saturday's & Sunday's, handicaps will be at the starter box.
- The GHIN App can be downloaded in the Google Play Store or the Apple Store

Cap Patrol

We will once again be utilizing “Cap Patrol”. Cap Patrol is part of our GHIN system and will be utilized to create a more even playing field between all. After data gathered from 2022, some will be used for tournaments this year.

For players it is:

- An easier way to keep track of your current play and how you have played in the past.
- Built in games for you and fellow golfers. See how others have been playing recently and set up the most competitive teams, odds and more.
- Track and compare your play at home, away, in tournaments and more.
- With features like ‘Hot Index’, ‘Last 3’, and ‘Clutch %’, it adds a fun social component to your golfing experience.

Exchange Days

We have a full array of exchange days throughout the summer, including the popular Bedford Springs. If you plan on participating in an exchange day, the Golf Shop will call for you.

Tuesday, May 23- Glengary Golf Links- \$40

Thursday, June 29- Latrobe Elks Golf Club- \$40

Monday, July 10- Norvelt Golf Club- \$40

Bedford Springs & Champion Lakes Golf Club- TBD

Driving Range, Bag & Cart Storage

The Driving Range will open (Friday, April 15)

- Throughout the season, the driving range will close at dark.
- On Tuesday’s and Friday’s, the driving range will close at 4:30 pm for clean picking.
- On Wednesday’s the driving range will not open until around 10am so turfgrass can cut the area.

If you plan on storing your bag or cart this year, you may do so starting on April 1.

2023 Fees

Social Member Range Pass- \$100

Guest Range Pass- \$150

All-Day Range Pass- \$7 per day

Bag Storage & Club Cleaning- \$105

Cart Storage- \$80

Bag & Cart Storage- \$155

Push-Cart Rental- \$5

As always, the Golf Shop is here to help with any questions and fulfill any order that comes to mind. For more information or questions about ordering products, please reach out.

Warm Regards,

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