## Ligonier Links

### August 2022

## From The Board Jim Sarver, Club President

In the blink of an eye, July has come and gone, and we move into August. We're halfway through the summer but the fun is just beginning! We have lots of fun events coming in August to include our Member-Guest on August 6th, Family Picnic on August 7th, Club Championship on August 13th and 14th and our always popular Reggae Night on August 20th. Rounds were up for the month of June but we still remain over 1,000 rounds short of last year. The course is in amazing condition so bring your quests and enjoy everything LCC has to offer! The summer is just heating up so come up and enjoy our beautiful club while the warm weather lasts!

On July 21st, an All-Member Meeting was held and was attended by 42 members to help plan the future of LCC as we approach our 100th year, and it went very well. The Board presented the past's trials and accomplishments, the present's obstacles and issues, along with future ideas. The current long-range plan was discussed, as well as requests for those in attendance to submit ideas to be added.

Also discussed was the impact of the pandemic, supply chain interruptions, staffing issues, aging club infrastructure and equipment, and the recent unprecedented inflation levels. As you all know, these effects have reached all of us and the club is no different.

The Club is projecting a shortfall of about \$120,000 and additional funds are now needed to balance the growing monetary imbalance without incurring more debt by utilizing our existing line of credit. When presented with this information at the meeting, many of those present expressed a desire to contribute \$200 or more to help the Club.

As has always been the case, Ligonier Country Club Members have stepped up and donated over the years; and we are hopeful that you will once again support your Club as we move forward during this time. We will be accepting donations starting today through the end of August.

Unfortunately, if we do not reach our goal to cover the shortfall, the Board will enact the By-Laws assessment clause (this only affects full golf members). A monthly fee of \$40 will begin 8/31/2022 and run through 12/31/2022. Those who donate a minimum of \$200 will not be assessed. If you are not familiar with the by-laws, you can review them at the link listed below.

One final request of our attendees was to receive an electronic copy of the meeting's PowerPoint Presentation and to be sure that all members received a copy as well. We are happy to honor that request. Available Here

Ligonier Country Club remains a unique club in its membership ownership and non-profit status. Few clubs remain that operate this way and we hope to keep it that way well past LCC's 100th birthday in 2025. Please continue to submit ideas to the Board to grow your club and keep us strong.

# From Social Committee Karen Hough, Chairman

Summer Picnic, Sun, Aug 7, 2022

We are well underway with our planning for our 2022 Summer Picnic for Sunday, August 7, starting at 4p.m. Our planned children's events include bouncy houses, a petting zoo, caricature artist, and some painting/coloring activities for the wee ones!!

If you are interested in supporting your Club and have time to volunteer, we'd love to have you assist with a few of the children's activities or the registration table, so that we can ensure another successful Summer Picnic. Be sure email to *Molleigh* if you are able to volunteer.

#### **Sunday September 18th**

Are you ready for an evening with the Symphony? If yes, then we have the perfect evening planned for you. The Westmoreland Symphony will be performing from our Pavilion on Sunday, September 18, for an evening of music under the stars.



Bring the entire family; gates open at 5p.m. and the show starts at 6:45p.m.!! The Symphony will play for 45 minutes, take a 15-minute Intermission, and return for another 45 minutes. Don't forget to bring a chair.

Tickets will be sold, prior to the event, or can be purchased at the door. Money raised will benefit SAMA (Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art in Ligonier).

In order to make this evening a success, we are in need of volunteers for Registration Table, Silent Auction Table, 50/50, etc. Please contact *Molleigh* if you are able to volunteer. (Rain Date is scheduled for September 19)

Look for your invitation and more details to follow.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Member-Guest, August 6th
- Summer Picnic, August 7th
- Catholic Charities Outing, August 12th
- Club Championships, Aug 13th & 14th
- Ladies Classic, August 16th
- Masonic Lodge, August 19th
- Bucks & Does Couples Cup, Aug 20th
- Reggae Night, Aug 20th, RSVP only
- Garofalo Outing, August 26th
- Bocce Tournament and Glow Golf Night, August 27th
- Enos Memorial Outing, Sept 2nd
- 5-Person Scramble, September 4th
- Labor Day, September 5th, Pavilion
   Open 11:30 to 4 with holiday menu
- Aerification begins September 6th

#### Pickleball Courts

Thanks to the generosity and time of some members, the pickleball courts have been resurfaced and receiving some color. Unfortunately, the rain has delayed the process and the courts will be closed for about another week.

### Pickup Pickleball

Sundays at 10 am Contact Patty Lantzy with any questions:

pmlantzy@comcast.net

# Ladies Association News Barbara Sloan

After the July 4 holiday, we resumed play with the Member-Member event. Two person teams were chosen by the Pro Shop with red and orange tee players paired together. Holes 10-6 was best 1 of 2; holes 7-12 was modified alternate shot; holes 13-18 a scramble.

1st Place: Cindy Soccio and Dottie Lynch 2nd Place: Becky DeMuth and Sherry O'Halloran

The Queen Bee and Lady Bug were played on July 19 and July 26. This is a ringer tournament where players try to better their score from the first round to the second. The Queen Bee was played from the red tees and the Lady Bug from the orange.

The Queen Bee champion was JoAn Treskovich with a net 63. Karen Hough and Jan Litun were the runners up with net 64.

Dottie Lynch won the Lady Bug with a net 63. Barbara Sloan was the runner up with a net 64.

The prime event in August is the Ladies Classic on August 16. Karen Thompson will host. Please sign up as soon as ssible in the Pro Shop.

### Welcome New Members

Michael Baughman ~ Jason Stofko ~ Vernon Worrall ~ Samuel Polina ~ Kyprian Wojciechowski ~ Jim McDonald

Welcome Back Anthony Picadio









J	uly		AUGUST, 2022		Septer	mber
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Club Closed	2	3	4 Middlecreek Exchange	5 Open Normal Hours	6 08:30am Member Guest
					08:30am Garofalo Event	
					10:30am Shotgun	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Event Only after 3	Club Closed	Ebensburg Exchange	12:30pm Yates Group	11	07:00am Catholic Charities	Club Championship
04:00pm Summer Picnic			05:45pm Ladies Fun Night		10:00am Shotgun	04:00pm Garrison Anniversary
					05:00pm Dinner Only	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Club Championships	Club Closed	09:00am Ladies Classic	05:45pm Ladies Clinic	Bedford Springs Exchange	Club Closed	01:30pm Couples Cup
					08:30am Masonic Lodge	04:00pm Event Only - Rsvp Required
					12:30pm Shotgun	05:00pm Reggae Night
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
01:00pm Kanuch Shower	Club Closed			09:00am Derry Teachers	_	01:45pm Maloy Group
						06:30pm Bocc Tournament
						09:00pm Glow Golf
28	29	30	31	7.		la la
20	Elks Exchange			1	08:00am Enos Outing	06:00pm Thomas Reunion
	Club Closed				10:30am Shotgun	
Events Ho	olidays DEFAU	T Dining Spe	cials Ladies' Eve	1	05:00pm Dinner Only	

Dining Hours: 724-238-7620 press 2, ext. 2 (last reservations half hour before close)

Indoor: Tuesdays 11:30 am to 4:00 pm (limited lunch menu), Wednesdays & Thursdays 11:30 to 8:00 pm Pavilion (Outdoor Menu Only): Fridays & Saturdays 11:30 am to 9:00 pm; Sundays 11:30 am to 6:00 pm

[ext 7 for pavilion during open hours]

Closed Mondays except Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day (11:30-4 holiday menu)

<sup>\*</sup>On pavilion nights, limited dining room seating will be available with <u>advanced</u> reservations only; still pavilion menu only

Dear Members,

We hope you are enjoying your summer as much as we are but wow how times flies to say it is already August!

July was a theme month for us it seemed as we had our Caddyshack themed Member-Member, Christmas in July Bucks & Does and our College Style Intermediate Night. No matter the theme, each one was filled with participants and a whole lot of fun!

If you missed any of these events, don't worry we have many more to come. In August, we will have our Member-Guests, Men's & Women's Club Championship, Couples Cup Bucks & Does & our Bocce Ball- Glow Golf tournament.

#### Pro Tip- Volume #6

#### "Ways To Increase Pace of Play"

Earlier in the summer, based on USGA suggestions, an 18-hole round at Ligonier Country Club should be played in roughly 3 hours and 57 minutes. Different factors can change this number including tournaments, weather, and course conditions such as faster greens or more difficult pin positions.

Ultimately, the number above is what we would strive for and pushing for a better pace of play, is not about hurrying up or rushing around the golf course. It is simply about being more efficient with your time as well as everybody else's. So, here are some recognized tips for improving pace of play:

- Hit when ready and aim to play in 20 seconds. From club selection to pre-shot routine to execution, strive to hit your shot in 20 seconds.
- When sharing a cart, use the buddy system. Don't wait in your cart while your cart mate hits and then drive
  to your ball. Get out and walk to your ball with a few clubs. Be ready to play when it is your turn and then
  let your cart mate pick you up. Or drive to your ball after you drop your cart mate off and then pick him or
  her up after you hit.
- Keep up with the group in front of you.
- Be efficient on the putting green. Line up your putt when others are putting; most of the time it will not disturb your playing partners. Leave your clubs on the side of the putting green closest to the next tee and record your score on the next tee box.
- Lastly, play the correct tees or "Tee It Forward". The red tee does not mean it's for Ladies only and the white tee does not mean it is for Seniors. Always play a set of tees that is comfortable for you-one where you are more likely to hit lofted irons into greens instead of hybrids or fairway woods.

#### **Golf Shop Hours**

(Month of August)

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

Tuesday through Sunday (7:00 am to 7:00 pm)

\*Tee times will begin at 8:00 am on Weekday & Weekends

#### **Course Information**

- Please be aware of our golf cart rules for each day's play. These are posted in the top plaque of the cart as well as the sign by #1 tee. Yellow lines have been painted on the cart path of each hole. When you see these lines, please return your cart to the path. All carts are to remain on the path on all par 3's.
- Please note below under our Local Rule section, the new Out of Bounds rule for the entire course and Modified Ground Under Repair for hole #1

#### **OTHER**

The following days play will be limited, or the course will be closed due to an outside event.

Monday, August 1- Golf Shop Closed \*Course open for WALKING ONLY

Thursday, August 4- Middlecreek Golf Club Exchange Day

\*Normal member tee times

Friday, August 5- Scott Electric Outing \*Tee Times available after 3:30 PM

**Saturday, August 6- Member-Guest** \*Tee Times available after 2:30 PM

Sunday, August 7- Family Fun Day \*#18 Tee will close at 3:00 PM

Monday, August 8- Golf Shop Closed \*Course open for WALKING ONLY

Tuesday, August 9- Ebensburg Country Club Exchange Day

\*Normal Member tee times

Friday, August 12- Catholic Charities Outing \*Tee times available after 3:30 PM

Saturday, August 13 & Sunday, August 14- Club Championship

\*No Group Tee Times

Friday, August 19- Masonic Outing \*Tees times available after 6:00 PM

Monday, August 22- Golf Shop Closed \*Course open for WALKING ONLY

Friday, August 26- Garofalo Outing \*Tee times available after 3:30 PM

Friday, September 2- Enos Outing \*Tee times available after 6:00 PM

**Sunday, September 4- 5 Person Scramble** \*Tee times available after 3:30 PM

Monday, September 5- Labor Day \*Acts as a weekend, normal group times

Tuesday, September 6 & 7- AERIFICIATION \*COURSE CLOSED

# Golf Shop Information Exchange Days

We have a full array of exchange days throughout the summer, including a popular Bedford Springs and two new ones, Ebensburg Country Club & Middlecreek Golf Club. If you plan on participating in an exchange day, the Golf Shop will call for you.

Thursday, August 4- Middlecreek Golf Club- \$30

Tuesday, August 9- Ebensburg Country Club- \$30

Thursday, August 18- Bedford Springs- \$99\*

Monday, August 29- Latrobe Elks Golf Club- \$40

Monday, September 26- Glengary Golf Club- \$40

\*For Bedford Springs- you must sign-up in the Golf Shop. Tee Times will be taken two weeks prior to the Exchange Day.

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Men's/Women's Club Championship-Saturday, Aug. 13 & Sunday, Aug. 14

- Championship, Gross & NET Flights for Men
- Gross & Net Flights for Women
- Tee Times starting at 8:00 AM both days
- \$25 Per Person

#### Bucks & Does Couple Cup & Reggae Night-Saturday, August 20

- 18-Hole Better Ball of Couples
- Two-Person Teams
- Players without handicaps will play in the Callaway Division
- \$65 Per Person- includes Cart, Green Fee, Prizes, Dinner & Entry into Reggae Night

#### Bocce Ball & Glow Golf- Saturday, August 27

- Bocce Tournament- 6:30 PM Start
- 2-Person Teams
- Open to ALL Memberships and Guests
- \$25 per person- includes Italian Buffet & Prizes
- Glow Golf- 9:15 PM Start
- Sign-Up as a two-some or foursome
- \$50 Per Person- includes 5 holes of Golf, Prizes & Snacks

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS TO KEEP IN MIND**

- September 4- 5 Person Scramble
- September 18- Pigskin Cross Country
  - October 22- Ray's Revenge
  - October 30- Pumpkin Par-3

#### **Score Posting, GHIN & CAP Patrol**

Score posting has started for the season. When turning in scorecards to the Golf Shop, please put your first and last name as well as what tee you played.

- **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 & Cap Patrol APP can be downloaded in the Google Play Store or the Apple Store

#### **CAP PATROL**

Cap Patrol is new to Ligonier Country Club for this year and is integrated with GHIN and our Tee Sheet. Cap Patrol will be a great tool for monitoring all player's handicaps, creating a level playing field and create some fun with the games you can play in the APP.

Cap Patrol is free of charge and all we ask is you download the free APP on Google Play Store or the Apple Store.

Once the APP is downloaded, your will be asked to log in with your email and GHIN number. If you need your GHIN number, please call the Golf Shop.

Lastly, click on the link below to see what Cap Patrol is about!

https://bit.ly.cappatrol-memberintro

#### **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 has been billed and we officially sit at \$750 in the pot.

If you would like to add to the hole-in-one club or cancel out, please email Sean.

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

2022 Hole-In-Ones

**Hole #7- Carolyn Morford (5/15/2022)** 

Hole #4- Matt Burkardt (5/16/2022)

#### **Local Rules- 2022**

These rules are as follow:

- Stroke and Distance-Out of Bounds: The club has adopted this USGA suggestion for out of bounds and a detailed description will be posted on the bulletin board and in the locker rooms. If you hit your ball out of bounds or end up losing a ball, you may take stroke and distance on the course, rather than from the tee box. You must decide where your ball went out of bounds or is likely to be lost, find the nearest edge of the fairway, no closer to the hole and drop your ball within two club lengths. You may drop your ball in the actual fairway, and you will be hitting your fourth(4th) stroke. The goal will be to increase pace of play.
- Out of Bounds on holes #5 & #17: The out of bounds stakes are no longer and the inside edge of the fence post will act as the out of bounds. A ball is out of bounds when all the ball is outside the edge of the fence.
- Modified Ground Under Repair on #1 & #2: The rough area in between holes #1 & #2, up until the 100-yard marker will be deemed Ground Under Repair. The rule will be modified as you may find the nearest "good lie" and place your ball. This rule will be in effect to limit hitting tree roots and rocks left behind from the tree removal project.

Warm Regards,

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