# Ligonier Links

December 1, 2020

#### From the Board

I certainly don't like to wish time away. However, I don't believe any of us think that 2020 can come to an end too soon. This year certainly didn't start out, go, or even finish like any of us planned. Thank goodness for golf and our wonderful course! Obviously play was up, and things at LCC were always "booming"! LCC and golf helped to keep many of us sane. I just wish we could roll right into spring from fall, but I guess we can wish for a little bit of the white stuff so our friends can ski a bit.

Also, we are very sorry that we had to close down indoor dining so abruptly and that we won't be able to celebrate the holiday season together. With the rapid spikes and the ever changing protocols, our chief concern is for the health & safety of our entire Ligonier family, the staff and the membership. On behalf of all the members of the board, I would like to express our sincere gratitude for your outstanding, continued support of the club and for your patience and understanding. Supporting curb side pickup, soup sales, holiday dinner specials, take out liquor, & the pro shop, adds up. Each component

helps the club - "your club". LCC can help you with your holiday parties right up until New Years eve. Keep an eye out for all the offerings.

Finally, please consider making a donation to the employee holiday fund so we can let our staff know now more than ever how very much we appreciate them.

Let's all have faith that 2021 will bring an end to all this, and that we can back to business as usual!

Happy, Healthy Holidays to ALL! Sincerely, Kristen N. Obush, Club President

#### From the GM

I would like to take a moment to personally thank the membership, my staff, and both past and present Board members for being patient, supportive, and adaptable not just during this crazy and unpredictable year, but always.

Thank you for your support of pavilion-only service and curbside. Your willingness to stick it out through all the changes is what got us through this year. And the LCC staff's hard-work and drive to continue to provide you with the best service under extreme circumstances is a testament to what LCC stands for: family.

These have been stressful times. 2020 comes on the heels of two poor-weather years with their own problems, but we're still here and will continue to be here, striving to be your home away from home,

providing the best product that we are able to provide, and offering you a place to escape from the world for an hour or four.

Thank you! Happy Holidays to you all! and Here's Looking Forward to 2021!

Bill Elliott, General Manager

# Looking Towards 2021: Events

As we enter into the Holiday Season after what has been a particularly difficult year, we know that many of you are looking forward to a brighter 2021. I'm happy to report that the Board and Ligonier Management team has been hard at work to plan an exciting new year for you at the Club. As you review the event listing, you'll see that we are off to a great start and many of your favorites are back by popular demand! You will also see a few new events.

## 2021 Events Schedule (Enclosed)

We remain committed to making our social and golf activities more family friendly and look forward to raising the level of member participation. But we cannot plan activities by ourselves, if you have a cool idea for a golf, social or family event, please contact Karen Hough, Chair Social Committee at houghk424@gmail.com. We look forward to an exciting new year!

Thank you!! Sincerely, Karen Hough, Social Chair

### From The Pro

Dear Members,

As the year comes to an end, we can say thank you in many ways. A big thank you goes out to all that supported the club during the 2020 Golf Season. By bringing guests, playing in events, purchasing golf products from the shop, and visiting the club on a regular basis, you have contributed to making 2020 successful at Ligonier Country Club.

This year will be one to remember but we look forward to an amazing 2021 filled with events (new events will be added), many rounds played with the same weather we had this year and all of your smiling faces (no masks... hopefully). Another big thank you goes out to my staff for battling through all the changes this year and still providing the best service you can ask for (Jesse, Aidan, Colton, Gunnar, Pat, Ryan, Harrington, Parkes, Maddy, Sam and Jake).





Below, you will see information regarding the Golf Shop for the month of December. We say the year is coming to an end but have added one last event and a way to support those in need this holiday season. Also, we had a new addition to the Ligonier Family to brighten up the year and the month of November!

#### Golf Shop

This year has been tiring for all and has affected many people and families. Ligonier and Ligonier Country Club is all about family and coming together, so now is the time where we can give back this holiday season with Toys for Tots.

On Saturday, December 12 will be hosting a year end scramble for the

entire membership benefitting Toys for Tots. You can sign-up through the Golf Shop as a single, two-some, threesome our foursome. The title speaks for itself; the event is meant to be played in the cold and have as much fun as possible with holiday themes. We know snow, frost and bitter temperatures could play a factor, which is why we added a raffle and will still be hosting a toy drop if you do not participate in the event.

The raffle which has two prizes (a few more will be added) already has \$300 in donations for Toys for Tots.

#### **GOLF SHOP HOLIDAY SALES**

The Golf Shop will be having holiday sales through December 19th.
Everything is on sale, including accessories. A few sales include:
-Buy 1 piece of apparel @ 30% OFF
-Buy 2 pieces of apparel at 20% OFF, Get 1 piece FREE (equal or lesser value)

-Buy 5 Lessons, get 1 FREE & Get 1 Lesson to gift to someone of your choice\*Sean-\$300 Jesse-\$250

-The last day to place Titleist Holiday Free Personalization Golf Balls will be December 4th. This ensures they will arrive by Wednesday, December 23rd.

## GOLF SHOP WINTER WORKOUT SALE ORANGE WHIP

Do you feel we may be inside most of the Winter? Do you wish you could work on your golf game and get instant feedback? You may have seen Jesse and I swinging a club that looked like an orange ball on a stick....well you are correct and that was the Orange Whip. What is the Orange Whip you say?

The Orange Whip is a swing trainer that promotes balance, tempo, and swing plane training. Whether you are a Tour Player or a beginning golfer, using the Orange Whip Trainer allows

you to feel if your swing is in rhythm and balance. Providing a low impact workout, the Orange Whip Trainer will increase your flexibility and strengthen your golf muscles.

Retail Price: Trainer & Compact- \$109 Knaus Special- \$99 \*call or email the Golf Shop to order

Three key components that make up the patented design of the Orange Whip Trainer: a weighted orange ball, a counterweight, and a very flexible shaft. The orange ball replaces the club head and allows you to focus on swinging naturally without worrying about the position of the club face. It is weighted to promote a fluid swinging motion rather than a jerky hitting motion. The counterweight balances the Orange Whip, stabilizing your swing from the start through the finish. It is essential in providing critical feedback on whether you are loading and unloading the golf club properly.

#### **GOLF SHOP CREDIT**

With the addition of the raffle and event, Golf Shop Credit will be extended to December 12. It will revert to \$0 on December 13.

#### **Upcoming Golf Information**

Golf Course Tee Times and hours UPDATE (Month of December) The Golf Course will be open the month of December for WALKING ONLY. Golf Carts WILL BE permitted for the Frozen Open event on December 12.

Golf Shop Hours (December): weather dependent

Monday, Tuesday & Sunday- CLOSED Wednesday through Saturday- 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Driving Range:

The Driving Range is CLOSED. The range will re-open in April 2021.

Bag Storage:

If you have not picked up your cart/golf bag, please do so. The Cart Barn will be cleaned and prepped for 2021 during the coming Winter months.



#### Master's Open Pool

Our 2020 Master's Pool was a big success! We had 33 participants and paid out over \$800 in Golf Shop Credit.

#### Congratulations to our winners!

1st Place- Bob Swann (-48) \$330 in Golf Shop Credit T-2nd Place- Ed Elliott & Larry Giannone (-37) \$185 each in Golf Shop Credit 4th Place- Paul Hofbauer (-34) \$82.50 in Golf Shop Credit 5th Place- Jerry Butler (-31) \$41.25 in Golf Shop Credit

#### Hole-In-One Club

A big shoutout goes to Billy Fowler.

After watching two hole-in-ones on #7 this year, Billy was able to put one in on November 8. The roars made you think you were watching Tiger at the Master's and now this will be talked about for years to come.

The Hole-In-One Club has ended for the year and will begin again on April 1st. The money in the pot will carry over to next year.

#### Congratulations!

Jon Rankin- Hole #4 Mike Grados- Hole #7 Paul Gablet- Hole #7 (hole-in-one club member) Corey Riddell- Hole #7 (hole-in-one club member) Ed Elliott- Hole #7 (hole-in-one club

member) Jim Biss- Hole #7

\*Off-Season Hole-In-Ones Richard Brickley- Hole #7 Billy Fowler- Hole #7

If you have any questions about what is listed above, questions about product, holiday gifts or ideas; we are always here to help. All things considering, this has been an amazing year and we look forward to an amazing holiday season and planning for 2021!

Warm Regards, Sean Knaus, PGA, Head Golf Professional sean@ligoniercuntryclub.com

# Staff Holiday Gift Fund

As in the past:

It's time once again for LCC's annual holiday tradition of showing our wonderful Wait Staff, Kitchen Staff, Grounds Crew, & Pro Shop team just how much we appreciate all their hard work.

We are currently accepting monetary gifts from members that would like to give a special thanks to our nonmanagement employees. The money collected will be divided among our 40 full and part-time staff members.

Please note that all gift checks must be written separately from payments for monthly dues/bills and must be received by December 15th. Furthermore, please indicate on that separate check that you wish it to go to our Staff Gift Fund so it is allocated correctly. (Checks may be held for deposit until December.)

# 2021 Billing Reminders

Please remember that all membership changes including category changes and resignations must be received in writing by the office. Please notify the office of any changes before December 20th.

Membership renews automatically unless the office is notified. Send letters to PO Box 597, Ligonier, PA 15658 or emails to contact@ligoniercountryclub.com.

For those who haven't renewed yet, dues pricing will be emailed to each membership category later this week. If you would like information on another category, simply contact the office or respond to that email.

December 31st

- · First Installment\* of Golf Dues (for those who didn't pre-pay) charged
- · Corporate dues charged in full January 31st
- · Second Installment of Golf Dues
- · Social and Non-resident dues charged in full

February 28th

- · Third Installment of Golf Dues
- · Junior Membership dues charged in full

March 31st

- · Last installment of Golf Dues
- · Lockers for non-golf members charged for \$75
- · Handicap System charged per

USGA price, based on previous year list\*\*

\* 8-Month installments are from December 31st to July 31st—contact office to arrange \*\*Notify the office if you don't plan to use the handicap system (GHIN) in 2021; anyone active on March 31st will be charged

Reminder: Minimums run from March to December



This event is open to ALL memberships (Golfing, social, evening, junior, etc.)

- \* Don't let the potential cold weather turn you away from a fun filled day of golf, con-
- tests, snacks, and a great cause! \* The course will be decorated with fun and challenging holiday themed obstacles,
- some naughty and some nice. \* We encourage you to participate in our Ugly Sweater Contest. We will be making a list and checking it twice to determine a winner.

#### TOY DRIVE AND RAFFLE

There will also be a toy drive that will benefit Toys for Tots. We will be trying to stuff as many golf carts with toys as we can for children in need this holiday season. Any contributions will be greatly appreciated!



Lastly, we know the weather may not always cooperate in December . There will be a raffle with the proceeds going towards buying more toys for Toys for Tots. You do not have to be in the event to participate in the raffle, and you can enter starting today (11/20) by calling, emailing, or coming into the golf shop Prizes include-

Theragun Prime Massage Gun

**New 2020 Titleist TSi Driver** 

Ticket prices - 1 for \$10

3 for \$20

8 for \$50

## **December Hours**

#### **Golf Shop**

The Golf Shop is officially closed for the winter and will reopen in March. Sales day and shopping by appointment may still be available. Look for emails from Sean for details. If you have an order with Sean, you can email him to make pick up arrangements: sean@ligoniercountryclub.com

#### Clubhouse

Curbside Continues: Wednesday to Saturday 12 pm to 6:30 pm No Holiday parties

#### Office

Wednesday to Friday 9 am to 3 pm; remotely monitored Monday and Tuesday; email during out-of-office times: beth@ligoniercountryclub.com

## January/February

Golf Shop and Clubhouse closed.

Office onsite hours to be determined and can be weather dependant, but will be limited

Messages can be left at extensions 4 and 5 during the winter, but please allow a few business days for an answer

## Christmas Dinner

Let us prepare Christmas Dinner for your whole family to

We are offering Christmas Dinner packages in 3 quantities: Small Dinner (feeds up to 4) for \$80 plus tax & gratuity Medium Dinner (feeds up to 8) for \$160 plus tax & gratuity Large Dinner (feeds up to 12) for \$240 plus tax & gratuity

Dinners will include: Ham with Bourbon Sauce Cheesy Potatoes Mashed Sweet Potatoes Honey Dill Carrots Seasoned Brussel Sprouts Macaroni Salad Dinner Rolls with Butter & Pecan Pie

Deadline to Order is Tuesday, December 15th. Pickup December 22nd or 23rd between 12 and 6pm. Equivalent of \$20 per person plus tax and gratuity.

Order Online or CALL 724-238-7620 ext. 2-8 Please provide account number, number of orders, and date and time of pickup when ordering.

Minimum of 4 orders required. Packages only sold in increments of 4. (Accounts will be charged for orders on December 16th)

## Ligonier Country Club's 2021 List of Events

All Events Subject to Change

Bar Bingo-Saturday, March 13th St. Patty's Day Trivia- Saturday, March 20th Lunch with the Easter Bunny- Saturday, April 3rd Easter Brunch-Sunday, April 4th Spring Member-Guest-Saturday, April 17th Opening Weekend-Friday, April 23rd to Saturday, April 24th Derby Day- Saturday, May 1st Bucks n Does- Thursday, May 6th, June 17th, July 15th, August 19th Mother's Day Brunch-Sunday, May 9th Pup, Paws, & Pars Event-Friday, May 14th Intermediate Night- Friday, May 21st and Saturday, June 19th Men's Invitational-Thursday, June 3rd to Friday, June 4th Couples Cup-Sunday, June 27th Member-Member-Saturday, July 10th to Sunday, July 11th Club Championship- Saturday, August 7th to Sunday, August 8th Family Light Night- Saturday, August 14th 5-Man Scramble-Sunday, September 5th Pigskin Cross Country Classic - Saturday, September 11th Symphony Under the Stars- Saturday, September 18th Breast Cancer Golf Tournament—Saturday, October 2nd Fall Member-Guest-Saturday, October 16th Fall Fest- Saturday, October 23rd

> Pumpkin Par 3- Saturday, October 30th Turkey Trot- Saturday, November 6th Party within a Party-Saturday, December 4th

Adult Holiday Mixer-Saturday, December 18th

Kids Holiday Party-Sunday, December 19th