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The Ligonier Links

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President's News September 2025 James Sarver

Dear Members,

As we approach the beautiful transition from summer into fall here at Ligonier Country Club, I want to take a moment to thank each of you for your continued support and participation throughout the season. Your enthusiasm and respect for our club's traditions and operations are what make LCC such a vibrant and enjoyable community.

Secondly, a huge thank you to our wonderful staff! Michael Sherid and his team have been working their tails off to provide membership with a wonderful experience in the clubhouse, while Sean, Mike and Tom with the rest of the pro shop staff have done a great job in golf shop. We've asked a lot out of our staff this year and they have stepped up to the plate tremendously!

Last but certainly not least, a huge thank you to Jim Born and his staff for keeping our course in incredible shape! They have kept the course in great shape through a year that has been very strenuous on all golf courses. From extreme amounts of rain straight into extreme heat and drought, Jim and his team have persevered to bring us incredible conditions. We have even had several members from other local clubs contact the board about how good the conditions are at LCC! Thanks for all the hard work Jim!

Parking Lot Traffic Patterns

Before we dive into the exciting events ahead, I'd like to address an important safety reminder regarding traffic patterns in our parking lot.

Please be sure to observe all posted signage and directional arrows when entering and exiting the lot. These patterns are in place to ensure the safety of all members, guests, and staff—especially during our busier days and events. Cutting across lanes, speeding, or traveling against marked flow not only creates confusion but also increases the risk of accidents.

Your cooperation in following these rules helps keep LCC a safe and courteous environment for everyone. If you have guests joining you, kindly pass along these guidelines to them as well.

Upcoming Events at LCC

We're closing out the season with some exciting events you won't want to miss:

Couples Series Cross Country - Thursday, September 11th

Join us for a fun and challenging twist on the traditional game! The Couples Series Cross Country event offers a unique layout, fresh competition, and a great way to team up and test your skills. Whether you're aiming for the win or just in it for the laughs, it's always a highlight of our couples' calendar.

Tailgate Party - Saturday, September 21st

Get ready to show your team spirit! Our annual Tailgate Party is back and better than ever. Come dressed in your favorite team gear, enjoy themed food and drinks, and soak up the lively atmosphere with fellow fans. It's a perfect way to kick off fall and celebrate the camaraderie of the LCC family.

Member-Guest - Friday, September 27th

One of our most anticipated events of the year, the Member-Guest Tournament is a true showcase of Ligonier hospitality and competitive golf. Spots fill up quickly, so be sure you've secured your registration. It's not only about the game—it's about the memories, the friendships, and the tradition.

As always, thank you for your dedication to the club and for helping us maintain the welcoming, respectful, and high-quality experience that defines Ligonier Country Club. I look forward to seeing you at the course and around the clubhouse this fall.

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Ligonier Country Club

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Mobile App

Usernames are now your email address for member portal log in

Default Password is LCC2024 but you can also use "forgot password' to reset or change it

Warm regards, **James Sarver** President, Ligonier Country Club

Important Updates and Reminders

General reminders:

- Dining reservations are required by 4 pm, and that the clubhouse may close up to an hour early if there are no reservations. Reservations can be made at 724-238-7620 ext 2 or leave a message at ext 6. Last reservation time is a half hour before kitchen close.
- There is a 48-hour cancellation notice required for all club events. If we do not receive your notice in advance, you may be charged in full for the event according to your reservation.
 - Outside food and beverages is prohibited on LCC property by PLCB license.
 - Tee times are required and Golfers must check in with the pro shop.
 - Back nine start is by Sean or Bill's permissions only
 - No 5-somes during season

Winter food and beverage minimum rollovers (rollbacks) are due soon. If you are going to be gone October, November, and/or December, you need make your request to the office by:

- Any fall/winter months to September, due asap
- November and/or December to September and October due asap
- Rollover policy and request form can be found at the link below

The Rules and Regulations of LCC can be found at https://ligoniercountryclub.com/membership/rules/

From the Social Committee Karen Hough

Our Roaring '20s themed Member-Member was roaring success!! Eighty-eight golfers participated in the two-day competition and approximately 100 golfers and guests joined in the festivities of the Speak Easy, and casino night.

Congratulations to all flight, prize and our overall shoot-out winners, Lucas Boyd & Nick Kotun.

In addition to the flight winners and shoot winners, the Secret Selection Committee awarded two special prizes.

Most Original Costume - Stan & Jo Treskovich made a grand entrance in their 1920s Beach attire.

Cutest Small Dressed "Non-Player" Award – was awarded to Briggs Burkardt. Briggs stole the show strutting in his finest 1920s inspired outfit. Briggs is the son of Matt and Jen Burkardt.

Thank you to our volunteers: Jim Sarver, Haley Brothers, Krystal Nicklow and Jan Litrun for helping out at the Registration table.

MORE PICTURES or www.ligoniercountryclub.com/gallery

As we look forward to the Fall season, be sure to mark your calendar for the upcoming events:

September 14 Fall Festival – Live Bands, Vendors, Food and Drinks and more!October 5,
 Member Appreciation Party (including bouncy house, petting zoo, caricature artist and other items to keep the kiddos busy).

Centennial Merch

Merch celebrating and fundraising for our 100th Season is available in the clubhouse and pro shop!

www.ligoniercountryclub.com/lcc100/

Back in Time Book by Social Chairperson, Karen Hough \$35

Cigars by local cigar company Red Coat Cigars \$11

Specially Made Wine Bottles from Winslow Winery \$45 (merlot and chardonel)

Hand-painted Ornaments by Kitty Keller Designs \$35

Metal Bag Tags one for \$25, two for \$40

If you'd like something held for you, email us at contact@ligoniercountryclub.com or 724-238-7620 ext 6 as there are a limited supply of some items.











Bouncy Houses
Sam Thong Caricature
Petting Zoo
Beer Specials
Burger and Hot Dog Buffet
Entertainment by Somebody to Love

\$10/Kid - \$15/Adult - \$20/Non-member

LIGONIER COUNTRY CLUB

724-238-7620 EXT 6 OR SIGN UP ONLINE

Upcoming Club Events

Upcoming Club E	Monday, September 1 Tuesday, September 2 Tuesday, September 2 Wednesday, September 3 Wednesday, September 3 Thursday, September 11			
abor Day - Pavilion Holiday Menu, 11-4	Monday, September 1			
Aerification Begins	Tuesday, September 2			
All facilities closed	Tuesday, September 2			
Course reopens at 12 pm	Wednesday, September 3			
Clubhouse reopens at 4 pm	Wednesday, September 3			
Couple's Cross Country	Thursday, September 11			
6 Pack and Skins (Year-end)	Thursday, September 18			
Golf Bash	Friday, September 19			
Tailgate Party	Sunday, September 21			
Member Guest	Saturday, September 27			
Tim Schmider Performs	Saturday, September 27			
Ladies' Closing Day	Tuesday, September 30			
David Stout Performs	Saturday, October 4th			
Member Appreciation Party	Sunday, October 5th			
Fort Ligonier Days	Fri. Oct 10 to Sun. Oct 12			
Mission Impossible Week	Tues. Oct 14 to Fri. Oct 17			
Ray's Revenge	Sunday, October 19			
Club Closed for Member Wedding	Saturday, October 25			
Pumpkin Big Cup	Sunday, November 2			
Turkey Trot (no running involved!)	Saturday, November 8			
Joe Golden Performs	Friday, November 14			
Detention Performs	Saturday, November 22			
Thanksgiving Day (Facilities Closed)	Thursday, November 27			
Turkey Shootout	Friday, November 28			

Ladies Golf News September 2025 Barbara Sloan

It hardly seems possible, but the last month of our season has arrived.

Overlooked in the August newsletter was the Ladies Senior Championship won by Karen Hough with a gross 91. Carolyn Morford was the net winner with a 76. This year's Women Club Champion is Steph Knupp who shot a gross 159. Darlene Elliott won the net contest with a 153 over Cindy Soccio in a playoff.

Beat the Pro was played on August 5. This was an individual event to march the best net score against the Sean Knaus's scratch. Betty Rosa defeated Sean with a net 68. Sean also shot a 68, but with a plus four handicap his best was a 72.

Friends Day, on August 12, was hosted by Betty Rosa. Members were allowed to bring up to three guests and many did. It was a great turnout including some old friends who traveled to participate. Thanks to Betty for all her efforts to make this a fun day.

Mystery Hole was the gadget on August 19. Teams were chosen by the Pro Sho Each team had three holes thrown out and were different for each. Low net won.

1st Place; Cindy Bode, Jo Treskovich, Melane Baraniak, Sherry O'Halloran net 46 2nd Place: Darlene Elliott, Betty Rosa, Jan Litrun, Enis Cassill net 50 3rd Place: Carolyn Morford, Robin Giunta, Cindy Soccio net 55

One of the major events, the Ladies Classic, was played on August 26. There were two flights: Red Tee and Orange Tee players. Karen Hough, who hosted, deserves credit for organizing the event while recovering from Knee surgery

Red Tee Players – 18 holes 1 St	Skill Prizes	Orange Tee Players – 18 holes	Skill Prizes	
Place Net Melane Baraniak 69	Longest Drive #9 Virginia Funnell	1 st Place Net	Longest Putt #2	Sherry O'Halloran
1 st Place Gross Carolyn Morford 91	Longest Putt #18 Melane Baraniak	Pat Warren 66	Closest to the Holes #7	Barbara Sloan

No much will happen for the first two Tuesdays of September. The course is closed on September 2. There will be tee times for no gadget on September 9. Tee times in September will start at 10:00 a.m.

Our traditional closing day scramble is scheduled for September 30, followed by lunch, meeting, awards, and election of officers.

The Pro Shop will continue to block tee times for Tuesday play in October.

N	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
9:30 am - 3:00 pm Kitchen Hours – Brunch Only 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Bar Service & Bites 8:00 am - 3:00 pm 5-Man Scramble 9:30 am - 2:00 pm Shotgun	Labor Day 11:00 am - 4:00 pm Pavilion Open – Holiday Menu	2 Aerification Begins All Facilities Closed	Course Reopen 12 4:00 pm - 8:30 pm Kitchen Hours 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Centennial Drawing	Exchange: Bedfo 11:30 am - 8:30 pm Kitchen Hours 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm BPW	5 11:30 am - 9:00 pm Kitchen Hours	6 11:30 am - 9:00 pm Kitchen Hours
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9:30 am - 3:00 pm Kitchen Hours – Brunch Only 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Bar Service & Bites 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm Tailgate Party 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm Shotgun	Closed	11:30 am - 8:00 pm Kitchen Hours	11:30 am - 8:30 pm Kitchen Hours 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm Centennial Drawing	11:30 am - 8:30 pm Kitchen Hours 12:00 pm - 3:00 pm Sr Care Luncheon	11:30 am - 9:00 pm Kitchen Hours 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Scott Electric Golf Outing 10:00 am - 2:30 pm Shotgun 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Oktoberfest Buffet	11:30 am - 9:00 pm Kitchen Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Member Guest 10:30 am - 3:30 pm Shotgun 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Tim Schmider Performs 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Oktoberfest Buffet
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9:30 am - 3:00 pm Kitchen Hours – Brunch Only 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Bar Service & Bites 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Fick Shower	Closed	11:30 am - 8:00 pm Kitchen Hours 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Ladies' Closing Day	11:30 am - 8:30 pm Kitchen Hours	11:30 am - 8:30 pm Kitchen Hours 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm BPW	11:30 am - 9:00 pm Kitchen Hours 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Scott Electric Golf Outing 10:00 am - 2:30 pm Shotgun 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Caldwell Rehersal Dinner	11:30 am - 9:00 pm Kitchen Hours 3:00 pm - 10:00 pm Walker/Christmas Wedding 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm David Stout Performs

From the Pro September 2025 Sean Knaus

Dear Members.

It's hard to believe September is here and our area will reveal its colorful canopy soon. August was a fantastic month though, especially since we kicked off with our Centennial Member-Member.

The member-member was a hit with world-class golf, fine dress attire and a shoot-out format that kept each flight on edge. The next weekend, the nail biting did not stop, as we rounded out a 2-day Club Championship. A narrow lead on Day 1 by Senior Club Championship, John Lynch and newcomer, Jeremy Lazarchik, were not enough to hold off the now, back-to-back and 10x Club Champion, Dave Smail. The Women's Club Championship was a tough test as well, with Steph Knupp claiming her first, but definitely not last.

September will start slow, but don't worry, we're just rounding out the third quarter of our season and still have much planned ahead.

- Back for a second year, our Tailgate Party Golf Event will bring the Football spirit and test out your hamstrings!
 - ^o The Oktoberfest Member-Guest will be packed with fun, food and great camaraderie.

Golf Course Reminders

At players MUST check in to the Golf Shop before play, even if you are Walking

Golf Shirts Must Always Be Tucked In when entering the Golf Course And play MUST begin on Hole #1 unless approved by Sean Knaus or Bill Elliott

№ (5) fivesomes of any kind during the season (April through November)

Pace of Play for Ligonier is 4 hours and 15 hours (2:08 front 9, 2:07 back 9)

When the Lightning warning or horn sounds, you MUST stop play and find shelter or return to the clubhouse (see details below)

Golf carts must be off the Golf Course 30 minutes before dark

<u>Monday, September 1</u>- Labor Day (Acts as a Weekend Day, Normal Saturday Group times in place)

<u>Tuesday, September 2</u>- Green Aerification (Golf Course & Driving Range CLOSED ALL DAY)

Wednesday, September 3- Green Aerification (Golf Course & Driving Range CLOSED until NOON)

Monday, September 8- Fairway Aerification (Golf Course & Driving Range COSED ALL DAY)

<u>Tuesday, September 9 & Wednesday, September 10-</u> Fairway Aerification (Normal tee times but expect 1-2 Holes CLOSED each day)

Thursday, September 11 - Couples Cross-Country (5:45 PM Shotgun)

*The last tee time off the front nine will be 2:30 pm. The back nine will open at 5:30 pm once

earlier times have cleared the front.

Friday, September 12- Ligonier Valley Girls Golf Match (Match times start at 3:30 pm)

Monday, September 15- GOLF COURSE & DRIVING RANGE CLOSED

Thursday, September 18- Kiski Prep Golf Match (Match times start at 4:15 pm)

Friday, September 19- Golf & Gun Bash (GOLF COURSE & DRIVING RANGE CLOSED ALL DAY)

Sunday, September 21- Tailgate Party Golf Event (NOON Shotgun)

*Last tee time off the front nine in the AM will be 9:30 am. The course will re-open for play at 2:30 pm





Aerification begins Tuesday, September 2nd. All facilities are closed Tuesday.

The grounds crew works hard to make this process a little a disruption as possible, completing most if not all of the green aerification on Tuesday before moving to tees, and if weather allows fairways. The course will reopen Wednesday at noon; The clubhouse reopens for dining at 4 pm.

Monday, September 22- Tee times from 10am to 2pm. Carts in by 6:00 PM

Friday, September 26- Scott Electric Outing (Course closed until 4:00 PM)

Saturday, September 27- Member-Guest (Course closed until 5:00 PM)

Monday, September 29- Tee times from 10am to 2pm. Carts in by 6:00 PM

Golf Shop Hours (Month of September)

Monday- 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM (Golf Carts must be in by 6:00 PM)- no carts available if we have an outing or during aerification

Tuesday through Sunday (7:00 am to DUSK)- weather dependent

Group Times

All members are eligible to take part in playing in groups and their CA\$H games. To find the right group for you, reach out to Sean and we'll get you in touch with the right Captain.

SEPTEMBER GROUP TIMES

- Early Morning (Saturday & Sunday)- 8:02am to 8:34am
 - Ladies (Saturday & Sunday)- 8:50am
- Goodwin's Golf Guys (Saturday)- 9:06am to 9:30am
 - Goodwin's Golf Guys (Sunday)- 9:06am
 - International (Saturday)- 9:46am to 10:02am
 - International (Sunday)- 9:14am to 9:30am

Certain groups play during the week as well:

- Early Morning- Monday to Friday (First Tee Times)
- International- Tuesday, Thursday & Friday- Around 8:30 AM & Wednesday- 1:00 PM
 - Goodwin's Golf Guys- Wednesday & Thursday- NOON



REMAINING UPCOMING EVENTS





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.

Hole-In-Ones will count for the club starting on April 1 and continue until November 14.

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

Ed Elliott- 5/29- Hole #7 (\$400 Cash, \$400 Golf Shop Credit & a Plaque)

Fred Planinsek- 6/19- Hole #11 (\$370 Cash, \$370 Golf Shop Credit & Plaque)

Chuck Vecchiola- 8/20- Hole #11 (\$380 Cash, \$380 Golf Shop Credit & Plaque)

Jim Morford- 8/23- Hole #7 (\$370 Cash, \$370 Golf Shop Credit & Plaque)

Driving Range Information

- Throughout the season, the driving range will close at dusk.
- On Wednesday's, the driving range will close at 3:00 pm for clean picking.
- On Thursday's the driving range will not open until around 11:00 am so turfgrass can cut the area.
- The driving range is 180 yards. We will be IRONS ONLY unless supervised/approved by Sean or Bill.

Lightning Policy

We have upgraded our Lightning Detection System and Siren. Per our insurance policy, the lightning policy will be strictly enforced. We have two sirens that blow when lightning is within our

10-mile radius: one from the clubhouse and one from the turfgrass center. If you hear these sirens, you must stop IMMEDIATELY and seek shelter or return to the clubhouse. Those that do not follow

this policy will be asked to leave the Golf Course and not return.

When weather, capable of producing lightning, approaches the area (within 10 miles), all golfers should use extreme caution. If a lightning storm is imminent, the golf staff will sound like a siren. When the siren sounds, all golfers are required to leave the course or seek shelter immediately. Golf carts are not lightning proof. Do not shelter under a tree as they conduct lightning to the ground.

The following disciplinary action will occur for those found golfing during a lightning warning:

1. Verbal Warning

2. No play for two weeks

3. No play for one month

Outside activities may resume when authorized by the Golf Shop staff after 15 minutes have passed since the last lightning strike. Golfers, resuming play, are expected to immediately return to the course at their previous location and resume play. Golfers not abiding by this will lose their position on the course. Please also note that lightning is difficult to predict and the lack of a siren warning on any occasion is no assurance of safety against lightning. Play is always at your own risk.

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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TRI-COUNTY GOLF

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FOR FULL GOLF MEMBERS ONLY, YOU HAVE ACCESS
TO THE (13) CLUBS LISTED ABOVE

WEEKDAY FEE (MON-THUR): \$55 WEEKEND FEE (FRI,SAT,SUN): \$65

AT ANY TIME, YOU CAN REQUEST A DAY AND
TIME WITH THE COURSES ABOVE. THE GOLF
SHOP WILL CALL TO CONFIRM.

MEMBERS MAY TAKE GUESTS AT EACH CLUBS NORMAL GUEST RATE

Score Posting- GHIN

Score posting will begin on Tuesday, April 1

You may post scores on the GHIN APP or leave your scorecard with the Golf Shop ALL scores (9 or 18) must be posted the day you play due to the PCC Calculation

You CANNOT post a score if you have played by yourself

During aerification, scores should still be posted per the USGA

See below for example's on how to post scores if you do not finish an entire round.

13 or More Holes:

When you play 13 or more holes, you must post an 18-hole score, even if you don't complete all 18 holes.

Holes Not Played: For the holes you didn't play, you'll score them as "par plus" your course handicap strokes.

Example: If you play 14 holes and have a course handicap of 10, you'd score the remaining 4 holes as par plus 1 stroke each (because your course handicap is 10, and you're entitled to 1 stroke per hole).

7 to 12 Holes:

If you play between 7 and 12 holes, you must post a 9-hole score.

Holes Not Played: You'll only post scores for the 9 holes you played, and the remaining holes are disregarded for handicap purpose