



Gentry

THE NEWSLETTER OF CASTLEWOODS COUNTRY CLUB

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July 2019

JULY 3RD CELEBRATION

5:00PM until

Boiled Shrimp Plate with Corn, Potatoes & Sausage for \$14.99, available starting at 5:00PM

All-You-Can-Drink Draft Beer \$15

MEMBER/MEMBER – MEMBER/GUEST

Cornhole Tournament
begins at 6:00PM

\$20 per team, cash registration

Tournament is limited to the first 32 two player teams that are registered.

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top 3 teams. Come by or call the Pro Shop at 601-882-9030 to sign up.

Upcoming Events

July 03	July 3 rd Celebration
July 04	Cheater's Paradise Scramble
July 04	Tennis Mixer
July 05	Happy Hour with Hunter Gibson
July 06	Family Trivia Night
July 09	Junior Golf Camp 7/9-7/11
July 10	Wednesday Afternoon Scramble
July 11	Tommy Whitfield "Meet & Greet"
July 12	Happy Hour with Ron Etheridge
July 13	CMGA "Declare Your Independence"
July 15	Junior Tennis Camp 7/15-7/18
July 16	Junior Golf Camp 7/16-7/18
July 17	Wednesday Afternoon Scramble
July 19	Happy Hour with Chasin' Dixie
July 20	Couples Invitational
July 21	Couples Invitational
July 24	Wednesday Afternoon Scramble
July 26	Happy Hour with Larry Brewer
July 26	Sherard Shaw Glow Ball Tournament
July 27	Family Bingo Night
July 31	Wednesday Afternoon Scramble



Out of the Rough with Ruffin

Corey Ruffin – Head Golf Professional

June was a strong month for golf at Castlewoods, almost every day saw a full parking lot and lots of activity on the course. Our favorite day was just a few weeks ago when new carts started to roll in. These new carts are a welcomed amenity to the golf operation. They provide a quieter, smoother ride with some additional comfort features such as USB ports to charge accessories and a club cover on the back in case you get caught in the rain.

Several member events are coming in the coming weeks, we encourage you to get out and enjoy the fellowship. These include, the 4th of July "Cheater's Paradise" scramble, the CMGA Independence event July 13th, the Couples Invitational on July 20th and 21st, and the BankPlus Fourball on August 3rd and 4th. See you soon at some of these!

If you're looking for a game, please don't forget about the following groups and times to play: weekend men's group, this group tees off at 8:30 on Saturday and 9:00 on Sunday, and the Wednesday afternoon (5:30) 9 hole scramble, this event is fun for all and everyone has a chance of winning in the unique format. Come with your own partner or call the pro shop each week to sign up as an individual.

For those just getting into the swing of things or needing a little help improving, lesson rates for the summer are as follows:

1 Hour \$50

Half Hour \$35

1 Hour or 5 Half Hour: \$135

JULY JUNIOR PROGRAM

SNAG GOLF CLINIC

"Starting New at Golf" program designed to introduce beginners to the game of a lifetime. These camps may be attended once or several times through the summer to introduce proper mechanics. Cost: \$100/Student

AGES 5-8 | July 9-11, 8-10AM

AGES 9-12 | July 16-18, 8-10AM

INTERMEDIATE GOLF CLINIC

Designed for those that have some experience playing 9 or 18-hole rounds but would like to learn more about the fundamentals of the golf swing and how to handle themselves on the golf course. Cost: \$100/Student

AGES 8-11 | July 9-11, 4-6PM

AGES 12-15 | July 16-18, 4-6PM

ADVANCED LEVEL | Ages 12 & Up | July 16-18 | 12-2:30

Designed for those who compete, have competed or are ready to compete in tournaments. Instruction will be largely based on Trackman analysis and in-depth course management. Limited to 2 in each session. Cost: \$200/student.

Course Rules and Reminders

1. Please repair your ball marks. Lots of people repair theirs and a few others when they are on the green, we thank them for that, but it shouldn't be their responsibility to fix others.
2. Fill your divots on the course. I will keep reminding the cart staff to make sure there is plenty of sand on the club carts. If you have a private cart, there is a trough to fill up your sand containers near the first tee.
3. Please don't hit multiple practice shots on the course.
4. Please double up on carts when possible to help with wear and tear that carts cause on the course.
5. Keep the carts on the path on all par 3s. This will keep the turf in better condition for when people miss the green on these holes.
6. Bring the carts back to the path at the white lines that are painted across the fairways.
7. Don't forget the clubhouse, course, and range are closed on Mondays; this is the day major maintenance is done so we need your cooperation with this.
8. Hit just in front of the rope on the range.
9. Check in at the pro shop even with a private cart. If you start on a hole other than one, please call the pro shop and let us know. If there is a group coming up behind you that started on one, they have the right of way to the next tee.

REREAD RULES 3 AND 4 PLEASE. THESE ARE THE RULES THAT ARE BROKEN THE MOST.

Corey Ruffin, Head Golf Professional | 601-882-9037



Turf Talk

Jay Coalter – Golf Course Superintendent

All is well this summer and the course is green and growing with the optimal nighttime temps. We are challenged to keep the grass mowed and that's a good thing. The greens are filling in great and we are cutting them very low to give us good ball roll. The fairways are tight and keeping their color. There are a few old drainage holes here and there that we are going to address.

The new ladies/senior tee box on hole 2 has been grassed and as soon as it's rooted down, we will start mowing it and shaping it up so that it can be opened up soon. It's going to be a great improvement to the hole. The old tee box was way too small and as you know wasn't very level.

There are a few weeds here and there that I'm getting ready to spray. These are normal summertime weeds that need to be taken out so that the turf can recover heading into the Fall season which will be here before you know it. Most of these are in the rough so we should recover fast. We've also been doing a lot of vertical mowing on the greens this helps to keep the grain of our grass to a minimal and with a light topdressing of sand behind this makes the grass perform great. Thanks Jay



CMGA News

David Fiveash – CMGA Chairman

Here are the most recent and upcoming happenings of the Castlewoods Country Club Men's Golf Association or CMGA.

"STABLEFORD, CMGA Style" RESULTS – from June 8th. We had 63 golfers participating in the Stableford format event with one new dues paid member which brings our total for the year to 117 members. The event had 5 flights all playing their individual ball using net scoring for points.

The flight winners were as follows:

FIRST FLIGHT - 1st place - Wayne Whitley

SECOND FLIGHT - 1st place - Jeff Bruce (overall points winner with 29)

THIRD FLIGHT - 1st place - Jody Compton

FOURTH FLIGHT - 1st place - Thomas Barnes

FIFTH FLIGHT - 1st place - Darrell Medrano

Our closest to pin winners for the Stableford event were:

Hole 4 - Steven Harris

Hole 7 - Eric Lantrip

Hole 12 - Ronnie Beckham

Hole 15 - Guy Dickerson

CONGRATULATIONS to all the winners!!!

The CMGA season has two more regular season events before we determine who the top 30 will be and who will play in this year's TROUT CUP. Our July 13th event is our "Declare Your Independence" which will have normal points awarded and our August event is the "Help Me Podnuh". The Podnuh event of course will be two days and a four-ball format and will pay DOUBLE POINTS.

As mentioned above the July event is the "**Declare Your Independence**" and is set for Saturday, July 13th. This event will have the following format...

- 9:00AM shotgun start, lunch after play, entry fee \$40, signup sheet is in pro shop
- Individual play, all play will be from flags as the tee markers set up on each hole.
- Divisions/Flights will be determined by age. The overall number of people entering this event will dictate the flight breaks.
- Net scoring within each age division based on 80% of everyone's white tee handicap.

TROUT CUP UPDATE...Our current points leader is Tom Bunting. He is followed closely in points by Thomas Barnes, Walt Fagan, Danny Burchard, Jody Compton. All the rest of the CMGA is chasing.

That about wraps up the CMGA news for June and what is coming in July. See you at the club!



Net News

Mark Elliott - Director of Tennis

The tennis staff hopes that everyone's summer has gotten off to a great start. We are glad to have the addition of three new nets on courts two, three, and four. The battle with keeping the old ice machine functioning was finally lost, therefore we're glad to say a new ice machine was purchased and it is being put to good use with the summer months upon us.

We recently hosted matches for the MTA's State Tournament and we're happy to see many names from Castlewood's representing their teams in competing at the state's highest levels!

Upcoming Tournaments

Vicksburg Junior Mudcats Tournament- Deadline 7/9/19. (July 12-14) MSL3, STA L5
Brandon Back To School Junior Open- Deadline 7/23/19. (July 26-28) MSL4, STA L5

Summer Junior Tennis Camp (Ages 7-12)

This is our second and final summer camp, so don't let your junior player miss out on all the fun. Our first camp of the summer was a huge success, as we had a great turn out with many kids being introduced to the game for the first time while having a blast! Registration is now open, so call any of the pros or pro shop to reserve your spot.

Camp Dates: July 15-18 (8:30-11:30) Friday, 19th will be used as a rain make up day if needed. Highlights of camp will include: Fitness, Forehand/Backhand Progressions, Volleys, Serves, Overheads, Fun Games and daily snacks/Gatorades.

10 Tips For Playing Tennis In The Heat

Hot weather can quickly sap away your regular performance levels- your legs start feeling heavier and each one of your shots is hit with less power. So how can you safely get through the heat and keep winning points. Here are 10 suggestions to keep you cool.

1. Stay Hydrated... The number one rule is to take on as much liquid as you lose through sweat- that's about 32-85 ounces during an hour of play.
2. Drink Before You're Thirsty... Thirst is not an effective warning system- in fact, your performance will have been suffering before you feel thirsty at all. Drink at regular intervals whether you feel like it or not.
3. Cut Alcohol and Caffeine... Drinking alcohol the night before the game puts you at higher risk of dehydration. Coffee has a similar effect on the body, so skip your morning jolt of caffeine and stick to water.
4. Keep Your Drinks Cold... Cold drinks are absorbed by the body faster and they're more refreshing on hot days. So, bring a cooler to your match and fill it with ice and the drinks of your choice.
5. Play in Breathable Clothing... Letting your skin breathe is one of the most effective ways to stay cool. Mesh panels on our tops and shorts let air flow through them, and breathable fabric means you don't overheat.
6. Keep the Sweat from Your Eyes... You could go for the sweatband or try out a tennis cap.
7. Minimize Your Running Game... Baseline players beware all that running from side to side will tire you out faster. Consider bringing your game close to the net and end points quickly.
8. Start Out Slowly and Acclimate
9. Play at Night... A long tennis game on a warm and starry night is one of the joys of summer. It's a comfortable way to get your game in for the day and you don't run the risk of sunburn.
10. Use Ice Packs... Cool down faster by putting ice packs against areas where important arteries are located, it cools the blood and boosts blood flow to your muscles.

Tennis Staff:

Mark Elliott- Director of Tennis, USPTA | 601-882-9549

Blake Hilgenkamp- Head Tennis Professional, USPTA

Gayla Elliott- Pro Shop Manager/ Head Tennis Professional



Dining News

Katie House – Food & Beverage Manager

Dear Membership,

I am so excited to be settling into my new role as the food and beverage manager for the club over the past few weeks. We have some exciting things in store and hope to see many of you come out to the restaurant in the near future. We will continue to offer our daily specials – “Taco Tuesday”, “Wine Down Wednesday”, “Burgers and Brews” on Thursday and “Happy Hour” on Fridays through the summer. We have also recently brought back our Friday night dinner buffet starting at 5pm priced at \$12.99 for adults, \$6.99 for kids ages 6-12 and free for kids 5 and under. Our menu for the Friday night buffet will rotate and you can always check out what we will be offering ahead of time on the Castlewoods Facebook page. Additionally, we brought our Sunday Brunch buffet back a couple of months ago as well which runs from 11am until 2pm every Sunday. The pricing is the same as our Friday night buffet and you can check out that menu ahead of time as well. Michael Lawler, our new head cook, is offering a variety of both lunch and dinner specials during the week that you can also read about on our Facebook page. My goal is to introduce some new permanent menu items sometime later in the summer including new appetizers, an entrée salad, and additional seafood items. We will continue to strive to provide friendly and efficient service to all of our guests in the restaurant. I am committed to working hard to make sure that the restaurant is a place that our members can come and trust that they will get great service and an excellent meal. Please feel free to reach out to me if there is anything that I can do to improve your dining experience – I welcome your feedback. Thank you for this opportunity to serve as your new food and beverage manager and I look forward to seeing you soon!

Weekly Specials (see calendar for any changes to our usual schedule, regular dining menu also available)

TACO TUESDAY 5:00PM | \$4 Margaritas | Dining specials include Santé Fe Tortilla, Queso Dip with Chorizo, Tacos & Quesadillas

WINE DOWN WEDNESDAY | 5:00PM | \$5 House Wine

THURSDAY NIGHT BURGERS & BREWS | 5:00PM | Specialty Burgers/Side \$9 | Draft \$2

FRIDAY NIGHT HAPPY HOUR 5:00PM | Buffet, \$4 Well Drinks & \$5 House Wine | Live music @ 7:00PM

SUNDAY LUNCH BUFFET & BRUNCH 11:00am until 2:00PM | \$3 Mimosas & \$5 Bloody Mary's
Sunday Lunch Buffet features some good country cooking selections. \$12.99, age 6-12 \$6.99, age 5 & under free.

FAMILY BINGO & TRIVIA NIGHTS

Burger Buffet starts at 6:00 & includes Tea/Soft Drink. Age 13 & up \$12.99, age 6-12 \$6.99, age 5 & under free. Regular dining menu also available. Games begin at 7:00PM.

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