

# MESSAGES from MAX



Congratulations are in order for **Derrel Palmer** and **David Hardin** on their sudden death victory in the **2006 Castlewoods Member/Guest Golf Tournament** held over the weekend of April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Their two day total of 72-67=139 was tied with **Tom Judkins** and **Beef Entstrom** at 70-69=139; however Derrel birdied number 1 to claim the Championship! For other results of the 2006 Member/Guest, please see page 4.

Speaking of winning, **Brian Brister** and **Blake Richardson** laid claim to the first prize in the gross and net division respectively, of the **CMGA's 'Who's Your Crawdaddy?'** Another CMGA event and another great time! One rumor at the party after the event was that one player 'RUSHED' his way through 30 pounds of crawfish! A special thanks to **John Oxley, Duke Simmons, Ronnie Schmitz, Ken Peacock, Michael and Terri Slack** for making this event the most fun event of the year. For other results from the tournament see page 4. Sign up today in the golf shop for the next **CMGA** event which is the '**Thong-A-Long**' scheduled for Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup>. More details about this event can be found on page 3.

Our club has probably the best group of players and families of any club in Mississippi and maybe anywhere. They will be put to a test during the month of June as we host two State of Mississippi Championships. The first will be the **MS Golf Association's State Father/Son Championship** sponsored by **Mississippi Sports Medicine** and will be held over **Father's Day** weekend June 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. We have several Castlewoods' member families that challenge for the title of this event each year. The following week on June 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> we will host the **Mississippi Women's State Amateur Champi-**

**onship**. This championship will bring the State's best female players to Castlewoods including 9 time winner **Lou Hart**, 10 time winner **Cissy Gallagher**, and long knocking defending Champion **Amanda Mathis**. I look for our own **Elsa Foley** to make a run deep into this match play event. Congratulations to **Elsa & Kathy Kelly** for winning the **CLGA Member-Member Member -Guest** with a 67. For other results please see page 3.

Speaking of Champions, very rarely do clubs get to experience golf "phenoms". Northwood Country Club in Meridian had **Mike Taylor** and the Country Club of Jackson had **Rett Crowder**. We may just have one here too. Fourteen year old **Kevin Brady** shot 63 from the white tees on Tuesday May 19<sup>th</sup>. He has posted 62 rounds this year and has a 1.7 handicap index. Great playing **Kevin!**

**Adam Hand** defends his Club Championship over the weekend of July 1st and 2nd. Everyone is encouraged to play in the Club Championship and you can by calling the pro shop today at 992-1942 and signing up.

The **Castlewoods Memorial Day Four-Ball** was won by **Chris Berry** and his partner.....me. While I may not be one of the best golfers in the field of 92, I was one of the smartest since I asked Chris to play with me. Chris's ball striking ability left our playing partners awestruck the entire weekend. Much like **Willie Shoemaker**, I rode this thoroughbred to the Championship!

Max Maxwell

## MEMORIAL DAY 4 BALL RESULTS:

### Fourth Flight:

1st—Larry Taylor-Robert Allen	229
2nd—George Butts-Charlie Butts	234
3rd—Larry Zachary-Andy Sumrall	238
4th—Dwayne Townsend-Todd Carter	239
5th—Chris Johnson-Coker Palmer	239
6th—Charlie Naron-J.D. Ford	240

### Third Flight:

1st—Mike Jones-Mike Brown	219
2nd—Bob Landry-John Rippy	220
3rd—Brian Brister-John Oxley	221
4th—David Hart-Larry Barclay	223
5th—Tim Paul-Bill Bissell	226
6th—Harry Jackson-Robert Pope	227

### Second Flight:

1st—Dees Hinton-Jeff Zachary	214
2nd—Cecil Muse-Chuck Souther	215
3rd—Kevin Butts-Larry Hall	218
4th—Clay Overby-Bruce Kennon	220

### First Flight:

1st—James Tramel-Charlie Keeton	206
2nd—Trevor Drake-Spencer Drake	211
3rd—Bill Bartlett-PZ Brewer	212
4th—Travis Naccarato-Ben Brister	212

### Championship Flight:

1st—Max Maxwell-Chris Berry	200
2nd—Ken Peacock-Duke Simmons	202
3rd—Bob Lodes-Grady Lodes	210
4th—Tom Adams-Thomas Adams	211

# TURF TALK by Mike Stupica, Golf Course Superintendent

Bunkers, the four-letter word that is so bad it needs 7 letters to proclaim its displeasure in the golfing community. Why do golf courses have sand traps? For this answer I turned to the Internet and found an interesting article on ESPNMag.com. Kathryn Baker, curator, British Golf Museum, St. Andrews, Scotland, states the first golf courses were built on linksland. Linksland is the land that connects the sea to the main land. You have a beach, an area of land consisting of mostly sand with native grasses, and then the main fertile land further inland. The area of land between the beach and the fertile land is called the linksland. This land wasn't good for anything but grazing sheep or cattle. According to Glenn Waggoner of ESPN The Magazine the bored shepherds would use their herding sticks to knock petrified pieces of sheep dung into rabbit holes on the linksland. This could possibly be the first form of golf known to modern man. What about the bunkers? Gordon Moir, Links Manager, R&A of St. Andrews, Scotland suspects the sheep would burrow around the sand dunes to take shelter from the wind and rain. These area became bunkers or as us Yanks call them sand traps. This all sounds good to me so when did the four letter word come in. I don't know.

Bunkers are meant to be hazards, they are supposed to be difficult to execute a shot from, and according to the rules of golf should be this way. If this is true, why all the fuss? I think the PGA Tour is to blame. You've seen the commercials stating 'these guys are good'. Nobody wanted to hear that. So what is the deal with the bunkers?

In my 17 plus years of experience in golf course maintenance I have never heard anyone say the bunkers were good.

There are several articles documenting the various opinions on how to build a bunker, what materials to use, and how to maintain them. Sand is the only common denominator in all the articles so lets talk about sand.

Sand comes in many shapes, sizes, and colors. They all have unique properties that will dictate its use for certain applications. We use river sand, which is mined here in Mississippi from various sand bars around this area. The sand is round in shape and typically white in color. It is generally on the coarse side as far as sand goes and does not pack well unless it is mixed with some sort of amendment. It has almost no capacity to hold moisture unless it is mixed with an amendment. This is really good for a sand based green. There are sands from other places that are more angular in shape, finer in texture, and tend to pack a little better. These will typically hold more moisture and do not drain as well. The USGA has done many tests to find the best sand for a sand bunker but like the rest of their testing the results are vague at best and pretty much include all soils that fall in the sand category. This leaves us in the same spot we were in when we started. What is the solution?

Maintenance is key to keeping decent bunkers. Bunkers should be rebuilt every 8 to 10 years and maintained daily to keep them as consistent as possible. This is a very expensive maintenance practice, which most courses cannot afford. We have some bunkers that have been mismanaged in the past and need to be rebuilt. We all agree on this fact but how and when should this occur? Major bunker renovation is a very large and costly project to undertake. It takes considerable planning and time to complete. It is our goal to maintain a quality golf course for our members and bunkers are a major part of this effort. Rome was not built in a day...so to speak. *Mike Stupica*

## June 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Private Pool Party 6-9pm	2 Private Pool Party 6-9pm	3
4	5	6	7	8 JWGA 9am	9 Private Pool Party 6-9pm	10 Wedding Reception 7pm
11	12	13	14	15 MS Families For Kids	16 MGA State Father/Son	17 MGA State Father/Son
18 MGA State Father/Son	19 Ladies State Amateur	20 Ladies State Amateur	21 Ladies State Amateur	22 Ladies State Amateur	23 Ladies State Amateur	24 Wedding Reception 4pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	1 Men's Club Championship
2 Men's Club Championship	3 Club Open	4 Club Open	5 Club Closed	6	7	8



**JUNIOR (10 & over) ROUND ROBIN** on June 9th & June 23rd at 6:30pm. We will provide fun, tennis, music, food and drink. The cost will be \$7/member and \$10/ non-member.

**ADULT MIXERS** planned for June 2nd & 16th, starting at 6:30 pm. We will provide Hot Dogs / Hamburgers, you bring sides dish or dessert & your beverage of choice. Mixed doubles format. \$5/person to cover cost of food and tennis balls. Non-members are invited but must pay the court fee in addition to the \$5 cover.

**JUNIOR ACADEMY** is under way with over 20 juniors participating this month! Classes for June will be as follows:

**Ages 10 and under Beginners:** Saturday 11 - Noon. Cost: \$40/mo. Members \$50/mo. Non -Members

**Ages 11 and up Beginner:** Saturday Noon - 1:30 PM cost: \$50/mo. Members \$60/ Non -Members

**Ages 11 and up Intermediate/Advanced.** Tuesday & Thursday 6:00—7:00 PM cost \$65/mo. Members \$75/Non -Members The class will maintain at least an 8-1 student/teacher ratio.

**SUMMER CAMPS** have started and will run thru the end of July. Camps will be for all ages and levels of children from 5-18 years of age. Camps will be from 8:30 am until 11:30 am and will be on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Fridays will be used as a make up day in case of rain. Each student will receive a camp T-Shirt and other prizes that can be won during the week. The cost will be \$75 for members and \$90 for non members.

**CARDIO TENNIS** is under way and going strong. Each class is \$40 and will be for 4 weeks. The class is from 6:30 - 7:30 each Monday night. Call Buck to register!

**TENNIS BIRTHDAY PARTY!** Rackets, lessons, prizes, cake & party favors are provided for your next birthday party. Call (601) 397-2825 at least 2 weeks in advance to make reservations

**SWIM LESSONS** from 8:30 am until 9:30 am, Tuesday thru Thursday & will be taught by certified lifeguards and swim instructors.

**LADIES INTERMEDIATE DRILLS** take place every Sunday night from 5-6:30 pm. Ladies from 3.0 - 3.5 NTRP drill each Sunday. Cost is only \$10/class.

We have a Saturday **ROUND ROBIN** at 8:00am for men & 9:30am for women.. Singles & Doubles format for both. Cost will be \$3 for members and \$5 for non members. Balls are provided.

**ADULT BEGINNER CLASS** starts this month. Call Buck for details!

**CONCESSION** charges will be accepted with proof of identification & confirmation of Member Number.

## Castlewoods Ladies Golf Association (CLGA)

Member/Guest Member/Member

Tournament Results:

### CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT:

- 1st: Elsa Foley / Kathy Kelly (67)  
2nd: Nancy Branton / Kay Jenkins (72)  
3rd: Jeanne Taylor / Joy May (73)

### 1st FLIGHT:

- 1st: Maggie Clark / Debbie Allen (72)  
2nd: Barbara Ragan / Deanna Walter (78)

### 2nd FLIGHT:

- 1st: Janette Berg / Sue Arthur (81 )  
2nd: Roberta Howell / Jan Duff (86)

## Castlewoods Men's Golf Association (CMGA)

### 'THONG ALONG'

Saturday, June 24th, 1 pm shotgun

**Golf format:** "High-ballers Are People Too" ABCD scramble; team members paired by committee; special rule - all team members must hit at least two tee shots during the round.

**Food format:** Brats, hotdogs, hamburgers, soft drinks and beer at the pool starting at 6:30 - thongs optional!

**Cost format:** \$35 + Cart for CMGA members; \$55 + Cart for non-CMGA members, and \$75 if you want to bring a non-Castlewoods guest out for a day of fun! Kids, spouses or dates all eat free!

Please call the Pro Shop for more information. Sign-up deadline for this event is Wednesday, June 21 at 5pm.

**POOL HOURS** (LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY)

MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	10am—8pm
WEDNESDAY	10am—8pm
THURSDAY	10am—8pm
FRIDAY	10am—6pm
SATURDAY	10am—6pm
SUNDAY	NOON—6pm

**ADULT SWIM**(over 18 yrs of age, NO LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY)

Tuesday—Friday	7am—10am
Wednesday	8pm—9pm
Sunday	10am—1pm

\*\*\* Hours are subject to change without prior notice due to member events.

**TIPS from the Golf Pro by Jay Jordan****OBJECTIVES FOR A SINGLE BUNKER LESSON:**

- Set the face slightly open at address.
- Aim the body line open to offset the face position to produce a steeper swing.
- Splash sand from the bunker onto the green with a swing path traveling parallel to the body's aim but across the target line.
- Let the length of the follow-through be at least equal to the length of the backswing.
- Finish with the weight on the front foot as in other golf shots.

While the objectives of this single lesson are limited, the overall lesson plan for learning this shot will be rather comprehensive.

**DIRECTORY:**

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TENNIS CENTER—Buck Boyd	992-5993

**2006 Member/Guest Tournament Results:****CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT:**

1st -Derrel Palmer / David Hardin	72-67=139
2nd-Tom Judkins / Beef Entstrom	70-69=139
3rd-Dees Hinton / Bill Maxey	72-75=147

**FIRST FLIGHT:**

1st-Ronnie Schmitz / Lenny Hershman	76-67=143
2nd-Clay Overby / Bruce Kennon	75-69=144
3rd-Bob Landry / Ken Gentry	76-77=153

**SECOND FLIGHT:**

1st-Stephen Riddick / Jeff Long	78-73=151
2nd-Kevin Webb / Tim Nalley	80-73=153
3rd-Joe Patterson / Chris Patterson	81-74=155

**CMGA "Who's Your Crowdaddy?" Results:****GROSS DIVISION:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Brian Brister  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - Bob Rupnik  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - Jim Woodson  
 4<sup>th</sup> - Grady Lodes

**NET DIVISION:**

- 1st - Blake Richardson  
 2nd - Joey Delaski  
 3rd - Steve Harrington  
 4th - Don Schmitz

**Closest to Pins: #4** - Jim Weems; #7 - Jeff Zachary;  
 #12 - Clay Overby, & #15 - Dwayne Townsend

**Longest Drive #9** - John Oxley (235 Yards)

**JUNIOR GOLF CAMPS**

Learn ALL aspects of the game—from the short game to the full swing!

June 6th—9th July 11th—14th August 1st—4th

**AGES:** 6-17 years of age

9am—2pm each day

**Entry:** \$100 per camp (includes lunch each day)

**SIGN UP** in the Pro Shop