



Nick Capony walked up to me at the CMGA's 'Who's Your Crawdaddy?' crawfish boil and said this: "Thanks for making this a community again." I didn't think much about it at the time, but after having a little time to reflect back on it, I realized this:

Castlewoods Country Club is very fortunate to be located in this community. There's something very special going on in this neck of the woods. There are three state titles recently won by our neighborhood high school NWR and Castlewoods Country Club is the host course/courts for two of those teams. Wow! How many country clubs have ever been able to say that? I don't think that this all happened by chance. I think it happened because of the families. I believe that the families are 'tighter' around here. This is not to suggest that our tennis pro **Buck Boyd** and our golf pro **Jay Jordan** (who also doubles as the NWR golf coach) didn't have a major impact on these kids, because I believe they did, but to have three state titles in the month of May, points to something much bigger than this country club or it's staff. I think that it's the 'IT' factor and 'it' has embedded itself down in the Castlewoods area. Y'all know Tiger has 'it', Michael Jordan had 'it', Shaq has 'it' and I believe we now got 'it'. Do you get it? And I believe it starts with good parenting, throw in God, add some great coaches/teachers, a smart school faculty and decent facilities and then top it off with a little hard work and luck. I believe that's the formula and our neighborhood has it.

Congratulations to **NWR's baseball, tennis and golf teams** on an

outstanding year and also to the parents and community whom have paved the road to these successes. Being part of this community sure makes Castlewoods C.C. proud!

Due to the high number of requests, we are tweaking the pool hours a little. We will now have the pool open until 8 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays for family swim with children. Adult swim will remain in the mornings until 10 am and each evening except Tuesdays and Thursdays. There will be exceptions to these set hours though, such as parties, holidays, swim lessons, etc.... Please call in advance to check. The pool will be closed on Mondays except for holiday weekends, in which, it will close the following Tuesday. For more info see page 3.

Another CMGA event and another success! If you missed the 'Who's Your Crawdaddy?' event in May then you probably missed the best event of the year.....but don't fret June's edition of fun is on the way with the CMGA's 'Thong-A-Long' scheduled for Saturday June 25th. More details may be found on page 3, but let me assure you that a convivial time will be had by all. Congrats to **Kevin Butts** and Scott Verplank for winning the gross division of the 'Who's Your Crawdaddy?' and to **Dennis Legate** and Phil Mickelson for taking the net division. By the way, Dennis had his lowest score ever with a 72 that Day! For other results please see page 2 or to sign up for the 'Thong-A-Long call 992-1942.

Another Ladies tourney and another win for **Elsa!** Congratulations to **Elsa Foley** and **Mary Duvall** on their fine play and score of 67 in the Castlewoods Ladies Golf Association's Member/Member-

Member/Guest. For other results see page 2.

The Castlewoods 6-6-6 tourney will be played on June 12th. This one day event will be opened to men, women, members or guests. Entry fee will be \$60 per team plus cart with a 9 am shotgun. Format: pick a partner, play six holes as a scramble, six holes as alternate shot, then six holes four-ball. There will be both a gross and net division with a hamburger lunch included in entry to follow after the tourney. Men shall play from the white tees, ladies from the red tees and seniors 65 or older may play from the gold tees. Call the golf shop and sign up today at 992-1942.

The weekend of June 17th -19th is special for all us fathers. It's extra special for Castlewoods this year as we will be part of hosting the Mississippi Golf Association's State Father/Son Championship. It's a giant event that requires three different courses to host the over 300 participants. They are scheduled for a 1:30(Friday), 8:30 (Saturday)and 8:30(Sunday) shotguns so the course will be opened for member play Friday am and both Saturday and Sunday after 1pm. Don't be surprised if the champions are Castlewoods members.....see paragraph one.

Happy Father's Day,

Max Maxwell

PS -

The Men's Club Championship will be held on July 2nd- 4th!

TURF TALK by Mike Stupica, Golf Course Superintendent

I can remember one year ago today wondering if it was ever going to stop raining. We have been lucky to have a good spring as far as the rain goes but the cool temperatures have delayed the growth of the warm season grasses. The grass turned green in late March and early April but it really didn't start to grow until the last week in May. We applied our fertilizer in time for a good rain the week before Memorial Day and are now finally seeing some good growth on our fairways, tees, and roughs. The greens have been really good as of late, this I attribute to the lack of growth. Now that the grass is actively growing we will start our summer maintenance program. This would include weekly spraying, Bi-monthly verti-cutting and topdressing, and yes the curse word of all golf courses aerifying. We completed the aerifying of the Bear greens May 31 and plan to come back on June 20th to aerify the Moose. All this combined with a good irrigation program should keep our greens in the best shape we have seen in some time.

Lets talk about green speed. In the past 10 or so years there has been a push by golfers to have greens as fast as lightning. From a golfers standpoint I agree. I like fast greens too. But from an agronomists standpoint it is far from the optimum. As a matter of fact the maintenance needed to supply fast greens is the opposite of what is needed to grow healthy

turf. The reason the push for faster and faster greens can be blamed on several things. The USGA, how many times have we seen the pros touch a putt and watch it roll 25 feet. The tour, the PGA Tour showcases golf courses at their peak week to week. The media, I don't think they really know what a Stimp Meter is. And we can't leave out the low handicappers. All this has combined to start a mad race to find a turf that can handle the demand for fast greens day to day. Researchers have spent millions of dollars trying to find a grass for these optimum-playing conditions. Have they found one yet? Not in my opinion. Yes, all the new ultra-dwarf grasses may be able to produce speeds, which we desire but they also come with a price. This price ranges from the equipment needed to maintain the lower cutting height to more pesticide applications to more expensive maintenance practices. All this for a grass that will die if you don't get the previous mentioned maintenance just right.

I could probably write forty pages of agronomic opinion on fast greens. None of which would I be able to convince any golfer was the right thing to do. As the superintendent of a golf course I understand the desire for fast greens. I also must understand how to balance the expectations of our members and the limitations of the grasses we have on our greens. It is my goal to have the best greens day to day

as possible. They may be better some days and not so good on others. I can assure you on the not so good days we are doing what is absolutely necessary for the long-term health of our grass, which will in turn make the good days great days on the course.

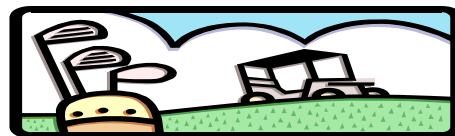
Mike Stupica

Golf Course Superintendent

TWILIGHT POLICY

Effective May 13, 2005

There will be twilight rates available for members to bring a guest out for golf that will begin at 3 pm each day. The rate will be \$30 for Tuesday through Friday and \$40 Saturday and Sunday. These rates include green fees, carts, and sales tax. Due to high usage of the practice tee, we will charge an additional \$7.50 for each guest for use of the practice range. Each twilight round MUST be off the golf course by 8 pm.



UPCOMING GOLF SCHOOLS:

- ◆ **One Day Golf School for Short & Long Game:**
Thursday, June 23rd,
Noon to 5pm, \$100 entry.
- ◆ **4 Day Junior Golf Schools:** June 7th –10th
OR July 19th—22nd,
Boys & Girls Ages 6 thru
17, 9am—2pm each day,
\$100 per 4 day school includes lunch each day.
- ◆ **Form Your Own One Day Golf School.**

Call Jay Jordan @ 601-992-1942.



CMGA - Who's Your Crawdaddy?

GROSS DIVISION:

1st - K. Butts / S. Verplank	74-65=139
2nd - K. Peacock / J. Rollins	72-68=140
3rd - D. Simmons / S. Verplank	75-65=140
4th - S. McKay / V. Singh	72-69=141
5th - J. Zachary / E. Els	73-69=142

NET DIVISION:

1st - D. Legate / P. Mickelson	63-70=133
2nd - S. Davis / N. Price	66-68=134
3rd - B. Matthews / V. Singh	68-69=137
4th - N. Cappony / T. Hamilton	72-65=137
5th - D. Fiveash / T. Hamilton	72-65=137

CLGA Member/Member— Member/Guest

TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

FLIGHT #1:

1st - Elsa Foley &
Mary Duvall (67)
2nd -Jeanne Taylor &
Tracie Tolbert (77)

FLIGHT #2:

1st - Deanna Walter &
Jill Mooney (76)

FLIGHT #3:

1st - Ann Henderson &
Linda Walker (85)
2nd - Roberta Howell &
Linda Jackson (89)



Northwest Rankin Golf Team Wins 5A State Championship

Sixteen high school golf teams from across the state of Mississippi gathered at the Natchez Trace Golf Club to compete for the 2005 5A division title. Top contenders from the Jackson Metro area included Northwest Rankin H.S. and the two year defending champions, Madison Central H.S. These two schools have gone head to head throughout this season with Northwest coming second to Madison in all contests. However, it was a different story in Tupelo. After the first day of play, Northwest led Madison by five strokes and Tupelo H.S. by nine. Day two produced challenge & fortitude for the Northwest team. Most of the team struggled to stay above water on the first nine holes. At the turn Northwest was tied with Madison Central & two strokes behind Tupelo. Senior captain Michael Gregory, who had been one of the leading scorers for Northwest for the past 2 years, was having a challenging tournament. However, after hearing the scores at the turn was able to find his game to shoot a 34 on the back nine. Freshman James Winter brought in a 79 help seal the drama. As the scores came in, Northwest & Tupelo were tied for the lead with Madison one stroke behind. Guidelines of state playoffs sent all five players of both teams to the #1 Tee box. The #3, 4, 5 players would complete the hole, followed by #1 & 2 of each team. After the first six players completed the hole, with each team posting one birdie and two pars, the teams are still tied. Michael Gregory & Jason Ryu, #1 & 2 respectively for Northwest hit the shot of the day. Ryu struck a 220-yard 3-wood within five feet of the pin. As the saga continued, Tupelo was only able to part the hole. Therefore when Jason putted in for birdie this secured the championship for Northwest.

Northwest Coach Jay Jordan praised the sportsmanship & joint effort of this group of young men commenting that the team was a true picture of teamwork as every member of the team contributed to the victory. Day one scores of 73 by Robert Ford, Jr. & a pair of 77s by Race Gordon & Jason Ryu set the pace. Then the rally of Michael Gregory & Ford tied for 7th place overall in the tournament out of 81 golfers. Both have played in four state championships as members of the Northwest Golf Team. What a way to end your high school career: a 5A State Championship!

Pool & Tennis NEWS



HOURS OF OPERATION for POOL:

All Swim (Tues./Thurs.) 10am—8pm

All Swim (Wed./Fri.) 10am—7pm

All Swim (Sat./Sun.) 10am—6pm

Adult Swim (18 & Over) 7am-10am

Adult Swim (18 & over) 7/ 8pm—9pm

Please refer to **Pool Rules** posted on site.

\$5 Guest Fee for Non-Members.

* Closed on Mondays & early evenings for occasional pool parties or early mornings for swim lessons.

1st ANNUAL

CLUB SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Will be June 3, 4 & 5th. The Championships will be formatted by age and gender. We will have a men's and women's champion for each of the following age brackets: 21-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-65, & 65 and over. Cost will be \$35 per player and will include balls, lunch and a t-shirt. Trophies will be presented to each of the champions of each category.

New **demo rackets** are in and available for rental at the tennis center! Come and try out the latest that Prince has to offer. Ball machine rental is available at \$10/hr.

Registration for **Tennis Camps** are under way. We will have camps available every week. The camps will run for 3 days (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday). The hours are:

Ages 12 and up: 11:30 til 1:00 pm

Ages 11 and under: 1:00 til 2:30 pm

All participants may swim from the end of their class until 5:45 pm each day.

Cost is \$65 per week for Country Club members and \$80 for non-members.

Registration for a **Women's Doubles League** is under way now. We will have all levels of play and will be on Friday Mornings starting at 9:00 am. The cost is \$25 and includes balls.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Northwest Rankin H.S. tennis team for their 5A State Championship!

Castlewoods Men's Golf Association (CMGA)



is sponsoring

"THONG ALONG"

Saturday, June 25th, 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 proshop for more info and the sign-up deadline for this event will be Wednesday, June 23 at 5pm.



June 4th, Saturday
 June 7th, Tuesday
 June 11th, Saturday
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 June 12th, Sunday
 June 16th, Thursday
 June 17th-19th, Friday-Sunday
 June 20th, Monday
 June 15th, Saturday
 June 28th, Tuesday

UPCOMING EVENTS:

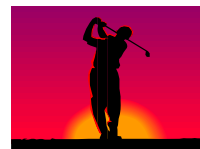
Private Party, 7 pm
 Private Pool Party 7 pm
 CLGA 9-Hole Play Day—9am
 Private Wedding Reception, 7:30 pm
 Private Pool Party 6:30 pm
 6-6-6 Plus 3 Golf Tourney 2Man 2pm Shotgun
 Homebuilders Association Outing
 MGA Father/Son
 Aerify "The Moose"
 CMGA Thong Along & Pool Party
 Jackson Jr. Golf Association Tournament

at 992-1942 for more information.

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Dates & times are tentative; please call the Pro Shop



Tips from the Golf Pro by Jay Jordan

SPLIT-GRIP TRAINING DRILL

To learn the correct feeling of your hands and arms on the downswing, practice hitting shots with a split-handed grip (i.e., hands a few inches apart). Grip normally. Incorporate this free-release feeling into your "real" swing and you will hit powerful accurate golf shots.

LET YOUR SHOULDERS SWING THE CLUB INSIDE

Many amateurs make the mistake of swinging the club too far inside the target line on the backswing. This fault usually causes you to leave the clubface open at impact and hit the shot well right of the target. If this is your problem, stop taking the club back with your hands and let the clockwise turning of your shoulders swing it inside.

MOVE YOUR FRONT FOOT FORWARD

Unless you are very strong, avoid using stiff shafted clubs. Many amateurs choose a stiff shaft just to be "macho". This is foolish, because the stiffer the shaft the harder it is to obtain height and carry on your shots. See the pro and experiment with a medium or regular flex shaft. You may find it easier to hit the ball farther and more consistently.

Golf course living at its finest !

Castlewoods Development, LLC., is currently developing home sites in Woodlands Glen Part Three, The Pinnacle Of Woodlands Glen and Willow Crest. Golf course home sites are currently available in Woodlands Glen Part Three. There are new homes currently available on and off the golf course built by some of the area's finest homebuilders. Beginning in early summer of 2005, home sites will be available in The Pinnacle Of Woodlands Glen and also in Willow Crest. For more information please contact Randy Berg at 601-594-5648.

Castlewoods golf course home sites now available