



CASTLEWOODS

COUNTRY CLUB

JULY 2004

Drum roll please...and the winner is...Castlewoods Country Club's members and the whole Castlewoods community. That's right, Castlewoods Country Club has recently purchased the pool and tennis courts from the Courthouse Racquet Club. Long term, it's the best thing that could happen for the club and the community. Short term, the pool is going to require some major repairs before we feel comfortable enough to open it. I am very happy to report that the tennis courts are in excellent condition and are ready to play today. So, if either one of these interest you, our members may add this amenity to their membership for the low price of \$25 per month. We will also offer associate memberships for families who want to join just the tennis courts and pool for \$40 per month with a 12-month contract. Associate members have no golfing privileges, although they will be allowed to pay our normal green fees and play golf from time to time if they like. While the tennis courts will be open immediately, the pool will not be opened until Memorial Day of 2005. Interested parties should sign up as soon as possible due to the fact that these rates may change in 2005.

As most of you have seen, Castlewoods Country Club has been undergoing some major changes in the past few weeks and months. As a result the ownership has incurred several additional expenses which could not have been foreseen. At the owner's meeting on June 16th, it was decided that we would allow the many prospective new members that have asked, a chance to join the club with **no initiation fee**. So beginning on June 18, we waived the initiation fee for a short period of time to try to bring our membership level up and cover the additional expenses. If you know anyone that is interested in joining the club, they should contact me as soon as possible.

By the time you read this, we will be applying the finishing touches to our new clubhouse addition. We're planning a little **Summer Soiree** to kick off it's opening on July 17th, to which you and your spouse or date are invited, as well as prospective member friends. Feast upon heavy hors d'oeuvres and free draft beer while listening to the smooth sounds of Johnny Crocker. The gathering will begin at 7pm, last until midnight and will cost \$30 per couple and \$20 per single. We encourage all members to attend so that you can familiarize yourself with Castlewood's latest addition to our growing facility. If at all possible please RSVP by July 14 by calling Melissa at 992-1942.

The Men's Club Championship will be held over the 4th of July weekend. It is scheduled for Saturday, the 3rd

and Sunday the 4th. The format shall be medal stroke play and flighted by your handicap established in our Ghin system. We will allow any member that requests it, to sign up for the Championship flight. The Championship flight shall play from the Blue tees, while all other flights shall play from the whites. Seniors over the age of 65 shall play from the gold tees and be flighted in a Seniors division by handicap. Entry fee is \$75 and includes a steak dinner as part of our cookout on Saturday evening. We will have a long drive contest beginning at 5 pm on number one tee. The divisions for this contest shall be under 40, 40 to 50, 50 to 60, 60 to 70, 70 to 80 and if there are any, 80 and over.

All members are invited to participate in our 4th of July cookout held a day early on Saturday, July 3rd beginning at 6pm. Hot Dogs and hamburgers for the kids and steaks and draft beer for the parents are on the menu- \$15 for adults, \$10 for kids 12-18 and \$5 for kids under 12 will cover the cost and we ask that you call in and sign up by **..right now...**call in as soon as you read this!

The match-play club championship has been rescheduled to the month of August. It will be our first Men's Golf Association sponsored event. Once again, you can qualify anytime before July 31st by simply announcing to Bill, Bob, or Pat you are qualifying and turn in your card when finished. You must play the ball as it lies and from the Blue tees. We will keep the scorecards that were turned in last month and count them toward a qualifying score. You may attempt to qualify three times. The low 16 scores will make up the championship flight, while the rest will be flighted. If you don't want to qualify then we will make up the other flights by current handicap as of August first. The MGA will also have its monthly afternoon scramble on Thursday, July 8th at 5:45 pm. A sign-up deadline for the scramble is 4:45 on the 8th.

Sincerely,
Max Maxwell

You're invited to an evening with
~ Johnny Crocker ~
Honoring The Grand Opening of
The New Addition to the Clubhouse
Saturday, July 17, 2004
From 7 pm until midnight
Heavy hors d'oeuvres and free draft beer
\$30 per couple and \$20 per single
Golf/casual/party attire
Limited to members and their prospective member friends.
RSVP: 992-1942 by July 14th.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 3 rd , 4 th	Club Championship
July 3 rd , Saturday 6pm	Fourth of July Cookout
July 8 th , Thursday 5:45pm	MGA Scramble
July 16 th , Friday 1pm	Shotgun MS State Greater Jackson Bulldog Boosters Outing
July 16 th , Friday 7-11pm	Stupica/Bryant Wedding Reception
July 17 th , Saturday 6pm	Summer Soiree' with Johnny Crocker - Members & Prospective Member Friends
July 23 rd , 24 th , 25 th tee times	Make-A-Wish Invitational Golf Tournament
July 31 st , Saturday	Deadline to Qualify for Men's Matchplay Club Championship

Dates & times are **tentative**, please call the Pro Shop at 992-1942 for more information.

TURF TALK

In the past month we have seen some vast changes in the appearance of our course. June is the time of year when the grass comes out of dormancy and really starts growing. This is a sure sign the summer is in full swing. For the next three months we will be mowing grass and mowing it again in the hopes to keep up. From time to time a thunderstorm will hinder our progress and an outing here or there will cost us a day. This is a typical summer cycle. My crew has worked hard to be courteous to our members and allow play to pass. From time to time we may disrupt play for certain projects we will try to complete. I appreciate your patience our goal is to make this course the best it can be day to day and we all know how good it can be with a little time and effort.

I am pleased with the progress our greens have made in the past month. The future looks good. The Club Championship participants should enjoy some of the best putting greens seen here in some time. I am looking forward to that. We are working to ensure the rough stays under control this year and with the support of our owners I think we can maintain the rough so it is enjoyable to all who play here.

Why do some plants grow in the winter and others in the summer? Without getting into plant physiology all plants have an origin that over years of adaptation have given it certain conditions in which it likes to grow. For example, creeping bentgrass comes from a cooler climate originating in northern Europe. Quite naturally during the cooler time of year we see this plant thrive. On the reverse side, Bermuda grass originated in the arid regions of Africa this is why it has adapted so well to the warmer, drier conditions of the southern United States. Over years of studies and trial & error we have learned to manipulate the growth habits of the plants to better suit our needs as a society.

Mike Stupica
Golf Course Superintendent

Father's Day Tournament Results:

Gross A:

1 st Lamar Simmons/Duke Simmons	64
2 nd Larry Swales/Josh Swales	66
3 rd Buddy Matthews/Brad Matthews	69

Gross B:

1 st David Fiveash/Ryan Fiveash	72
2 nd Ron Martin/Ed Martin	73
3 rd David Clements/Bill Clements	74

Net A:

1 st William Penna/Mr. Penna	51.5
2 nd Herbert Phillips/Mr. Phillips	52
3 rd Jerry Stains/Scott Stains	55

Net B:

1 st Grady Fisher/Thelma Fisher	52
2 nd Marshall Fisher/Shane Fisher	52
3 rd Elsa Foley/Megan Foley	52.5

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT.....



Alvin McCarley, 00
Course Maintenance



With ten years of service to the Club Alvin has built a reputation for hard work and dependability. He started out as a general laborer & has worked up to an irrigation tech & job foreman.

Alvin is known for his mild nature and will always greet you with a smile. He enjoys his job tremendously and it shows in the quality of his work - that's why he's called on to do any & everything!

Thanks to Alvin for his great service to our club.

Castlewoods Men's Golf Association
The MGA will host a Scramble on Thursday, July 8th
at 5:30pm. Deadline to sign up is 4:45pm on the 8th.
Longnecks for \$1 after golf.