

# MESSAGES from MAX



2006 is shaping up to be a very good year at Castlewoods. Inside you will find a tentative golf schedule for 2006. There are several dates that you'll want to make note of, including the Castlewoods Men's Member-Guest planned for April 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Participants from last year were very surprised with the lagniappe that accompanied this event. We expect a full field this year of 44 teams so sign up early. Entry forms should be available in the golf shop during the first week in March.

The 2005 Castlewoods Men's Golf Association has elected to begin the New Year with a Super Bowl 2-man scramble on February 5<sup>th</sup>. The field is open to member/member or member/guest teams and shall cost just \$30 per player (\$55 for non-Castlewoods member) plus cart fee. The golf tournament is scheduled for 11 am shotgun with a hamburger lunch and keg beer following play. Entry deadline for the golf tournament is noon on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and will be limited to the first 44 teams to sign up. Call 992-1942 today and sign up your team.

If football is not your cup of tea, then how about a Valentine's Day Couples Scramble to be held on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Entry fee is just \$50 per team for member/member plus cart fee and will include a hamburger lunch with awards following play. The field shall be open to member/member, member/guest (\$75 entry fee), or guest/guest teams (\$100 entry fee) and is scheduled for a 1pm shotgun. Just call Scotty and sign up you and your sweetheart today!

There will be a Castlewoods Men's Golf Association year-end (2005) steak dinner to be held on Thursday February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. Filet mignon grilled to perfection plus all the trimmings shall be on the venue for this evening for only \$10 per person. Say you weren't a CMGA member in 2005? Well come out for this meeting, join for 2006 and enjoy a great steak and great fellowship. There will be a 2006 business meeting discussing tournaments for the year followed by an election of officers after dinner. The CMGA board is requesting that 2006 dues be collected that evening.

The first CMGA event of 2006 will be the Icebreaker 4-man scramble on February 25<sup>th</sup> with a noon shotgun. The entry fee shall be \$30 per man plus cart fee and will be opened to Castlewoods Men's Golf Association members. Wanna play.....that's easy..... just join the Men's Golf Association and you can get in.

Jay Jordan is undoubtedly enjoying this wonderful weather that we have been having. He has been busy on the practice tee most every afternoon. It's fun to watch someone who revels in a job so much. His teaching schedule is fast filling up with inspired students who now 'get it'. If you have been considering possibly improving your game by receiving a little professional help, then look no further than our own PGA Teaching Professional. Call Jay today for more details. You won't be sorry!

This month will be your last chance to take advantage of our membership drive and join up a new member. If you sign up a friend anytime this month, he or she will pay no initiation fee whatsoever and no

dues until March 1<sup>st</sup>. Also as an incentive to you, for each new member that you sign up, once they start paying dues, you will receive three months of your dues waived. Sign up four new members and pay no dues for an entire year. The only restrictions are that they must sign a one year contract and they must fall into either the \$185/month or \$195/month categories. Once they start paying dues in March, your dues will be waived in April for three months, if they continue to be a member. **NOTE: Beginning on March 1, 2006, Castlewoods Country Club will require all new members to pay a \$1000 initiation fee.** So now is the time to sign up that friend and save him a cool thousand and yourself several hundred dollars. If you want to bring a prospective member out to play during this month, just call me and set up a tee time and we'll allow that person to play for cart fee only. There will never be a better time to sign up a friend than February 2006!

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## TENTATIVE 2006 GOLF CALENDAR of EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> - CMGA SuperBowl Scramble 11am  
Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> - Valentine's Day Couples Scramble  
Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> - CMGA Steak Dinner  
Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> - CMGA Icebreaker 4 Man Scramble

### MARCH

Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> - CLGA Play Day

### APRIL

Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> - CMGA March Madness 2 man Shamble  
Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> - Brandon Elementary Scramble  
Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> - Callaway Demo Day 4-7pm  
Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> - MS College of Law Scramble 1pm  
Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> - Castlewoods C.C. Couples Spring Tourney  
Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> - Jackson Area Homebuilders Scramble  
Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> - CCC Men's Member/Guest

### MAY

Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> - MS Mortgage Bankers Outing  
Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> - Rankin County Chamber Outing  
Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> - MEA Outing  
Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> - MGA State Am Qualifier  
Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> - CMGA "Who's Your Crawdaddy?"  
Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> - MSU Outing 12:30pm  
Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> - CLGA Member/Member 9:20am  
Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> - Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> - CCC Memorial Day 4 Ball

### JUNE

Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> - JWGA Interclub  
Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> - MS Families for Kids Outing  
Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> - MGA State Father/Son  
Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> - Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> - MGA Ladies State Am  
Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> - CMGA Thong -A-Long

### JULY

Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> - Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Men's Club Championship  
Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> - Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> - CCC Couples Tourney  
Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Make-A-Wish Tournament

### AUGUST

Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> - CCC Junior & Senior Club Championships  
Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> - Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> - JWGA City Championship  
Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> - CMGA 3 Men & Some Tator Salad  
Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> - JWGA Jack & Jill

### SEPTEMBER

Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> - Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> - CMGA Duck, Duck, Moose Individual Play  
Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> - JMSGGA Interclub  
Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> - JMSGGA Interclub

### OCTOBER

Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> - Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> - Ladies Club Championship  
Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> - CCC Couples Tournament  
Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> - CMGA Bill Trout Classic

### NOVEMBER

Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> - CLGA Turkey Shoot  
Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> - CLGA Turkey Shoot

### DECEMBER

Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> - CLGA Christmas Scramble

### 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 home-builders. Home sites are available in The Pinnacle Of Woodlands Glen and also in Willow Crest.

**For more information please contact: Randy Berg at 601-594-5648**



# TURF TALK by Mike Stupica, Golf Course Superintendent

Under water or under construction, that is a phrase we used at The Country Club of Jackson when I worked there. It seems here at Castlewood's that phrase is still holding true. The improvements made last year were nothing short of spectacular and the improvements for 2006 will prove to be the same. We have already started the expansion of the tees on #7 and #14. We will complete the last championship tee on #11 this spring and plan on lay sod to these areas as soon as we can get some sod and dry weather. We also are in preliminary discussions to expand the tee complex on #18 and possibly #1. This is all in an effort to update our course to keep up with the demands of the modern day golfer.

The improvements in technology pertaining to golf equipment have made many courses built prior to the year 2000 almost obsolete. I use that term lightly because so many amateur golfers seem to prefer the advantages of the new equipment to lower their scores. Let's face it lower scores make for more fun. We are not trying to take any fun away from our average golfers but are trying to give some of our above average golfers more of a challenge as well as enhancing the reputation of the club for quality golf.

Let's dissect the mentality of the modern golfer a little bit. How many times have you heard Tiger or Phil or any of the big hitters on tour hint if not just go right out and say, "I can just bomb my driver on every hole and worry about where it goes when I catch up to it." They are right. With today's equipment instead of having 170 yards to a

firm fast green out of the rough they will have less than 100 yards from anywhere and it doesn't matter because most of those guys can handle a 100 yard shot from anywhere especially since they just bombed it past any trouble. With this mentality you can see how lengthening our course will in some ways allow the course to be played the way the architect envisioned. And even a step further it will play more with the brain rather than the brawn.

The next step in this argument is if you can't putt then you can't score. That is true but with the evolution of turf maintenance equipment and a little knowledge from the superintendent, greens of this day and age are faster, smoother, and much easier to putt. We have proven this fact on this course in the past few years. Think about it, how many putts are you making, or leaving closer to the hole now versus 10 years ago when the greens were slower, less smooth, and soft. I'll bet it is a lot.

The improvements to the course are truly spectacular. Not unlike any other business the ability to change and evolve with the environment will ensure a strong future for the company. We are evolving to ensure the integrity of the game and the future reputation of our club. Being under water or under construction is not a bad thing, as a matter of fact it is a good thing. It might even be the best thing for this club.

*Mike Stupica*  
Golf Course Superintendent

## February 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 Carr/Mardis Reception
5 Superbowl 2 Man Scramble	6	7	8	9	10	11 Fones Engagement Party 7pm
12 Valentine's Couples Scramble	13	14 	15	16 CMGA Steak Dinner	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 CMGA Icebreaker
26	27	28	1 March	2	3	4



It is that time of year again! **LEAGUE** matches are scheduled to start the first week of February and our courts will be active with several members using Castlewoods as their home courts for the spring season. It will be next to impossible to reserve a court for Thursday after 6:00 PM after league starts as several women's teams are playing on that night. Other nights should not be too crowded with league activity.

The new line of Prince **DEMO RACKETS** are available in the pro shop. You can demo a racket for \$2 per day and if you decide to purchase the racket, the rental fee will be deducted from your purchase price.

Now is the time to restring your rackets. Temperature change as well as wear will loosen string tension. Make sure you don't leave your rackets in your vehicle in hot temperatures or temperatures below freezing as this will damage the structure of the racket frame and may cause weakening or warping in addition to string tension loss.

**CARDIO TENNIS** will start the first week in March and will be taught a couple of days and a couple of evenings each week. The cost will depend on the number of students. Each class will have 8 each 1 hour sessions and will be limited to 8 students per class. I participated in the training held at River Hills earlier and I can promise an upbeat, fun and energetic workout! Cardio Tennis is for everyone, even non tennis players. It is not a skills class! Contact Buck for details.

**BALL MACHINE RENTAL:** Available at \$10 per hour.

Anyone interested in a Saturday morning **FUN MIXER** contact Buck. We will try to get started around 9 AM and play till 10:30 each Saturday morning. We will have mixed doubles, doubles and even singles if we need to. I hope to get started by February 18th.

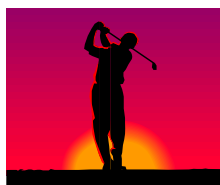


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## Tennis Tips

Most club level players tend to make a very common mistake in their doubles game. Most players at the 3.5 and below levels will watch their partner return the serve and try to track the ball as it goes over the net and then play the point out.

You're better off keeping your focus on the opponent at the net, because you will have trouble reacting to poaches and mis-hits by your partner if you are not reading your opponents. The net opponent is the first player to have a "shot" at the return. Learn to read the body language of the net person and you will find that you will be able to react to your opponents a lot faster. If the ball passes by the net person, turn your focus on the baseline player, and after they return the ball the sequence starts over. Practice trying not looking at your partner hit the ball either on the return of serve or on the serve. Once you are able to read your opponents you will be winning more points and be in better position on the court.



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## TIPS from the Golf Pro by Jay Jordan

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### MENTAL PRACTICE—

Expansion of the mental practice concept will be the next giant stride in learning golf. Consider the stories that came from prisoners of war in Vietnam. Men who were incarcerated for several years learn to play a guitar by practicing chording on a homemade "stick and box with strings". There were no sounds, but they learned to play. Musical pieces were performed on a "wooden board piano" with keys drawn on the board. There was no key movement and no sound, but the pupils mentally "heard" the songs and they learned to play. Closer to our subject of golf is the story of a U.S. Military officer who was in a prisoner-of-war camp for six years and carried a four handicap before his capture. Although he did not hit a golf shot while he was imprisoned he did practice mentally every day. Three weeks after his release, he shot a 75 in a pro-am. ***He hadn't hit a ball in six years, but he had practiced—in his mind!*** Where can people practice? Anywhere!