



Lawton Country Club

May Newsletter

Clubhouse 353-2076

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Bo Baize
Golf Course Superintendent

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HOURS OF OPERATION

Dining Room

Tues. Wed. Thur. & Sat.	11:00 - 2:00 and 5:00 - 8:00
Friday	11:00 - 2:00 and 5:00 - 9:00
Sunday	11:00 - 2:00

19th Hole and Lounge

(Limited Menu from 2:00 to 5:00)

Tues. Wed. Thur. & Sat	11:00 - 8:00
Friday	11:00 - 9:00
Sunday	11:00 - 6:00

Office

Mon. & Sat.	9:00 - 1:00
Tue. - Fri.	9:00 - 5:00

Pro Shop

Tue. - Sun.	8:00 - 6:00
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from the general manager

Johnny Wilson

April was a very busy month and things were very well attended by the membership. Thank you very much. The Dueling Pianos were great. The Easter brunch served over 200 people. Lisa and her staff did an amazing job. And there was a special appearance by the Easter Bunny, and all the kiddos had an Easter egg hunt. Special thanks go out to Scott's House of Flowers and Flowers by Ramon for their donation of all the flower arrangements. Thanks again for those of you that attended.

May will be an even busier month with many things on the calendar already. We will start out with a Ladies Wine on Nine at 2:00 on Wednesday, May 3rd. Ladies please make plans to come out and attend even if you don't play. There will be lots of fun and laughs, as well as a little bit of wine. This will kick off a return of an old favorite: on May 10, we will begin a weekly Ladies Day on the golf course. All females (regardless of level of play) are invited to join us for a 9:30 am shotgun start nine-hole round of golf. Everyone is encouraged to stay for lunch and refreshments following.

In the clubhouse, we will be having a Cinco de Mayo celebration on Friday, May 5th. Come out and enjoy margaritas or your favorite Mexican beer. A special Mexican menu will be on the agenda as well.

Next on the schedule will be on the 6th and 7th, the 2nd Annual Swiggs and Swings Two-Man Scramble. This is also a very fun event. Please plan on participating.

Lisa is making preparations for another amazing Mother's Day brunch on Sunday, May 14. As a special treat, every mother that comes to the brunch will receive a \$50 gift card from Tipton's Fine Jewelry, and in a random draw one lucky mother will receive a \$500 gift card from Tipton's.

Finally, we will be scheduling a couples' night (husbands and wives/boyfriend and girlfriend/or just males and female friends) once a month during the golf season, consisting of nine holes of golf followed by a meal and refreshments (and a drawing for a door prize). We are kicking this off Thursday, May 25th at 5:30 p.m. The entry fee will be \$20/player and will include the meal (but not the adult refreshments) after the round. Let's try to get as many couples out for this as possible.

A reminder that the club and course will be open Monday, May 29th (Memorial Day). The club will be closed Tuesday, May 30th.

Just a little note, on June the 1st, we will be having a paint and palette. There will be more information as we get closer.

Finally, the swimming pool will open for the summer on Saturday, May 27th. Please come out and enjoy your pool. **[819]**

golf course news

Bo Baize

Golf season is here and the golf course is in very good shape considering. Yes, we're a little scarred up from the irrigation system installation and yes, we had some major clean up to do from the floods, but all and all I'm very happy with where we're at this early in the growing season. I see improvements every day and we are definitely headed in the right direction. The installation of the new irrigation system is in the final stages with only a few tee boxes and the driving range left to do. The first load of sod arrived last week and soon those empty trenches around the greens will once again be playable. I can tell you that we have an amazing irrigation system now that I've had some more time to work with it, and I know you all have heard me say it before, but seriously this is a game changer. I am extremely pleased with its efficiency and capabilities.

We have scheduled Tuesday, May 30 for our greens aerification. The course will be closed that day (since we are open the day before, Memorial Day). This will be the first time we will use our new (to us) aerifier.

Member work day was Saturday, April 22 and I am going to spend the rest of this opportunity to try to express my gratitude. Sometimes as a superintendent you see things that need addressed but have either limited manpower, equipment, funds, etc. to get a major project even started. You see that it needs done, but priorities keep pulling you away. I have experience working at some high end country clubs in Oklahoma and Kentucky, and have been involved in member work days before. Never like this one. Not even close. Oh what a difference a day makes. The turnout way exceeded my expectations and there was a feeling of club unity and teamwork in the air that I had never experienced. The priority for the day was the cleanup of Wolf Creek north of the clubhouse; however there were also members fixing divots on the course and other general detail work being done. The day was a huge success in my opinion with most of the creek line north of #18 green moving east to the bridge on #9 cleaned up of trees, brush, and trash. This opens up the views from the clubhouse and generally just gives us a much more detailed look. I am going to do everything I can to maintain this look and even improve on it. Thank you so very much too all the volunteers who really made this day such a success and also to Family Tree Service Pros for bringing in their equipment to make short work of the cleanup. Again, thank you all. The pride you take in your club really showed.

Now let's get out and enjoy the fruits of your labor. See you on the course. **[552]**

board minutes

The board held their monthly meeting Thursday, April 13. All committee reports were presented. After a lengthy discussion, the board voted to call a Special Stockholder Meeting on Thursday, April 27, to present a proposed new membership to the stockholders for approval. The board also voted to begin a membership drive in May which will last until the end of July. Details of the new membership (if approved by the stockholders) and the membership drive will be mailed and e-mailed to all members the first week of May.

Welcome New Members

Charles & Yvonne Hall
Christian & Janis Lawyer
Joshua & Cortney Powers
Brayden Stringer