



Lawton Country Club

August Newsletter

Clubhouse 353-2076

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STAFF

Johnny Wilson
General Manager

Lisa Marion
Food & Beverage Director

Bo Baize
Golf Course Superintendent

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mike Duncan, President
Linda Neal, Vice President

David Towe, Secretary/Treasurer

Danna Bross Gary Rasmussen

Kelly McClure Cindy Sheppard

Jerry Pippin Brendan Wolverton

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 - 7:00

Office

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

Pro Shop

Tue. - Sun.	8:00 - 7:00
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Range

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

Johnny Wilson

July has turned out to really be a hot one and the only place that hasn't slowed down is the pool. We still had some very nice events at the club. The Firecracker started the month and by all accounts was a huge success. Although we didn't have as many players as we would have liked, turnout was still very good. The BBQ and Fireworks was a wonderful night and very well attended by many. Next year will be the 50th Annual Firecracker and plans are already being made to make it a bigger and better event.

Another very nice event was Lisa's Cooking Class with over 30 people. It was Seafood Spaghetti and it smelled amazingly delicious. Look for details of this month's class, which is scheduled for Thursday, August 11, and plan to attend. (Rumor has it, it will be meatloaf with a twist). Please remember reservations are required and seating is limited.

Lisa is planning a special "French Night" on Thursday, August 18, in conjunction with Cameron University's Third Annual French Film Festival. There will be a special Happy Hour in the lounge starting at 5:00, and French cuisine specials will be featured for dinner that evening.

Golfers, please note that the annual MGA meeting will be Wednesday, August 31 at 6:00 in the 19th Hole.

Finally, with school starting the week of August 8th at many of the area schools the pool will only be open on weekends after that date and will remain open until at least Labor Day as long as there is usage.

One last fun item that I know we are all looking forward to is the opening of College Football on September 1st and season openers for the state schools on the 3rd. Good luck to all of them and be careful in the heat. **{#593}**

board minutes

The Annual Stockholder Meeting was held July 12. The Finance Committee, Greens Committee, House Committee and Membership Committee reports were presented. All reports were favorable, with the exception of the Membership Committee. A task force has been created to explore ways and means to increase the club's overall membership. Financing for a new irrigation system for the golf course was discussed.

The stockholders elected Danna Bross, Jerry Pippin and Gary Rasmussen to fill the expiring terms of Blake Dutcher, Justin Phelps and Liz Wyatt.

Following the stockholder meeting, the board held its monthly meeting. Officers were elected and committee assignments were made. This year's president will be Mike Duncan, Vice President is Linda Neal, and Treasurer is David Towe. Gary Rasmussen and Kelly McClure will be on the Greens Committee, David Towe and Jerry Pippin will be on the Finance Committee, Linda Neal and Danna Bross will be on the House Committee, and Brendan Wolverton and Cindy Sheppard will be on the Membership Committee.

Welcome New Members

Rob & Kimber Downey

Cameron Paterson & Lindsey Relander

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golf course news

Bo Baize

Lawton Country Club has a very deserving Firecracker Open champion in Dustin Wigington. Monday's championship set up was demanding. No other players broke par, yet Dustin navigated the course and rolled the ball exceptionally well on his way to a final round 64 and his third title. On Monday the greens were rolling a 12 on the stimpmeter, so my hat goes off to him.

The crew and I worked diligently to provide the best possible conditions for the tournament and since wrapping up we have addressed some much needed cultural practices and irrigation repairs. On July 11 the greens were verticut, top dressed, needle tine aerified, drug in, and rolled. Granular calcium carbonate was also applied and watered in. The greens are really starting to heal up from the verticutting, and the needle tine aerification has provided new channels for gas exchange and water infiltration.

Following our top dressing, dragging and rolling on July 25, we combined a new bio-stimulate called Agra-Rouse to our foliar spray, as we continue to search for the right combination of cultural practices and proper fertility programs to elevate the greens to the condition we all want.

The mainline leak on #12 has been repaired and several new greenside heads have been replaced in order to provide better coverage to the greens.

Our Bermuda grass tees, fairways, and rough have begun to slow their growth due to the high temps and lack of rain; therefore, it has become a little easier to keep up with the mowing demand but it also means that the plant is weakened.

I would like to encourage everyone to "scatter" the traffic on the course in an effort to reduce compaction and turf loss. Also, please respect the 30 feet from greens rule as noted on the scorecard. I have worked at courses that implemented a cart path only policy for the month of August for this very reason; however, they had many more rounds and I believe that is unrealistic here. If everyone would just make a concerted effort to reduce their own impact, we will be able to keep the damage to a minimum. Thanks, and enjoy.

This Month's Special Events

Lisa's Cooking Class

Thursday, July 21

6:00 - Lounge

(reservations requested)



French Night

Thursday, August 18

Happy Hour in the Lounge at 5:00

French Cuisine Dinner Specials

MGA Annual Meeting

Wednesday, August 31

6:00 - 19th Hole