



Lawton Country Club

March Newsletter

Clubhouse 353-2076

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Johnny Wilson
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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 - 7:00

Range

Tue. - Sun. 8:00 - 6:00

from the general manager

Johnny Wilson

February was a very exciting month at the club, highlighted by a wonderful Valentine's evening. We would like to thank Scott's House of Flowers and Ramon's Flowers and Gifts for their donations of table arrangements. February finished up with some rain that was badly needed and an unwanted ice storm. The ice storm resulted in some roof damage that is being repaired.

The MGA will hold its quarterly meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 7 in the 19th hole. This meeting is open to all male golfing members. Please come out and lend your support to the group. We will discuss projects for the year as well as tournaments for the year. Other topics to be discussed include the golf course budget, payment for the new bridge between #2 and #3, drainage issues on #9 and #13, and a new scorecard with revised yardages, rating, slope and hole handicaps.

March is also the beginning of our Monday tournaments with the junior highs on March 12 and high schools on March 26.

Start making your plans for St. Patrick's Day, Saturday, March 17. Lisa will be featuring some drink specials and a very "Irish" menu. Details will be emailed soon.

Just a reminder that Easter Sunday is April 1. (So far this year we have had Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday on the same day, and Easter Sunday and April Fool's Day on the same day!) Watch your club email for more information on the Easter Brunch. This is always a great opportunity to enjoy a wonderful brunch, see some old friends, and get Spring kicked off.

Also in April is the Masters Golf Tournament April 5-8. We will be having a "Masters Draw" in which each person pays \$100 and gets a player in the tournament. Half the proceeds go to the MGA and the other half are paid out in prize money.

Looking even further ahead, the Third Annual MGA Two-Man LCC Shootout is scheduled for May 19 - 20 and the Firecracker is scheduled for June 28 - July 1. **{#442}**

board minutes

The board held their monthly meeting Tuesday, February 20. All committee reports were presented. No significant action was taken.

golf course news

Bo Baize

February was a hit and miss month as far as the weather went. We had some days pushing 70 and then we finished the month off with freezing temps, ice and rain. Just another typical Oklahoma weather pattern I suppose. I don't know about you, but I am looking forward to the weather stabilizing some and better spring like conditions persisting. Looking at the extended forecast, we may be in for just that.

The maintenance barn has been alive with the sounds of reels grinding and sanders buzzing. We have once again built our own tee markers out of cedar limbs and they are ready for the upcoming tournament season. By doing this in house we save approximately \$4000.00 versus ordering them from a catalog every year. Plus, they just look better than the store-bought kind. Justin, our equipment manager, has been busy sharpening reels, bed knives, and blades to get the mowers ready for when we transition out of dormancy and begin mowing. We have also been busy changing oil and doing preventative maintenance on all the equipment so that we are ready when the transition begins.

Our wall to wall pre-emergent application has been completed and the timing was perfect. With a little help from Mother Nature in the form of timely rains, it has all been watered into the profile nicely. Pre-emergent herbicides work best when they reside in the soil and form a barrier that stops the weed seeds from germinating; therefore, it is important to "water in" the active ingredient in order to form this barrier. With the new irrigation system, we are able to do this on command where we have the coverage but still rely on rainfall to reach the areas our irrigation cannot.

March should provide us with plenty of better weather and conditions more suitable for golf, so make sure your clubs have new grips and are ready to go. I will see you all on the course.

MGA Meeting

Wednesday, March 7

5:30 - 19th Hole

Please join us for a discussion of what to look forward to on our golf course. Superintendent Bo Baize will be on hand to answer any questions. Complementary hors d'oeuvres



Saturday, March 17
"Irish" Menu
Drink Specials