

CCC News

Charleston Country Club

August 2026

Gaming room to be rebuilt, if

The gaming room will be rebuilt, if a structural engineer gives the go-ahead.

That's what the board of directors decided at its monthly meeting. However, there was some discussion on whether the deck should be extended.

Director Dave Runyon said if the deck were lengthened members could dine or have drinks overlooking the pool and woods. But no deci-

sion was made on that suggestion.

Currently member Jim Hickenbottom is drawing up plans to rebuild the gaming room as a wood-framed structure, not a four-seasons room as it originally was.

Because of that, the structure will be heavier and will need an engineer to sign off on it. The gaming room platform is held up by steel supports from the pool area.

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Men's Annual Event leads August tournaments

At least 76 golfers will compete in the Men's Annual Event, Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 8-9.

The four-man, dropout scramble has historically been the highlight of the summer for the men. Teams will be drafted 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 4, and the team auction will be 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 6.

Also in August, league play will come to an end but three major golf events will be held.

Here's the schedule:
Aug. 18: Last week of Men's League

Aug. 19: Last week of Women's leagues

Aug. 22-23: Club Championships will
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Wendell Adams and Jerry Myerscough

When club's in need, Adams, Myerscough have been there

For years, whenever the club was in need, Wendell Adams and Jerry Myerscough seemed to be the two guys there to lend a hand — either financially or otherwise.

When the Great Toronado of 2026 took out 677 trees June 17 at the club, the two — along with scores of other members — were there to play a role in the clean-up.

Adams brought out dump trucks, flatbed trucks, Gators, excavator, backhoe and employees.

"I've got extra equipment and it was easy to bring it out," Adams said. "I also knew we could dump behind the maintenance shed."

So Adams began directing volunteers to begin taking tree debris from the course and dumping it in the hollow behind the maintenance shed. He estimates more than 300 loads have gone in that gully.

Myerscough brought out a tractor and chain saws, too, and took on the clean-up

as his personal project.

"It just makes me sick to see the course looking this way," said Myerscough, who has played golf at the club for 63 years, since he was 11 years old. "I went to the back nine and it made me want to cry."

Coordinating with Adams, Myerscough began directing volunteers to areas that needed to be cleared first so that the course could reopen as soon as possible.

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In other action, the board:

■ heard a report that the club still has a sewer pipe problem in the basement.

Director Blaine Smitley said DHM replaced about 10 feet of the sewer line in the

pool area bathroom. However, there is still rotten piping leading into it

Smitley said DHM will return this winter and continue to replace the original piping that runs through the building, which was built in 1959-1960.

■ decided to hold the Mixed Annual Event Sept. 19. It was rained out June 20.

■ agreed that the club has amazing members, who helped clean up the course and/or donated money toward the clean up.



Water aerobics continues in August

Members of the Monday-Wednesday-Friday morning water aerobics group pose for a photo in July. Led by Lisa Dallas, the group meets 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Everyone is invited to join in the fun.

Men's Annual Event leads August tourneys

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be held via a two-day tournament open to all members.

There is no fee to compete in flights arranged by age and handicap. Sign up in the Pro Shop if you want to play.

Aug. 25: Men's League playoffs

Aug. 29: Fall Sip 'n' Chip:

Sign up early for this fun, par 3 event. Sip 'n' Chips have become member favorites. Couples, non-member guests and singles can play. Cost is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

Registration starts at 3 p.m. with the tourney starting at 4 p.m. Drinks and

snacks are served on the course and dinner specials are offered afterward in the clubhouse.

Aug. 30: Women's Member-Guest Tournament is back by popular demand. Last year's inaugural event was so successful that the tourney looks like it'll be a mainstay on the golf schedule.

For the record: Welcome new members:

Junior

Zack Craig

Non-Resident

Rick & Chris Cox

Social

David & Suzanne Logue

Membership #s

Class A/Promo A = 131

Social = 76

Seniors = 54

Junior/Jr. Promo = 36

Fellowship = 8

Non-resident = 16

Student = 9

Summer Social = 6

Reminder:

To drive one of the club's golf carts, a young person has to be 16 years of age.

Mixed Annual Event

has been moved to Sept. 19. It was rained on July 20. Sign up in Pro Shop.

Thanks members!

Thank you CCC club members for everything — from volunteering, to donating money for lunches, to being loyal club members. You're the greatest!

Club's #: (217) 345-6603

Still time to run for board, president

Members wishing to run for the board of directors or president have until Aug. 30 to declare their candidacy for the October elections.

To run for the positions, Class and Senior members must put their name on the posted sheet in the alcove in the hallway between the dining room and bar.

Three of the board seats are for three-year terms while one is for a two-year term. The president's position also is for a two-year

term.

The terms of Jan Ziebka, Katrina Butler, Chris Dow and Blaine Crews expire Dec. 31 as does President John Ryan's term. Incumbents may stand for re-election.

To be eligible to run for a board seat, a Class A or Senior member must be a member in good standing. To run for president, a member must have served on the board of directors.

Once the Aug. 30 deadline passes, the Nominating

Committee will select a slate of candidates for the positions.

Those not selected may oppose the slate by getting a petition signed by 10 percent of the Class A or Senior members or about 20-25 signatures and post it in the alcove.

Voting will take place in October in conjunction with the Annual Meeting, which is usually held the third Thursday of the month. Winners will begin serving their terms Jan. 1,



Member-Guest winners

Tony Robinson and Kim Marchuk pose for a photo after winning the Member-Guest Tournament July 25 after a seven-team, six hole playoff. Jerry Myerscough and Al Peterson finished second.

'Pappy' raffle to raise funds for trees

Tickets for the Pappy Van Winkle Triple-Bottle Raffle will be on sale at the club until Aug. 27 to raise money to purchase trees for the course.

The brainchild of past club president Carl Wolff, raffle tickets are \$100 each with possibility of 250 tickets being sold to raise

\$25,000 toward replanting the course.

The winning ticket will be drawn at 7 p.m. Aug. 27. The winner will receive all three bottles of the highly coveted Pappy — a 10-year, 12-year and 15-year-age vintages.

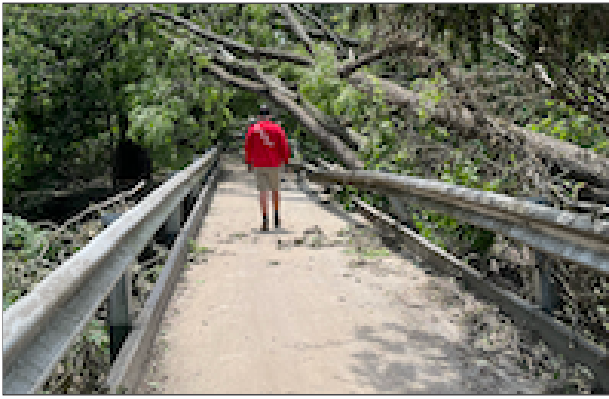
More than 677 trees were felled or shredded in



the June 17 tornado.

When all the trees are taken down, trees will be replanted.

Day after June 17 tornado



Tim Carlson walks across #11-#13 bridge June 17.

After the clean-up



Tim Carlson walks across #11-#13 bridge last week.



Trees dangle over garbage, cart sheds 1, 2 & 3.



Cart sheds today

When club's in need, Adams, Myerscough there

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Volunteers — 50 to 60 per day in the first week — cleared the debris from the clubhouse, pool and front nine first. Burn piles were stacked throughout the course.

The result: the clubhouse was opened in a week, the pool in eight days and the front nine in 10 days.

They then turned their attention to the back nine. Within another week, the back nine and thus the entire course was playable.

“When I first saw the damage,” member Jason Mathews said, “I figured the course might be closed for the season. It’s unbelievable how fast the members got the course reopened.”

Each Monday — probably for the rest of the season — Myerscough will be directing volunteers to clear tree debris from around the course. He has been working Sundays and other days, too.

“I’m only going to be here for two more months,” Myerscough said. “So I’ve got to get my time in.”

Myerscough, a restaurateur, has been a continuous member since 1974 — 52 years — but he was a member before that but he quit for a couple years to open a pizza restaurant in Terre Haute. His father, Merle, was a member when he was growing up. Myerscough’s son, Matt, also is a member.

“My love of the course goes way back,” he said.

Adams has been a member since 1982 when he was 32, but he didn’t start golfing until he was 48 in 1998.

“I was not that involved

until I became course director (about 2010),” he said. “I’ve only really been involved about the last 10 years.”

In the last 10 years, Adams has donated cement and machinery to fix cart paths on the course and do other projects. In 2022, he and Myerscough paid for the new carpeting in the bar and gaming room.

“We still got a lot of work yet to do,” Adams said. “It’ll take all winter and maybe years to get things cleaned up.”

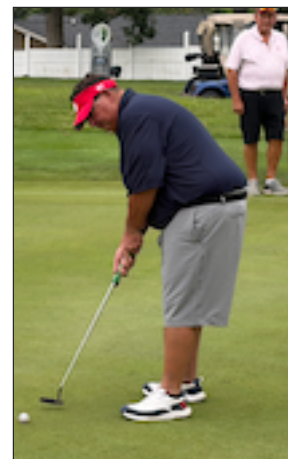
Scenes from Member-Guest Tourney July 23-26



Erik Olmsted chips on #1.



The final four: Runners up Al Peterson & Jerry Myerscough with Member-Guest winners Tony Robinson & Kim Marchuk.



Chris Clayton putts in during playoffs.



Ben Lanman, Curt Washburn, Coleman Engelkes, Amisha Washburn & Allie Engelkes.



Londyn Fultz



Member-Guest participants

Fourth & Freezeland



Fourth of July fireworks explode over the range set off by Tim Meister & family.



Jackie & Tad Freezeland provided the pre-fireworks entertainment.



Fireworks



At left, Freezeland fans.