CCC News

Charleston Country Club

June 2022

Membership drive extended to July 1; 41 join club in spring

The club's membership drive will continue to July 1, the board of directors decided at its monthly meeting May 16. The drive was set to end June 1.

Thus far 41 new members have joined the club this spring. Current members recruited many of them under the drive's policy of giving members \$100 gift certificates for each new Class A and junior member they recruit.

Membership Director Katrina Butler said 10 new members joined in May and one member switched from social to Class A.

"We hope extending the

drive to July will help us recruit even more members and keep the club growing," Butler said.

Joining this month were Class A members Clay & Kylee Bignell, Tim Green, Beau Snuggs, David & Donna Martin and Tina & Tyler Funk; junior member Seth Higgins; non-residential member Dan & Nichole Goebel; student members Logan Beals and Jacob Wilson and social members John & Jessica Morris. Jay & Kriss Gatrell changed from social to class A.

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Shining Stars

Terry Davis, Eric Icenogle, Terry Allen and Fred Deremiah won the Memorial Day Shining Star tournament, shooting a blistering 16 under. The team of Andrew Shick, Chuck Card, Mark Stoltz and Kim Schaefer placed second. The team of Mike Nichols, Doug Dillon, Freddie Hall and John Winnett got third.

Menu prices going up in June

Bowing to inflation, menu items will increase slightly in June.

Most menu items will be increased by \$1-\$2 with the strategy of keeping the prices as inexpensive as possible for members.

Future hikes may be necessary but we're trying to keep meal prices competitive with other restaurants.

Sign-up under way for junior golf programs

Registration is under way for the two junior golf programs being offered this summer.

Head Golf Pro Kee Fryxell said he is running a program for beginners to intermediate juniors and a program for intermediate to advanced juniors.

The beginner/intermediate program will be held on Tuesdays, June 14-Aug. 2, for juniors aged 6 to 17.

"A wide variety of instructional activities and drills will be offered to keep it interesting for the kids," Fryxell said. "Juniors will play holes after practice each week."

Instructions and drill work will be limited to 45 minutes with ages 15-17 beginning at 8:30 a.m., ages 11-14 at 9:30 a.m. and ages 6-10 at 10:30 a.m.

Cost of the program will be \$100 for juniors who are members and \$130 for juniors who are not members.

"The goal is to increase their knowledge, teach them

etiquette, fundamentals and lifelong skills in an inviting environment," Fryxell said.

The intermediate/advanced program will be held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Fridays for six weeks on these dates: June 17, 24, July 1, 8, 22, 29. Cost will be \$100 for member juniors and \$130 for non-member iuniors.

"The intermediate/advance program is for juniors who play in tournaments

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The Board of Directors meets at 6 p.m. the third Monday of every month.

Gene Miller 50-year member

Edward "Gene" Miller, a 50-year club member, will be remembered as a guy who liked to golf and who made a long-lasting contribution that still serves the club today.

Miller, 82, died April 30 at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center.

Miller joined the club in the 1970s and played with the late Max Davis and longtime member David Shick. He later played with the 11 o'-clock group.

Kenny Sims, whose membership dates back almost as long as Miller's, said he remembers Miller as sometimes having a temper and never chipping into a green.

"He putted everything around the green," Sims said. "He putted from 20-30 feet in."

Tom Everett, a member since the 1960s, said Miller



Gene Miller

gave the club the right-of-way to land he owned so it could pump the recycled waste water from the city to the pond along holes #3 and #4, one of the main sources of water for the course.

"The right of way made it possible for the club to get the sewage disposable water," Everett said.

Another thing Miller did for the club was kill moles.

"He'd come out early in the morning and find the mole lines," longtime member Ray Padovan said. "He'd sit for an hour or so and when the moles came back along the line, he'd whack them with a club. He'd kill several every-

day."

Born Feb. 27, 1940, in Charleston, Miller was preceded in death by two wives; his parents; adoptive parents and a brother, Danny Pope.

Survivors include a daughter, Lisa Miller; two sisters, Marjorie Altman and Susie (Bill) Douglas; a brother, Larry Reed; and two granddaughters.

He was a member of the Moose Lodge, Hutton Masonic Lodge, Mattoon Eagles, Shriners and belonged to the First Presbyterian Church. He volunteered at Catholic Charities. He enjoyed golfing, mushroom hunting, fishing and mole hunting.

Memorials in his honor can be made to the Charleston High School Class of 1958 Scholarship Fund and mailed to Adams Funeral Chapel.

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The board also discussed reducing the number of golf carts on the course during play. Members have been driving carts with no passengers since it was encouraged during the COVID outbreak

Several board members pointed out that the club's bylaws state that golfers must ride with two golfers per cart.

Course Superintendent Dan Ochs Jr. says more carts on the course hurt playing conditions in a number of ways.

"Fewer carts mean less compaction of fairways and roughs, less chance of weed seeds gaining a competitive advantage on the course," he said. "It also will decrease half the wear and tear on ingress and egress areas on the course."

He said fewer carts on the course will improve playing conditions and increase the battery life of individual carts.

Board members agreed to encourage members to return to the two-person per cart rule.

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In heard a report from House Director Jim Hickenbottom that the sealing of the parking lot will begin soon followed by new striping. He said the lot will done in phases and he will try to get word out to members in advance.

■ appointed a nominating committee to begin the election process for the year. Appointed were Chair Dave Reed and members Carolyn Kolling, Bill Applegate and Bernie Walk. The board asked the committee to appoint a second woman to the committee.

Board of directors seats and the president's position will be up for election in October.

- heard a report from Secretary Katrina Butler that uniform golf shirts for all staff members were ordered in May.
- Pool Director Paul Kolling reported that the pool will open as planned.

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For the record:

Welcome new members

Class A

Clay & Kyleee Bignell
Tim Green
Beau Snuggs
David & Donna Martin
Tim & Tyler Funk
Jay & Kris Gatrell from Social

Junior

Seth Higgins

Non-residential

Dan & Nichole Goebel

Student

Logan Beals Jacob Wilson

Social

John & Jessica Morris

Membership #s

Class A/Promo A = 156 Social = 92 Senior = 46 Junior/Junior Promo = 47 Non-resident =11 Fellowship = 10 Student = 3

Congratualtions to:

Kee & Kathryn Fryxell will be married June 4

Parking lot fundraising:

\$4,525 raised: \$14,000 needed

Pro Shop purchases do not count against member's kitchen/bar minimum.

Club's #: 217-345-6603

Powell named bar manager

Kyndal Powell, who has been a bartender/server for the past seven months, will become bar manager June 1.

"I've enjoyed working at the club as a server/bartender and have decided to take on the role as manager," Powell said. "I'm excited for the opportunity and the opportunity to continue building strong connections with the members."

Since February, Powell has been the dayside bar manager and handles events. With her new responsibilities, she will su-



Kyndal Powell

pervisor the server/bartenders, take over scheduling and will work closely with Head Cook Kyle Hisatake.

"Kyndal has done a tremendous job for us and is a very capable person," Interim President John Ryan said. "I think she can easily handle her new responsibilities."

A Greenup native, she is a graduate of Cumberland High School.

She served as assistant manager at Chances R Bar & Grill in Greenup before becoming general manager at Shae's Pub and Grub in Arcola.

When she first joined the CCC staff, she also was working as the social media marketing/customer service person at Swanson Jewelers.



Lou Marble, H.D. Wilson, Royce Marble, Brenda Wilson and Pat Marsh surround Norma Sellett in this recent photo taken in the gaming room.

Celebration for Norma Sellett set for June 3

Norma Sellett, no doubt the oldest continuous club member, will celebrate her 96th birthday in June at the club.

Please come and help her celebrate from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. June 3 in the Vista Room. Cake will be served.

Norma has been a member since 1957 when she married Dr. Charles Sellett,

who already belonged to the club. So she has been a member for 65 years. Charles died in 2005.

Norma golfed until she was 91, said her longtime friend, Brenda Wilson. She also played bridge at the club but gave that up two years ago.

Now she is content to come for lunch most Fridays and try her luck on the slot machines in the game room.

She says she wins about half the time.

Brenda Wilson, and her son, H.D. Wilson, usually accompany Norma.

If you have any questions about the reception, contact Brenda Wilson at 217-345-3688.

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Around the club in the month of May



Mother's Day brunch was a hit as 97 members and guests came out on May 8. Above, Carol Hjort and friends; at right, the Louthans, the Loves and the Bingham-Porters take advantage of the setting.





The Meet and Greet with new EIU Head Football Coach Chris Wilkerson went well on Thursday, May 19. Above, the coach, at right, talks with Jason Wavering, left, while offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Joe Davis looks on. Pilson's Automotive sponsored the reception.

Unfortunately not photographed is Blaine Smitely and Curt Schaefer repairing the bridge between holes #12 and #14 on May 31. But it was a great job and service to the club. Thanks guys!







Above right, Pool Director Paul Kolling zips up Ray Padovan's wet suit as he prepares to put in the pool lights in 72-degree water on Sunday, May 29. Above left, Ray grabs one of the three lights. At left, he starts to screw in the last light. Ray saved someone a cold job but the EIU retired swim coach had the right stuff to get it done.

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(Continued from page 1) or who want to get in them," Fryxell said. "The goal is teach students how to compete and give them extra

skills to play at their level."

The two-hour clinics will work on course management, sand trap play, shots from difficult lies and perfecting the right attitude, Fryxell said.

Thus far 22 juniors have signed up for the programs. Fryxell is working on get-

ting the word out and recruiting more students for the programs. **CCC News** Page 5

Golf tournaments filling up June calendar

June will kick off the tournament season with several events. There's still time to sign up and join in the competition.

June 4-5: Member/Member Tournament will consist of 18 holes of team play both Saturday and Sunday.

On Saturday, teams will play a scramble on the front nine and alternating-shot on the back nine. On Sunday, the teams will play better ball for all 18 holes.

Cost is \$50 per player or \$100 per team. The top teams will get payouts in Pro Shop credit. There also will

be payouts for longest drive and closest to the pin.

June 11: Sip & Chip event will be a par 3 tournament. It's a mixed event with a red, white and blue theme, a 50-50 drawing and American food theme in the restaurant.

Cost for couples is \$25; \$15 for singles. The losing team will get a 15-minute lesson with Head Golf Pro Kee Fryxell.

June 17: A prep junior event will be played on Friday at the club and the course will be closed until 2 p.m. The event is part of a two-day tournament with the first day, Thursday, being played at the Mattooon Golf & Country Club.

The tournament is open to any high-school aged junior, including members. The entry fee is \$99. Tee times will start at 8 a.m. both days. See the Pro Shop for details.

June 24: The Charleston High School Golf Classic will be held Friday, June 24. The course will be closed but members can participate in the outing.

July 2: Four-person scramble challenge Saturday, July 2. Members should sign up and teams will be flighted.

Men will play six holes from the gold tees, six holes from the blue tees and six holes from the white tees.

Women will play six from the blue tees, six from the white tees and see holes from the red tees. There will be no drop out, each team member will hit every shot.

The strategy will be to pick who will tee off from what tees. Top winners will be awarded in cash. There will be a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Register in the Pro Shop.

Kentucky Derby Day Party a sure winner

Sixty turned out to bet on the races, skillfully run by John Smith, and to compete in the hat contest



Above, contestants line up for the voting May 7. Center, Winner Kambri Hinds, middle, is flanked by second-place winner Christine Ryan and third-place winner Barb Haddock. At right top, more contestants, including Mary Drake & son Adam, bottom.







Meet CCC staffers: This month JazLyn

Name: JazLyn Shew Position: Server How long at club: One month

Home town: Newton High School/College: Newton Community High School; Olney Central Community College

What I like about my job: I love meeting and talking to new people while working at the club.

When not working, I like to: play with my dog and hang out with my cousins. My dream job would be:

Interior designer

When I grow up, I want to: be a lawyer specializing in child and family law, representing children.

Favorite vacation/place to

visit: Portland, Ore.

One thing no one knows about me: I have had eight heart surgeries.



JazLyn Shew