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Pool & Snack Bar Closed for the season

> CLUB CLOSURE JANUARY 1 - JANUARY 16

WE WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

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## President's Message

Krista Lea

Hello CCP Membership,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! It is hard to believe December is already here, and I am writing my final newsletter of 2022. Although we have had some challenges, it has been a great year at the Club. I am proud of all that we have accomplished. Looking back we had so many great events and activities. Our programs are thriving and our facilities are always improving.

The Club is looking quite festive for the holidays. We have a full calendar of events to help you make the most of the season. The Santa Brunch and Holiday Lunch Buffet are two member favorites. Please come out and enjoy the Club this holiday season.

The Board of Directors will host an annual meeting in early 2023. Please be on the lookout for a date and details of this meeting where we will discuss financial status, club successes, and an outlook for 2023. All members are encouraged to attend.

We look forward to welcoming you back on Friday, January 20th, for the Welcome Back Buffet following the annual post holiday Club closure. As always, thank you for your membership and support. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns. I hope your holiday is filled with peace, joy, and love.

Krista

#### Dear Members,

The tradition of the Country Club of Paducah has been to invite members to demonstrate their appreciation to the staff through contributions to the Employee Holiday Fund. This is an opportunity to thank all employees, both visible and behind the scenes, for their loyal and dedicated service over the past year. All contributions will be distributed in the fairest possible manner and will be gifted well in advance of the Christmas Holiday so team members will have supplemental funds for gifts of their own. Your contribution of \$50 will be reflected on your upcoming December statement for your convenience.

I wish you the very best for a healthy, happy and prosperous holiday season and new year. On behalf of the entire staff, thank you for allowing us to serve you! We truly value you as members and strive to provide wonderful experiences each time you visit the Club. I am looking forward to seeing you at one of our many, upcoming events.

Very truly yours,

Michael Methot, CCM, General Manager

# General Manager's Message

Michael Methot, CCM

It's hard to believe another month is behind us. You know what they say, "Time flies when we are having fun," and that has absolutely been the case for November. If you were one of the nearly 300 members who joined us for Thanksgiving, we hope you enjoyed your experience as the culinary team prepared some classic comfort foods that were sure to please. From the décor to the delicious turkey, it was a day to remember...until the next major event held here at the Club.

The holidays bring about much joy and happiness, along with some extremely hectic and fast-paced days, as everyone ramps up their personal gatherings, company outings, and children's festivities. It will be over in no time, so be sure to cherish the memories and moments you'll share with your families and acquaintances. In all the madness, be sure to find some time at the Club taking advantage of the plethora of events and activities we have planned for you. In the coming days, be on the lookout for a December briefing that will shine a light on all we have happening here!

If you've stopped by the Club these past few days, you would have seen the team working diligently to transform the various spaces into a winter wonderland. Although there is still some work to be done, we made some significant strides and there will be a few surprises that we are anxious to reveal! As we approach this time each year, the team is always looking for ways to make the surroundings more festive.

Looking ahead to the end of the year and beyond, please be mindful of the following:

The Clubhouse will be closing at **2:00pm on Friday**, **December 9** for a Private Event.

The Clubhouse **Annual Closure** will begin on Sunday, January 1 through Monday, January 16. Food & Beverage services will resume on Tuesday, January 17.

Your **Annual Dining Commitment** (excluding Non-Resident members) of \$1,000 needs to be met by **March 31, 2023.** Last year, we had several members who were rushing to meet this goal, so for proper planning purposes this time around, you can always reference the bottom left corner of your statement for your balance.

In closing, I would like to wish all of you and your families a joyous and safe Holiday Season. Thank you for your continued support of the Club and for promoting membership to your friends, neighbors, and coworkers.

### Off The Tee

Chad Martin, PGA Director of Golf

## Green Scene

Shannon Watson, CGC Superintendent

#### \*\*IMPORTANT REMINDERS\*\*

#### ALL GOLF SHOP SCRIP MUST BE REDEEMED BY

<u>DECEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>!</u> The next time you're out, please stop by the golf shop and ask if you have any available scrip. It is imperative for the golf shop to close out our 2022 scrip before the start of the 2023 season. \*Scrip can only be used for in-stock purchases in the month of December.

#### **GOLF LESSON PACKAGE SPECIAL**

Take advantage of this lesson special that will only be offered at this rate in December of 2022, *3 lessons for \$180*. This makes a great gift for the golfer with everything, or it can also be a great gift for yourself. These lessons can be used anytime in 2022 and 2023. Call or email the Golf Shop to reserve this special lesson package.

#### **GOLF IN THE BUBBLE**

The net is now back open and ready for use in the tennis bubble. Any golfers wishing to keep the rust off may use the net and mat in the bubble to work on their full swing and keep the muscles loose this winter. Please keep an eye out for some promotions we will run this winter using the bubble.

#### **WINTER SCORE POSTING**

During the months of December, January, and February the Kentucky area is inactive for score posting. If you play in a warm season climate during these months, the scores can be posted. We will begin score posting for 2023 on March 1st.

#### **GOLF SHOP HOLIDAY DROP-IN**

On Wednesday, December 14th, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm, we will offer our annual Golf Shop Holiday Drop-In. This will be an excellent opportunity to take advantage of some great discounts, as well as a way to find some gifts for that special golfer in your family. We will also offer complimentary adult beverages for all members attending. Please mark your calendar and plan to come out to the Golf Shop for this fun social event.

It is hard to believe that 2022 is already ending. It's been a fantastic season of golf and I can't wait to get the 2023 season started. Please keep an eye out for a new 18-hole putting tournament that your Golf Professionals will unveil sometime early in 2023.

I would like to thank our membership for the outstanding support of our tournament program and our Golf Shop. We have eclipsed record sales numbers this year in the Golf Shop and have grown our tournament participation by 7% over 2021. A quick note regarding tournament participation, in 2016 the Club played 781 member tournament rounds, in 2022 we played 1,485 member tournament rounds, for an overall increase of 90%. It is great to see our members supporting our wide array of tournament offerings. All of that a being said, I would like to challenge our golfing members to participate in at least one more event in 2023 than they did in 2022...

Lastly, I would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to our Board of Directors and our Golf Committee for all of their work to make CCP one of the premier facilities in Kentucky.

November's weather represented all four seasons during the month. We had warmth and sun, high winds, lows in the 20's, several heavy frosts, and even an accumulating snow. The one constant aspect of the weather pattern this year is we still are experiencing well below average precipitation. This deficit continues to expand. The only good thing is that the sun sits so low in the southern sky this time of year, any moisture received tends to stay in the ground and not evaporate like I the summer. I know that all things in nature tend to equal out in the long run, so I am on the lookout for that wet period to balance out what has been the driest year I can remember.

The state of the golf course heading into winter is good. The greens are very healthy. Mowing frequency has been one to two times a week depending on the weather and rate of growth. The rate of growth this fall has been dramatically reduced due to the growth regulator applications to help with Poa annua in the greens. These applications have done well and have provided some outstanding putting quality over the past couple months. December is characterized by the shortest day lengths of the year. The lack of sunlight and warmth effects the greens by slowing their top growth, yet the root system can still grow if the soil stays warm enough. This month mowing will eventually cease, and cups changed once a week. When we reach this point, we will be applying a heavy application of topdressing along with a granular fertilizer and wetting agent to help protect the growing points of the bentgrass turf during the winter months. The fairways, tees and collars are well into winter dormancy and are awaiting their nonselective and preemergent herbicide applications after the new year. Staff has been working hard blowing and mulching leaves to keep the course playable. Heavy winds over the past several weeks have brought most of the leaves down. Since the leaf situation is now under control, we have been moving on to our winter projects. We will be working on irrigation heads, relocating sand in the bunkers and recompacting the faces (eliminates the fried egg lie), winterizing the irrigation system, pruning trees, clearing underbrush in several wooded areas, refinishing the summer accessories, grinding reels, and servicing all machinery.

The seasonal staff is currently gone for the year. The full-time staff remains and will start taking some of their much-needed vacation to recharge their batteries for winter maintenance and the upcoming golf season. Without their hard work and dedication, the course would not have been in the shape it was this year. I cannot thank them enough for their effort and unwavering support during this year of unprecedented lack of precipitation since June.

We wish all of you a joyous holiday season!

See you on the course.

# **DECEMBER 2022 & JANUARY 2023**

| MONDAY                      | TUESDAY            | WEDNESDAY               | THURSDAY           | FRIDAY                   | SATURDAY               | SUNDAY                 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|                             |                    |                         | 1                  | 2                        | 3                      | 4                      |
|                             |                    |                         | Crafting with Kids |                          |                        | Santa Brunch           |
|                             |                    |                         |                    |                          |                        | NFL Ticket             |
| 5                           | 6                  | 7                       | 8                  | 9                        | 10                     | 11                     |
| Clubhouse<br>Closed         |                    |                         |                    | Clubhouse<br>Closed (PM) |                        | Sunday Brunch          |
| Oluseu                      |                    |                         |                    | Closed (FIVI)            |                        | NFL Ticket             |
| 12                          | 13                 | 14                      | 15                 | 16                       | 17                     | 18                     |
| Clubhouse<br>Closed         |                    | Holiday Lunch<br>Buffet |                    |                          | Candlelight<br>Dinner  | Sunday Brunch          |
|                             |                    |                         |                    |                          |                        | NFL Ticket             |
| 19<br>Clubhouse             | 20                 | 21                      | 22                 | 23                       | 24                     | 25<br>Merry Christmas! |
| Closed                      |                    |                         |                    |                          | Clubhouse<br>Closed    | Clubhouse<br>Closed    |
| 26                          | 27                 | 28                      | 29                 | 30                       | 31                     | 1                      |
| Clubhouse<br>Closed         |                    |                         |                    |                          | NYE Dinner             | Clubhouse<br>Closed    |
| 2                           | 3                  | 4                       | 5                  | 6                        | 7                      | 8                      |
| ANNUAL MAINTENANCE SHUTDOWN |                    |                         |                    |                          |                        |                        |
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| 9                           | 10                 | 11                      | 12                 | 13                       | 14                     | 15                     |
| ANNUAL MAINTENANCE SHUTDOWN |                    |                         |                    |                          |                        |                        |
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| 16                          | 17                 | 18                      | 19                 | 20                       | 21                     | 22                     |
| Clubhouse<br>Closed         | CLUBHOUSE<br>OPEN! |                         |                    |                          | Welcome Back<br>Buffet |                        |
| 23<br>Club Closed           | 24                 | 25                      | 26                 | 27                       | 28                     | 29                     |
| 30<br>Club Closed           | 31                 |                         |                    |                          |                        |                        |

## Off The Tee (continued)

Chad Martin, PGA Director of Golf

#### **CONGRATS GABE!!**

I would like to highlight the outstanding month of November that Gabe Wheeler had both professionally and competitively. First, Gabe was promoted to 1st Assistant Professional, and I can't tell you enough how much he deserved this advancement. Secondly, Gabe and Sean Miller, Assistant Professional at Olde Stone, captured the final event of the 2022 KPGA season, the Pro - Pro Championship at Keene's Trace with a two day total of 14 under par. Gabe also secured third place in the overall standings for KPGA Assistant Professionals.



## Looking Ahead to 2023:

The Chili Open ~ March 4th

Klondike Classic ~ April 1st

Men's Night Begins ~ April 19th

Kickoff Scramble ~ April 22nd

CCP Two Man Open ~ April 29th & 30th

Youth vs Experience ~ May 20th & 21st

Memorial Day Tournament ~ May 29th

Family Cup ~ June 3rd

Ladies 6-Hole Scramble ~ June 10th

Family Cup ~ June 18th

Men's Member Guest ~ June 22nd, 23rd & 24th

LGA Memorial Tournament ~ June 27th

## Around The Club

Whitney Stone-Leyhue, Event Coordinator

The holiday season has arrived, and I am thrilled by the overwhelming response to our Holiday Celebrations Guide for 2022. This year we are hosting more member celebrations than ever before, so we hope to see you all at the Club this December.

We kick off the month with our **Crafting with Kids: Gingerbread Edition (12/1)** where we are taking all the stress out of gingerbread house decorating with the whole family. Included in your pricing is a pre-constructed house, decorating candy, and a fully loaded hot cocoa bar. Thank you to those who pre-ordered by the deadline.

Our annual **Santa Brunch (12/4)** is back and will be featuring a full brunch buffet and an appointment with the big man himself. This event is very popular and has already received over 300 RSVPs.

Our **Holiday Lunch Buffet (12/14)** is the perfect way to celebrate the holiday season with your staff. At only \$18.95 per person this includes hot lunch buffet items with soup, salad, and dessert bar.

The **Candlelight Dinner (12/17)** is back by popular demand and features a multi-course dinner by candlelight and optional wine pairings. This is a great way to celebrate friends and connect during the busy holiday time of year.

We will be concluding the year with our **New Year's Eve Dinner (12/31)** that is sure to end 2022 on a high note. Featuring a multi-course dinner, champagne specials, and a dessert and coffee bar that should rival our over-the-top Valentine's Day dessert bar that was a huge hit!

Don't miss all that CCP has to offer this winter, full flyers are available around the Clubhouse, Instagram, Facebook, and our CCP website but I am always available for questions and feedback. If you need anything at all this holiday season I would be happy to assist you with all of your plans, so email me anytime!

For dining reservations: 270-448-3463
To RSVP to an event: wstone@ccofpaducah.com

## In the Kitchen

Wade Simpson, Executive Chef

Happy Holidays,

We had a wonderful Thanksgiving buffet and I think the staff really put on a great day. The upcoming holiday season should be fun for all of us and we are working on making upcoming parties something to remember.

I know many question this and we are no different than any other operation in the country. Prices have increased immensely over the past 2 ½ years. I am sure you have seen it in grocery stores and we surely aren't immune to it as a club as many restaurants. It has affected every aspect of our operations and will continue to do so.

I put together a little comparison from 2019 to present with the help of one of our broadline companies:

Eggs alone have increased over 100% since 2019 - what you used to buy at \$2.40 a dozen is now around \$4-\$5 a dozen. Chicken Wings were around the \$82 range with fluctuations of course, but in 2022 are near \$150 and up for a 40lb case. Beef tenderloins are nearly \$16lb give or take, but doesn't fluctuate much and we are doing our best to stick with a good product.

For New York Strip I started buying Prime, due to choice never being consistent in tenderness and in the neighborhood of \$18lb after trimming and cutting steak (8oz) we are \$18.32 for the individual steak. It can certainly be a lost leader. Fryer shortening is another product we all need and use. 2019 we were in the \$35 range and now around \$46-56 range today. Last year it was close to \$80-\$110 for 35lb tub. Mayonnaise has gone from \$40 a gallon to \$56 a gallon. Cod over the years has been one of those items that has increased over a 20 year period. What was an abundance in the early 90's at \$3+ lb. is now \$18-\$24lb with scarcity.

As you can see from this short list of items we have been in a phase of trying to shop effectively and still have great quality in our products. We will continue to do so and watch where and what we can.

I am also proud that we are able to buy local lettuce from West Kentucky Aquaponics out of Benton. With the romaine situation we are able to purchase from them. It is a smaller head but is also 100% useable. A little softer lettuce so you will see a change in texture but great in flavor.

Thank you for allowing us to serve you and have the best upcoming season.

Wade

## On the Court & In the Gym

Oscar Imhof, Director of Racquets

I hope everyone had a Happy Thanksgiving. Christmas is around the corner. If you are still looking for a present for a loved one, or for yourself, we are offering a special on tennis and pickleball lessons; 2 one-hour lessons with coach Oscar for only \$99. Lessons need to be purchased before December 24th and must be used before January 31st.

The "bubble" renovations are almost completed! The new heating system is working great and the last area of the bubble

where work needs to be done, is scheduled to be sealed in the next few days. Stay tuned for our "reopening" day party, which will include games, food, and prizes!

Lastly, if you are looking to book a court, booking them through our app CourtReserve is the easiest way to do so! You can book courts anytime. In order to do, all you need to do is download the app CourtReserve and create an account. If you have any questions, please stop by the desk, or contact me directly, and I will be happy to show you how to do it.

See you on the courts, Oscar



