

July 2017



Tee to Green



From the President, Brian Brown

As we continue to improve every aspect of Wildwood, the Board has approved a project to repave the asphalt areas behind the pro-shop and around the putting green. In addition, the brick walkway to the patio will be removed and a wider asphalt walkway will be installed. To maximize our value from this project, we are also having the firm repair, once and for all, the part of the cart path on 18 that repeatedly washes away. Lastly, the large area in the front parking lot, near the corner of the cart barn that has deteriorated will also be repaired. Our plan is to repave the front parking area next year.

Work has recently begun on clearing a significant number of trees that separate our golf course from the condos. This work will start at the tee box for hole #15 and continue all the way to the green on hole #17.

Jordan and the board continue to look into furniture options for our new porch. Please be patient while we look to find the appropriate and affordable solution. You also may have noticed a small box on the left side of the steps leading to the new porch. This "ball drop" is for you to use to deposit a slightly used golf ball that Jordan will make available to our Junior golfers. Consider depositing the ball you just pulled out of the hole on #18 before you move the 19th hole.

As always, if you need anything, I'm always reachable via email.



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General Manager Update, Jordan Lawson

As I sit here, I struggle to find any words that could do our boy Jay any justice. Wildwood Golf Club will never be the same without him. Jay wasn't just an employee at Wildwood, Jay was Wildwood. He was just as much the face of Wildwood as any of us are. He was a member of this family and all families here at Wildwood. I'll be honest with all of you, I feel quite lost without him. Jay was the most honest person I've ever known. I trusted him more than anyone. He was my right hand man, my confidant, my voice of reason, and my friend. I will miss not being able to run ideas by him, and then receiving the most honest response. He helped me and this club in ways that most of you are completely unaware of. Jay was my biggest supporter, but also my biggest critic. I did nothing without consulting Jay first. To come to this club just over three years ago and inherit Jay as my assistant was an absolute gift. Jay genuinely cared about this club and all of you. Even when some members were being, shall we say.....difficult. Haha, sorry, had to get that in there.

Jay would have wanted me too!

I want to say thank you to everyone for the outpouring of support I have received from you thus far. This is something I never ever thought I would be dealing with and it has been incredibly difficult. We truly are a family here at Wildwood and I appreciate all of you. We will move forward together and we will honor Jay in doing so.

I also want to say thank you for the support that has been shown to his family. Jay's family was blown away at his Celebration of Life here at the club. They had no idea that he meant so much to Wildwood and just how many lives he touched. I am currently working with his family on a Scholarship Memorial Golf Event to be held in his name. We are planning to have the first event in 2018, allowing ample time to plan a wonderful event.

Nothing but the best, for our boy Jay.

July							2017
Wildwood Golf Club							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
				Weekly Draw 7:00 PM		¹ 4 th of July Tourney Fireworks!!	
² 4 th of July Tourney Pool Party/Rib Fest!	³ Jr. Golf 9:00 AM Happy Hour 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM	⁴ Independence Day	⁵	⁶ Weekly Draw 7:00 PM	⁷ The Stagger Open	⁸ W.W. Sebald Club Championship	
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³⁰ The Classic	³¹ Franklin Chamber Outing					 Green = Golf Blue = Social Red = Outside Event	

Tournament Trustee Update, Josh Davenport

I have to give a major shout out to Dan Francis and his crew. They are doing a wonderful job on the course.

However, as members, we are not doing our part to keep this course looking good.

There are way too many divots not being replaced. I understand the divot may fly a couple yards in front of you and it might be a hassle to go get it but taking the extra minute to replace it looks so much better then just a hole in the fairway.

I would like to thank Mark Fleeger for his donation of those things that just sit outside the sand traps. Those RAKES are to be used after hitting out of a sand trap. It is not fun to hit a ball in the sand and be in someone's foot print. Even when we are playing "rake and place", it still benefits the overall composition of the trap if you rake after your play out of the bunker.

Please fix all ball marks; there are way to many not being fixed. Also, please keep your cigarette butts off of the course, the grass should not be your ashtray.

With Dan and his crew doing all they can to keep our course in top shape, we as members need to take better care of the course ourselves.



2017 Fourth of July Results

Men's Division

1st Jeff Neeley, Kyle Wolf, Gary Wolf, Michael Smith

Score: 250 \$125 ea.

2nd Jimmy Blankenship, Chris Johnson, Sam Russell, Kevin McConnell

Score: 251 \$90 ea.

3rd Jeff Hamilton, Tim Birchwell, Scott Ricke, Tim Bruggeman

Score: 256 \$80 ea.

4th Rick Bielecki, Doug Dietz, Ron Hensley, Charlie Weidner

Score: 257 \$70 ea.

T5 Brian Brown, Kyle Brown, Dan Francis, Jimmy Parks

Score: 258 \$55 ea.

T5 Dick Roots, Jim Kersteiner, Tom Grove, Steve Borich

Score: 258 \$55 ea.

Ladies Division

1st Cecelia Nenni, Ellen Nelson, Mary Fleeger, Diani Brown

Score: 269 \$80 ea.

2nd Carole Donohue, Susan Phillips, Judy Weidner, Jean Gaw

Score: 278 \$60 ea.

3rd Rose Rolfes, Jo Shadoan, Pattie Randlett, Kathy Harris

Score: 279 \$45 ea.

Grounds Superintendent Update, Dan Francis

Thirty days down and sixty to go! The biggest crunch for my staff and myself will always be the ninety days between June and August.

The double verti-cut was a huge success. I am very excited to incorporate roughly 12-14 tons of sand into the profile with minimal disruption to you and events. So what's next you ask: Chances are you won't know this even happened but I hope to broom up the leaf blade and remove 15-20% of the tissue on the greens to gain a bit of speed and ball roll. Very simple and zero disruption. Many more chemical applications to make, along with sound irrigation. This is the heart of my operation. Planning has begun, behind the scenes, for fall aerification. I get butterflies just thinking about it! Much of what my team and I do starts below the ground. Every chance I get to tweak and alter the soil profile of a fairway, tee or green is a good one.

We are still dropping a few trees here and there, on the course. Many irrigation leaks (8 of 10) have been repaired. We are prepared to tackle any others that flare up. Rough mowing this year has gone from 25-30 hours a week to a mere 12-16 hours a week, as a result you might dislike the rough even more now but it is healthy and aesthetically pleasing without disrupting the pace of play.

Fun Facts:

- *We have 392 sprinkler heads on property.
- *The cicadas you heard were the 13 year brood that means fours years from now we will have the massive 17 year brood.
- *We have 3 acres of greens, 3 acres of tees, 19 acres of fairways and 80-90 acres of rough.
- *When I apply chemical the white bubbles you see are simply Dawn dish soap that are used to mark where the application has been applied.

Please bring more guests this month and encourage your friends to join our Wildwood family. You know where to find me and don't ever hesitate to stop me and ask questions.



Finance Update, Sonny Bach and Paul Mosko

Compared to the club's original fiscal year ending September 30th, net income for eight months is approximately 20% ahead of the prior year. Even though we are heading into the three toughest months when considering costs such as water, fertilizer and labor, everyone is doing a fantastic job and we are encouraged as we head into the summer. While all of this news is very positive, and continues the trends over the last two to three years of not adding to our debt, we still have work to do on our long-term financial goals.

Welcome to our New and Returning Members

- Joseph Bruggeman Fairfield, Junior Single Golf Membership
- Bruce Cramer Middletown, Single Golf Membership
- Jonathon and Jami Pack Monroe, Junior Family Member
- Terry Miller Lebanon, Single Golf Membership
- Jesse Terbrueggen Cincinnati, Junior Single Golf Membership

