



MEMBER NEWSLETTER

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Happy New Year





KENNY'S KORNER

A MESSAGE FROM THE GM

The year in review! Ok we are done with 2018. Now, time to move forward. As most of you already know, I am a glass is half full guy. Always looking for the good and the positive. That is how I approach my job and Lakewood Golf & Country Club. If you were in attendance at the 2018 Annual Meeting you have seen some of this forward vision, but we are going to lay it out here and now for the folks who did not attend.

In my mind, the club and the membership have fallen into a lull and there is not a whole lot of extracurricular activity. We, the staff, have failed to make the effort to offer the activities that you as a paying member deserve. Time for that to change and we have the staff in place to do this.

I want to personally thank all the members that attended the year-end meeting. We had some very positive discussions with some great ideas coming forward. I can't wait to sit down with the board to further discuss and hopefully implement these great ideas and projects. To those that did not attend here are some highlights of our "Going Forward" initiative.

Membership Drive - Elizabeth Banks and I will sit down and complete the finer details, so we can get out to the membership sometime in January. I know you will love the incentive being offered to bring us new members.

New Menu - Ian and I will be sitting down to totally revamp our menu. I think everyone will be pleasantly surprised when we unveil before Spring.

Social Scene - We will be creating a social scene at the club. Examples:

- \$5 Burger Night for \$7
- FRIDAY NIGHT MUSIC
- SATURDAY NIGHT MUSIC W/CLUB BABYSITTING SERVICES
- 7-CARD STUD NIGHT
- LADIES GAME NIGHT (MAHJONG, HAND & FOOT, TONK, DOMINOS, ETC)
- HOLIDAY BUFFETS (MEMORIAL DAY, JULY 4TH, LABOR DAY, ETC)
- EASTER EGG HUNT (BRING THE KIDS AND GRANDKIDS)
- POOL PARTIES
- CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY W/DINNER & ANGEL TREE
- NEW YEAR'S PARTY
- MONTHLY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
- GOLF BALL (ANNUAL FORMAL CELEBRATION OF OUR TOURNAMENT CHAMPS)
- WINE AND PAINTING CLASS
- MURDER MYSTERY DINNER
- COOKING CLASS WITH CHEF IAN
- MARTINI NIGHT
- FOOTBALL SPECIALS (SATURDAY & SUNDAY)
- NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP PARTY
- SUPER BOWL PARTY

These are just a few of the ideas. If you have more please contact me. If anyone knows of a tennis instructor or a swimming instructor, please have them contact me. We are looking to get more people using our tennis facilities and have a swimming instructor/pool employee during the summer months.

Please use our website! www.lakewoodgcc.com Have a great Holiday Season and we hope to see you at YOUR club. We are looking forward to a very busy 2019.

Kenny

Get to Know Me!

Payton Brannom



Payton is our Assistant Golf Professional at Lakewood Golf & Country Club. He has been with us since April of 2018 and is a key cog in the everyday operation of the golf shop.

It seems Payton was not always destined to be a golf professional as every sport except golf captured his attention while growing up. As he exited high school, like a lot of us, he realized that this was as far as sports was going to take him. He enrolled at MTSU and soon picked up a new passion. Golf got into his blood as he worked toward a degree in Sports Broadcasting, but he was also eyeing a minor in coaching. Upon graduating, Payton stumbled across a job at a local radio station doing radio news, but it didn't take long to realize the golf bug was pulling him in a different direction. After hours and hours of research on the process of being a golf professional, Payton went all in and started calling local golf courses. He knew that with no formal golf history, nor the country club background that most golf pros come from, he would have a tough time breaking through the door. His mindset was "get me in the door at any level and with hard work I can get to where I want to go." Lucky for him and us, he called Lakewood Golf & Country Club.

It seems Kenny Saunders, our club pro, had a similar experience going from the jewelry business to the golf business and recognized a guy with a goal and the drive to follow his dream. He was hired and told we would get him in the door and in October we would help him get a job at another club at anywhere, USA. At the time, we didn't have the need nor the funds to keep a full-time assistant at Lakewood Golf & Country Club. But luck and being at the right place at the right time prevailed as Kenny was promoted to the GM position at Lakewood which created the need for a year-round assistant.

Since then, Payton has taken his Player Ability Test and qualified to enroll in the PGA Program. He will be travelling to Florida in January to take his Level 1 Seminar. The PGA Program generally takes about three to four years to complete but it seems Payton is on his way to achieving his goal of becoming a PGA Teaching Professional. If you see Payton around the club, wish him good luck, but he won't need it. He will get there because he loves the game and that's his goal.

Happy New Year from the Superintendent



As the golf maintenance crew moves into a new year we will look to take on several projects around the course that need to be addressed. Some of these include grinding of old stumps, filling in the back left bunker at #4 green, and putting in drainage on #6 greenside bunker on the right of the green. As you all know the weather this time of year is very unpredictable and mostly wet and cold. We will work on these tasks as weather permits and hope to have completion by the end of February. I look forward to hearing from the board regarding the trees that have been marked around the course, and hope to work on removing the ones we can. We will also look at getting a tree company in to remove some of the others that are dangerous or those that don't allow us to grow grass near them due to shade, roots, compaction, etc.

LAKWOOD KITCHEN RECIPES



FROM CHEF IAN

Hello members! This is your chef Ian Lowrance again, I hope everyone had a great holiday season. Speaking of the holiday season, the one complaint I get the most around this time of year is fruit cake. Now fruit cake is amazing, but no one knows how to prepare it for eating and the package doesn't tell you either, so let's make that fruit cake you received into something you can actually eat!

First, we make a simple syrup.

2 cups sugar
1 cup water

Boil the two together until it looks clear, do not over boil!

Second, we slice the fruit cake into half-inch slices or approximately that thickness. Lay those slices flat on a sheet pan and brush the simple syrup onto the fruit cake.

Last, we put it in a 250 degree oven for about 10 minutes. The syrup should have absorbed into the cake to make it soft and delicious. Do not over bake, because this one is easy to burn.

Spread the word on this one guys, fruit cake is amazing, it just needs a little love first.

FROM THE PROSHOP

2019 Rule Changes

The Putting Green

- If you accidentally move your ball or ball-marker on the putting green, there is no penalty. Just put it back.
(Previously: It's a one-stroke penalty if you do either.)
- You can repair almost any damage on the putting green including spike marks and animal damage. You cannot repair natural imperfections.
(Previously: You can only repair ball marks or old hole plugs.)
- So long as you don't improve the conditions for your stroke, you can touch the line of putt to indicate a target.
(Previously: Touching the line comes with a penalty of loss of hole (match play) or two shots (stroke play).)
- You can leave the unattended flagstick in when your ball is on the putting green, and there is no penalty if your ball strikes it.
(Previously: Loss of hole (match play) or two-shot penalty (stroke play) if you strike the flagstick with a stroke from the putting green.)

Water Hazards

- The term "water hazards" is being changed to "penalty areas" and will consist of red- and yellow-marked areas. This could include additional areas that don't contain water such as desert, jungle, lava rock, etc. If your ball winds up in one of these areas, a one-stroke penalty is applied if you take relief.
(Previously: Relief is allowed only from a water hazard (marked yellow) or a lateral water hazard (marked red).)
- You can move loose impediments in penalty areas, touch the ground with your hand or club, or ground your club without penalty.
(Previously: If you did any of the preceding, it's a loss of hole (match play) or a two-shot penalty (stroke play).)

Bunkers

- You can touch and move a loose impediment in a bunker when your ball is in that bunker.

(Previously: Penalty for doing so is loss of hole (match play) or two shots (stroke play).)

- You can touch the sand with your hand or club so long as you're not testing the conditions of the bunker, you're not placing the club right in front of or behind the ball, and you're not making a practice swing or backswing.
(Previously: With some exceptions, such as accidentally falling when entering the bunker, touching the sand with hand or club results in loss of hole (match play) or a two-shot penalty (stroke play).)

Ball at Rest

- You are only considered to have caused your ball to move if it is virtually certain (at least 95 percent likely) that you were the cause.
(Previously: You are considered to have caused your ball to move if it is more likely than not (50.1 percent) that you were the cause.)
- No matter where you are on the course, there is no penalty if you accidentally move your ball while searching for it. Just replace it.
(Previously: There is a one-stroke penalty for accidentally moving it.)

Taking Relief

- The only requirements when taking a drop are to hold the ball above the ground without it touching any object, and it must fall through the air before coming to rest. Height is not a requirement.
(Previously: You must stand and hold a ball at shoulder height, with your arm extended, before dropping.)
- Your ball is lost if not found within three minutes of searching.
(Previously: Your ball is lost if not found within five minutes of searching.)

Provisional Ball

- You have to declare you're playing a provisional ball before making a stroke with it. But you can begin a search, and still have the option of playing a provisional so long as you do so within three minutes.
(Previously: The moment you go forward to search for your original ball, you can no longer play a provisional.)



Ashley Gilliam

Women's Golfer of the Year in Tennessee

Article by: Zack Birdsong, The Tullahoma News, Nov. 30, 2018

[Gilliam Named Women's Golfer of the Year](#)

Golf season was in definitely in full swing this year for Tullahoma High School senior Ashley Gilliam, whose skill and talent on the links earned her the opportunity to travel the country, participating in a variety of high-profile tournaments.

Those strong and in some cases, record-setting, performances did not go unnoticed. On November 21, the Tennessee Golf Association announced Gilliam had been named the 2018 Tennessee Women's Golfer of the Year.

At the time of the announcement, Gilliam was actually on the course down in Florida, playing in the Rolex Tournament of Champions, at the PGA National Resort & Spa- Champion and Fazio Courses in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

"It's really cool and I am excited about that (to be named the Tennessee Women's Player of the Year)," Gilliam said. "I didn't know that I had got that. I was at a tournament in Florida and then one of the AJGA workers came up to me and said 'Congrats.' I was surprised and didn't know. It was really cool to figure out that I got that."

Before her most recent honor, Gilliam made history- even some family history- on her way to capturing her third-straight win during the 2018 Tennessean/Metro Parks Schooldays Golf Tournament on June 7th.

The THS golfer was just the third female to win the tournament three consecutive times. Her mother, Jennifer

Haley, won the same tournament three-straight times in between 1989 and 1991.

In the tournament's history, there has never been a female who has won the tournament four consecutive times. Gilliam will have an opportunity to claim that record all by herself when she is eligible to compete next year.

Following the Schooldays Tournament, Gilliam qualified for the U.S. Girls' Junior Championship which took place on July 16-21 at Poppy Hills Golf Course in Pebble Beach, California. She qualified for that tournament after nabbing third at a qualifier at Perdue University in Indiana on June 17.

During the national tournament in California, Gilliam advanced as far as the quarterfinals. In total 156 players qualified for the U.S. Girls' Junior Championship, with 64 advancing from the first two rounds, which consists of two 18-hole competitions.

Gilliam scored a +6 in her 18-hole rounds, placing 44th and guaranteeing herself a spot in match play. She went on to notch three-straight wins, before seeing her tournament end with a loss to Gina Kim in the quarterfinals matchup. A couple of weeks later, Gilliam was once again taking part in a national tournament, this time in the U.S. Women's Amateur. The national tournament took place at The Golf Club in Kingston Springs on August 6-12.

In order to qualify for that tournament, Gilliam needed to finish with in the top four at a qualifier in Lawrence, Kansas on June 27. Gilliam did one better, taking the top spot on her way to locking her spot in the national tournament. During the U.S. Women's Amateur, Gilliam saw her tournament end right after making it into match play. After combining to score a -3 during her first two 18-hole rounds, Gilliam dropped her opening match to Yuka Saso from the Phillipines.

Despite getting eliminated, Gilliam said the highlights for her this season were getting to be part of those national tournaments.

Ashley Gilliam (cont.)

“The U.S. Girls Tournament was probably the most fun tournament that I was part of,” she said. The USGA tournaments are run so well, so that is one of their biggest of the year. I got to quarters there, which was really cool. The U.S. Am was also exciting because it was in my home state, so all of my family got to come watch me. They really don’t get to go to the bigger tournaments, so it was really nice to have them there. To make it to match play was really awesome.”

Before taking off to those national tournaments, Gilliam brought home her second-straight Tennessee Girls’ Junior Amateur Title on July 12. She did so in record-breaking fashion, turning in a final round of -6, finishing 14 strokes ahead of runner-up Kara Carter from Kingsport.

Gilliam’s two-day performance set tournament records. First, she set the tournament record for lowest final round score, adding the lowest combined total, carding a 134 in two rounds.

With that performance in hand, Gilliam has made it a goal to try to win her third-straight Tennessee Girls’ Junior Amateur Title next year.

After competing all over the country, Gilliam returned to Tullahoma, helping lead the Lady Wildcats to a District 8 Title as well as a state tournament berth.

During the district tournament in Lawrenceburg, Gilliam took the top spot, carding a 72 on the day.

A week later, Tullahoma locked up its state tournament spot by claiming the Region 4 Championship in Murfreesboro on Sept. 17. Gilliam again put together a special performance, carding a 67, finishing -5 under par. Gilliam’s performance earned her the top spot individually during the region tournament, finishing 10 strokes ahead of her nearest competitor.

At the TSSAA State Tournament, the Lady Wildcats saw their second day washed out due to rain and scores were determined based off first-day efforts. Tullahoma concluded its state tournament run with a fifth-place finish.

Gilliam led the Lady Wildcats, putting up a +3 during the tournament, carding a 75 overall, tying her for eighth overall in the individual standings.

“It was really cool,” Gilliam said of her first season as a Lady Wildcat. “I had to sit out last year because I transferred. I love the team that we had and loved the girls on the team. It was really fun to get to play with them at state and try to compete and win there.”

On Nov. 14, Gilliam signed her letter of intent to continue her golfing career at Mississippi State.

“I love the program and the coaches there are amazing,” Gilliam. “Also the whole team atmosphere is great as well. I love all the players there and their practice facilities are great. There’s a family atmosphere there at Mississippi State that is really cool.”



Our 2018 Tournament Champions

Major Series

Masters

1st Place- John McCord/Bubba Watson (136)

2nd Place- Steve Cope/Jordan Spieth (136)

3rd Place- James McCord/Ricky Fowler (139)

U.S. Open

1st Place- Dick Slater/Hideki Matsuyama (128)

2nd Place- Lloyd Carden/Tommy Fleetwood (130)

3rd Place- Dean Holland/Matthew Fitzpatrick (135)

The Open

1st Place- Steve Cope/Justin Rose (132)

2nd Place- Bryan Hall/Rory McIlroy (137)

3rd Place- Tony Phillips/Tommy Fleetwood (138)

PGA Championship

1st Place- Dean Holland/Patrick Cantlay (131)

2nd Place- Arlis Johnson/Justin Thomas (132)

3rd Place- Mike Tierney/Tiger Woods (133)

The Ryder Cup

Winning Team- Team Kenny

Members- Dave Schmisser, Abbie Slater, Sam Minikowitz, Wanda Cope, Bryan Hall

Overall Champion

Bryan Hall

Spring Member-Member

1st Place- Clay Uselton and Jack Uselton (126)

2nd Place- John McCord and James McCord (127)

3rd Place- Hannah Dunlap and David Dunlap (129)

Member-Guest

Palmer Flight and Overall Champions

Jordan Moore and Jordan Haugen

Nicklaus Flight

Alan Jones and Jess Voorhies

Hogan Flight

Phil Trimble and Tom McNutt

Nelson Flight

Jeff Biniek and Don Biniek

Club Championship

Championship Division

Gross Winner- Jack Uselton 69-70(139)

Net Winner- Alan Jones

Men's Division

Gross Winner- Grant McGuire 79-79(158)

Net Winner- Tommy Dennis

Senior Division

Gross Winner- Phil Trimble 76-73(149)

Net Winner- Tim Cole

Legend's Division

Gross Winner- Johnny McCormick 72-76(148)

Net Winner- Mike Greene

Old Buddy

Overall Winner- Thomas Hood and Tim Cole

Runner Up- James McCord and Greg Moore

Golden Girls

Overall Winner- Alice Risner

Runner Up- Paulette Phillips

Jr. Club Championship

Boy's 13-15

Chase Wiley

Boy's 10-12

Alex Bobo

Girl's 10-12

Abbie Lynch

Fall Member-Member

1st Place- Abbie Slater and Dick Slater (121)

2nd Place- Wanda Cope and Steve Cope (127)

3rd Place- Wayland Long and Dean Holland (129)

Lads and Lassies Championship

Overall Champion- Wanda Cope and Steve Cope (64)

Shootout Champion- Ann Knowis and Ray Knowis

Couples Club Championship

Gross Winner- Lisa Henry and Jon Glass (65)

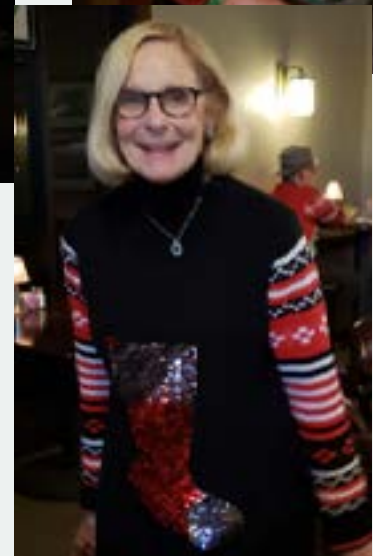
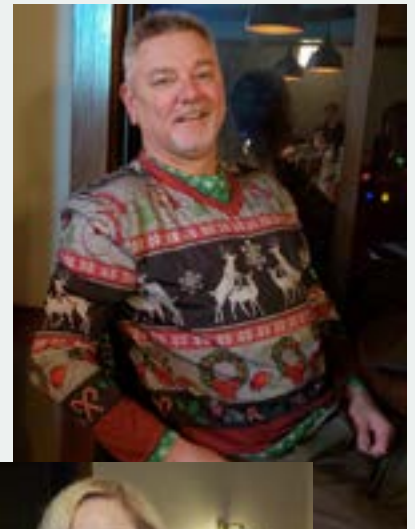
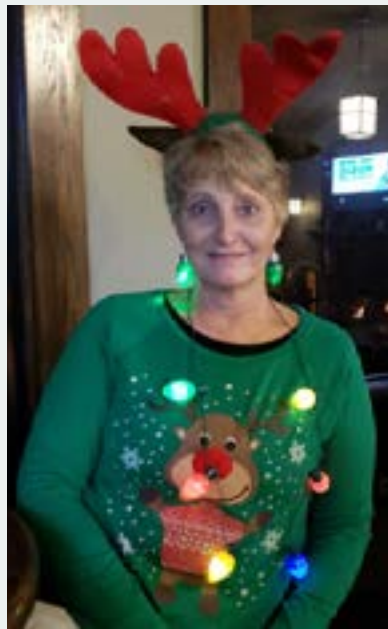
Net Winner- Kathy Glass and Frank Glass (70 Net-59)

Fall Ramble

Overall Winner- Jay Potter and Ricky Honeycutt (126)

!! UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER CONTEST !!

Mr. Joel Shaver was our big winner! His wasn't the worst until we heard his sweater singing... Congratulations to Mr. Shaver. Everyone had really great sweaters!



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JANUARY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Year's Day CLOSED	2 Lions Club	3 Kiwanis	4 No Dining in the Lakefront Room Big Bucks	5 McCord Luau Reception
6	7 Clubhouse, Golf Course, Tennis Courts and Pool CLOSED	8 Zach Shelton Dental Big Bucks	9 Lions Club \$5.00 Burger Night (for \$7 bucks)	10 Kiwanis	11 Rotary Big Bucks	12
13	14 Clubhouse, Golf Course, Tennis Courts and Pool CLOSED	15 Edward Jones Dinner Big Bucks	16 Lions Club \$5.00 Burger Night (for \$7 bucks)	17 City of Tullahoma Legislative Banquet Kiwanis Red Hats	18 Rotary Big Bucks	19 Polar Scramble
20	21 Clubhouse, Golf Course, Tennis Courts and Pool CLOSED	22 Big Bucks	23 Lions Club \$5.00 Burger Night (for \$7 bucks)	24 Kiwanis	25 Rotary Big Bucks	26
27	28 Clubhouse, Golf Course, Tennis Courts and Pool CLOSED	29 Edward Jones Seminar Big Bucks Trivia Night	30 Lions Club \$5.00 Burger Night (for \$7 bucks)	31 Kiwanis		