

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, March 19, 2013

POA Meetings and Events:

- POA Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 20, Yacht Club
- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, March 21, POA Office
- Golf 101, 9 a.m. Friday, March 22, Tanasi Golf Course
- Long Range Planning, 10 a.m. Thursday, March 28, POA Office

Board Tackles Topics

The Tellico Village POA Board members are working on a series of articles covering a myriad of topics of interest to our property owners. Over the next few months, these articles will be featured in the Tell-E-Gram, *The Connection* newspaper and Board newsletters.

"One of our Board goals this year focuses on expanding our communications," said Claire Frazer, POA Board member. "By writing short articles addressing key topics, we are hoping to provide another way Villagers can read about what's going on in Tellico Village."

The topics being covered include updates on the different POA committees, what these committees are doing during 2013, progress on current projects, as well as, plans for future amenities and projects.

To sign up to receive the Tell-E-Gram, send an email to Patty Robichaud at probichaud@tvpoa.org with your name and address.

Pace of Play Strategies for Golf

By Jim Brown, *Golf Advisory Committee*

Most of us can hardly wait for winter to pass and spring to bring better golf weather. This golf season, the Ladies' Golf Association, the Men's Golf Association, and the Golf Advisory Committee have chosen "Pace of Play" as a goal for our Tellico Courses.

I'd like to compare cars traveling on a two-lane road to slow play. With heavy traffic on a two-lane road, a slow driver can slow everyone down to his speed. The same can happen when we have heavy play on our golf courses. We can only play as fast as the group ahead.

I've heard golfers say, "I can't break 80 so I can't play as fast as those guys." Ready golf is the key. I was a high school golf coach for 12 years. It took about half a season to figure out that in matches we needed to tee off the better players last. The higher handicapped players didn't feel the need to act like touring pros and take forever to make a decision on what club to hit. They were ready sooner.

There has been a lot of research over the years that has been reported in *Golfweek* and *Golf Digest* magazines. A *Golf Digest* survey found that 58% call themselves fast players, and fewer than 5% labeled themselves as slow. But those same folks said 56% of the other players are slow and only 2% are fast. It's always the other guy. The same article points out that it takes about an hour to "play" 18 holes of golf. The other 2-1/2 to 3-1/2 hours is getting to the next shots with the right equipment. The slowest group dictates the pace of play for everyone behind them.

Golfweek reported on a "Pace of Play Summit" in Baltimore County, Maryland a few years ago. After a two-hour town hall discussion from six daily fee courses, they decided to educate golfers on the concept of "ready golf" and enforce pace of play requirements. In a survey, 96% of respondents agreed that all players should be required to adhere to pace of play guidelines. Fifty-four percent said average pace of play was the most important factor for them in choosing which course will get

their business.

Another *Golfweek* article told of an experiment tried by the PGA Southwest Section in a tournament at Superstition Mountain Golf and Country Club just east of Phoenix. The unique set of rules were:

- Continuous putting was mandatory
- Golfers could only read a putt from behind the ball
- After a player's ball had been replaced on the green, there was a 15-second time limit for hitting the putt
- The first golfer in the hole was required to hold the flagstick, then replace it after all players had holed out
- There was no honor on tee. Ready golf was in effect throughout the round.

The result? The fastest foursome time was 3:04. The average time was 3:37. That was 45-60 minutes faster than the tournament usually takes. This might seem a little extreme for the majority of our golfers, but some of the club pros were so impressed they took it to their clubs to try. We could certainly try #4 and #5 above.

I suggest this next month we all try three Pace of Play strategies:

- **Play Ready Golf** - While others are putting or getting ready to hit their next shot, analyze (distance, wind, club selection, break of putt, etc.) so that you will be ready when it's your turn or, if ready sooner, hit.
- **Keeping Score** - Go to next tee. The passenger in the cart should keep score. If hitting first, score after hitting. If hitting last, score before hitting.
- **Hit and Sit** - Sit in the cart after hitting. Put clubs (especially with head covers) in golf bag when stopping for next golfer to hit.

Please pass these strategies on to your fellow golfing partners. If we can save 20 minutes per round, that's another 20 minutes to relax before dinner or an earlier Miller Time in the clubhouse.

Each month, we will finish our article with either a golfing tip for game improvement or explanation of a golf rule that is often misunderstood.

March Golf Tip

Dave Peltz, a short-game specialist with clinics around the country and teacher of PGA pros, including Phil Michelson, has done research that shows 60-70% of all shots are taken with less than a full swing. The next time you play, add up all the shots made with the putter, partial wedge, chips, pitches, and sand shots. These are the scoring clubs. If you use them 2/3 of the time, spend at least 2/3 of practice time with them and watch for results. Practice does not make perfect. Perfect practice makes perfect. If you don't feel comfortable with your short game, see one of our pros.

Yacht Club Offerings and Upcoming Special Events

- Join us for dinner on Saturday nights for Chef Warren's delicious **BBQ Ribs**. They are on special for \$15 a full rack and \$10 for a half rack.
- **Seafood Week** is March 26-30. Saturday, March 30, will feature 1.5-pound whole Lobsters served with the vegetable of the day and one additional side for \$35. Orders for lobster are by reservation only and must be made by 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 27.
- **Easter Buffet**, Sunday, March 31, \$22 per person plus tax and gratuity, two seatings: noon and 2 p.m. Includes Iced Tea and Coffee.
 - Salad Bar
 - Omelet Station

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- Buttermilk Pancakes
 - Eggs Benedict
 - Beef Stroganoff
 - Baked Salmon with Basil and Citrus Cream
 - Roasted Chicken with Cranberry Jus
 - Rice Pilaf
 - Oven Roasted Potatoes
 - Fresh Vegetable Selection
 - Dessert Selections
- **Battle for the Cause:** This charity event will be 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, tickets are \$15, hors d'oeuvres will be served. See two teams, Claire Frazer and Ginny Ranck vs. Joe Marlette and Alan Hart, battle it out to sell the most alcohol. The winning team will receive \$2 from each ticket sold to put towards their charity. All tips will also go to charity. Make sure to get your tickets and join us for a great night for a good cause! If you dine with us for dinner, you will receive 10 percent off of your dinner with your ticket.

The Tellico Village Yacht and Country Club can now be found on Facebook. Follow this link or search and “like” our page: www.facebook.com/pages/Tellico-Village-Yacht-and-Country-Club/438163296194885

On a Special Note...

Did you know you can find the Yacht Club calendar and menus online? Go to www.TellicoVillagePOA.org, log in or click on the POA logo, select CLUBHOUSES, click on YACHT CLUB.

For reservations and information, call 865-458-4363.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Art Guild Meets March 21 Featuring Denise Stewart-Sanabria

The Art Guild of Tellico Village’s monthly meeting will be 9:30 a.m. Thursday, March 21, on the top floor of Tellico Village Yacht Club. Guild members and guests are encouraged to attend. Proceedings include a meet-and-greet and brief business meeting prior to the featured presentation by artist Denise Stewart-Sanabria (www.stewart-sanabria.com). For more information on the Art Guild, go to www.tellicoartguild.org.

TLTA Tailgate March 24

Tellico Lakes Tennis Association is planning a tailgate tennis lunch for UT vs. Vanderbilt Men’s and Women’s Tennis Match March 24, at 1015 20th Street, Knoxville, TN 37796. Sign-up for the TLTA tailgate tennis lunch and come out to cheer on our UT tennis teams playing Vandy. Free for all TLTA members and \$5 for guests. Women’s match begins at 10 a.m. and Men’s at 1 p.m. with lunch served between 12:30-1 p.m. Sign-up for the tailgate lunch on the TLTA website, www.tlta.usta.com, or Chota Recreation Center. Membership forms will be available; \$15 to join TLTA if desired at the event or on TLTA website. Membership is not required to join us at the tailgate party.

Women’s Club Meets March 25

The Tellico Village Women’s Club will meet on Monday, March 25. Business meeting begins at 3 p.m. This month’s meeting will be a working meeting with a soup supper provided by the board of directors. The club meets at the Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church on Highway 72.

DOG Meets March 26

The annual members meeting of DOG (Dog Owners Group) will be held 6 p.m. Tuesday, March

26, in Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church on Highway 72. The event will be a potluck dinner; members are asked to bring a dish to share—everything else will be provided. RSVP to Gretchen Kitchen, walchen@charter.net.

Hike Oswald Dome Trail March 27

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Wednesday, March 27, from Chota Center to hike:

- Oswald Dome Trail
- Distance: 8 miles in and out
- Elevation Gain: 250 feet
- Rating: Moderate
- Driving time: 1 hour to Reliance, TN
- Leader: Gail Eades, 865-599-6785 or G3Evolution@gmail.com

This well maintained trail reaches the top of Oswald Dome on Bean Mountain for some spectacular winter views west and north in the Cherokee National Forest. The first 2.7 miles is a steady uphill grade to the almost flat top of the mountain, then the trail levels out to a moderate grade. Hiking boots and hiking sticks are recommended. Driving directions will be provided the morning of the hike. Bring water and a trail lunch. Carpooling is recommended, passengers are asked to contribute \$6 to the driver to help cover gas, etc. For more information, go to www.TVHikers.com.

T-BART Quarterly Meeting March 27

Tellico Boaters Assistance Response Team (T-BART) will hold their second quarterly meeting 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, in the Kahite Pub & Grill and Annex Function Center. A cocktail social in the Pub will be 5-5:30 p.m. (pay as you go bar) and the T-BART meeting is 5:30-6:15 p.m. in the Kahite Annex. After a brief review of recent T-BART activities, there will be a short presentation on “Getting Ready for the Boating Season.”

Buffet Dinner after the meeting is open to everyone. Buffet menu: Sliced Roast Beef with Gravy, Grilled Chicken with Green Peppers & Onions, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley, Rolls, Tea/ Coffee/Soda, Dessert, and gratuity for \$13 per person, paid to the Kahite Pub that evening. For dinner reservations, contact Phil Hamilton, 423-884-2226 or phil.hamilton@tds.net, no later than Monday, March 25, to let Phil know your name and the total number in your party for dinner.

Easter Egg Hunt March 30

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held **Saturday, March 30 at 10 a.m. sharp** at the Wellness Center. The Easter Bunny will be here for photos, but please bring your own camera. Contact the Rec Department, 865-458-7070 or 458-6779 for more information. You do not have to sign up to attend the Easter Egg Hunt.

Boating Season Soon Upon Us

Boating season is drawing near and there are available boat slips in various sizes and locations. So if your plans this spring include boating with your friends and family, cruising the beautiful lake, fishing, now is the time to secure your dock! Call Karen Broniecki in ACC/Public Works, 865-458-4522, before this opportunity slips away.

Available Boat Slips in Tellico Village as of March

Location	Size	Number
Kahite	10' x 24'	6
	11' x 24'	5
	Personal Water Craft	0
Tanasi	10' x 24'	25
Yacht Club	10' x 20'	46
	10' x 24'	10
	Personal Water Craft	0

For more information, contact Karen Broniecki in