

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, April 9, 2013

POA Meetings and Events:

- **Golf Advisory Committee, 3 p.m. Thursday, April 11, POA Office**
- **Finance Advisory Committee. 9 a.m. Friday, April 12, POA Office**
- **Dock Captains, 3 p.m. Monday, April 15, POA Office**
- **POA Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 17, Yacht Club**

April's Golf News and Pace of Play Strategies

By **Jim Brown**, *Golf Advisory Committee*

Hope those of you who read last month's golf article on Pace of Play strategies shared it with those who missed it. We focused on three things - Ready Golf, Keeping Score, and Hit and Sit. Hope you found it helpful and not distracting to your game. With the weather improving and the courses becoming more crowded, I hope that all of us can commit to improving our pace of play.

The USGA announced in February 2013 that it is directing resources to research pace of play initiatives. USGA President Glen Nager said "The cry that pace of play has become one of the most significant threats to the game's health has become only louder over the last year. Industry research clearly shows that slow play and the amount of time it takes to play a round of golf detract from the overall experience and threaten to drive players away from the game." USGA Executive Director Mike Daves added, "Slow play is also incompatible with our modern society, in which our personal time for recreation is compressed. This is an issue that demands our complete attention."

This month, I'd like to be a little more specific on four Pace of Play strategies:

- **GOLF CART PROCEDURES** - Since most of us ride, we can really save time if we all are on the same page here.
 - Hit & Sit - Sit after hitting. Put clubs (especially with head covers) in golf bag when stopping for next golfer to hit. The LGA and MGA are also initiating this strategy.
 - Park cart between cart partners' balls and both players walk to their ball or drop off one player and proceed to next ball.
 - If cart path only, estimate distance and take at least 3 clubs plus sand bottle so it is not necessary to come back to cart. If using a rangefinder, shoot from cart to estimate which clubs to take with you.
 - Unless dictated by signage at green, park cart closest to pin on the way to the next tee.
 - At tee box, park on right or left side of path so playing partners can get around you if they leave teeing area first.
- **KEEPING SCORE**
 - Go to next tee. If hitting first, score after hitting. If hitting last, score before hitting.
 - If possible, passenger in cart should keep score. This can even be done while driver moves to next tee or fairway.
- **PLAY READY GOLF** - This is the easiest way to save time.
 - Unless tournament match play, play your shot if others are not ready yet.
 - While others are putting or getting ready to hit next shot, analyze (distance, wind, club selection, break of putt, etc.) so that you will be ready when your turn.
 - On the putting green, the player whose ball is nearest hole should tend the flagstick. The first golfer in the hole should handle flagstick after hole is finished.

- Continuous putting by all has proven to save 25 minutes per round. Obviously, standing in someone's line in a tournament is not good form.
- **COMMITMENT TO SAVING TIME**
 - If your ball goes off line, watch it and mentally mark where it was last seen (tree, bush or other landmark). Hit a provisional ball if it could be lost or OB. Watch everyone's ball so that all balls can be found quickly.
 - Exercise - Walking is great for us. Brisk walking is even better. It also speeds up play and impresses the people behind you.
 - Be committed to keeping pace with the group in front of you.

There is no reason to try to run around the golf course. We are all here to enjoy the game, the course, the day and our friends. Please share these pace of play guidelines with your golf mates. Hopefully we will be able to save 20-30 minutes a round and have more time to relax the rest of the day.

April Golf Tip by Jim Brown

I'd like to share with you my golf philosophy. We have seen all types of golf swings - some pretty, some ugly - you probably play with some of each. Even though they didn't look the same, Lee Trevino, Jim Furyk, Sam Snead, and Arnold Palmer all had one thing in common. They all accelerated through the impact zone (that area just behind and in front of the ball) toward the target. I focus on that on every swing, even the putter. In addition, I believe that you must fall in love with 3 clubs - the driver, wedge, and putter and spend extra time with them. If you can keep it in play off the tee, get up and down from around the green, and make an occasional putt, you can score and have more fun. I bet if you work on these 3 clubs, that 21 handicap will be down to an 18 in the near future.

A reminder that the Men's Member/Member is scheduled the first weekend in May and the Ladies' Invitational is the third weekend in May. Sign up in any pro shop.

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.
- **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.
- Lunch returns to the Yacht Club Wednesday, May 8.
 - Lunch hours: noon-2 p.m. Wednesday-Friday
- Cruising on the Patio Sundays begins May 5.
 - Bar and grill only, noon-5 p.m.
- Dining Room:
 - Tuesday-Thursday:
 - Early Bird Special 4-5 p.m.
 - Ala Carte Menu 5-7:30 p.m.
 - Friday-Saturday
 - Ala Carte Menu 5-9 p.m.

The Tellico Village Yacht and Country Club can now be found on Facebook. Follow this link or search

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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...

Directory Available for Review Through April 27

The Summer 2013 Tellico Village Directory preview copy will be at The Public Library of Tellico Village through Saturday, April 27. You can review the copy to verify that additions, changes, and deletions have been correctly made. If there are errors or additional changes needed, you can fill out a Change Form there or email the information to tellicovillagedirectory@gmail.com. No changes can be accepted after April 27.

Fishing Club Meets April 10

The Tellico Village Fishing Club will meet 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 10, in the Yacht Club. For more information, call Chuck Stoeffler, 865-458-1410.

Health Fair and Services Expo April 12

The STAY group is hosting a Health Fair and Services Expo 9 a.m.-noon Friday, April 12, in the Community Church at Tellico Village.

The Health Fair will be presented by Covenant Health and offer the following:

- Blood Tests
- Carotid Artery Ultrasound
- Skin Check
- Blood Pressure
- Oxygen Saturation

The Tellico Village Lions Club will offer:

- Glucose Screening
- Vision Screening

Appalachian Audiology will offer Hearing Screening.

Exodus Chiropractic will offer Spinal Screening.

Services offered will include disposal of most unwanted medications, meet local service providers, learn about support groups, find out about STAY and the STAYinTV resource guide, diabetes information.

For more information, go to www.stayintv.org.

Hike Middle Prong to Indian Flats Falls April 12

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will leave 8 a.m. Friday, April 12, from Chota Center to hike:

- **MIDDLE PRONG TO INDIAN FLATS FALLS**
- Distance: 5 to 8.2 miles (depending on when you turn around)
- Elevation Gain: 1,000 feet (gradual)
- Rating: Easy

- Driving Time: 1.25 hours
- Leader: Larry Peck, 865-408-1677 or lap44@aol.com

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.

This is an in-and-out hike. The trail is one of the most beautiful sections of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park near Townsend and Tremont. The trail follows the rushing Middle Prong of the Little River and features overlooks of waterfalls, cascades and rapids cut through a narrow gorge. This hike follows a wide, old logging railroad bed up a gentle slope with 1,000 feet of gain. The hike is 5 to 8.2 miles depending on if you continue on to Indian Flats Falls. The Indian Flats Falls are a strand of four falls on Indian Flats Prong. Since the hike is between 2,000 and 3,000 feet elevation, the temperature will be lower than in Tellico Village. We plan to eat lunch along the trail on a bridge over the river.

Submitted by Bob Kutschera

Auditions Set For “The Hallelujah Girls” April 15-17

The Tellico Community Players are presenting *The Hallelujah Girls* for their summer performance. The auditions for the play will take place 10 a.m. Monday, April 15; 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 16; and 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 17. All auditions will be held at the TCP playhouse located in the Lakeside Plaza in Tellico Village. There are a total of eight cast members (six women, two men). Copies of the script are available at the Tellico Village Library. The dates for the show are July 17-21.

Art Guild Meets April 18, Features Neranza Noel Blount

The Art Guild of Tellico Village’s monthly meeting will be held 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 18, 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 Neranza Noel Blount (www.neranza.com). For more information on the Art Guild, go to <http://www.tellicoartguild.org/>.

Blount received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree with honors from the University of Tennessee. Her concentration of study was in drawing, and for more than a decade after graduation, she painted in oils before switching to encaustic (beeswax and resin). She uses implements such as dental and pottery tools, natural bristle brushes, a heat gun and a torch to paint and manipulate molten wax onto wood. Sometimes she paints over her pen and ink renderings or photographs that have been cut, torn, and layered with rice paper or objects and then fused. Other times she dips a water balloon into pure beeswax collected from her family’s hives to form bowls onto which she paints scenes, often portraying flowering plants that are beneficial to honeybees.

“When I first learned about encaustic and how it involved beeswax, I was immediately intrigued, coming from a beekeeping family,” said Blount. “Starting first with collage helped me get the feel of applying wax and fusing it. Then gradually I began to add pigment to the wax, soaking out most of the oil from my tubes of oil paints. I especially liked the way the wax made me paint in a way that was looser than my previously precisely controlled methods.”

Over the years, Neranza has received top awards nationally and internationally. With her art she wants to help build awareness of the importance of honeybees, their current plight, and what can be done to help them. In her presentation to the Art Guild, Blount will share some of her techniques and showcase examples of her work.

Submitted by Ruth Goldsmith

Open House and Dedication of New Library April 20

The Friends of the Tellico Village Library invite you to the Open House and Dedication of The Public Library at Tellico Village and Maryann Bork Memorial Courtyard 2-4 p.m. Saturday, April

20, 300 Irene Lane. The dedication will be held inside if it rains. Parking is limited, so carpooling is recommended.

Mac Users Club Meets April 22

The Mac Users Club will meet 3 p.m. Monday, April 22, in Chota Rec Center. For more information, contact Florence Parker, 865-458-6958.

Submitted by Karen Brown

Blessing of the Fleet April 27

The Tellico Cruising Club is sponsoring a Blessing of the Fleet open to all vessels on Tellico Lake. After the ceremony, join the revelry at the Tellico Village Pavilion on Tugaloo Lane for food, drinks, and friendship (the cost is \$6 and you are asked to bring a dish to share). For more information, contact Romano Sims, simsro@charter.net or 865-408-9356; or Gary Gilbert, glgilbert@gmail.com or 865-408-0809

The Blessing of the Fleet is a tradition that began centuries ago in Mediterranean fishing communities. The practice is predominantly Catholic and a blessing from the local priest was meant to ensure a safe and bountiful season. However, both the ancient Greeks and Romans held elaborate ceremonies when their ships were christened, not much different from our ship launches of today. Parties were held, toasts of wine to the honored deity, a blessing from the high priest, and water poured over the boat, were the basic events of the ceremony. Any deviation from these events was considered a bad omen, with the result being a tragedy at sea. Poseidon, who was considered the God of the sea, as well as earthquakes and horses, was a favorite of the Greeks to ask for protection. The Romans preferred Neptune, who was also considered a God of the sea. Some Native American, who painted symbols or animals on their canoes, also held launch ceremonies consisting of feasts, prayer and blessings.

Fire Department Open House May 4

The Villagers Supporting Fire/Rescue Fund Raising Committee invite you to come thank the members of the Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department at the Fire Station Open House 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, May 4. A free "thank you" lunch will be provided.

The committee members are Rich Planzo, Bill Seymour, Bill Koepp, Bill Schmid, Bob Thelen, and Rich Herbst.

Recent Events and Bragging Rights

Kiwanis Supports Tellico Lake Cleanup

Seventeen members of the Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village came together recently to play an important role in the clean up of access ways and recreation property that borders Tellico Lake near the Tellico Dam. This is a community-wide effort coordinated by the local watershed council known as WATeR. Tod Kilroy served this year as a local coordinator for the Kiwanis Club while Bill Crowder served the organization for the past several years. Kiwanis member Harold McArdle provided his usual positive approach for the work ahead in the pickup project. Former President and Lt. Governor, Terry Boyes, worked hard along the channel adjacent to the lake and I think has gathered the biggest bag possible. Overall, 35 bags of trash and recycled products were collected, including several pieces of building materials and four very used tires. The project was a great success and all the bags ended up at the dumpster at the Poplar Creek launch site.

Kiwanis of Tellico Village is pleased to serve the community in this way.

Submitted by Bob Treece, PR Coor., Kiwanis of Tellico Village

Brush Dumping Prohibited in Village

As a reminder to Villagers and landscapers, dumping brush in the Village is not allowed. If you see anyone dumping brush, Public Works asks that you get the license number of the vehicle and report it to Public Works as soon as possible by calling 865-458-4522.

Please: No Brush Piles on Golf Course

Golf maintenance crews have made a request of residents:

Property owners living next to the golf courses are asked to pile their brush and debris on the street side of their yards for Public Works to remove it. The golf course crews are not equipped nor manned to clean up residents' brush, leaves, nor debris.

Editor's note:: This is the latest info on the TDOT website. We hope to have more information soon.

Dam Bridge Update: Lane Closure April 13

TDOT will be changing the current ramp configuration at SR 444 on Saturday, April 13, to reconstruct the existing ramp and install storm drains. This change will include closing the current ramp to Highway 444/Tellico Parkway southbound (to Tellico Village) from Lenoir City. This traffic will now turn left and loop under the bridge. Also traffic coming from Tellico Village will continue under the bridge and turn left to go toward Maryville.

The contractor continues to work in all areas. They are continuing to haul borrow material to all fill areas and install storm drain pipe when the required grades are met. Construction of bent #2, phase 1, on the railroad bridge is complete and work on bent #1 will begin immediately. The utility contractor is continuing work on the water and sewer installation. They have completed two water line crossings and one sewer line crossing and have one sewer line crossing remaining on SR 73/Highway 321. For more information, go to www.tdot.state.tn.us/sr73/.

In approximately one month, Elm Hill Road will need to be closed to through-traffic for approximately 6 to 8 weeks in order complete fills at the intersection of SR73.