

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, September 3, 2013

POA Meetings and Events:

- **Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, POA Office**
- **Recreation Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, Wellness Center**
- **Communications & Marketing Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, Sept. 6, POA Office**
- **POA Board Workshop, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10, POA Office (*irregular date*)**

Waste Connections Rate Change

Effective Nov. 1, 2013, the rate for residential trash and recycle pick-up will increase by 1.75% - or go from \$14.31 to \$14.56 per month, or \$43.68 per quarter. This contract between Waste Connections and TVPOA will expire Oct. 1, 2014.

Golf Course Re-Grassing and Naturalization Projects

By **Jim West, Director of Golf**

The purpose of this message is to update you on our "naturalization/re-grassing" projects that have been ongoing over the past couple years at Tellico Village golf courses. But first, I would like to reiterate the objectives we are trying to achieve with this initiative.

- Establish "natural" low-maintenance areas throughout Tellico Village golf courses that require reduced water, little or no fertility or pesticide usage and have a minimal impact on playability. Essentially, this objective is to be more friendly to the environment.
- Restore some of the original architectural integrity and beauty of the golf courses, particularly at The Links at Kahite.
- Re-direct a portion of related cost savings to in-play areas on our courses resulting in improved playability and economic viability.

You have likely noticed some areas around the perimeter our courses that have suddenly turned brown. These areas are being prepped for re-grassing in the coming weeks. The type of turf we selected is a blend of fine fescue called "Tradition." This blend of fescue is a traditional golf course turf that is drought tolerant, heat and shade tolerant and resistant to disease. The look we are trying to achieve in these new areas (on all three courses) is similar to what is found between the 11th green and 12th tee at Toqua Golf Club.

One of our primary concerns about naturalizing/re-grassing areas with taller turf is the potential negative impact on course playability. This is something we have been closely monitoring, especially at The Links at Kahite - where throughout the summer we have dramatically reduced proposed tall grass areas. As part of our playability evaluation process, we collected more than 750 scorecards posted in our handicap system from the white tees July 15-31. As the chart below indicates, the average net scores at each course were very close, with Toqua playing the most difficult and Kahite and Tanasi playing slightly easier.

	Toqua	Tanasi	Kahite
Avg. Score	88.21	88.23	85.53
Avg. Course Handicap	16.51	17.57	15.18
Avg. Net Score	71.70	70.66	70.35

In closing, I would like to thank all of you who have provided feedback to us as we continue work to improve the condition, playability and affordability of our golf courses. Your feedback is very meaningful and appreciated.

I look forward to seeing you on the course. Hit 'em straight!

Yacht Club Offerings and Upcoming Special Events

- **Tiki Bar** is back every Friday at 6 p.m. DJ Lou appears Sept. 6 and Sept. 20. DJ Mike White appears Sept. 13.
- The last day for **lunch** this season was Aug. 30. We hope to see everyone next year!
- Join us for dinner on Saturday nights for delicious BBQ Ribs. They are on special for \$16 a full rack and \$11 for a half rack.
- The Yacht Club will be closed for dining Sept. 19 for a private event
- Tiki Bar will be on the dock Sept. 27 and will feature the band Floyd the Barber.
- **Seafood Week** is Sept. 24-28.
- **All You Can Eat Buffet** 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24, \$13 tax included. A limited ala carte menu will also be available.

Tellico Village can now be found on Facebook. Follow this link or search and “like” our page to see the Yacht Club calendar and more: www.facebook.com/pages/Tellico-Village/107440545979485

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.

How are we doing?

We appreciate your business and are committed to providing you and your family and friends with quality services. Please take a moment to complete a short survey online: YachtClubSurvey.com.

Reciprocal Courtesy Cards for Yachting Clubs of America Available

Property owners can purchase Reciprocal Courtesy Cards for the Yachting Clubs of America in the POA office for \$20. The card will allow you to frequent the more than 700 yachting clubs which, like TVYCC, are members of the association. There are YCA affiliated yacht clubs throughout the USA and its territories. For more information about YCOA, go to www.ycaol.com; the website that tells about the Association and all the yacht clubs that are members. Stop by the POA office to learn where member clubs are. For other questions about the program, call Mitzi Lane, 865-458-5408, extension 4116.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Mah Jongg - Open Play

- Sept. 5 and 19, first and third Thursday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center, Room D
- Sept. 10 and 24, second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center, Room B

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- Sept. 23, fourth Monday of each month, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Chota Rec Center, Room D

Please wear your name tag!

If you have any questions, please call Carolyn Neely, 865-458-1323, carolynneely@charter.net.

Pickleball Schedule for September

- Drills, 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 5
- New player class, 6-8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9
- Evaluations, 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12
- Evaluations, 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14
- Drills, 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19
- Tellico Village Age-Based Tournament, Friday-Sunday, Sept. 20-27

For more information, contact Sue Newman, 865-657-9158 or nwmnszne@charter.net.

Tellico Top Notes Rehearsal Schedule

The Tellico Top Notes hold practice/rehearsal 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays (Sept. 10 and 24) each month in the Yacht Club. Nick Azelborn, 865-408-0256.

Computer Users Club Meets Sept. 3

The Tellico Village Computer Users Club will meet 7 p.m. Tuesday (first Tuesday), Sept. 3, in the Yacht Club on the top floor. For more information, go to www.tvcuc.org.

Wisconsin Bratfest Sept. 23—RSVP Deadline Sept. 4

The Wisconsin Club Fall Bratfest will be held 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 23, at the Family Beach and Pavilion on Tugaloo. The cost is \$7 per person, which includes brats, kraut, condiments, games, and door prizes. Bring a dish or dessert to share and your choice of beverage.

You must RSVP and make payment by Wednesday, Sept. 4, by sending your name, email address, and payment to:

Jeannette Kiehnau
104 Gigi Lane
Loudon, TN 37774

Or contact Jeannette at kbkiehnau@sbcglobal.net or 920-737-5052.

Feel free to bring your Wisconsin flags, banners, or other items to adorn the picnic area. You can wear your Packers' green or University of Wisconsin red and mingle with your Wisconsin friends and neighbors.

Thyme for Herbs Meets Sept. 5

The Thyme for Herbs (herb study group) will meet at 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, in the Chota Recreation Center. The program, beginning 9:30 a.m., will feature Nancy Robinson speaking on native medicinal herbs used before the days of drugstores. For more information, call Mary Garner, 865-408-0337.

Garden Club Meets Sept. 5

The Tellico Village Garden Club will hold its meeting on Thursday, September 5, at the Yacht Club. Come at 12:30 p.m. for a social time. New this year is "Ask the Gardener," beginning at 12:45, when our knowledgeable gardeners will be available to address questions. The brief business meeting begins at 1:00, followed by the program, presented this month by a club favorite, Lyn Bales, Senior Naturalist at Ijams Nature Center. His topic will be "Secrets of Your Backyard Birds." Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Linda Schuessler, 865-657-9228, or see www.tellicoclubs.com/garden.

Basketball Skills Clinic Begins Sept. 7

The Tellico Village Recreation Department is holding a six-week Basketball Skills Clinic 10-11:30 a.m. every Saturday, beginning Sept. 7, in Chota Recreation Center. The cost is \$35 for the six-week clinic and is designed for girls and boys 8-10 years old. Space is limited, so call 865-458-6779 to sign up.

This program is intended to help players develop and refine their fundamental basketball skills. The small group setting will enhance skill sets at the post, wing, and guard positions. Emphasis will be placed on fundamental development, shooting, offensive moves, defense, rebounding, team play, and more.

Turtletown Creek Trail Hike Sept. 9

The Muddy Boots Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Monday, Sept. 9 (rain date Sept. 16) from Chota Center to hike:

- Turtletown Creek Trail
- Rating: easy to moderate
- Elevation gain: 500 feet
- Leader: Jim Jeswald, 724-612-2166 or jmjes711@gmail.com

This is an enjoyable four-mile loop hike in the Cherokee National Forest. The trail passes along water cascades and two beautiful waterfalls. There are some short up and down segments under a mostly shaded forest canopy. There is one segment of moderate steepness along the first half of the trail and when returning from the falls. After the hike, there will be an optional stop at Buck Bald, a treeless mountain top, which is 2,348 feet above sea level, and provides a beautiful 360-degree view of the Smokey Mountains, Cumberland Mountains, and Cherokee National Forest.

Bring your lunch to eat at the base of one of the waterfalls and don't forget your camera. Carpooling is recommended and will be set up the morning of the hike. Driving time is approximately 90 minutes from Chota Center. Passengers are asked to contribute \$5 to the driver to help cover gas.

Dog Park Picnic Sept. 9

Members of Tellico Village's Rover Run Dog Park and Dog Owners Group (DOG) will have a picnic 5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, at the Family Beach and Pavilion on Tugaloo. Hot dogs, condiments, and paper ware will be provided; bring your own beverages and a dish to share. Also, bring a donation for Monroe and/or Loudon county shelters. RSVP to Cathie, cocktailshr711@aol.com or 865-408-0256. For more information on Rover Run, go to <http://roverrun.weebly.com>.

Water Boot Camp Begins Sept. 10

Join Leslie Bentley 8:45-9:45 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursday beginning Sept. 10, in the Wellness Center. This is a stamina-building workout which focuses on strength, power, and speed. You will be challenged through speed drills, strength exercises, interval training, and kickboxing while contained in the safety of a water environment. For more information, contact the Wellness Center, 865-458-7070.

Fishing Club Picnic Sept. 11

The Tellico Village Fishing Club will hold a picnic (in lieu of a meeting) 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 11, at the Family Beach and Pavilion on Tugaloo. Food will be provided by the club, but reservations are required. Bring your own drinks. For reservations and information, contact Jim Goyert, 865-441-2770 or jcgoyert@gmail.com.

Cruising Club Meets Sept. 11

The Tellico Cruising Club will meet 5 p.m. for social time (lower level of the Yacht Club) followed by a 6 p.m. meeting Wednesday (second Wednesday), Sept. 11, in the Yacht Club. All boaters are welcome. For more information, call Commander Errol Keith, 865-458-4277.

Hike Alum Cave Sept. 13

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25, from Chota Center to hike:

- **Alum Cave**
- Distance: 6 miles
- Rating: Moderate
- Driving time: 1.5 hours
- Elevation Gain: 2,700 feet
- Leader: Hamish deWilde, signal53@aol.com or 860-716-4016

This hike is one of the best in the Smokies. It follows the banks of the Alum Cave Creek through tall rhododendrons and passes through a rock tunnel known as Arch Rock. The Alum Bluffs were mined up until the Civil War and produced Epsom salts, saltpeter and magnesia.

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.

Free Shred Day Sept. 13

The Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union, in cooperation with Loudon County Recycling, will hold a free Green (Shred) Day 1-6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, at the Lenoir City Branch. This event is open to the public.

Acceptable items include: clean paper (any color), file folders (any color), CDs, and VHS tapes.

Wine Tasting Sept. 17

The American Wine Society is hosting a Knoxville Education Seminar presented by Tellico resident Harry Eblen, a Certified Wine Educator and Sommelier, 5-6:30ish p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17, in the Yacht Club. This month's tasting will focus on North Georgia wines. Bread only will be served, so consider making a dinner reservation at the Yacht Club following the tasting by calling 865-458-4363. The cost of the tasting is \$30 per person; email reservations to Harry Eblen, harryeblen@yahoo.com. The tasting is limited to 48 people. Confirm your reservation by check by Sept. 17, to:

Harry Eblen, AWS
430 Cayuga Drive
Loudon, TN 37774

This seminar will provide tastings of nine dry, intense, award-winning North Georgia wines made from 100% Georgia-grown European varietals along with the descriptions of the major wineries near Dahlonega, GA, which are within driving distance from Tellico Village.

Next tasting: Italian wines Oct. 15.

Art Guild Meets Sept. 19

The Art Guild of Tellico Village will have a social at 9:30 a.m. followed by a 10 a.m. business meeting and presentation by a guest artist Thursday, Sept. 19. Anyone interested in the arts is invited to attend.

Hike Nemo Bridge/Obed Scenic River Sept. 25

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25, from Chota Center to hike:

- **Nemo Bridge/Obed Scenic River**
- Distance: 10 miles
- Rating: Difficult
- Driving time: 1.5 hours
- Elevation Gain: 800 feet
- Leader: Dolly Garnett, dandbgarnett@charter.net or 865-408-2547

This hike is in a section of the Obed Scenic River within the Obed and Emory River Gorges. The first 2.5 miles to Alley Ford is rated moderate and the final 2.5 miles is difficult as you find yourself hiking down into the Obed basin where there are rocky and steep stairs and rocks to climb over. We will hike to Break Bluff which offers a beautiful view of the river gorge. Hiking sticks are strongly recommended to maneuver the difficult rocky areas.

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.

Save the Date: Meet the Candidates Oct. 10

The HomeOwners Association will sponsor “Meet the Candidates” night 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, in the lower level of the Yacht Club. Candidates will be running for three POA Board positions.

Save the Date: Women’s Club Home Tour Nov. 3

The Tellico Village Women’s Club asks you to save the date for the 18th annual Home Tour, which will take place in the WindRiver community (formerly Rarity Pointe), Nov. 3. More details will be announced in the near future.

Reserves and Investments Policy Draft Now Online

The TVPOA Board is currently considering a Reserves and Investments Policy. The draft under consideration is available to view at: <http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/tvpoa/board-of-directors>. Scroll down to see ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE BOARD and click on the items you wish to view. To comment or provide feedback, send your email to boardconsideration@tvpoa.org

POA Board and Committee Applications Available

Board Application packets and Committee Application packets are now available at the POA offices by contacting Sherry Snodgrass at ssnodgrass@tvpoa.org or calling 865-458-5408, ext. 4100.

- Board applications must be turned in by 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13.
- Committee applications must be in by close of business, Tuesday, Oct. 1, to be considered for 2014 committee seats.

Notice of a commercial permit application for Tellico Village

Dollar General is proposing to build a new store at the intersection of Route 444 and Mialaquo Road.

The application will be presented to the Architectural Control Committee at the Oct. 17 meeting. The meeting will be held in the POA conference room beginning at 9 a.m. A preliminary presentation is scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at the ACC meeting. Contact Clayton Taylor, 865-458-4522 or ctaylor@tvpoa.org, with any questions or comments.