

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, April 4, 2014

POA Meetings and Events:

- Finance Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, April 11, POA Conference Room
- POA Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 16, Yacht Club
- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, April 17, POA Conference Room
- Dock Captains, 3 p.m. Monday, April 19, POA Conference Room

Spring Time on Tellico Village Courses

By Wells McClure, Tanasi Golf Course Superintendent

As I am sure many of you have noticed, the long cold winter of 2013/2014 is finally starting to come to a close. Our first few warm days have arrived in the Village; redbuds and dogwoods are starting to sprout new growth and the willow trees are in bloom, which also means that course green up is not far behind. Warm temperatures and spring time is very exciting on the golf course as we all prepare for spring aerification.

Spring aerification is sometimes not welcomed with open arms by everyone, but it should be. Not only does it mean the end of winter and the beginning of the golf season, but it also means a clean slate and finally a chance to start seeing our golf courses come to life. This process is essential in the survival of our bentgrass putting greens through the warm humid days that we encounter through the summer. When we aerify greens, we are not simply poking a hole to cause a mess and disrupt play for a week or two, but we are removing organic matter. This increases air-filled pore space and decreases bulk density and compaction. Aerification also increases water infiltration through the root zone thus allowing us to better manage our moisture in the greens which is extremely important through the summer for the health and playability of our greens.

This year's aerification will be very similar to last year. Tanasi and Toqua have decided to use a 5/8" tine and go over the greens in two directions to remove the organic matter. Kahite will verticut their greens and then follow that process with a 5/8" aerification tine in one direction. We will all follow this up with probably the most important part of the process, heavy topdressing of sand. This sand fills the holes and also corrects any imperfections on the greens to create a smooth putting surface while diluting the organic matter that still remains. Sand topdressing is also a process that is frowned upon by many golfers, but if you want firm smooth greens, you have to topdress. Chris Hartiger, the Southeast Agronomist for the USGA told me one time, "Wells, a green is kind of like a pool table in that it is only as good as the slate underneath it. The grass acts like the felt on top of the slate." This is why we must topdress at aerification and throughout the year to combat the organic matter that gets built up through the growing season which can cause our greens to get soft and spongy. Let's keep our fingers crossed as we all go through aerification for more warm temperatures to decrease heal time and allowing our greens to return to tip top shape as soon as possible.

Another very noticeable change to the courses that you will see while playing this spring is the new natural areas that we have installed on all three of our courses. These areas are very important in the sustainability of the courses by decreasing maintenance and man hours to keep up with them. As an outdoorsman myself, I love the natural areas. The natural and native tall grass areas will increase wildlife habitat and also provide a perfect backdrop to our courses. Many of the new native areas have been roped off during establishment to help prevent cart traffic on

new seedlings.

Over the past year or two, we have had some vandalism to these ropes. Someone has decided to take it upon themselves to cut the ropes that are surrounding these natural areas. This is very discouraging because these ropes serve an important purpose by keeping cart traffic out of the natural areas. Unfortunately, if there were no ropes, some people would drive through these areas leaving tire tracks to look at for the rest of the year. Please be on the lookout for the person or persons who are doing this, and let Golf Maintenance or the Pro Shop know if you do observe this vandalism taking place.

In closing, I would like to say that Mike White, Chris Sykes, and I are all very excited about another wonderful season in Tellico Village. We look forward to providing you with some of the best playing conditions in the area and are excited about continuing to improve your golf experience at all of our Tellico Village golf courses. Now for a few words from our Pro at Tanasi, Adam Jacob.

Pro's Corner

By Adam Jacob, PGA Golf Professional, Tanasi Golf Club

With warmer temperatures upon us, golfers are dusting off the clubs and making their way to the golf course. After a long winter, it's great seeing carts on the course and golfers finding their swings once again. One thing that is often overlooked is putting.

Players these days are fixated on increasing distance and hammering a driver a hundred times on the range. However, one of the most important areas in the game is putting. If players would just spend less time on the driver and focus on putting, scores will drop. The basic fundamentals for successful putting are quite simple: quiet body, eyes over the ball/target line, passive hands and an even-paced stroke of equal length both back and through. To help with the stroke, utilize alignment sticks to monitor correct aim and check that the putter head has swung back and through on the correct arc.

The way a player practices putting is important. Players can use alignment sticks, string or play games on the practice green to help make practice productive and interesting. Try placing six balls in a circle around the hole at 3' and then make all of them. If you miss one you have to start over. Another easy way practice is at home on the carpet. While watching golf, simply lay two alignment sticks or clubs down and work on the fundamentals of alignment and tempo. Improving putting can be one of the most effective ways to lower scores and reduce handicaps.

Also, the next time you are on the course, let's help our superintendents manage stress on the greens by paying attention to where we enter and exit the greens. Greens are the most delicate part of the golf course, because the grass is cut the shortest and has the most traffic of any other area on the course. Also, be careful when placing the flag stick back, and repair your ball mark and one other to ensure the best playing conditions for all. Let's do our best at keeping the greens in great shape, and I look forward to an exciting golfing year here in the Village.

Volunteers, Charitable Events, Fundraisers

Performance Benefits the Library April 22

Please join the Friends of the Tellico Village Library, Inc., for Dave Ehlert's live theatrical production of "Abe Lincoln, Mark Twain and The Civil War - How a Union President and a Con-

federate Deserter fought against slavery and racism in pre and post war days.” This event will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, in the Fellowship Hall of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Lenoir City. The first half of the program will be Dave’s portrayal of Abe Lincoln and the second half will be his portrayal of Mark Twain. There will be a Q & A after each presentation, with an intermission between performances. Tickets for this event are \$20 for Friends Members and \$25 for non-Friends members. Tickets are on sale at The Public Library at Tellico Village; for more information please call 865-458-5199.

20th Annual Used Book Sale April 25-26

The Friends of The Tellico Village Public Library invite you to join them in celebration of their 20th Annual Used Book Sale, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Friday, April 25, and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, April 26, in the Community Church's Christian Life Center.

The Preview for Friends Members is 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 24. The Preview allows members first pick of the 35,000 books collected for the sale while enjoying delicious sweets and savories and the famous "Book Sale" punch.

Begun in 1995, the first Used Book Sale was held at the Rec Center on March 18. Approximately 4,600 books were accumulated, 1,800 from the Fort Loudoun Regional Library, 300 from the Athens Fischer Library, and 2,500 from Tellico Villagers. The 2,300 books sold netted \$1,516, which was used to provide a security door across the Library entrance in the Yacht Club, the original home of the Library, and to begin a collection of talking books and videos. Unsold books were given to Friends of the Library organizations in Greenback, Philadelphia and Madisonville, to two local nursing homes and to the Chestnut Ridge Learning Center. The Rec Center Reading Shelf received 100 paperbacks.

Today the Used Book Sale is still a labor of love for nearly 200 volunteers who price, sort and box nearly 35,000 books that are then unboxed, organized and alphabetized to be sold to book lovers like you. At the 2014 sale you'll find mystery, romance, biography, fiction, westerns, science fiction, cookbooks, craft and art books, books on animals, self-help, religion and Tennessee, as well as books on tape, music CDs and movie DVDs and a good selection of puzzles. You might even find a book from 1995!

This year, in celebration of the 20th Annual Used Book Sale and in appreciation for 20 years of community support, with each \$20 purchase you may choose a book for free. On half-price Saturday, a \$10 purchase will buy a free lunch at the Library, sponsored by The Purdue Club of Tellico Village, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Save the Date: Child Advocacy Center Dinner/Auction May 7

The Child Advocacy Center will hold a fundraising dinner and auction May 7 in Rothschild’s Convention Center. The theme is “Hoops for Hope” with guest speaker Holly Warlick. For more information, contact Kids First, 865-986-1505.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Planning for Lifestyle Changes Roadmap Feedback

Those who attended the STAYinTV Forum and heard about the Planning for Lifestyle Changes Roadmap were able to obtain a copy at the Forum. There is interest in obtaining some feedback about the Roadmap from those who either obtained a printed copy or downloaded a copy from the STAYinTV website at www.stayintv.org. If you have had an opportunity to review the Roadmap,

please e-mail some feedback to Cindy Solomon at csolomonphd@att.net. Your insight on its value or ways to improve it would be appreciated.

“Sex Please We’re Sixty” Through April 6

The Tellico Community Players are proud to announce their next production: “Sex Please We’re Sixty.” It is being held at the Tellico West Conference Center from Wednesday, April 2, through Sunday, April 6. It is an American farce written by Susan and Michael Parker. All shows, except the Sunday matinee, will be at 7:30 p.m. with the doors opening at 6:15 p.m. The Sunday matinee will be at 1:30 p.m. Heavy appetizers and a cash bar will be available. The cast includes Ku Adams (Mrs. Stancliffe), Doug Bannister (Bud “The Stud” Davis), Steve Mayberry (Henry Marshall), Marlyce Jean Dezzutti (Victoria Ambrose), Janice Carrison (Hillary Hudson) and Lisa Dawn Maleske (Charmaine Beauregard). Tickets are available at the Village Salon, Salon Anew, and Kahite Pub and Grill. Buy your tickets quickly as it is expected to be an early sellout.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day April 5

Household Hazardous Waste Collection will be held 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, April 5, at the Loudon County Justice Center, located at the corner of East Lee Highway (Highway 11) and Sugarlimb Road. There is no cost for Tennessee residents.

Guidelines: Leave products in their original containers. Re-label containers that have lost their labels. Do not mix two or more different products into one container. Place items in a cardboard box, preferable lined with newspaper or plastic.

Items accepted are: Automotive/Marine Products: Fuel and oil additives, grease and rust solvents/naval jelly, carburetor and fuel injector cleaners, starter fluids, body putty, antifreeze, and gasoline. Home Maintenance/Improvement Products: Used strippers and thinners, adhesives, driveway sealant, roofing tar, and wallpaper remover. Home Lawn and Garden Products: Pesticides, fertilizers, wood preservatives. Miscellaneous: Rechargeable batteries, pool chemicals, photo processing, medicine/drugs, aerosols/compressed gas, mercury thermostats and thermometers, and fluorescent tubes.

Unacceptable Items: Medical/Biological: Needles and sharps, infectious waste, dead animals, nor any waste from a doctor’s office/clinic or veterinarian’s office/clinic. Explosives/Ammunition: Fireworks, military ordnance, gun powder, nor ammunition. Radioactives: Smoke detectors, nor radium paint. Business/Institutional Waste: No business, no colleges nor universities, no schools, no hospitals, no home improvement nor painting contractors, no agribusiness. Miscellaneous: Empty containers of any kind, automotive gas tanks, laboratory chemicals, paint, nor electronics.

HOA Sponsors Meet the Monroe County Candidates April 7

The Tellico Village Homeowners Association (HOA) is hosting the Monroe County "Meet the Candidates" night on Monday, April 7. The evening will begin with a casual meet and greet the candidates in the Kahite Pub and Grill beginning at 6 p.m. This gives everyone a chance to meet the candidates in a face to face environment. The more formal portion of the night will begin at 7 p.m. in the Kahite annex building. At that time each candidate will have an opportunity to tell the attendees a little about themselves and the position they are seeking. Each candidate will be asked to answer two questions provided by the HOA committee. At the conclusion, there will be some time allotted for questions from the floor that can be directed to the candidate of

choice.

If you have any questions, please contact any of the committee members. Committee Members: Len Willis, Bruce Christopher, Walt Roessler, Miriam Fisher, Jim Christopher.

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Teaches Knots, Hitches, Splices April 8

Comments from our *About Boating Safely* (ABS) class indicate that students want more time to learn and practice knots and generally learn more about working with lines. Marlinspike Seamanship answers that need and includes more knots, bends and hitches, line splicing and other marine line knowledge. Splicing skills allow boaters to prepare custom-made lines for their boat, or for repairing lines that have damaged sections. This is a hands-on class where you will not only learn but you will also tie knots and splice the line. Marlinspike will be held at the Yacht Club, top floor, 2-5 p.m. Tuesday, April 8. Reservations are required. More details for this class can be found at <http://flotilla-12-2-tellico-village.blogspot.com/>. Cost is \$25 and you can bring another family member for \$10 if you share the supplied information. Call Tom Murphy at 865-320-3788 to reserve your seat.

Cruising Club Meets April 9

The Tellico Cruising Club will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 9, in the Tellico Village Yacht Club. The social hour begins at 5 p.m. with the meeting starting promptly at 6 p.m. All Tellico Lake boaters are welcome. Any questions please contact Commander Kenn Genge at 458-5710.

Tellico Village Fishing Club Meets April 9

The Tellico Villages Fishing Club's monthly meeting will be 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, in the Yacht Club. This month's speaker will be professional fisherman and club member, Tim Dearing, who will discuss where to catch fish on Tellico Lake. In addition, he will provide details on an upcoming Military Bass Tournament. Visitors are welcome. For more information, call Club President Jim Goyert, 865-441-2770.

Ladies Book Club Meets April 10

The Tellico Village Ladies Book Club will meet 11:30 a.m. for lunch and hold a 12:15 p.m. book discussion Thursday, April 10, in the Tanasi Clubhouse. April's book is "The Beginner's Goodbye," by Ann Tyler, led by Peggy Pinkerman.

Hike Twin Arches April 11

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Friday, April 11, from Chota Center to hike:

- TWIN ARCHES – Big South Fork
- Distance: 5.2 miles
- Rating: Moderate
- Driving time: 2 hrs. 20 min.
- Leader: Tom Ringenbach, 865-458-0915 or tommamie@charter.net

Located in Big South Fork NRRRA, this hike has a lot to offer, starting with the twin natural arches that we meet fairly early in the hike. We'll take time here for picture taking. The trail also takes us to a very rustic, but operational hostel; remains of a homestead and family cemetery dating to 1863; and finally to several very large rock overhangs. The trail is generally well maintained with just a small amount of rock climbing near the rock walls. There are a couple of steep stairs to navigate as well.

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. Check out the website www.tvhikers.com.

Health and Services Expo April 11

The 3rd annual STAYinTV Health and Services Expo will be held at the Christian Life Center (CLC) of the Community Church at Tellico Village 9 a.m. Friday, April 11. STAYinTV sponsors this Expo to give residents an opportunity to meet some area health and service providers and members of local support groups. Most of them are listed in the STAYinTV Resource Guide. Many of them will have handouts available for guests to take home with them. Guests must register to take advantage of any of the screenings arranged for by Fort Loudoun Medical Center. These include postural screening for golfers, checking oxygen saturation/blood pressure/Spirometer, carotid artery screening, blood tests, and skin check 9-11:30 a.m.

All screenings are free except for the blood tests that will be available in the main room of the CLC. The test costs for each are: Blood Chemistry Profile \$20 with fasting for a recommended 10-12 hours for accurate results; Complete Blood Count \$15; Prostate Specific Antigen \$20; Thyroid Stimulating Hormone \$20; High Sensitivity C-Reactive Protein \$20; and Hemoglobin A1C \$20. Payment can be made with cash, check, or credit card.

Other vendors will offer vision and spinal screenings. For those guests who wish to have a hearing screening, their first stop should be to the testing room on the lower level to make an appointment. Guests can visit the other vendor displays and take advantage of other screenings until their appointment time.

Village Quilters Guild Meeting April 11

The general meeting of the Village Quilters Guild is held on the second Friday of the month at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 9:15 a.m. social time, 9:45 a.m. meeting. This month get ready to carpool as we have a program with real crowd appeal! We welcome Bonnie Hunter, renowned quilter, teacher, author and “hopeless scrapaholic” as she shares “Scraps—What to Do and How to Do It.”

Hike Turtletown Creek Trail April 14

The Muddy Boots Hiking Club will depart 8:30 a.m. Monday, April 14, from Chota Center (across from the gas station) to hike:

- Turtletown Creek Trail in the Cherokee National Forest
- Distance: 4 miles
- Elevation gain 500 feet
- Rating: easy/moderate; some short up/down segments
- Leader: Jim Jeswald, jmjes711@gmail.com

Hiking boots and poles are recommended; pack water, trail lunch, and a camera. Car pooling will be set up at departure; \$5 to driver for gas. For more information, email nvmuddy-boots@gmail.com.

Our hike passes water cascades and two beautiful waterfalls. Optional stop at Buck Bald, a tree-less mountain top, providing views of the Smoky and Cumberland mountains.

Hike the East Lakeshore Trails April 15

Some of the most beautiful trails in East Tennessee are a 10-minute drive from Tellico Village. The

East Lakeshore Trails are just across the lake and were recently designated as National Recreation Trails by the Department of the Interior. If you would like to become more familiar with these trails and/or would just like to take a short 2-2.5 mile hike, then come join us on the third Tuesday of every month. Our next hike will be April 15. when we will hike two miles of the Coyatee Loop Trail (part of East Lakeshore Trail). We will gather at the Poplar Springs Boat Ramp parking lot at 9 a.m. and carpool to the trailhead. We should finish no later than 11 a.m. Your hike leaders will be Jon Foreman, Jim Jeswald, and Larry Elder. For additional information, contact: Larry at lelder49@gmail.com or 865-657-9722; Jim at jmjes711@gmail.com or 724-612-2166; or Jon at for4man@charter.net or 412-337-5500.