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FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER...

Hello,

APRIL 2024



Members! As you are all aware, Taberna Country Club is resuming manage-

ment of the

beverage department. We are using the first week of April to do some cleaning and reorganizing and to train our new staff to be able to provide the best service you all deserve! We are very excited to re-open with our slightly changed menu with breakfast options as well as

Sunday hours!

The pool resurfacing project is just about complete. Next on the list will be the tennis courts resurfacing. I am hoping to have that completed by the end of April.

We will be hosting several outside tournaments this season and with the exception of just a few, they will all be held on Mondays. The tournament schedule is posted on our website; tabernacc.com. The New Bern Cup will be held on Saturday, April 28th. I'm sure you have all seen the trophy in the Pro Shop...we will be hosting the tournament here at Taberna and defending our championship! Good luck to all of club members who will be participating!

The Veteran Enforcers Motorcycle Association (VEMA) tournament is Sunday, April 21st. If you are interested in putting a team together or becoming a sponsor, please contact Rick Schultz. There is more information provided in the newsletter.

Thank you all for being members! Shannon

> Thank you, Shannon Nunn

Meet Chef Ashley

Chef Ashley is a New Bern native. Not long after her birth at Craven Regional Hospital, she started her cooking career. Cooking in professional kitchens as early as the age of 10 years old. Working under her Father's catering company allowed Ashley to quickly flourish in the food industry. She has



now gone on to open 3 restaurants, host ECU games and events, and is currently in the process of opening a food truck. No matter where Ashley is, she puts a smile on people's faces through her food and amazing ability to accommodate all guests. She hopes to increase membership at Taberna as well as a better member experience. She says; " cooking at Taberna is like cooking for my family. I want everyone to leave full and satisfied. With the reopening in April, chef hopes to offer unique flavors but most importantly consistently superior food quality. The restaurant will have new operating hours. We will now be open from 9am until 9pm. With these new hours comes a brand new breakfast menu available until 12pm! Sunday hours are now from 11:30am until 6pm and yes we will be open EVERY Sunday. With all of the wonderful changes in place we encourage parties of 5 or more to please make a reservation. This will help our staff better prepare and accommodate our members and guests.



Spring is here finally and, hopefully, the pollen is gone. We have many good things

going on for this month!

We are excited to announce we are having a membership drive and we have waived the initiation fee to join (see Donna Hunt for more details).

Our pool has been newly resurfaced, and painted, including the bathrooms, so come and enjoy. Our new pool membership is a big hit already with families joining for \$200 per month during the pool season. Lots of fun events are also happening including Music Bingo, Trivia and Big Jim Kohler will be

here for entertainment.

April Fun Facts

Did you ever wonder how April Fool's Day started? It is speculated that the custom of April Fools began in France during the 16th century, after the New year calendar was moved from April 1st to January 1st. Those who continued to celebrate the April new year were considered fools, and often the victims of practical jokes. Today we just like to have a little fun with our friends!

April has two birth flowers. Both the daisy and the sweet pea are considered birth flowers for the month of April. The sweet pea signifies blissful pleasure, while daisies represent childhood innocence, loyalty, and purity.

The first shots of the American Revolution started April 19, 1775. The Civil War, Spa-

nish War and World War II all started in April.

On 15 April, 1912 the Titanic, believed to be unsinkable, hit an iceberg and sank two hours and 40 minutes later. Unfortunately, there we too few lifeboats to save everyone and only about 700 of the 2,224 passengers were rescued.

"Houston, we've had a problem"! April 11, 1970 Apollo 13 launched from Cape Kennedy. Fifty-six hours later, she suffered a catastrophic explosion that crippled the ship. Fortunately, the astronauts were able to return home unharmed.

Some "just for fun" April celebrations include: National Pillow Fight Day (6th), National Library Worker Day (9th), national siblings day (10th) and World Penguin Day (25th). Educate.today

Purebread dogs vs. inbread dogs





WELCOME NEW TCC MEMBERS IN APRIL

Marcus Earle Family

ROBERT BARNHILL FAMILY

MARCH EVENTS AT TCC

In March, TCC hosted many social and golf events, including Music Bingo, Karaoke Night, Trivia Night, Sunday Brunch, Luck o' the Irish Golf Tournament, Tidewater Senior Men's Golf Tournament, Thirsty Thursdays, Easter Brunch...!

April promises to be equally busy with social events. We're thinking Spring has finally arrived, so, bring on the fun!

























TMGA WITH JOE VASKO...



So, what's there to like about golf? We go out and hit a little ball several times in an attempt to put it in a hole that is 4.25 inches in diameter 375 yards away. We

try to get the fewest points instead of the most. Is there any other sport that does that? (Maybe one) We put the ball on a tee, use the appropriate club, hit it as hard or easily as we desire, and still we can't hit it where we want. It drives me crazy! I can move up in my stance, I can even stand on my head if I want, and STILL, I can't

seem to get it right. I'm getting stressed just writing about it!

But as if it were magic, we go out with our weapons in hand and start a conversation. It could be about anything. Lately, for me it's been about an electric bike. Go ahead, have your fun. As the round progresses so does the discussion. Somebody is taking a trip, another is building something, someone else had to change the batteries in the remote (not kidding). This is serious stuff.

As the round concludes, I put one in the water. End up with a triple bogey. We take our hats off and shake hands. As I walk off, I say, "I hate this game." We go have a beer and talk about what could have been. Bob says, "See you next week?" "Yep, I'll be there".

It's more than golf.



– Cheers! Joe Vasko TMGA President

GOLF CHAT ... TONGE TO THE TONGE THE



We finally got the 2024 TWGA golf season off to a week late start because of cold blustery weather on March 5th. March 12th was much more accom-

modating and it was wearing of the green in honor of St Patrick's Day. We also had a St Paddy's Day tournament on Saturday, March 16th — Congratulations to two of our TWGA ladies for being on the winning team, that is, Barb Herl and Carolyn Perrigo!

That was the last of the warm temperatures and now we're back to winter again even though it's officially Spring! It's most definitely the official pine pollen season and everyone is hoping it will be over soon. Like most of you, I have a ¼ inch of the yellow stuff on all my outdoor furniture. I have the power washer/window washer on speed-dial for the day I wipe off the table on the porch and no more pollen appears.

In the first couple of weeks in April we have some fun golf games in store. I'm sure Mother Nature will bring us better weather for them and it won't be long before we're wishing for these cool temperatures because we'll be complaining about the heat!

We're saying goodbye to Leslie and Meghan in the dining room in April and they will surely be missed. We wish them great good fortune in their future endeavors.

I was hoping Alex could find some inexpensive golf rule books with all the upto-date rule changes that we could

purchase for our lady golfers. Unfortunately, there is no such thing as inexpensive rule books. Alex reminded me that you can download an app for that! Isn't the web great! I guess I had it at one time because when I looked it up there was a little cloud beside it, meaning I had it somewhere in outer space and I just needed to retrieve it. The best thing is it's free and you can carry it with you on the course and , if there is a question, you can look it up while you're out there. Also it should update itself if something new comes along. If you would like to have it, look in your apps for USGA Rules of golf. It's a red square symbol and you may download it onto your phone. You can type in your question and there is even a phone number to call if you need more help.

> Debbie Polacke President, TWGA

The Tennis Corner

WITH BARBARA FLYNN



According to my calendar, Spring be an today (3/19). This always hings a smile. Hopefully, this will mean that the weather will be more conducive for playing tennis. This week the weather predictions are good for tennis. Thus, it appears we are off to a good start.

I just got off the telephone for Shannon Nunn, and she assured me that the resurfacing of the courts is still "on the table". However, while it had been planned for the end of March, it now is more likely to happen the end of April.

Not having had my racquet restrung in a while, I decided to research this issue. This is what I found. Wikipedia suggested to restring your racquet after every 40 hours of play; if the racquet is used three times per week and three hours per session, it should be restrung approximately every five weeks (little much in my opinion). The Wilson racquet site (Wilson.com) had chart

based on the frequency of play as well as level of play. I suggest you check this site out. There was way too much information for this article.

The 2024 70's Invitational is being held April 16-18 at the Pinehurst Tennis Club. According to the announcement, it is "friendly competition and camaraderie". In case anyone is interested, check out USTA North Carolina.

Don't forget the Neuse Senior Games will be held April 17 – May 9.

The tennis events will be held here at Taberna on Monday, April 29. Pickleball competition will be held at Creekside Park on April 22 and 23.

"To err is human. To put blame on someone else is doubles." (Anonymous)

For info about tennis at Taberna, please call the Pro Shop at 634-1600, ext. I







2nd Annual VEMA New Bern Golf Tournament







April 21, 2024

Taberna Country Club New Bern, NC

Sign-Up 12:30pm

Shot Gun Start 1:30pm

Super Ball Format

\$400 Green Fee/Team

Beverage Cart

Food Optional after play

Prizes

proceeds to:

CRAVEN COUNTY



SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Contact: Rick Schultz (530) 249-9229 Taberna Club Pro (252) 634-1600 ext 1



DEAR MEMBERS, BETWEEN MONDAY, APRIL 1ST AND MONDAY, APRIL 8TH, TABERNA COUNTRY CLUB'S DINING ROOM WILL BE CLOSED reorganizing, training new staff and prepping for a busy, eventful, fun-filled Spring and Summer season ahead! On Tuesday, April 9th, we'll be back in business, eager to serve our members and their guests.





TWGA



Jaamco Trio with Big Jim Kohler 6PM Thirsty Thursday **Dining Room Open** 9AM - 9PM



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3PM SHOTGUN

DINNER /PLAYERS

Masters TEE TIMES STARTING AT 9AM,

OPEN FOR BREAKFAST AT 8AM 13 Lunch After Play

DINING ROOM OPEN

8AM - 9PM

CLOSED FOR LUNCH:

OPEN FOR DINNER



GOLF COURSE AND CLUBHOUSE CLOSED

DINING ROOM OPEN



DINING ROOM 9AM - 9PM



Thirsty Thursday Dining Room Open Q 9AM – 9PM



CLOSED FOR PRIVATE PARTY IN THE EVENING



VEMA NewBern Golf Tournament 12:30 Sign-Up

1:30 Shotgun

Dining Room Open to All

GOLF COURSE AND CLUBHOUSE **CLOSED**

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TMGA **DINING ROOM** 9AM - 9PM



DOC ROLL 6 - 8PM DINING ROOM OPEN 9AM - 9PM



NEW BERN CUP Tournament 9AM Shotgun



FOR LUNCH

GOLF COURSE AND CLUBHOUSE CLOSED

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TABERNA COUNTRY CLUB

Dinner & Special Events Reservations – Call 634.1600, Ext.3 PRO SHOP HOURS: 7:30AM - 6PM RANGES OPEN 7:30AM - 7PM (HOURS MAY CHANGE)

THE DINING ROOM WILL BE OPEN TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY FROM 9AM - 9PM AND EVERY SUNDAY FROM 11:30AM - 6PM. BREAKFAST WILL NOW BE AVAILABLE.