

BIG CREEK

GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

GOLF NEWS

Greetings all Women Golfers,

Thanks to the warm weather this past fall, it has only been a few months since some of us have played golf together. Actually, several of us played each Tuesday through November. Pretty good for us "fair weather" golfers.

We had a good golf season. The turn out was good for the 18-hole, Tuesday morning group and for the 5:30, Thursday evening group. We will continue these this coming year.

In the fall, we had our annual end of the season Saturday tournament, a time when the Tuesday and Thursday night women can golf together. We had a good turnout and ended up with three flights. Prizes were awarded for flight winners and flag prizes. After play we enjoyed appetizers in the clubhouse.

We also held our end of the year Golfing Awards/meeting/potluck at the beautiful home of Nancy Brentlinger. At that meeting, Judy Nosari volunteered to be the Golf Games Chairperson, Nancy Brentlinger the Secretary, and Corrine Johnson, President.

Golfing Awards went to: Sharon Butler for Most Improved Golfer, Judy Nosari for Least Putts, Judy Nosari winner of the Electric Tournament, Brenda White for Low Gross, Corrine Johnson for Low Net, Brenda White for Most Birdies, and Patsy Johnson for Flag Tournament. Janet Wood was the winner of the Handicap Tournament.

For any new women golf members who may be interested in joining our golfing group, our season begins in April and goes as long as weather permits. Our organized games always go through October. The cost is \$40 per season, although new members will be charged an additional \$5 for the hole-in-one club.

If a league member has a hole-in-one, it must be witnessed. It does not have to happen during league play. All the money in the fund is given to that person, but she must use the funds to organize and pay for a golfing party which typically includes food and adult beverages. All members again contribute \$5 and wait for the next hole-in-one.

If you plan to participate in league play, please call me or Martha Sanford (314-954-6310) prior to April 1, 2017.

These are good groups, and many friendships are created and strengthened through the women's golf league.

Corrine Johnson (870-405-8280), President

BIG CHANGES AROUND THE BIG CREEK GOLF COURSE



A big thank you goes out to everyone involved in the cleaning and repainting of the out-of-bound and hazard stakes, the 150-yard markers, and the granite tee markers. They look great! Thank you Ed Clark, Lou Wood, and the cart barn staff!

Several key bunkers around the course have been totally rebuilt: two fairway bunkers on #5, one each on #8 and #9, and the first one on #10. Seven bunkers w little play have been removed: fairways bunkers on #2 (left of the 150 marker), first fairway bunker on #3, first fairway bunker on #9, left bunker of the far two on #10, two on #12 (center of fairway and back left green side), and first fairway bunker on the right on #18. Pictured below is the rebuild on #10 at left, and the rebuild on #5 in the center.

The lone cedar tree closest to the right fairway bunker on #16 has been removed. This tree has been with us since before Big Creek founded.



Big Creek and our Superintendent Brent Edens are proud owners of a brand-new Toro Procore 648 deep-tine aerator. On Sunday, February 26, 2017, Brent and Big Creek Pro Todd Dunnaway tried out the new machine for the very first time on the chipping green. Brent said this green typically took 40 minutes to aerate, but the new faster machine took only 20 minutes while also pulling a core plug about twice as long as before.

Last fall our old machine was malfunctioning and pulling an occasional swath of turf up along with the plug resulting in some unsightly, but recoverable, damage. Our greens will be ready for warm weather shortly.



CLUBHOUSE NEWS

2017 ANNUAL BIG CREEK INDOOR PUTT-PUTT NIGHT

We had a great crowd out for the annual Big Creek Putt-Putt Night on February 18th. Congrats to Andy Wescoat and Carter Adkins for winning low round honors and to Cooper Adams for winning the pot on the hole-in-one putt off between everyone that made an ace on hole #1.

A big thank you to Brent Edens and Todd Dunnaway and their staffs for all of the hard work to prep for the night. There was also a tasting table sponsored by Diamond Bear Brewing Company and Andrew Gillespie of Glazer's Distributors of Arkansas as well as samples of some of the club's new wine list wines.



Happy St. Patrick's Day

On Friday March 17th, 2017, Big Creek will be having a St. Patrick's Day and March Madness Celebration! Come out to Big Creek and join in the Irish festivities! March Madness on the TV's in the grill, Green Beer all day, and a special menu from Chef John.



Mini Guinness Steak Pies for appetizer \$8.95
Corn beef, cabbage, and boiled potatoes \$12.95
Also some yummy Guinness Chocolate Cake and a Jameson Whiskey Cake with Bailey's Glaze!
Green beer, Irish Car Bombs, Irish Coffee, and Grasshoppers.



NEW WINE LIST

After extensive planning, we are pleased to introduce our new wine list. A couple club favorites have been kept, but there are multiple new choices for you to try in a wide range of price points. Try a couple out on your next visit.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS TO BIG CREEK GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB!

Mr. & Mrs. Scott Symons
Mack Butterfield
Richard & Sandy Miller
Shayne M. Rorie
Charles K. (Ken) Love

CLOSINGS:

The restaurant will be closed on Saturday, March 18th, 2017, for a wedding reception. Thank you for understanding.

RESERVATIONS:

To ensure we can give you the best dining experience at Big Creek Golf and Country Club, please take the time to make a reservation. 870-425-0333

Wine of the Month

J Lohr Estates Bay Mist White Riesling

\$5 glass/ \$20.00 bottle

The 2015 J. Lohr Estates Bay Mist White Riesling is pale straw in color, offering aromas of paperwhites, Lychee, pear, Lemongrass, tangerine, and roses. These delicious aromas are complemented on the palate by minerality and a refreshing acidity balanced by a touch of residual sugar.



REDS

Black Ink Blend
Glass \$6 ... Bottle \$24/ California
Bogle Merlot
Glass \$6 ... Bottle \$26/ California
Irony Black Pinot Noir
Glass \$6 ... Bottle \$25/ Monterey
19 Crimes Blend
Glass \$7 ... Bottle \$28/ Australia
Francis Coppola Merlot
Glass \$7 ... Bottle \$28/ California
J Lohr Cabernet
Glass \$7 ... Bottle \$28/ Paso Robles
Joel Gott 815 Cabernet
Glass \$8 ... Bottle \$32/ California
Row Eleven Pinot Noir
Glass \$8 ... Bottle \$32/ California
Charles Krug Cabernet
Glass \$9 ... Bottle \$45/ Napa Valley
La Crema Pinot Noir
Glass \$9 ... Bottle \$40/Sonoma
Beringer Knights Valley Cabernet
Glass \$9 ... Bottle \$45/ Sonoma
Bottle Only Reds
Duck Horn Cabernet
Bottle \$75/Sonoma
Burly Cabernet
Bottle \$75/Napa
Belle Glos Pinot Noir
Bottle \$65.00/ Santa Maria Valley
Silver Oak Cabernet
Bottle \$110/ Alexander Valley
Stags Leap Artemis
Bottle \$100/ Napa Valley

WHITES

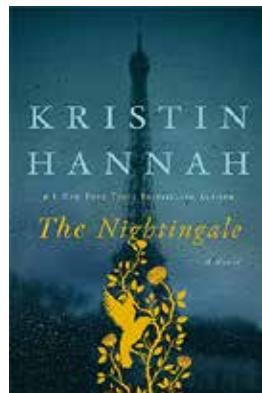
LaPlaya Sauvignon Blanc
Glass \$6 ... Bottle \$24/Chile
Estancia Unoaked Chardonnay
Glass \$6 ... Bottle \$24/ California
Castello Del Poggio Moscato
Glass \$6 ... Bottle \$24/Italy
Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc
Glass \$7 ... Bottle \$28/ New Zealand
Ca 'Montini Pinot Grigio
Glass \$7 ... Bottle \$30/ Italy
Kendall Jackson Chardonnay
Glass \$7 ... Bottle \$28/ California
Sauvion Rose D'Anjou
Glass \$7 ... Bottle \$28/ France
Sonoma Cutrer Chardonnay
Glass \$8 ... Bottle \$35/ Russian River
Santa Margherita Pinot Grigio
Glass \$9 ... Bottle \$45/ Italy
Bottle Only Whites
Aria Cava Brut
Bottle \$25/ Spain
Rombauer Chardonnay
Bottle \$45/ California
Cakebread Chardonnay
Bottle \$90/ California
Veuve Cliquot Brut Yellow
Bottle \$90/ France
4 Varieties of beer on tap
Bottled Beer Amberbock
Belhaven Budweiser
Bud Light Coors Light
Corona Michelob Ultra
Miller Light

Book of the Month

The Nightingale

By Kristin Hannah

Wednesday, March 15th at 5:30pm and Wednesday, March 29th at 10:30am. New members are always welcome.



Painting with Panache

Painting with Panache will be on Thursday, March 9th at 5:30pm sharp. The cost is \$40.00 a person and this includes all painting supplies and a glass of wine. Grab a friend, colleague, or a family member and come learn to paint this beautiful picture.

