

Bracken Bits

Lake Bracken Country Club

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Bar/Restaurant Hours for April

Bar

Monday	closed
Tuesday	3-?
Wednesday	12-9 ?
Thursday	3-8:30
Friday	1-10 ?
Saturday	12-8:30
Sunday	12-5

Restaurant

Monday	closed
Tuesday	closed
Wednesday	5-8
Thursday	5-8
Friday	5-9
Saturday	5-8
Sunday	closed

Snack Window:

Snack Window will be open various hours depending on the weather.



Don't forget to vote Tuesday, April 7th at the CLUBHOUSE
6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Registration Stickers

Boat and ATV stickers will be mailed out as soon as current information is received. Once again, if your last years information is the same, just notify the office.

There will be no golf cart stickers this year. JR and Rebekah will be keeping track of whether your trail fee has been paid.

*We are on the Web, watch for new updates!

*The Bits will continue to be mailed out indefinitely.

*Pizzas are available Thursdays and Saturdays Only!

*Minimum purchase of \$5.00 required when using a Credit/Debit Card.

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WELCOME



New Members

Please welcome the following new members to L.B.C.C.

Trisha Blake—Junior 2	Mike Sweney—Special Activity
Rick Wagner—Single 2	Bob Olson—Special Activity
	Jeff Knuth—Special Activity



Phone Numbers

Club Office
342-4431
Restaurant/Bar
343-5912
Maintenance Shop
342-4341
Pro Shop
343-5915



Larry's News



Pontoons in Pool Parking Lot

Please call the Club Office, 342-4431, or the Maintenance Shop, 342-4341, to make an appointment to have your pontoon put into the lake. **THE DEADLINE IS MAY 12TH.** Your pontoon **MUST** be registered in the Club Office before putting it in the lake. Registration forms are available in the Club Office.

Golf Carts

Please keep all carts on the provided cart paths this time of year. The ground is still wet in some areas and we would like to keep the course looking good.

ATV'S

ATV's Must display a current LBCC sticker before using them on the Club trails. If you have not registered your ATV, please fill out a form in the Club Office and display your sticker on the back of your ATV.

Parking

Now that Spring has arrived the parking area across from the Clubhouse is for golf carts only! Handicap parking is available in front of the Clubhouse.

Parking behind the Clubhouse is to be used by employees only!!



Weather Siren



In 2001, a weather alert siren was installed to serve the Lake Bracken Area. This siren will be activated for two different reasons.

- 1) The siren will be activated in the event the National Weather Service issues a tornado warning for Lake Bracken area portion of Knox County. A tornado warning is issued when a tornado has actually been sighted or is indicated by radar.

**The siren will sound a steady tone for two minutes or longer
for any tornado warning.**

- 2) The siren will also be activated to clear the Lake Bracken Country Club Golf Course in the event of lightning in the immediate area.

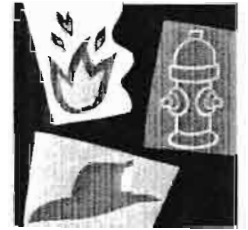
**The siren will sound an intermittent tone for two minutes or longer
for any lightning in the immediate area.**

Although you may be able to hear the siren in your home, it is intended to alert those who are participating in outdoor activities.

On the first Tuesday of each month the siren will be tested around 1:00 p.m. to insure the system is functioning properly.



A Message from Chief Howard



Spring clean up is just around the corner. While burning yard waste remember to have a water hose ready to use. Refrain from burning on windy days and do not burn close to any flammable objects. Safety first. Also the spring golf outing is on April 18th. Call the pro shop or sign up in the hallway. It will be 4-man Superball as always.

Thanks from all your LBCC firefighters!

LAKE BRACKEN WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

Spring Brunch

Saturday, May 2, 2009

We would like to invite Lake Bracken women golfers to our opening spring brunch.

NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME! We have players of all levels.

When: Saturday, May 2, 2009

9:00 a.m. (Check-in will begin at 8:30 a.m.)

Where: Clubhouse Dining Room

What: Brunch, Business Meeting, Golf

Cost: \$9.00 (Includes tax and gratuity)

Menu: Scrambled Eggs

Bacon

Hash browns

Assorted muffins

Golf: Superball about 11:00 a.m.

Reservations: Sign-up sheet in hallway

Reservations due by Wednesday, April 22nd

(Any cancellations due to Jessica by 9:00am May 1st)

Please be prepared to make two payments—\$9.00 to Lake Bracken for the brunch and \$25.00 to Lake Bracken Women's Golf Association for dues. Thank you. If you have any questions, please call one of the officers who are your hostesses for this event.

Chris Fulton and Lorraine Gottenborg—Co-Chairpersons

Barb Hanson—Vice-Chairperson

Cathy Gibbs—Secretary

MaryJo Hemmer--Treasurer





From the Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors would like to inform you of the following news. Larry Hovind, after years and years of dedicated service to Lake Bracken has decided to retire. Larry has been contemplating this decision for a couple of years, and has decided that now is the time. Larry will stay with us until July 5th. He said he might even want to mow a little grass and do some other odd projects in the fall. The Board began a year ago to consider how best to proceed with hiring a replacement. As many of you know, we also lost Aaron in November. We knew we would need to replace Aaron by spring, and also find a new superintendent. The Board, at the March meeting, extended offers of employment and hired two individuals. We would like to introduce Mike Howard as the new Superintendent. Mike has lots of experience in lots of different areas, and is excited about the challenge of the new position. We have also hired Blake Lane as the Assistant Superintendent. Blake has an Associate's degree in Golf Course Management, and has done internships at Oakwood and TPC Deere Run. Mike and Blake will begin employment April 1st. They are excited about the challenges they face, and the Board is pleased to announce their employment. When you see them or meet them, congratulate them and wish them well. When you see Larry, be sure to thank him for all he has done for Lake Bracken and wish him the best because he deserves it.

The Board of Directors

Craig's News

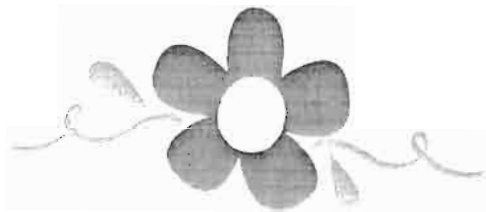
Spring has sprung. Birds are singing, flowers are blooming and trees are budding. Finally..... April is the beginning of a very busy time here at the Clubhouse. Be sure to look at your calendars to see what is going on at the Club. We don't want you to miss anything.

Jeff and I are starting to work on our new summer menu. If you have any suggestions or things that you would like to see offered, please let us know. We are working on some things to speed up the service at the snack window on Saturdays and Sundays. We plan to have some ready made Sub sandwiches with a soda and chips. Our goal is to make your stop at the snack window a quick and pleasant experience, as well as to keep you on time for your next hole.

The dining room activity has picked up in the recent weeks. I would like to thank those of you who are making reservations, as this enables Jeff to prepare enough buffet and specials so everyone gets taken care of. It appears that the homemade desserts are going over well. Please feel free to give us your feedback on what we are doing, good or bad. This is your Club, our staff will do anything they can to accommodate your needs. Thanks to everyone who donated and helped make our first blood drive a success.

Thanks,
Craig





April 2009



*To-go orders available.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 <i>Guest Chef DR Closed for Regular Dining</i>
5	6 <i>Bar and DR Closed</i>	7 Election Day at the Clubhouse <i>Bar and DR Closed</i>	8	9	10	11 Easter Egg Hunt 1:00 p.m. in the Park <i>Private Event DR Closed</i>
12 Easter <i>Easter Brunch Reservations Only!</i>	13 <i>Bar and DR Closed</i>	14 <i>DR Closed</i>	15	16	17	18 18 Hole LBCC Firefighters Outing 1:00 Shotgun
19 Cross Country Couple's Golf 3:00 Shotgun <i>DR Closed</i>	20 <i>Bar and DR Closed</i>	21 <i>DR Closed All Day Private Events</i>	22	23	24	25 Shotgun 9:00 am <i>DR Closed Private Event *</i>
26 B.B.A.S.S.B. 9:00 Tee Times	27 <i>Bar and DR Closed</i>	28 <i>DR Closed</i>	29	30		

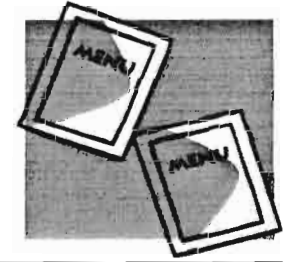


Restaurant Specials

April 2009

Specials are subject to change without notice.

* To-go orders available.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>Ham & Beans w/ Cornbread</i>	2 <i>Taco Night \$5.00 Appetizers</i>	3 <i>Buffet—Walleye Salmon</i>	4 <i>Guest Chef DR Closed for Regu- lar Dining, Reserva- tions Only!</i>
5	6 <i>DR Closed</i>	7 <i>DR Closed</i>	8 <i>Beef & Noodles</i>	9 <i>Taco Night \$5.00 Appetizers</i>	10 <i>Good Friday Buffet—Catfish Potato Wrap Shrimp</i>	11 <i>Private Event DR Closed</i>
12 <i>Easter Brunch Reservations Only!</i>	13 <i>DR Closed</i>	14 <i>DR Closed</i>	15 <i>1/2 Baked Chicken</i>	16 <i>Taco Night \$5.00 Appetizers</i>	17 <i>Buffet—Fried Chicken and Pasta Stuffed Pork</i>	18 <i>LBCC Firemen Golf Outing DR Closed for Regu- lar Dining</i>
19 <i>Couple's Golf</i>	20 <i>DR Closed</i>	21 <i>Private Event All Day DR Closed</i>	22 <i>Roast Beef Sandy Mash</i>	23 <i>Taco Night \$5.00 Appetizers</i>	24 <i>Buffet—Swiss Steak Prime Rib</i>	25 <i>Private Event DR Closed *</i>
26	27 <i>DR Closed</i>	28 <i>DR Closed</i>	29 <i>Goulash</i>	30 <i>Taco Night \$5.00 Appetizers</i>		

Guest Chef



Saturday, April 4, 2009

Dinner is served from 5:00—8:00 p.m.

Come enjoy an authentic Italian dinner prepared by our guest chefs

Joe & Gayle
Mangieri

Jeff & Pam
Mangieri

Sam & Peggy
Mangieri

Dave Moore
& Chris Taylor

Antipasto Appetizer

Bread with Dipping Oil and Parmesan Cheese

House Salad

Homemade Lasagna

Homemade Meatballs

Vegetable

Complimentary Glass of Chianti

\$17.95

Your choice of Tiramisu


Or Ice Cream with Chocolate Sauce & Sliced Strawberries

\$3.25

We must have reservations by noon on Thursday, April 2nd.

Please call Jessica at 342-4431

We will be closed for regular dining that evening. Price does not include tax or tip.



Easter Brunch
Sunday, April 12, 2009
10:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

Chef Carved Roast Beef & Virginia Ham
Smoked Alaskan Salmon
Applewood Bacon
Shrimp Cocktail Omelet Bar
Chicken Strips Macaroni & Cheese
Potatoes w/ Rosemary & Roasted Peppers
Assorted Fresh Breads, Salad & Desserts

Adults \$14.95

Kids 12 to 4 \$7.95

Kids 4 and under Free

We need at least 50 Reservations by noon on
Monday, April 6, 2009 to stay open!
Call Jessica at 342-4431.



Bass Tournament *Lake Bracken Fire* *Dept.*



Date: Sunday--- May 3rd

6:00A.M till 12:00 P.M.

Kick off from Beach or old clubhouse area. Be at the Beach by 5:30 A.M. to pay entry fee and have pre-tournament meeting.

Shotgun start – all boats no-wake speed only for the tournament.

Two persons per team—(no alcohol during tournament)

No pre-fishing for three days prior to the tournament.

There will be no open pre-fishing for non Lake Bracken members.

All boats must have aerated live wells. No stringers or fish baskets.

All boats must have liability insurance. Artificial lures only.

The limit will be: Six 12” bass per team. A dead fish penalty of 1 pound per dead fish will be assessed. Short fish (closed mouth pinched tail) 2 pound penalty plus loss of fish.

Entry Fee: \$ 60.00 Dollars per boat. Ten Dollars of that is for the big bass pot. (Cash only- no checks can be accepted)

Pay back will be 80% of the remaining \$ 50.00 fee. In other words \$ 10.00 per boat goes to the Lake Bracken Fire Dept.

First place 50%

Second place 30%

Third place 20%

Since parking at the ramp is very limited. We will have to launch boats and drive trailers around to park across from swimming pool and walk down to meet your boat.

After the tournament we may eat at the clubhouse. However the golfers have priority for parking. We might have to drop trailers back at the pool to have enough room to park.



4th Annual
Lake Bracken
Fire Department
Golf Outing



Date: Saturday April 18th, 2009
1:00 Shotgun ~ 18 Holes

Location: Lake Bracken Country Club

Format: 4 Person Superball.
Event will be flighted following play.

Entry: \$25 per player
Includes golf and prizes.
Free food and beverages following play.
Cart fees **not** included.

COLLARED SHIRT REQUIRED!

Entry deadline Saturday April 11th.

***ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE
LAKE BRACKEN FIRE DEPARTMENT!!!!***

Sign up at the Lake Bracken Country Club Golf Shop.
Sign up as a foursome or as an individual to be paired.

(309) 343-5915



What's New at the Pool

Get ready for the **Fun in the Sun** at your pool this summer! Keep your calendars open for Saturday, May 23rd when the pool opens for the 2009 Summer season. Swim lessons will begin in mid June and are taught by the lifeguard staff. The 4th of July is always a big day at the pool! The money-toss, and other games will keep kids occupied for the afternoon with the festivities ending with a moonlite swim after the fireworks.

What to watch for in the May newsletter.....



Swim Lessons



Blue Wave Swim Meets



4th of July Activities



Swim Team Corner

The Lake Bracken "*Blue Wave*" Swim Team is a summer program that offers instruction and training to competitive swimmers from ages six and up, beginners to the elite competitive swimmer. This program is safe, educational, and enjoyable: while providing for the participant's personal improvement.

Join the "*Blue Waves*", where your child will have fun, make friends, develop confidence by learning skills, get attention from the coaches, practice in small groups of similar ability, and start lifelong habits of fitness.

The team website (link below) is the primary communication tool for the team, please use the website to find out more about the "*Blue Wave*" experience!

Pre-Season Information

Pre-Season training is open to any swimmer who participated on the Blue Wave or Krocodile swim teams last season. Swimmers will participate in dry-land exercises and swim. This year's pre-season will be broken up into two different skill levels. Please refer to the website for specific skill levels and dates/times. Participants must be a current member of the Knox County YMCA.

We are always interested in your comments or suggestions. Feel free to contact the pool manager via e-mail at: burekth.bluewaves@gmail.com or call the club office.

Looking forward to summer,
Caylyn Burek, Laine Burek, Jenelle Herrin and Tom Burek
Coaching Staff



<http://www.lakebracken.com/swimteam/>



J.R.'s News.....

Spring is here!!! Time to Tee it High & Let it Fly!!!!

Golf Shop Hours for April:
7 a.m. to 7 p.m. everyday!!!

Upcoming Events:

Saturday April 18 th	18 Hole Firefighter Outing	1:00 Shotgun
Sunday April 19 th	Cross-Country Couple's Golf	3:00 Shotgun
Saturday April 25 th	Shotgun Event	9:00 Shotgun
Sunday April 26 th	BBASSB	9:00 Tee Times
	*Cobra, Ping & Titleist	1:00 – 5:00

***DEMO DAYS**

Sunday April 26 th	Cobra, Ping & Titleist	1:00 – 5:00
Wednesday May 6 th	Callaway, Cleveland, & Taylormade	2:00 – 6:00
Saturday May 9 th	Nike	10:00 – 3:00

This is a great way to try any combination of loft or shaft to ensure the best fit for your game. I personally guarantee that any purchases made on from a demo day will have the lowest prices around. Please come out and try your existing clubs against the new 2009 line and let's see if together we can make your golf game more rewarding and enjoyable!

Spring Special (now through April 30th)
All Grips, Spikes & Shoes 20% Off!!

Ladies Golf Clinics

Well the grass is turning green and the shovels are back in the garage, that can only mean one thing, it's time for a tune up on your golf game! This year we will be doing a four-session ladies clinic. The four sessions will be conducted over two weeks. The clinics will cover the following: rules of golf/formats & tournament info, short game, and two on the full swing. The rules of golf seminar will cover all the questions, basic or technical that you may have! We will also go over the year's tournament schedule and some common formats. The second clinic will be devoted to the short game where we will go over the basics of chipping and putting through hands on practice. The third clinic will be on the driving range covering short irons. The final clinic will be devoted to hybrids and drivers. This will be a great way of having **fun** with your fellow members, while learning a little along the way. The four clinics will be a minimum of one hour long and will start at 6:00. The dates will be May 11th, 14th, 18th & 21st. The cost of the four-session clinic will be \$40.00. Sign-up will be in the hallway or you can call the golf shop. The deadline for signing up will be April 30th. Depending on the volume and interest, we may offer a second session! Don't miss out of this opportunity to learn new aspects of the game or simply brush up on your fundamentals.

2009 Tee Times

A GROUP

- 7:30 Bill Tracy, Russ Cunningham, Tom Mooty, Bob Hunt
7:36 Keith Olson, Chad Barnes, Dan Endthoff, Ed Konecki, Tim Sullivan
7:42 Eric Shaver, John Davis, Jim Anderson, Bill Cox
- 7:48 Jim Johnson, Tom Hendricks, Dave Ryan, Craig Andrews
7:54 Wayne Miles, Kurt Becker, Stu Alderson, Steve Ehrenhardt
8:00 Gary Icenogle, Ed Theobald, Tom McKemie, Gale Murk
- 8:06 Barb Empson, Carol Aten, Barb Blake, Sue Crock, Karen Dillman
8:12 Anne Gengenbacher, Lorraine Gottenborg, Barb Hanson, Gail Hannam
8:18 Doris Herrin, Susie Howard, Marine McKemie, Marilyn Malley, Vickie Nixon
8:24 Jaque Howard, Jeanne Thomas, Pam Winter, Karen Gonyea, Lorie Larsen
- 8:30 Rick Gottenborg, Roger Cirimotich, Jeff Brock, Coke LaFollette, Ned Owens
8:36 Jeff Jones, Pat Blake, Bob Tapper, Rich Tapper, John Bicego, Dick Steller
8:42 Mike Holloway, Andy Hendricks, Jeff Bivens, Scott Mullin, Jack Crock, Mike Duffy
- 8:48 Ron Patterson, Neil Thomas, Larry Smith, Dave Selkirk, Don Schultz, George Schultz
8:54 Dave Mach, Vic VanUnnik, Norm Underwood, Carl Swanson, Joe Dillman
9:00 Walt Fellers, Larry McCarthy, Larry Rowley, Jesse Perez, Dave Riggins, Larry Sholl
9:06 Jim McGhee, Ken Sargent, Roger Robinson, Gary Harrison, Bill Howard

B Group

- 7:30 Kevin Quick, Pat Napier, Tom Irons, Matt Kirkenmeier, Trent Pearson
7:36 Tom Pearson, Mike Holmstrom, Jeff Herrin, Mike Hasselbacher, Tom Glasnovich
7:42 Jack Johnson, Sam Mangieri, Joe Mangieri, Matt Pogue, Scott Baldwin
- 7:48 Shawn Parrish, Deb Parrish, Dan Benedict, Marty Christian, Pat Strode
7:54 Jeff Reed, Terri Reed, Tammy Morrison, Rick Wagner, Dean Betts
- 8:00 Jerry Fritz, Lance Aten, Steve Lefort, Bob Bennett, Tom England
8:06 Wilbur Walck, Dave Goff, Dennis Werder, Chip Schmitt, Al Allen
8:12 Geoff Gengenbacher, Daren Davis, Rudy Aten, Vern Holmstrom, Tony Zefo
8:18 Phil Johnston, Ken Maurizi, Mike Dunn, Jerry Hill, Jeremy Kleine
- 8:24 Carl Nixon, Larry Rush, Wayne Gonyea, Steve Cecil, Bill Lomax
8:30 Dave Moore, Dave Guenther, Gordy Morris, Mike Howard
8:36 Jim Armstrong, John Chapman, John Watson, Don Vespa
8:42 John Hanson, Keith Douglass, Paul Sandborg, Bob Fulton
- 8:48 Marge Patterson, Cathy Gibbs, Jane Murphy, Susie Underwood, Angie Miles
8:54 Janet Parrish, Marsha McGhee, Chris Fulton, Joan Hunt, Lois Hendricks, Lynn Fritz
9:00 KRK, Lois Holmstrom, Linda Mooty, Rosey Lomax, Wanda VanUnnik, Lyn Vespa
- 9:06 Irene Allen, Laura Endthoff, Mary Jo Hemmer, Linda Maurizi, Diana Tracy
9:12 Rita Sandborg, Becky Whitmore, Anna Ellsworth, Betty Werder

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Ladies Bridge Results

Feb 20th

1. Betty Werder
2. Irene Allen
3. Bobbi Harrison

Feb 27th

1. Pat Steller
2. Irene Allen
3. Marge Patterson

March 6th

1. Irene Allen
2. Margaret McCullough
3. Betty Werder

March 13th

1. Nancy McWilliams
2. Glenda Wyatt
3. Mildred Gore

March 20th

1. Joyce Goff
2. Peggy Johnston
3. Carolyn Ray

Men's Bridge Results

March 5th

1. Dave Goff
2. Paul Sandborg
3. Jim Armstrong

March 12th

1. Paul Sandborg
2. Bill Tracy
3. Wilbur Walck

March 19th

1. Bill Tracy
2. Wilbur Walck
3. Vern Holmstrom

