

Lake Bracken Country Club

Bracken Bits

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Office	342-4431		
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New Members:

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

- James Flater—Full
- Kenneth and Sue Riley—Full
- Rhonda Simpson—Clubhouse
- David Ray—Clubhouse
- Harvey and Sharon Ponder—Clubhouse
- Jessica Lieber—Junior 1
- David Olszewski—Junior 2

- John Bowling—Junior 2
- Grant Myers—Special Activity
- Bill Lindsey—Special Activity
- Donald Owen—Special Activity

Fishing/Boating Reminder

Members **MUST** accompany their guests when fishing or boating!



WELCOME

A.T.V. Trails Work Day Saturday, May 16th



We have a handful of fallen trees to clear, a few erosion problems to take care of, one trail to re-route because of erosion, and litter to clean up. Shovels, chainsaws, and garbage bags will be provided. Feel free to bring your own if you wish. Don't hesitate to call me with suggestions or questions. Hope to see you there.

Steve Goff 371-8080

A Reminder and Notice to All Trail Riders

All A.T.V.s, Dirt bikes, Etc., that are operated on Lake Bracken Property, are required to have stock mufflers (with Spark Arrestor.)

Speeding!

There have been many complaints about speeding on and around the club property. Please remember with school letting out for the summer there will be an increase in children playing. **Remember there are children and golfers in front of the Clubhouse!** Please obey the speed limits around the lake and Clubhouse!



Larry's News



Pontoons:

The deadline for having your pontoon removed from club areas is May 13th! Please call the Maintenance Shop at 342-4341 or the Club Office at 342-4431 today to make an appointment to have your pontoon put in the water.

If you have not registered your watercraft in the Club Office please do so immediately and have your 2009 Club sticker placed on all your watercraft.

Reminder that even though we are a private lake you **MUST** obey all Illinois laws.

A friendly reminder that it is a good idea to keep your garages, vehicles and storage areas locked.

Also, please try to stay 30 feet away from the greens and stay on cart paths when wet.

Larry



Breakfast Menu

For Breakfast we will be serving the following:

Breakfast Sandwiches, Old Fashion Biscuits and Gravy, Danishes, 2 egg omelets, or combinations of eggs, bacon or sausage, hash browns, and toast. We look forward to serving our members. Please come out and try our new breakfast. Hours are 6:30-9:00a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays.

Message from Chief Howard:

Thanks to everyone for attending our Spring golf outing. Because of you it was a huge success! Be careful with spring cleanup and burning yard waste. Keep a hose handy. Thanks again from all your LBCC firefighters.





Clubhouse News

2009 Membership Cards

Beginning May 1 you may pick up your 2009 membership cards in the club office. Office hours are from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please remember that each member should carry their cards while using any of the club facilities. In order to provide members with quality service, the Bracken Holdings Inc. Board of Directors has instructed employees to begin to request to see a member's card before using any of the facilities. This is a way for all our members and employees to get to know one another and ensure that only members are using your club. We thank you ahead of time for your cooperation.

Craig's News



If April showers are supposed to bring May flowers, hold on to your hat, we should have a boat load of flowers this year. Hopefully, things will start to dry up soon.

May appears to be a very busy month. Breakfast and the Outdoor Grill will start on the 2nd. Two Knox College Sororities have the first two Saturday nights booked for their Spring Formals. The Stearmen Outing is on the 4th and the Men's Stag on the 13th. Men's League will begin on May 5th. Jessica has planned another Kids Kraft Night on the 23rd.

She received great reviews for the one in April, so she has scheduled several throughout the rest of the year. Jessica does a great job with the children, so drop them off with Jessica, and have a quiet evening of great dining at your Club and pick them up after dinner. (Please do remember to pick them up.)



Chef Jeff is putting together a great menu for the Mother's Day Brunch. He and I are working on the new Summer Menu. We hope to introduce it with another Taste of Lake Bracken in June.

Have a great May. Enjoy the golfing and please make your reservations and come have a great dinner with us at your Clubhouse.

Thanks,

Craig

A decorative border of various flowers and leaves surrounds the text. The flowers include tulips and lilies, and the leaves are large and dark.

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 10, 2009

10:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m.

*Chef Carved Prime Rib and Roasted
Turkey Breast w/ house sauces
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Dressing & Cranberry Sauce
Chicken Strips and Macaroni & Cheese
Scrambled Eggs
Applewood Smoked Bacon
Shrimp Cocktail
Assorted Salads
Rolls
Scrumptious Desserts*

\$14.95 Adults

\$7.95 Children 4-12

Children 3 & under—Free

Reservations required by Noon

Wednesday, May 6th

Call the Office at 342-4431

or the Restaurant at 343-5912

Great for Mom's Special Day!



INDEPENDENCE DAY

AT LAKE BRACKEN

MEMBERS AND THEIR GUEST

BEAT THE PRO

DETAILS AT THE GOLF PRO SHOP

POOL GAMES

LET THE GAMES BEGIN! BE AT THE POOL BEGINNING 1:30 P.M. FOR THE ANNUAL MONEY TOSS, GREASED WATERMELON GAME AND MORE

GRILL AT THE POOL

ENJOY YOUR 4TH OF JULY AND LEAVE THE HASSLE OF A MEAL TO US.
THE GRILL WILL BE OPEN NEAR THE POOL FEATURING:
HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, AND MORE
(FOOD PRICES APPLY)

FIREWORKS

RELAX AND ENJOY THE ANNUAL FIREWORKS BEGINNING AT DUSK

MOONLIGHT SWIM

END YOUR DAY WITH THE BIGGEST SWIMMING EVENT OF THE SUMMER! THE MOONLIGHT SWIM BEGINS 15 MINUTES AFTER THE FIREWORKS

SATURDAY, JULY 4 - ACTIVITIES ALL DAY

RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, JULY 5

CALL THE POOL (342-2413) FOR CANCELLATION INFORMATION.

THE BEAT THE PRO EVENT CANCELLATION IS DETERMINED BY THE GOLF PRO,
CONTACT THE PRO SHOP 343-5915



ARRR PREPARE TO BE BOARDED AT LAKE BRACKEN WHEN
CAP'N JACK SPARROW, WILL TURNER, AND ELIZABETH SWANN
ALL RETURN FOR THE MOVIE IN THE PARK FEATURING

Pirates of the Carribean



At World's End



ALL YE LAND LUBBERS ... BRING A LAWN CHAIR OR
DROP ANCHOR YE PIRATES AND WATCH FROM THE LAKE ON YOUR PIRATE SHIP

AVAST THE FUN BEGINS AROUND DUSK FRIDAY, JUNE 19 - 9:30 P.M.



We will be having a Kid's Day
Camp this summer. Watch next
month's Bits for more information!

Make a Splash!



The pool opens Saturday, May 23rd at Noon!

Pool hours are as follows:

Saturday, May 23rd and Sunday, May 24th: Noon-7:00p.m.
Memorial Day through Friday, May 29th: Noon-6:00p.m.

Beginning Saturday, May 30th – Regular pool hours for summer: Noon-8:00p.m.

The pool will open weather permitting and when the air temperature reaches 70 degrees or above. The Galesburg Time&Temp number will determine the temperature: 343-8011

If there is a question as to whether the pool is open, call the pool: 342-2413.

Swim Lessons

Swim lessons will begin June 15th and run through June 26th. Lessons will be taught Monday through Friday. If needed, rain dates will begin June 29th.

The program will be taught by the LBCC lifeguard staff.

Swimmers will be evaluated and placed in appropriate groups by ability on June 15th.

Look for a sign up in the pool office.

Early Pool Closings

June 13th the pool will *open* at 1:00p.m.

June 25th the pool will *close* at 3:30p.m.

July 9th the pool will *close* at 3:30p.m.



4th of July!



The pool will open at Noon and remain open until 8:00p.m.
12 & under **Money Toss** will begin with our youngest swimmers in the baby pool at 1:30p.m.

A **Biggest Splash** contest will be held at 2:30 – this will be judged by our lifeguard staff.

The **Greased Watermelon** games will begin at 3:30.

We will have a 9-13 year-old division and a 14 & up division.

The **Moonlight Swim** will begin 15 minutes after the conclusion of the fireworks display.

Water Aerobics

In years past, we have offered a water aerobics program. Recently however, interest has dwindled. In order to help us decide whether or not to continue with the program please let us know you are interested. Return this coupon to the club office. If there is enough interest, we will do our best to offer water aerobics once again this summer. We will make a decision by the first of June.

NAME _____

Phone # _____

Looking forward to a fun and safe summer!
Ashley Lambasio - Pool Manager

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!



We are always interested in your comments or suggestions.
For the pool (342-2413) contact Ashley Lambasio – Pool Manager, or the swim team coaching staff via e-mail at: burekth.bluewaves@gmail.com.

Looking forward to summer,
Ashley Lambasio and Tom Burek

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

J.R.'s News...

Golf Shop Hours for May

Mondays Noon to 7
Tues-Fri 7 to 7
Weekends/Holidays 6:30 to 7

On days when the golf course is closed due to bad weather, the shop will close at 5!

Demo Day

Wednesday May 6th Callaway, Cleveland, Nike, 2p.m. – 6 p.m.
TaylorMade & Bridgestone

Men's Guest Stag

This year's Stag will be held on Wednesday, May 13th at 1:00. The cost for the event is \$180 per team. The entry fee will also include several prizes, pin events, flight winners, and a steak dinner following play. Last year we were able to give away nearly 50 door prizes, ranging from Titleist ProV1 golf balls to golf shoes and even golf clubs! Please get a team together and be a part of this fantastic tournament. Your team can consist of any combination of members and guests or all four members! The format will be a shamble counting 2 best balls and the event will be flighted following play. Please call the pro shop if you have any questions!

ESPN National Golf Challenge

The date of this event will be Saturday June 20th. The format is 1 best ball of 2 with 100% handicap. There are gross and net qualifiers for this tournament depending on the number of teams that sign up. New this year is a SENIOR DIVISION. Ask for details in the pro shop. This year's tournament will also include the "wheel your foursome". The basic entry fee is \$60 and that includes a dozen Callaway Tour ix golf balls which retail for \$58 and a year's subscription to Golf Magazine. For an additional fee of \$45, your team may select any other 2 participants in the tournament who have also paid the extra \$45 to create a "foursome". You also get a 2nd dozen of golf balls. Here is how it would go:

Original Teams:

J.R. & K.C.
Wayne Miles & Kurt Becker

Wheeling your Foursome creates:

J.R. & K.C. J.R. & Wayne J.R. & Kurt
Wayne & Kurt Wayne & K.C. K.C. & Kurt

Now, you have tripled your chances to advance to the Sectional finals. In addition, the total number of teams that can advance is determined by the number of participants that we have. Last year we had 10 teams, which is 20 players. For every player that pays the extra fee. That person counts as 2 towards total players. So, based on last year's 20 Players in which we only we able to advance 2 teams, if everyone pays the extra fee, we now technically have 40 players which allows us to advance 4 teams instead. Here is the breakdown of how many teams advance:

# of participants	# of teams advancing to sectionals
4-23	2 team advance
24 – 39	3 teams advance
40 – 59	4 teams advance
60 – 79	5 teams advance

I know this new concept may be a lot to digest, but please stop by and talk to me and I will answer any and all questions that you may have.

May Specials

- 1) All Hats: Buy 1 Get 1 50% Off!
- 2) Golf Bags: 20% Off!
- 3) Gloves: Buy 2 Save \$2 Each
Buy 3 Save \$3 Each
Buy 4 or More Save \$4 Each
- 4) Golf Balls: 20% Off Purchase of a Dozen

BUYERS CLUB

Don't forget to sign up for the Buyer's Club. For an initial investment of \$300, you receive 30% off the retail price of all merchandise excluding golf clubs and SkyCaddies, however, you will still get a lower price on these 2 items than what they are marked. The initial \$300 in addition to any tournament credits you may earn act as a credit to be used in conjunction with the discount. It will not take long to spend \$300, please take advantage of this great deal as many members already have!!

Upcoming Events

Friday May 1 st	CSC Boys Invitational	11:00
Saturday May 2 nd	Challenge Cup Qualifying	1:00 Tee Times
Sunday May 3 rd	Men's & Women's Shootout	2:00 Front 9 Only!
Monday May 4 th	Stearman Golf Outing	1:00 Shotgun
Tuesday May 5 th	Men's League Begins	6:00 Shotgun
Wednesday May 6 th	DEMO DAY	2:00 – 6:00
Friday May 8 th	9-Hole Couple's Golf	6:00 Shotgun
Wednesday May 13 th	Men's Guest Stag	1:00 Shotgun
Saturday May 16 th	Challenge Cup @ SCC	1:00 Tee Times
Sunday May 17 th	Challenge Cup	1:00 Tee Times
Sunday May 24 th	18-Hole Guest Couple's Golf	3:00 Shotgun
Wednesday May 27 th	2 Man & 2 Lady Match Play Begins!	
Monday June 1 st	Chamber Golf Outing	1:00 Shotgun

Lake Bracken Country Club **2009 Junior Golf Program**

Times

~Tuesday Morning Clinics:

9 a.m. - 10 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Each clinic will be the same, you can attend either.

~Thursday Mornings:

18 Hole Group: 7:30 a.m.

9 Hole Group: 8:30 a.m.

3 & 5 Hole Group: 9:30 a.m.

Schedule

Thursday June 11	Sign Up & Play Day
Tuesday June 16	Fundamentals & Driving the Golf Ball
Thursday June 18	Contest & Play Day
Tuesday June 23	Putting 101 10:30 Clinic ONLY!!
Thursday June 25	Contest & Play Day
Tuesday June 30	Chipping
Thursday July 2	Play with the Pro's
Tuesday July 7	Pitching
Thursday July 9	Contest & Play Day
Tuesday July 14	NO CLINICS TODAY
Thursday July 16	Drive, Chip, & Putt Competition
Tuesday July 22	Bunkers & Flop Shots
Thursday July 24	GUEST DAY
Tuesday July 29	NO CLINICS TODAY
Thursday July 30	Jr. Club Championship
August 6 & 7	Galesburg Junior Open
August 11, 13 & 14	Galesburg Junior All-City

Fees

- ~ \$40 for 1 Junior Golfer
- ~ \$25 for each additional Junior Golfer
- ~ Members of the LBCC Junior Golf Program are entitled to play in the Galesburg Junior Open for only \$15!

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Ladies Bridge Results:

March 27th:

1. Nancy McWilliams
2. Peg Johnston
3. Bobbi Harrison and Rosey Lomax (Tie)

April 3rd:

1. Joyce Goff
2. Carolyn Ray
3. Rosey Lomax and Glenda Wyatt (Tie)

April 10th:

1. Marge Patterson
2. Carolyn Ray
3. Margaret McCullough

April 17th:

1. Carolyn Ray
2. Rosey Lomax
3. Bobbi Harrison



Men's Bridge Results:

March 26th:

1. Bill Tracy
2. Dave Goff
3. Paul Sandborg

April 2nd:

1. Wilbur Walck
2. Bill Tracy
3. Phil Johnston

April 9th:

1. Ken Munson
2. Jim Armstrong
3. Dave Goff

April 16th:

1. Dave Goff
2. Vern Holmstrom
3. Jim Armstrong and Ken Munson (Tie)

