

Bon Air Country Club

Newsletter

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**Bon Air
Country Club**

2287 Club House Rd.
Glen Rock, PA
17327



From the President of the Board of Directors....Eric Porter

With the close of the 2011 golf season and reflecting on where we are, I believe that Bon Air, dollar for dollar, is without question the best value one can expect for discretionary spending. When compared to other private clubs our dues / fees are very reasonable, our golf course is certainly in the top tier for both condition and playability.

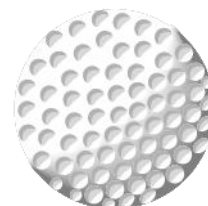
We have held our own in membership, currently we have 340 golf memberships, though we certainly would like to see the membership move toward our cap of 375. Obviously, membership results in revenue, and it is essential that sufficient revenue is realized so that we can maintain the level of quality we currently experience. Realizing that we need to have other than dues as a revenue source the Board initiated a "Revenue Enhancement" initiative where alternatives were considered that will hopefully create additional revenue for the Club. Based upon the recommendations of the committee the Board has adopted the following:

- **Discontinue offering new private cart privileges and grandfather existing private carts. If a private cart member leaves/dies/or relinquishes his private cart privilege, it cannot be passed on to an existing non-private cart member. The cart must be removed or sold to an existing private cart member.**
- **Guest fees for Monday through Thursday will be \$35.00 which includes cart. This fee will be in effect in 2012 from March 16 through November 14. No holiday or weekend play will be allowed at this rate.**
- **Members will be allowed to bring up to seven guests at a time Monday through Thursday. No holiday or weekend play. This would be limited to three times annually and require advance Pro Shop approval. This policy will be in effect in 2012 from March 16 to November 14.**
- **Reduced guest fees (cart and greens fees) will be offered from November 15, 2011 to March 15, 2012 as follows:**
Monday through Thursday —\$25
Friday through Sunday - \$30
- **Weekend play for fee purposes will be Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.**

I want to remind everyone, that although private cart ownership will be phased out, "Annual Cart Rental" options will remain available.

A nominating committee has been created for the upcoming elections. The Nominating Committee is charged with creating a slate of candidates to be presented to the general membership for consideration to serve a three term on the Board of Directors.

The Nominating Committee has identified several members that are interested in serving the club. If you would like to be considered as a candidate for the Board please contact me immediately as time is of the essence. Serving on the Board is an important position that enables one to contribute both time and talent for the betterment of your club.





From your PGA Professional... Ryan Paucek

It is hard to believe that it is now November and another golf season is about to end, but historically we have many moderate days, and golf this time of year can be very enjoyable. Our maintenance staff do an incredible job of “leaf management” to enhance your golfing experience, so come out before the snow arrives!

Some “housekeeping” items:

- The handicap computers have been shut down for the winter; if you play at a course that is “in season” turn in your scores in the GolfShop and we will post your scores.
- Club storage will end on December 4th; all clubs must be removed by this date
- All shop credit must be redeemed by December 31, 2011; check with shop staff to see how much credit you have available
- Throughout the rest of the year watch for “sales” and “specials” for merchandise in the GolfShop
- Once again, indoor lessons will be available over the winter, a video analysis is a great way to improve your game
- “Lesson Packages” will again be available this year; these make great gifts for your favorite golfer
- We will be having a “Black Friday 3 Club Tournament” on the day after Thanksgiving. Teams will be computer picked and each player gets to select the 3 clubs they think will be the most effective. This event is open to ALL members, sign up by November 22nd!

Finally, I want to thank all of you for your continued support during the year. I am now in the process of ordering merchandise for 2012 and look forward to the upcoming season.





From the Grounds Department...Butch Howard

As you enjoy some great “fall” golf take a few minutes to look around and absorb the beauty that we are blessed with at Bon Air. Likewise you can do much to ensure that our facility retains the beauty that exist by being conscientious with trash, cigarette butts, and repairing ball marks on greens. It is your course please treat it with care. Frost is now upon us, please be patient , damage caused by walking/riding on frost covered turf will not be repaired until new growth in the spring! Also, please be aware of the cart routing around #1 green, we will be making changes to reduce wear on the grass.

The drainage issues on #9 fairway will soon be addressed; we have received numerous proposals and a contract will be awarded in mid-November. The new drain field will eliminate the current issues we have in the landing area of the fairway.

I want to thank all the members for their patience as our staff performs the necessary maintenance on the course. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.



From the Men's Golf Committee... Antonio Prezioso

We have had a strong tournament season! Tournament participation has been up in every event other than the better ball. The ironic thing is that the survey results from last winter actually overwhelmingly asked for better ball events. Thanks for your support! All proceeds are redirected to club projects and our scholarship fund. Your participation is what makes things possible.

Thank You!

- The MGC would like to put a special thank you out to Greg Anderson. Greg resigned at the end of the season as the MGC treasurer. Greg served on this committee for so many years that no one knows how many. He has offered to help transition our new treasurer but is not easily replaced. Serving on a committee takes time and patience and all of us at BACC are indebted to Greg for his years of service. It is people like him who make BACC great. Say thanks if you see him when he gets back from FL next spring!

Handicap:

- We have made the agreement to upgrade our handicap system over the winter and will have the ability to view and post scores on line next season.
- Please be sure to turn in all group play score cards with member names and numbers. We are checking to make sure scores are posted!
- On October 15th one member's handicap was adjusted down for exceptional tournament performance. Just because you don't know it is happening does not mean it is not happening. That makes at least 5 this season.

We are currently looking at several course / club improvement projects that we are excited about!

- With help from the Greens and Grounds Committee and Al Taylor we have solicited several estimates to repair the drainage issue on #9 fairway. We have several good estimates to choose from. The MGC has approved funding to Butch for the repair based on his selected contractor. Based on weather the completion date will be a moving target but this project is funded and in the works! The MGC would also like to thank Butch and Larry for their help in this process.

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Tournament Results:

1-2-3 Tournament

	Score
1st Pete Simek, Derek Madsen, Scott Lang, Doug Knox	121
T2nd Rick Wood, Randy Laird, Joe Itzoe, Withers Davis	124
Jim Williams, Jerry O'Malley, Jason Minacci, Bill Alt	
Adam Grove, Greg Anderson, Fred Brehm, Leo Deluca	

Impossible Pin Tournament

1st Tim Garrison, Tony Miller, Zak Bergdoll, Dick Connelly	65
T2nd Antonio Prezioso, Greg Anderson, Scott Lang, Fred Noble	66
Jack Rowe, Dan Gartrell, Jeff Champlin, Will Kirkpatrick	

Fall Member Guest - 2 Best Balls of 4 Net

1st Michael Tankersly, George Flower, Sylvain Lacroix, Laynglyn Capers	127
2nd Michael Miller, Matthew Goldsmith, Derek Smith, Brett Garrett	129

Cross Country Tournament

*1st Derek Madsen, Jeff Champlin, Steve Runkle, Will Kirkpatrick	48
2nd Zak Bergdoll, Jason Minacci, Andrew Coale, Doug Knox	48
3rd Dave Gibson, Joe Leshko, Mike Miller, Steve Ditzel	48
4th Rich Steines, Joe Procopio, Jack Stoneburg, Kyle Tannura	49

*The winner was determined by a playoff from #17 Tee to #5 Green

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Junior Senior Cup

JUNIOR TEAM

Madsen, Derek (captain)

Stiffler, Bobby

Grove, Adam

Truman, Ted

Prezioso, Antonio

Campbell, Jay

Bolton, Jarret

Champlin, Jeff

Garrison, Tim

Gentzler, Rob

Simek, Pete

Rowe, Jack

SENIOR TEAM

Knox, Doug (captain)

Anderson, Greg

Bartkowiak, Ted

Saxon, Craig

Alt, Bill

Brown, Lee

Weaver, Mike

Brehm, Fred

Holmes, Tim

Dlugosz, Bob

Itzoe, Joe

O'Malley, Jerry

The cup was a great event. After day one the event was all square making for an exciting Junior team win on Sunday! Thanks to all who participated and all who worked toward participation.

Please remember that you are obligated to post all scores both at BACC and away golf courses. If you only play 9 holes you can post a 9 hole score. If you play a round you picked up on a couple of holes take your max score on those holes and post. If you were in a match and puts were conceded because it was irrelevant take what you think you would have gotten on those holes and post. If you play 15 holes and get rained out take the score on the remaining holes based on your handicap and the handicap of the remaining holes. Anywhere you would get a stroke take bogey or where you would not get a stroke take par. These postings are not optional and you do a disservice to yourself and others you play with if you do not post all of your scores. If you have questions pertaining to this feel free to consult with Ryan or Travis.

Women's 18 Hole Golf Committee News... Carol Seitz

Hello Ladies of Bon Air,

On Wednesday, October 26th, we held our Fall Meeting.

The following have been voted in to represent the Bon Air's Ladies Golf Committee::

Chairlady: Carol Seitz	Team Captain: Betty Winner
Co-Chairlady: Connie Wood	Team Co- Captain: Ann McDaniel
Secretary: Alice Zentz	
Treasurer: Diane Seitz	
Ex-Officio: Vicki Miller	

This year has been a fun and enjoyable summer, I hope to see you sometime over the winter months. Please keep in mind that Dominoes are played every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Ladies 19th Hole and all members of Bon Air are welcome to come and join in the fun.

Please do not hesitate to contact Carol Seitz (717) 747-0841 or Connie Wood (717) 235-4114 should you have any questions or concerns.

Wishing all of you a joyful and safe holiday season!

Mark your calendars for December 7th
It's the Annual
Bon Air Ladies Christmas Party,



Ladies 18 Hole League Results:

- **October 5th** - Past Chairladies Tournament the game was Play Against Par.
Donna Ensor and Pat Lowder tied with a -2.

Winner was decided by a sudden death playoff with Donna Ensor winning.

- **October 19th** - Closing Day Tournament. A scramble was played.

First Place Winners: Ted Truman, Del Miller, Jerry Wood and Mary Lou Weaver.

To end another great season, players dined on a turkey dinner.



1st Annual Ladies Cross Country Tournament

1st Place Shirley Stake, Pat Lowder, Dot Ruby, Virginia Alpaugh with a 28
won a tie breaker against the team of

Brenda Atkinson, Mary Lu Mixon, Cathy Dolan, Kathy Hoke with a 28

3rd Place Kathy Fox, Mary Knox, Rita O'Malley, Carol Hoffman 29

Monday Night Ladies 9 Hole League



Monday Night is "Ladies Night at Bon Air", and the 9 hole league had a great season.

This year we had 16 women show up to play and just have some fun. Each week was a different format, with points awarded for participating, and winning as a team or as an individual. Our first Monday night was June 6th, and we participated in the "Rally for a Cure" Breast Cancer Tournament that was sponsored by the 18 holers. The "official" season continued through the end of August, but many women continued to play through the month of September.

The first place winner with 114 points is Kathy Hoke, second place winner with 103 points is Mary Lu Mixon and the third place winner is Deb Cousin with 73 points.

We look forward to another exciting season next year; come join us!

~ Linda Hutchinson & Mary Lu Mixon

Twilight Couples

I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Sunday Twilight Golf this year and remind you to mark the third Sunday of each month starting in April for next years golfing. Everyone is welcome no matter what caliber of golf you play. We had a very nice year this year and hope that the newer couples that played with us enjoyed themselves and will plan on joining us again next year. Special thank you to Lindy & Steve Sweeney for helping co-chair this year and hope they will continue next year. Also, a thank you to anyone else who helped pick up the slack this year when we needed them. Look for our postings in the newsletter this spring and the sign up sheets at the foot of the stairs outside the pro shop. Have an enjoyable winter and see you in the spring.

~Connie & Jerry Wood



1st Annual Bon Air Country Club Family Halloween Party

If you weren't at the Family Halloween Party at Bon Air Country Club on October 22nd, you missed a good time! The Ballroom was all aglow with orange and black decorations. There were ghosts and goblins, witches and warlocks, princesses and pirates and even some angry birds on hand to join in the festivities. While dancing and playing games were some of the fun indoor activities, receiving lots of yummy treats from the well decorated "Trunks of Treats" was the highlight of the night. 26 vehicles participated in the "Trunks of Treats"! A **BIG** Thank you to Jill Beran and her crew for organizing a successful event . Keep your eyes open for details regarding next years party, it is a fabulous way to enjoy some family time with friends and enjoy your club. You won't want to miss it.



Guests were greeted by the loveliest of witches



Parading from the Ballroom to the "Trunks of Treats"



Some of the "Trunks of Treats" participants



An eery glow cast by the moon



The "Princess" meets the "Pirate"



Guests decorated their own treat bags



Face Painting was a big hit of the night



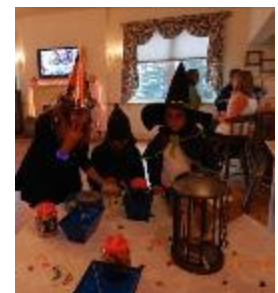
The race for the finish—it was a close one



One of the cutest skeletons ever



Ann was busy mixing up some lively concoctions for the adult party goes



Guess how many M&M's in the jar?

This November there is another reason to be Thankful:

Girls Night Out



At

Bon Air Country Club!!

Join us on November 17, 2011

6:00 – 9:00 PM

for



Pasta Night

(There will be plenty of turkey and dressing to enjoy the following week)

Socialize with friends old and new

Bring your appetite, bring your friends

Special drink pricing

Every third Thursday of the month the Social Committee hosts a “Girls Night Out”; please consider joining us, we always have a good time. There is no fee, just a desire to get out, socialize and enjoy each other’s company. Some bring an appetizer to share, you don’t have to but they are always welcome.

If you think you might attend; RSVP to this e-mail address so that we have an idea as to how many may be attending: pdjmhaas@comcast.net

Again, there is no charge or fee involved if you can’t make it

"Girl's Night Out - Santa's Workshop"

December 8th, 6-9PM Come out to Bon Air and make a gorgeous table top Christmas tree out of fresh boxwood. Connie McKay will be instructing us in making our very own Christmas tree centerpieces.

The cost is \$30.00 payable to the instructor that evening. Decorations will also be available for sale, or you can take your tree home and decorate it with your own treasured ornaments.

Your cost includes the tree form, base, boxwood and instruction.



The deadline for signup and cancellation Friday, December 2nd
We'll have some Christmas music and hot cider to kick off the Holiday Season!

Call the Golf Shop at 235-2091 to make your reservation.

As always, members and their guests are invited

Bring your own clippers to cut the boxwood and an appetizer to share.



*You're invited to the First Annual
Bon Air Country Club
Holiday Cookie Exchange*



*Take a break from the holiday rush and share some Christmas spirit
with friends old and new.*

Come and enjoy some appetizers and sample some delicious cookies!

**Bring 5 dozen of your favorite homemade cookies to exchange and
an extra dozen for tasting! You will leave with 5 dozen cookies.*

*Bringing cookies is optional! But you can't take any home if you don't
bring any! 😊*

Date and Time:

December 15th ~ 6:00—9:00 PM



Upcoming Events

from the Social Committee:

November 17, 2011—Girls Night Out — Pasta night

December 8, 2011- Girls Night Out — Santa's Workshop

December 15, 2011—Girls Night Out — Cookie exchange

January 21, 2012— Chili Cook off

February 10, 2012— Putt—Putt

March 10, 2012— Irish Pub Night



The Bar in the ballroom is currently open as follows:

Through November 27 the bar will be open

Saturdays and Sundays 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

ONLY ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PURCHASED FROM THE CLUB ARE PERMITTED ON THE GOLF COURSE. BRINGING COOLERS STOCKED WITH YOUR OWN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IS NOT PERMITTED.



If your group/committee would like to submit material for the News Letter, send an e-mail to Paula Haas at pdjmhaas@comcast.net



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Blue Birds and Bon Air

By: Ken Smith

It has been a while since my last report about Blue Birds and Bon Air. Our course continues to fledge from our 21 boxes from 50 to 60 blue birds each year. A nesting report is sent each year to the blue bird society of PA. and our trail is registered in an effort to connect trails across the US. by the North American BB Society .

Many of you often share your birding efforts with me to attract the awesome birds to you own homes.

"If the warble of the first Bluebird does not thrill you, know that the morning and Spring of your life are past."

~Henry D. Thoreau

An Amazing Rescue

By: Ken Smith

My main reason for writing is to recognize our own Al Taylor for his above and beyond service to our club and his recent efforts to save a Pileated Woodpecker family. After felling a tall pine on hole 11 , Al and crew saw babies scurrying about on the ground.

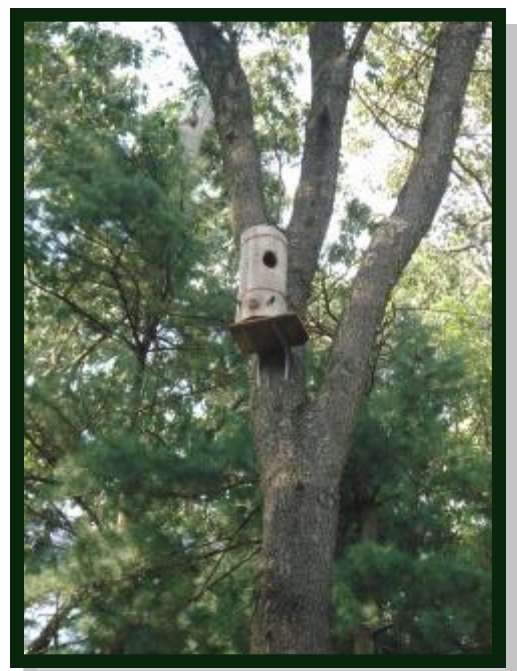
Al cut a section off the tree where the nest was and sat it on the stump.

The babies were hand placed back in the hole .Next morning the parents were attending their young and Al knew his work was not done. His crew hoisted the log up a near by tree and banned the log on a platform. In days, the rare large woodpeckers fledged their family successfully.

Al is a guy with a big heart that went beyond the call of duty. Our thanks to Al.

Oh, if you need any tree work done give him a call:

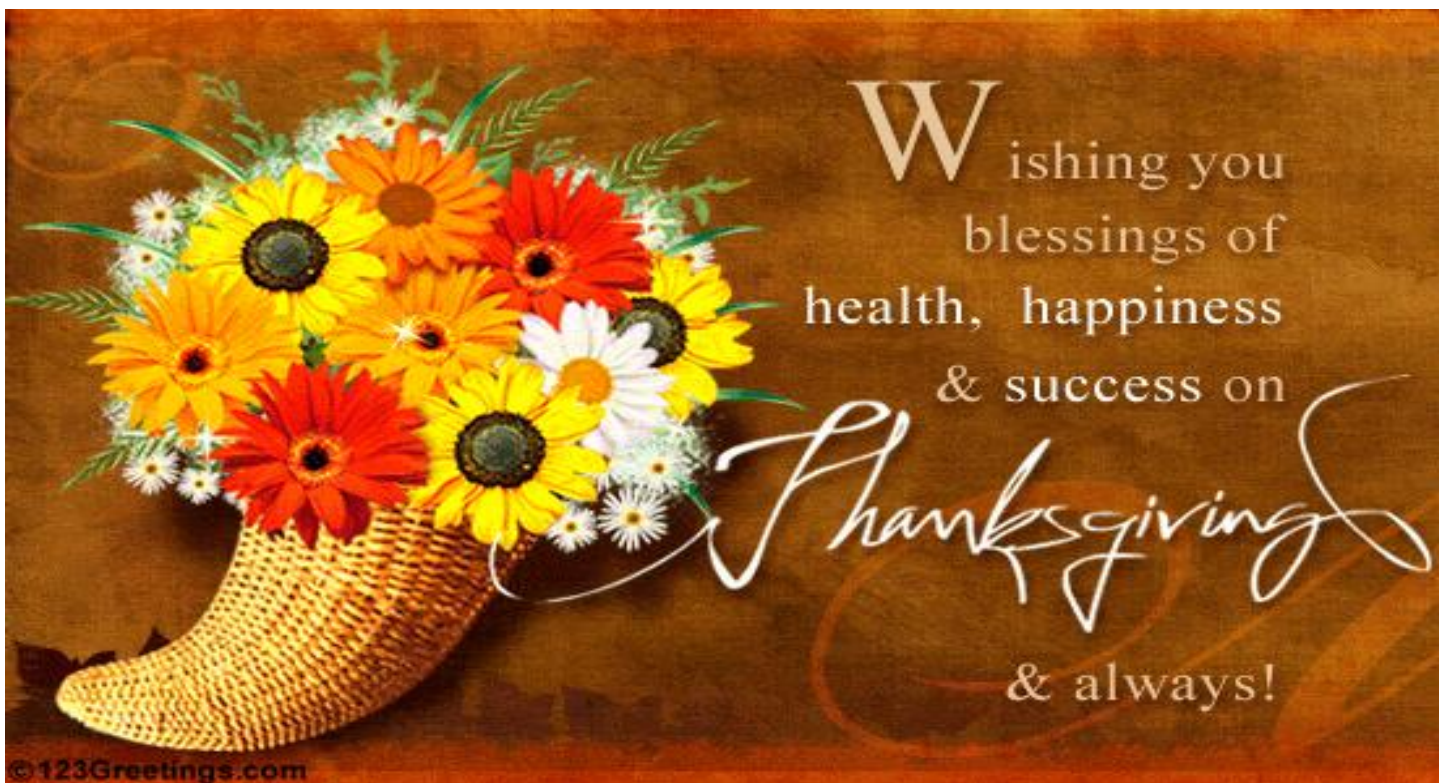
Sam's Tree Service
717-235-2266



@ glimpse at some of the natural Autumn beauty around our course.



*Photos courtesy of:
Shirley Stake*



BACC Dress Code — Even in the Winter!!

Proper golf attire is required at all times and applies to everyone using any of the golf facilities, and includes the driving range and practice putting greens!

Men's Dress Code: shirts with collars and sleeves with shirt tails tucked into slacks or shorts, slacks and golf shorts (not more than 4 inches above the knee).

Ladies Dress Code: Dresses, shirts, slacks, skirts and golf shorts (not more than 4 inches above the knee).

Jeans are not permitted at any time.

Shoes must be worn at all times. Golf shoes with soft spikes are required; tennis shoes and soft-shoes are permitted.

LADIES LOCKER SURVEY

The Board of Directors is conducting a survey to determine the need/demand for lockers in the Ladies Locker Room. Currently the lockers are 1/2 length metal and meet a basic need. Before investing in new lockers we need to quantify the demand and basic requirement. If you are interested in renting a locker please complete the survey below and mail to the Club or include with your payment.

Name _____

What size locker would you most likely want to rent? Full length Half Length Quarter Length

Currently the metal lockers rent for \$20 per year.

If new lockers are installed How much would you be willing to pay for annual rental? \$20 \$30 \$40

BOON AIRE LADIES ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wednesday December 7, 2011

\$18.00 per person

9 AM Continental Breakfast with Dubs

Bridge or dominos to follow

Lunch after the games

MENU

Ham and Baked Chicken Parts

Baked White or Sweet Potatoes

Vegetable Medley

Rolls and Butter

Desert

All are invited to bring a \$10.00 wrapped gift prize for the games. These prizes are awarded after the Card Games and Dominos. (Only if you wish to participate in the fun prize portion of the games.)

Once again there will be a Holiday Share Program. This program benefits families in the local area. Please contact Pat Lowder for information 717-235-5505.

Sign up sheets are posted in the Ladies 19th hole or call the Golf Shop. For information call Shirley Stake 717-428-1834 or Carol Seitz 717-747-0841.



Winter Hours

The following hours are effective
December 5th through March 26th

Monday – GolfShop is Closed**

December

Tuesday through Friday – 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday – 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

January

Tuesday through Friday – 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday – 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

February

Tuesday through Friday – 9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday – 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

March

Tuesday through Friday – 9:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday – 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

The above closing hours reflect the time when all golfers and carts are to be off the course. The building, cart gate, and front gate will be locked.

Holiday Hours

Thanksgiving – GolfShop Closed - Course Open - No Carts

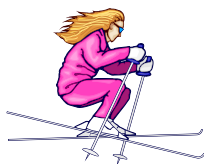
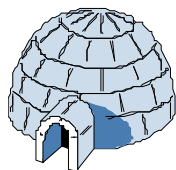
Christmas Eve – Front Gate Locked at 2:00 pm

Christmas Day – Course Closed – Front Gate Locked

New Years Eve – Course Open

New Years Day - Course Closed – Front Gate Locked

*Remember, even during winter operation the Club's Dress Code still applies and you **MUST** sign-in in the GolfShop before going out on the course!*



****When the GolfShop is closed on Mondays and golf carts are allowed on the course you are responsible for signing in on the Sign-In sheet in the 19th hole; also you need to obtain your cart from the cart yard and after you are done playing golf return the golf cart to the cart yard and place the key on the table.**

Note: The Board of Directors has established the policy that during winter operation when the weather is such that golf cannot be played the campus will close at 3:00 pm. The club house, cart gate, and front gate will be locked at 3:00 pm. Plan your activities accordingly.