#### **Cattail Creek Country Club**

3600 Cattail Creek Drive | Glenwood, MD 21738 | 410.442.1772

# Cat Tales

**April 2011** 





#### **Buffet Menu**

Creme Brulee French Toast Smoked Salmon Display Beef Stroganoff with Penne Shrimp Creole Carved Roasted Prime Rib & Turkey Roasted Crab and Tomato Bisque Grilled Vegetables with Dressings Omelets-to-order Station **Buttermilk Pancakes** Home Fries Hickory Smoked Bacon Country Sausage Fresh Fruit Display Scrambled Eggs Bagel & Pastries Display Caesar Salad Mozzarella Sticks Chicken Tenders Macaroni and Cheese Cakes, Tarts, Cupcakes, Pies

#### Special appearances by the Easter Bunny all morning!

View the Easter Sunday Dinner menu and details on page 6.

Both events follow the 'Special Event Dress Code,' denim is not permitted and males must wear collared shirts.

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#### President's Potpourri Andy Wilson, Cattail Creek President

April comes with the expectation of opening the Golf Course and Tennis Courts, as well as the Clubhouse operating at its regular hours. We just need Mother Nature to cooperate so that we can start enjoying our outside activities again! Below is a list of items that we, as Committees and the Board, have been discussing over the past few months in preparation for the 2011 season:

Driving Range: One dramatic improvement that you will notice is the long-needed replacement of our Driving Range hitting area. This new Tee Line is a great improvement aesthetically and functionally. It will allow many more Members the opportunity to hit balls since the stations have been increased. The Green Department has also added a number of flags to the range so you have a greater array of targets to which you can hit. In the Club industry, having a quality practice area is paramount when trying to stay competitive. Many Members do not have four hours in their day to go out and play, but love to come and hit balls and practice. We give our thanks to John Jorgensen and his Committee, as well as Chris Harriman, Golf Course Superintendent, for their quality work.

<u>Clubhouse</u>: A number of improvements were made to the Clubhouse this past winter, such as new, energy-efficient windows, which should greatly help with utility costs. We completely renovated the refreshment area across from the Men's Card Room downstairs, which is a tremendous upgrade from the previous set-up. Jan Pundzak and the House Committee have done a wonderful job keeping the Club maintained and enhanced.

Bag Drop: Within the next couple of weeks, we will be asking Members to follow a new routine when dropping off their clubs. We will have a higher visibility bag drop that will be attended by a staff member. There will be signs directing you, and your guests, to this area. If you have your clubs with you, please drop them off at the bag drop. The staff will place your bags on a cart if you are riding. This will be much more efficient than having them drive carts in the parking lot and picking up bags, as was customary in the past. The new policy also reduces the risk of potential accidents. If you keep your bag at the Club, a staff member will be available to retrieve your bag for you.

Playing Times: The Golf Staff has also been instructed to monitor playing times more closely this year. We prefer four-hour rounds as a maximum, understanding that sometimes that is not realistic based on the conditions and/or number of Members playing at any given time. The Golf Staff is empowered to let groups know who is falling behind and help them get back into position. As a Member, we all have days where we fall behind due to poor play, however it is expected that when a Cattail Golf Professional offers help get you back into position, you will treat that employee of the Club with respect and comply.

Attire: It was also determined by the Golf Committee that the Golf Professional Staff will be instructed to remind golfers that it is not proper to put their golf shoes on in the parking lot. Golfers who are observed doing so will discreetly be directed to the locker room. Members and their Guests are also expected to have their shirts tucked into their pants or shorts. The Golf Staff will give a gentle reminder as to what is expected in a discreet way, not meant to embarrass. For a complete dress code summary, please refer to page 9 of your 2011 Sports Book.

Tennis: The tennis program is projected to grow exponentially again in 2011. We have already welcomed 15 new Social Members into the Club this year. Our 2011 new Member referral incentive, combined with the Club's new tennis rules that prohibit non-member participation in camps, clinics and private lessons, should produce many new Members for the Club. Club leadership continues to work on the addition of the two new, all-weather courts that were announced at the end of the 2010 year. As you may have heard, we have hit a slight snag due to a septic field conflict. We hope to have some solutions to pass along to you within the next few weeks, and our goal remains to build the courts as soon as possible.

My objective as Club President is to continue to improve Cattail in a financially prudent manner, by paying for necessary improvements with cash rather than more debt. Most of the enhancements greatly increase Cattail's competitiveness with other clubs and make us more attractive to new and existing Members. I'm excited about the 2011 season; we just have to be patient for weather that allow us to enjoy our favorite pastimes. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to reach out to me as I am always interested in listening to our Members' ideas.



#### From the Desk of the General Manager

Dear Member,

Springtime is a great time of the year at Cattail. Our golf course is again entirely open, and as the weather improves so will the number of rounds being played. Chris Harriman, our new Golf Course Superintendent,

recently completed a vigorous aerification /topdressing program on all greens, tees and fairways along with adding supplemental nutrients. The driving range's new tee line hitting surface and new distance targets have been very well received by the Membership. Chris has also been very diligent in harassing the geese on the property. Our goal is to



Joseph Fulco, CCM General Manager

ensure they reside at nearby farms and not on our golf course.

The Club's membership drive is doing well. So far this season we have welcomed 15 new Social Members and 2 Golfing Members into the Club. It is now time to focus in getting 35 new Golfing Members. As in the past, Lynn Slupski and I are here to help. Please refer your friends to us and we will take care of the rest. Remember you receive a \$200 statement credit for each Social Member and a \$400 credit for each Golfing Member you refer that joins. It is now time to start recruiting!!!!!

April's social events offer many opportunities for the entire family. When attending family-oriented events, such as this month's Family Night Magic Show (4/27)or Kid's Movie Night featuring 'Tangled' (4/16), please remind your children to return to the Restaurant after the event. Members are responsible for their children and the kids are not allowed to play in the locker rooms, card rooms or lower offices after the special events conclude.

The Finance Committee recently amended the Club's collection policy. Many Members are still operating by the old policy. Recently I mailed a large number of reminders to Members who had not paid their Member statement by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. The reason for these reminders and the new collection policy is to communicate to the Membership how important it is for Members to pay their bills on time. As with any business, when our cash flow is slow it causes us to become a late pay with vendors which can lead to late fees and missing early payment incentives. Please keep this in mind as you prepare/ review your monthly bills.

The Club is still working on completing several Board approved capital projects: painting the Clubhouse, Golf Shop and Pool House, installing a new ice machine in the kitchen, revamping the bag drop area at the Golf Shop and making several behind-the-scenes repairs. We are still investigating the requirements needed to add two all-weather tennis courts. The process has been slower, and more time consuming, than we anticipated. We will update you as soon as we have a solution.

The single most important thing Members should remember, is that we need your support. If you can sponsor a new Member, host an event at the Club, cater a family gathering using the Restaurant, or even celebrate your birthday at the Club, that would be great. At the end of the day, we are here to make the time you spend at the Club very memorable, please let us know if we can do more. The entire staff at Cattail looks forward to the summer and another opportunities to serve you, our Members.

Sincerely,

Joe

Joseph C. Fulco, CCM

General Manager

Online registration for Cattail's 18th Anniversary Party is now open! Saturday, July 2, 2011-be there!



#### **April 2011**

#### **Spring Clubhouse Hours**

Monday Closed

#### **Tuesday through Thursday**

11:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Tuesday Lunch Buffets begin...

#### **Friday and Saturday**

11:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

#### Sunday

11:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. (Brunch menu available 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)

## Martini of the Month Claude's Peanut Butter Cup

Godiva Liqueur
Bacardi Rum
Castries Peanut Rum Crème Liquor
Splash of Milk
Garnished with a Chocolate Stick



#### The March Wine Event was a Blast!

You voted and your top three favorite wines from the event are now featured on our wine list:

- 1. Zinfandel, Scott Harvey, Amador County Mountain Selection, California, '07
- 2. Granacha, Granate, Camp de Borja, Spain, '08
- 3. Albarino, Nora, Rias Baixas, Spain, '09



## April's Featured Wine Scott Harvey, Mountain Selection, Zinfandel, '07

Forward and luscious, this lively, bold, red wine almost jumps out of the glass. Briary, blackberry extractive, Amador Zinfandel, gives the wine a good balance with firm tannins, complete with lingering flavors of spices, cloves, bay leafs, holiday spices, raspberry tart and cherry cola and shows good European style and drink.



## Cattail menu pairing suggestions:

Bison & Turkey Sausage Meatloaf or Grilled Filet Mignon with Glazed Portobello

## Thursday Theme Nights in April are Pasta and Seafood Nights

Every Thursday in April, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

#### **Buffet Menu**

Carved Casino Roast
with Horseradish Cream Sauce & Pear-Apple Chutney
Stuffed Chicken

with Spinach, Goat Cheese & Lemon Reduction

Clams Casino

Pasta E Fagiloi

Shrimp Scampi

with Angel Hair Pasta

Grilled Vegetable Display

Assorted Olives, Fresh Mozzarella, Plum Tomatoes, Portobello Mushrooms, Eggplant, Zucchini, Yellow Squash, Red Onion, with Balsamic & Italian Dressings

Caesar Salad

#### **Pasta to-order Action Station**

Pastas: Penne & Fusili

Sauces: Alfredo, Bolognese, Marinara & Pesto Add-ins: Shrimp, Crabmeat, Scallops, Chicken, Broccoli, Onion, Mushrooms, Tomatoes, Peas & Artichokes

\$23++ Adults | \$16++ Kids 7-12 | \$10++ Kids 4-6



#### **April 2011**



\$12++ per child

**Family Night Magic Show** 

Wednesday, April 27 5:30 Buffet 6:30 Show

Féaturing Cattail's favorite magician, Tim Hall, and his famous lemon trick!

#### **Prime Rib Night is Back!**

Saturday, April 16, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.



Meals include House or Caesar Salad, Baked Potato and Vegetable Medley.

12-oz. Queen Cut \$25 16-oz. King Cut \$29

The regular and kids menus will be available this evening.

## Scotch and Cigar Night

Thursday, April 21 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Featuring Romeo y Julieta Cigars

#### Appetizers

Shrimp Casino, Shepard's Pie, & Chicken Wellington

Dinner

Caesar Salad, Grilled Cowboy Steak, Shrimp Skewer,
Garlic Mashed Potato, Asparagus & Port Wine Reduction

Mini Crème Brulee, Chocolate Bread Pudding and Cinnamon Ice Cream

Glass of Scotch included. \$78++ per person

# Friday, April 22

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Live Music Entertainment by Mike Westwood

**Appetizers** Raw Oysters & Clam Shrimp Salad Sliders Cheeseburger Sliders

French Fries with Malt Vinegar and Old Bay

Cookies \$8++ Per Person



#### **Drink Specials**

By Signature \$3 Miller Lites \$3 Bud Lights \$4.50 Glasses of Two Oceans Sauvignon Blanc \$5 Margaritas \$5 Firefly Icepicks \$5 Dark 'N Stormys

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## Easter Dinner at Cattail Creek Sunday, April 24, 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

#### **Appetizers**

#### Roasted Butternut Squash Bisque

with Crab Ratatouille and White Truffle Oil - \$7

#### Roasted Marinated Chicken Salad

Chopped Iceberg Lettuce, Feta Cheese, Baby Peppers, English Cucumber, Broccoli, Grape Tomato, Curried Pecans & Italian Dressing - \$8

#### **Shrimp and Corn Croquette**

with Mango and Peach Chutney, Champagne Vinaigrette, English Cucumbers and Mint Salad - \$9

#### **Tuscany Bean Soup**

with Spinach, Navy Beans, Leeks, Prosciutto, Tomato & Basil - \$6

Caesar Salad - \$7

#### **Trio of Soups**

Butternut Squash Crab Bisque, Tuscany Bean, and Wild Mushroom Bok Choy Consomme - \$8

#### Potato-Encrusted Mini Crab Cakes

Tomato and Onion Salad, Basil, Belgian Endive with Pomegranate-Mustard Sauce - \$12

#### Oven-Roasted Tomato & Mozzarella Pizza

Black Olive Tapenade, Herb Flat Bread and Olive Oil - \$7

#### **Entrees**

#### Basque-style Leg of Lamb

Yukon Gold Mashed Potato, French Beans and Pinot Noir Reduction - \$23

#### **Maryland Crab Cakes**

French Beans, Yukon Gold Mashed Potato, Cocktail or Tartar Sauce Single - \$22 Double - \$34

#### Grilled Caribbean Salmon

Couscous, Spring Squash, Jalapeno Vinaigrette and Mango-Peach Chutney - \$25

#### **Shrimp Panay Curry**

Six Jumbo Shrimp, Red Curry and Coconut Sauce, Scallion Rice, French Beans and Baby Bell Peppers - \$20

#### **Beef Stroganoff Penne**

Pan-seared Beef Tenderloin Tips, Garlic Mushrooms, Herb Demi-glace, Parmesan - \$20

#### **Dry-rubbed Ribeye Steak**

Bourbon BBQ Sauce, French Beans, Peppers, Mashed Potato - \$29

#### **Chicken Modesto**

Pan-seared Chicken Medallions, Scallion Rice, Ratatouille Vinaigrette, Feta-Olive Salad - \$18

#### **Grilled Filet Mignon**

Lobster Bearnaise Sauce, Sour Cream and Dill Mashed Potatoes, Spring Squash, Chive Oil - \$34

#### Desserts

#### Strawberry Shortcake

Strawberry Puff Pastry Bisquits, Strawberry Coulis, Vanilla Ice Cream, Almond Tuille and Chantilly Cream - \$7

#### **Chocolate Bread Pudding**

Fresh Berries, Chocolate Ganache and Raspberry Cream - \$6

#### **Wild Berry Brulee**

Mixed Berry Custard, Caramelized Sugar, Vanilla Gaufrette & Chantilly Cream - \$6

#### **Key Lime Pie**

Fresh Berries and Whipped Cream \$6

#### Flourless Chocolate Terrine

Chocolate Sauce, Fresh Berries, Whipped Cream and Chocolate Sail - \$7

#### Caramelized Pear and Mango Semi-Freddo

Pear and Mango Coulis, Vanilla Bean, Cream, Caramel Sauce and Ice Cream Terrine - \$6

Reese's Peanut Butter Pie

\$6

## Celebrate Mother's Day at Your Club!

Online registration now open!

Sunday, May 8, 2011 Mother's Day Brunch Buffet 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Mother's Day A la Carte Dinner** 

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



**April 2011** 

## Children's Etiquette Class Saturday, May 7

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. \$99 inclusive of tax & gratuity

#### Presented by the International School of Protocol

Children receive 4 hours of fun, professional social and dining etiquette instruction, take-home instruction booklet, and a four-course meal. Topics such as making eye contact, shaking hands, introducing oneself and conversing with adults are discussed, in addition to dinner table manners.

Recommended for children ages 5-11.

Glenelg High School places for the 2nd year in a row under Cattail Creek Executive Chef, Tom Caswell's direction at the Prostart Culinary Invitational



For the second year in a row, Cattail Creek's own Executive Chef, Tom Caswell, mentored future culinary stars at Glenelg High School, and helped lead them to a 3rd place win in the Maryland Prostart

Culinary Invitational, held at the Baltimore Convention Center this past February.

A total of 19 schools participated in the competition this year, and the Glenelg High School student team was the only team who placed in 2010 to place again in 2011. Any students who cooked

on a team that placed in the competition, will receive scholarship money should they choose to attend culinary school after high school graduation.

Congratulations to Chef Tom on his team's big win!



#### **May Save-the-Dates**

Men's Guest Day Wednesday, May 4

Cinco de Mayo Specials Thursday, May 5

Children's Etiquette Class Saturday, May 7

Mother's Day Brunch/Dinner Sunday, May 8

> Burger Night Thursday, May 12

Nine & Dine - Rally for a Cure Friday, May 13

Reptiles Alive Family Night Wednesday, May 18

> Steak 'N Shake Night Thursday, May 19

> > Hiahleah

Friday, May 20 & Saturday, May 21

Evening Women's Golf Member-Guest Wednesday, May 25

> Seafood & Pasta Night Thursday, May 26

Women's Tennis Member-Guest

Friday, May 27

Pool Opens with a DJ Saturday, May 28

Tennis Memorial Day Round Robin Monday, May 30



## Membership

#### **April 2011**

#### **Welcome March New Members!**

The Vasquez/Griffin Family

Kevin, Kathy & Hailey

The Fleece Family

Richard, Lura, Hailey, Alexandra & Trey

The Arena Family

Richard, Suzanne, Anthony & Lauren

The Gandolfi Family - Welcome back!

Thomas, Melody & Jenna

**The Morrogh Family** 

Joseph, Julie & Katherine

The Jarvie Family

Vincent, Stacey, Aaron & Meghan

**The Delgado Family** 

Chris, Jamie & Jacob

The Weymer Family

David, Carol, Drew, Erin & Jack

The Spiegel Family

Greg, Traci, Sydney & Sam

The Esquivel Family

Jesus, Denis, Gabriella, David & Jacqueline

The Heinrich Family

Michael, Isabella, Elena, Tassilo, Sixtus & Maxim

The Rosenberg Family

Howard, Wendy & Jillian

The Gorman Family

Gregg, Catherine, Nicholas & Juliana

The Lavis Family

Jeffrey, Danielle & Taylor

Congratulations on your decision to join and welcome to the Cattail Creek family.

Congratulations to the following Members who have already qualified to receive a new Member referral bonus:

Jeff & Andrea Baker
Darryl & Kara Hockstra
John & Victoria Sessler
Gordon & Diana Wright
David & Diane Michalski
Larry & Theresa Michele
James & Laurie Jobson
Drew & Gail Clark
Larry & Jennifer Kraemer
Mike & Liz Malone
Michael & Catherine Taylor
Scott & Mary Porter
Greg & Jan Lowe

\*Members who refer a family that participates in a trial option, will receive a referral bonus when the new family commits to Membership.

Who are you going to refer to the Club today?

#### It pays to refer your friends!

We've put a new program in place for 2011 that rewards YOU for your referrals!

\$400

statement credit for every new Golf Member you refer who joins the Club.

\$200

statement credit for every new Social Member you refer who joins the Club.



As mentioned in the 2011 Sports Book, the charge for a Fitness Center key is now \$10 per initial key and \$20 for a replacement key. The increase comes in light of a significant price increase to the Club from the key vendor.

# Spring is on the mind...

tell your friends about Membership!



Golf Tournaments, Tennis Camp,
Swim Team...Oh My!
...Fireworks, Pool Parties, Milkshakes
and More!

#### **Golf Initiation Options**

\$13,500 in-full

or

\$15,000 in three equal installments

#### Want to try it before you buy it?

Take advantage of a 12-month
Trial Golf Membership

- No initiation upfront.
- Pay trial dues for 12-months.
- 12-month commitment to Trial Golf
   Membership with credit card on file.
- At the end of the 12-month trial, choose to accept an initiation option and join the Club or walk away at no additional cost.
- Commit to Membership with an initiation option at any point during the 12-month trial and revert to standard dues.

Trial Golf Membership sign-up concludes on June 30, 2011

#### **Social Initiation Special**

\$1,000

\*A two-year Membership commitment applies.

Special concludes June 30, 2011

**Social Initiation after June 30, 2011** \$3,500 in-full *or* \$4,000 in two installments

#### Want to try it before you buy it?

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Trial Social Membership

- No initiation upfront.
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- 12-month commitment to Trial Social Membership with credit card on file.
- At the end of the 12-month trial, choose to accept an initiation option and join the Club or walk away at no additional cost.
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## Greens

#### **April 2011**

#### From the Green Department... Chris Harriman, Golf Course Superintendent

Dear Members,

Things have certainly changed out on the Golf Course in a month's time. The turf has shown a great response from slightly increased soil temperatures and from the nutrient applications that have taken place. The smell of fresh cut green grass in the spring time is always

welcomed after a long cold winter.

Spring Aerification has come along nicely.
Greens and tees have been com-



An aerified and topdressed green.

pleted as well as the front nine fairways. We will finish off a few fairways on the back nine this week and continue on through April with topdressing, or applying sand to the fairways. The applications of sand on all the playing surfaces will help turf quality immensely this year. In the aerification holes, the sand maintains a pleasant pathway for water and oxygen to move through the root zone and allow the plant to stay strong and healthy. The sand that stays up in the thatch or mat layer, helps protect the crown of the plant from stress and cultural damage. This sand actually helps dilute the thatch layer and create a firmer surface as well.

Below normal temperatures are still forecasted for the next few weeks so it is important not to get too excited for spring to come rushing out of the gates. The turf will heal over from aerification and provide a great basis for a healthy golf course this season. Improvements will also continue on the Driving Range as the grass continues to grow and we are able to carve out a target fairway. As golf play increases however, please remember to fix your ballmarks on the greens. As the Green Department continues to focus on keeping the divots filled with healthy soil and bentgrass seed, we will simply ask

golfers to help us keep our greens rolling true and smoothly by fixing their ballmarks.

Spring is always an exciting and productive time. You will see the Green Department out on the golf course trying to complete as many projects as possible to help get the golf course into shape. Staff will try to stay as invisible as possible and work backwards through play, especially with the filling of divots. We certainly appreciate your patience out on the golf course as work gets done. Again, I look forward to continue meeting as many Members as possible out on the Course as we get into the spring season!

Sincerely,

Chris Harriman Golf Course Superintendent

#### Social Members: Need a golf fix?

If you are not an avid enough golfer to upgrade your Membership, we have the answer for you!

Social Range Membership - \$300 annually
Unlimited access to the Driving Range and Putting
Greens for your family for the entire year\*

Email Kim Kordon today and be on the Driving Range tomorrow! kim.kordon@cattailcreekcc.com

\*Dependents age 25 and younger who live in the home.



#### Loyalty is rewarded!

Purchase 3 dozen or more Titleist Pro V1 or Pro V1x balls and receive 1 dozen free! Orders accepted through April 18. Personalization is required. Place your order through the Golf Shop: 410.442.1787

## Golf

#### **April 2011**

#### **Upcoming Need-to-Know Golf Dates**

#### **CCWGA Opening Day Scramble**

Tuesday, April 12
Online registration open.
All CCWGA leagues welcome!

#### Men's Club Opening Day

Saturday, April 16

8:00 a.m. - Hot Breakfast | 10:00 a.m. Shotgun
Individual sign-up, foursomes randomly selected, 100%
handicap, best 2 balls of 4, net only.
Registration is currently open online, and the
field is over 50% full - sign up now.

#### Men's Founder's Cup Qualifier

Saturday, April 30
Online registration opens April 6

#### Women's Founder's Cup Qualifier

Sunday, May 1
Online registration opens April 6

#### **Men's Twilight Event**

Tuesday, May 3, 5:30 p.m.
9 holes, \$20 cahs
Online registration opens 14 days prior to the event.
Field is limited to the first 40 players to sign up.

#### Men's Guest Day

Wednesday, May 4

11:30 a.m. - Lunch | 12:30 p.m. Shotgun
\$109++ per player includes:
Tee Gift, Carts, Lunch, Beverage Cart,
Buffet Dinner, Open Bar, Prizes
Online registration opens April 6

#### Nine and Dine - Rally for a Cure

Friday, May 13
9-hole Shotgun
\$20 donation
Online registration opens April 13

#### Men's Hiahleah

Thursday, May 19 through Saturday, May 21
Online registration opens April 20
Format: ABCD blind draw, 2 best balls of 4, 80% handicap (determined by lowest index of the last 12 months)

#### **Pro-Member**

Tuesday, May 24
Online registration opens April 28

#### **Gentlemen's Member-Guest Invitational**

Thursday, June 23 - Saturday, June 25 \$975 per pair

## Online registration is currently open! and firmly concludes April 24.

The 2010 defending champions and the 2010 waitlist will be the first accepted entrants, followed by a random drawing of those registered online by April 24. For complete details, visit the online calendar.

#### New for 2011!

#### Men's & Women's Two-Day Golf School

This comprehensive golf school opportunity provides highly-personalized instruction with a 3 to 1 student to teacher ratio.

#### **Topics to be Covered:**

Equipment Evaluation, Mental Aspects of the Game, Proper Practice Techniques, Course Management, Short Game

#### Daily Agenda:

8:30 a.m. - Instruction on the Private Lesson Tee 11:30 a.m. - Lunch Break (Included in cost) 12:30 p.m. - On-course Instruction, 9 holes & review

#### **Ladies Two Day Golf School**

Tuesday, May 10 & Wednesday, May 11 Ricky Serrano, PGA Director of Instruction and Nic Flickinger, PGA Golf Professional

#### Men's Two-Day Golf School

Tuesday, May 24 & Wednesday, May 25 Greg Stark, PGA Head Golf Professional and Ricky Serrano, PGA Director of Instruction

\$550 per student - sign up online.

## Golf

#### **April 2011**

#### A Tip From Ricky Serrano, PGA Director of Instruction "Practice How You Play"

When I started playing golf, I idolized Ben Hogan. I read that he hit 1,000 balls a day, so that's what I did; I pounded golf balls every day. It's probably not far from how most amateurs practice. You might not blister your hands whacking ball after ball like I did with no goal for progress, no pre-shot routine, no practice swings, no alignment aides, and no method of tracking improvement. If this sounds like you, you are probably engraining some bad habits and your scores will

suffer.

Even if you are getting excellent instruction from our Golf Professional Staff at Cattail Creek, you'll never play your best until you learn to practice correctly. What you should be doing are the same things in practice that you do on the course: using your pre-shot routine, identifying your target, taking a practice swing and visualizing each shot. When you practice differently from how you play, it confuses your body and mind, making it difficult to transfer improvements to the course.

Focus and see the difference!



#### TaylorMade Demo Day Thursday, April 28 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Come to the Club and try a wide-array of products that are not typically kept in-stock in the Golf Shop and be fit for your next clubs with an array of high-tech fitting tools

#### "Approach Shots"

#### Life in Golf Nic Flickinger, First Assistant

A couple nights ago I was playing golf at Cattail. Myself and another assistant went out after the shop closed and the temperature had dropped significantly. I thought that we were crazy to be out there, all bundled up in our layers and winter hats. When we made it to the 7<sup>th</sup> fairway, we ran into a golfer out there working on his game. I was amazed by this and it made me stop and think about this individual and some of the attributes he possesses. Here is some of what I came up with.....

**Desire.** This young golfer's willingness to learn and expand his knowledge of the game of golf continues to impress me. It is something you can hear in his voice; the way he asks the questions and his appreciation for the answer you are giving him.

**Integrity.** He has approached me with nothing but the utmost respect and courtesy. His inquiries are always preceded by 'please'; his responses are always followed by 'thank you'. He takes care of the practice facilities when he uses them and never leaves them a mess.

Commitment. When his schedule allows, he is here

at the club early and works on his game late into the evening. No matter how extreme the conditions, you

will find him out here. He is always working, always striving to improve, and never gives up on his efforts.

Role Model. In my opinion, not only does he serve in this



Cattail Creek Junior Golfers are often the only Members playing on the cold, rainy days, determined to improve their game, and succeeding in their quests to do.

role to his peers but to all golfers at the club as well. Taking the above characteristics and lumping them together definitely, in my mind, puts him in this position.

While defining his characteristics, it has made me examine myself too. Looking at the four traits that I listed it is very obvious that these ideals can and should be ones carried from the golf course as well. It is good to know that a lot of that which is at the very core of golf is at the very core of life itself.

## Golf

#### **April 2011**



## The Golf Professional Staff Welcomes Nicholas Balcken to the Team!

Nicholas brings over 20 years of golf experience to Cattail Creek. He has worked at several prestigious clubs such as Baltimore Country Club, Ocean Reef Club, Card Sound Golf Club and Sand Ridge Golf Club. He has run the junior golf programs at Sand Ridge Golf Club, Shaker Heights Country Club and Baltimore Country Club. Most recently he was in charge of all men's golf events at Baltimore Country Club, including their Gentlemen's Invitational. In 2007, he qualified through to the sectional qualifier for the US Open where he played with Carlos Franco. He once held course records at Sand Ridge Golf Club (68) and Wooster Country Club (65).

Nicholas holds a Bachelors of Arts in Mathematics from The College of Wooster. During college, he was a participant in the Division III NCAA National Championships his freshman year and was a medalist in 3 events during his 4-year career at Wooster. Besides golf, he enjoys snowboarding, mountain biking, soccer, and the movie theatre.

After-School Junior Golf Programs with Rick Serrano, PGA Director of Instruction Space still available for April Session!

#### **Ages 5-9**

Tuesdays in April 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. April 6 - Putting April 13 Full Swing April 20 Chipping April 27 - Contest

#### **Ages 5-9**

Tuesdays in May 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. May 4 - Putting May 11 - Full Swing May 18 - Chipping May 25 - Contest

#### **Ages 10-14**

Wednesdays in May 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. May 5 - Putting May 12 - Full Swing May 19 - Chipping

May 26 - Contest \$150 per student, per session If you enjoyed the Thymes Frasier Fir products over the winter season, check out the spring collections now being carried in the golf shop:

> Agave Nectar Cucalyptus Lavender Kimono Rose

The fragrances are offered in body wash, hand lotion, sinks sets, bar soaps, home mists, and more.

With Mother's Day around the corner, they make great gifts for your loved ones.





## **Tennis**

#### **April 2011**

#### A Word from the Pro: Joe Mattingly, Director of Tennis

I want to welcome all to the 2011 tennis season! We are looking forward to a very busy and exciting spring season. April will be the start of all the league play as well as the junior and adult clinics and socials. We are still in the process of working out the site plans for the two new tennis courts. We hope to have an update and confirmation as far as whether or not we will be able to build the courts and where they will be built, by mid April.

The tennis bag tags will arrive in the next couple of weeks. We will send out an email regarding the procedure for picking the tags up. The bag tag policy is as follows: the tennis staff will distribute bag tags to all tennis playing members. Tennis playing members will be required to bring their bag tag to hang on the fence while playing tennis. Members who brings guests will be required to register at the tennis shop and pick up a guest bag tag.

Congratulations to the 2011 CCWTA Board Members. The new board members are the following:

Jen Sheehan **President** Jodi Lahmann **President Elect** Karen Valenze **Vice President Charlene Della Ratta Secretary** Fran Breidenstein **Treasurer** 

We are really looking forward to a great tennis trip to Charleston. This year we have over 70 tennis members attending the trip at all levels! This is sure to be a great time!

#### **USTA News:**

Our USTA season begins April 11<sup>th</sup>. For the women, we have four 2.5 teams, six 3.0 teams, five 3.5 teams and three 4.0 teams. The men are getting organized and it looks like we'll have two 3.0 teams playing at Cattail. There is still time to join the men's leagues if you want to give tennis a try. The 3.5 and 4.0 teams will join the Carroll County leagues and will have home and away matches.

#### **Pro Shop News:**

New bag tags have been ordered and we are hoping they will be in before our courts open. If you have not done so already, please remember to mation. The prices are retail and order tags for each member of your family who will be using the tennis courts. You can do so by emailing Julie Seanez, Tennis Pro Shop Manager at Julie.seanez@cattailcreekcc.com.

The pro shop carries many different brands of tennis bags. Babolat and Wilson are the most popular. We have recently added an elegant brand that can be viewed at courtcouturetennis.com.

New for 2011! We are now able to order Wilson and Duc at significantly reduced prices.

The new collection of hats and visors has arrived in the pro shop. Stop by and purchase your choice of colors for \$14.

The demo racquet policy asks that you please sign out a racquet if you are demoing it so we can know

where the racquets are at all times. We appreciate your help with this. Please do not borrow any racquets without checking with someone in the Pro Shop.

We are now able to order Under Armour apparel with the Cattail Creek Logo. If you are interested in purchasing any UA apparel, please go to the Under Armour website to get the style numbers. Let Julie know the items you would like and she will order them for you.

The Nike Spring and Adidas spring collections have arrived. If you would like a copy of any of our catalogs emailed to you, let Julie Seanez know and she will get you the inforyour price will be lower. You can reach her at 410-489-3683.

Just a reminder . . . Please be responsible and pick up all balls if you are using the ball machine or playing on an open court. We have had several instances where our pros have had to pick up entire carts of balls that were left on the court.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

- ~Charleston, SC Tennis Trip April 7-10
- ~Spring Junior Clinics and Academies begin-April 11
- ~USTA League Play begins-April 11
- ~Morning Fun-in-the-Suns begin-April 22
- ~CCWTA Kick-Off Event-April 29



## **Tennis**

#### **April 2011**

#### **Weekly Tennis Clinic Schedule**

Registration for clinics is available on the Club's website. A minimum of 3 Members must be signed up for any given clinic 24-hours in advance for it to be held. If the minimum is not met, the instructor will call any Members signed up to cancel. Clinics begin April 11.

#### Monday

Adult Beginner Clinic 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

#### Tuesday

Cardio Tennis Drill 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday

Stroke-of-the-Week 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Quick Start (Ages 4-9) 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Cardio Tennis Drill 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

#### **Thursday**

Cardio Tennis Drill 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Doubles Strategy 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

#### **Friday**

Quick Start (Ages 4-9) 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

#### Saturday

Cardio Tennis Drill 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

\* Blue text indicates a Junior Clinic.

60-minute Clinic - \$26 | 90-minute Clinic - \$38

## FOR A GOOD CAUSE

Cattail Creek has a junior tennis member who has volunteered this spring and summer to work at the Pancho Gonzalez Youth Tennis Academy in Washington, DC. The Academy offers inner-city children the opportunity to discover and learn this wonderful sport. The program is desperately in need of tennis racquets and you can help by donating your old racquets that are gathering dust in your garage, a closet, or the basement.

There will be a drop off box located in the lobby of the Tennis/

Fitness/Pool complex and any donations will be greatly appreciated. We have a volunteer to string and/or re-grip the racquets, so please donate even if your old rac-



Help less fortunate children, discover the joys of tennis

quets are not in tip-top shape. We thank you in advance for

## CCWTA Kick-Off Party

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Sign up online.

Complimentary appetizers, drinks by signature. Come out and see what all the hype about CCWTA is about; you won't be disappointed!!!

The Cattail Creek Women's Tennis Association is now in its second year. The association's first year drew an amazing 80 Members, a good number of whom, had never picked up a racquet before! This group welcomes the very beginning player, to the most advanced competitive player and focuses on promoting the social aspect of tennis through numerous social events throughout the entire tennis season. Dues of \$20 provide discounts on all Club tennis events, and by attending the kick-off, you do not have to commit to joining the group—but we hope you will!



# Cattail Creek Crocs Swim Team Registration Sunday, April 10, 2-4 p.m.

-Sign up for registration day on the Club's online calendar.
-Streamline sports will be present to fit children for swimsuits.

-Bring a check or credit card, as swimsuits cannot be charged to your Member account.

\*Registration day falls over the Tennis Charleston trip, remind dad to take the kids!



Hey Cattail Kids: It's swim team time! Become a Croc this year!



- Make lifelong friends.
- Improve your swimming skills.
  - Work towards you own personal best time.
- Learn the value of teamwork and perseverance.
- Have fun all the while with fellow Cattail Kids!

The Crocs Swim Team is open to Cattail Creek kids ages 5 - 18.

Each year, between 100 - 130 Cattail Kids participate on the Team.

Cost is \$150 per child, which includes a backpack and swim cap.

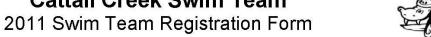
Check out more Crocs information on pages 65-66 of your

Swim Team registration firms concludes on May 20!

2011 Sports Book!



#### **Cattail Creek Swim Team**





Child's Last Name	
Member Number	
Parent(s) Name	
Address	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone (Mom)	
Cell Phone (Dad)	
Email Address(es)	

<sup>\*</sup>Cell phone numbers are mandatory, as this year the Crocs will send text messages to the parents, should swim team practice be canceled. Information on setting up your phone to receive Crocs texts will be emailed the day after Crocs registration closes.

2000	Date of	Previous Swim Experience *			
Child's Name	Sex (M/F)	Birth (MM/DD/Y)	Summer Swim Team (# of Years)	Winter Swim Team (# of Years)	Age as of June 1, 2011

Child's Name	Favorite Swim Stroke	Least Favorite Stroke	Will attend Morning or Evening Practice (most of the time)

*for children who of the season.	have not participated on a swim team before, there will be swim team tryouts at the beginning
Other Comments:	(Anything else that would help in the coaching of your child?)

Registration Fee: \$ 150.00 per Child

- Swim Team cap (for girls) and swim bag included in registration fee. If a male swimmer would like a cap, one will be provided.
- Swim Team suit, fins and goggles are additional. If you wish to purchase equipment on registration day, please bring a credit card or check to purchase the equipment directly from our supplier. The equipment can't be charged to your member account.

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#### **Cattail Creek Swim Team**

## 2011 Swim Team Registration Form (Continued)



#### Volunteer Sign Up

Lane Checker
Line up Helper
Starter
Timer
Head Timer

Runner
Heat Winner
Table Worker
Relief Volunteer

Stroke & Turn Judge

It takes a lot of effort and many hands to run a swim meet. Parents of swimmers are required to volunteer to help at two full meets or four half meets throughout the season. Parents who are unable to or do not wish to volunteer will be charged a \$100 fee that will be used to hire outside help to work the meets and the charge date against your account will be June 12 <sup>th</sup> . <b>Registrations will not be accepted without tentative dates for volunteering (if you wish to volunteer)</b> .					
I am unable to volunto	eer, and have ch	necked my availal	pility below	charge my account \$1	00.
Position	June 14 Home Start Time 5 pm (8&U)	June 23 Away Norbeck (time trials)	June 28 Away Argyle/Manor	July 5 or 7 Home Firecracker Relay Meet	July 20 Home with Rolling Rd. CC Ice Cream Social
Pool Setup/Tear Down	•				
Registration Table					
Clerk of Course			5		
Announcer					

As the parent or legal guardian of the child/children named above, I hereby give my consent and approval for my child to participate as a team member in CCCC swim team. I understand that there are certain risks of injury inherent in the practice and play of this sport and I am willing to assume these risks on behalf of my child. I hereby certify that my child is healthy and has no physical or mental disabilities or infirmities that would restrict full participation in these activities, except as listed above. In addition to giving my full consent for my child's participation, I hereby waive and release and hold harmless Cattail Creek Country Club, its officers and directors, coaches, referees, volunteers, life guards and their company for any injury that may be suffered by my child in the normal course of participation in the designated sport, and the activities incidental thereto, whether the result of negligence or any other cause.

Parent(s) Signature	Date



## Summer Camp

#### **April 2011**

#### **Junior Golf Day Camp**

Ages 8-14

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

June 14-17 Session 1 Session 2 July 19-22 Session 3 August 2-5

Session 4 **August 16-19** Session 5 August 23-26

\$259 per Golf Member Child, per week

#### All Sports Camp

Ages 8-14

(Golf, Tennis, and Swim)

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Session 1 June 27 - July 1 July 25 - July 29 Session 2 \$389 per week - Golf Member Child

#### **Little Tykes Golf Camp**

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. or 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Series of 3 Tuesday Classes

June 21, June 28, and July 12

\$100 per Golf Member Child

#### **Girls Only Golf Clinic**

Ages 8-14

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays -Come to one or all June 21, July 19, August 2, & August 16 \$35 per clinic or \$110 for the series

# \$459 per week - Social Member Child **Ages 5-7**

#### **Summer Junior Tennis Camps**

10% discount when you register before April 15.

Camp I: Ages 4-12

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Camp II: Ages 13 and Up

Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

\$300 per week \$275 for an additional sibling

\$350 per drop-in week (no registration)

**Camp III: High School** 

Monday - Thursday, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

\$225 per week

\$275 per drop-in week (no registration)

Session 1 June 13-17 Session 2 June 20-24 Session 3 June 27-July1 Session 4 **July 4-8** Session 5 July 11-15 July 18-22 Session 6 Session 7 July 25-29 Session 8 August 1-5 \*Session 9 August 9-13 (Tu - Sa)

#### **High Performance Academy**

**Tournament-level Juniors | 34-Weeks** 

April 12 - June 11 & August 15 -November 15 Mondays & Thursdays - 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Saturdays - 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. \$55 per clinic is 6 or more purchased \$65 per single clinic

#### **All Sports Camp**

Ages 8-14

(Golf, Tennis, and Swim)

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Session 1 June 27 - July 1 Session 2 July 25 - July 29 \$389 per week - Golf Member Child \$459 per week - Social Member Child

## **SWIM** Cattail Creek Crocs Swim Team

Ages 5-18

Registration: Sunday, April 10, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Sign up to attend registration day on the website.

\$150 per child

2011 Swim Team Season runs May 31 - July 22

	ry Club Junior Golfer Registration Form one form for each child)
Name:	Gender: M/F DOB:
Parent(s) Name:	Member #:
Home Address:	
Parent Cell Phone(s):	/
Junior Cell Phone:	
Parent(s) Emails:	
Junior Email:	
Summe	r Junior Golf Camp
Junior Golf Day Camp (check one or more weeks)  Session 1 (June 15-18)  Session 2 (July 20-23)  Session 3 (July 27-30)  Session 4 (August 10-13)  Session 5 (August 17-20)	Girls-only Golf Clinics (check one or more dates)  June 29 July 13 August 3 August 17
All-Sports Camp  Session 1 (June 28-July 2)  Session 2 (August 2-6)	Little Tykes Camp June 22, June 29, July 13
Allergies/Medical Conditions:	
Emergency Contact Other than Parent (Name, Cell Ph	none, Relationship:
Parent Signature	 Date

### **2011 Cattail Creek Country Club Junior Tennis Registration Form**

(fill out one form for each child)

Receive a 10% discount when you register before April 15!

Name:	Gender: M/F DOB:
Parent(s) Name:	Member #:
Home Address:	
Parent Cell Phone(s):	/
Junior Cell Phone:	<i>f</i>
Parent(s) Emails:	
Junior Email:	
Summer Junio	or Tennis Camp
(check one or multiple ses	sions AND one age category)
Session 1 (June 13 - 17)	Camp I (Ages 4-12)
Session 2 (June 20 - 24)	(M-F, 9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.)
Session 3 (June 27 - July 1)	
Session 4 (July 4 - 8)	Camp II (Ages 13+)
Session 5 (July 11 - 15)	(M-F, 9:00 a.m 3:00 p.m.)
Session 6 (July 18 - 22)	
Session 7 (July 25 - 29)	Camp III (High School)
Session 8 (August 1 - 5)	(M-Th, 3:00 p.m 6:00 p.m.)
Session 9 (August 9 - 13 )* Tu-Sa	
All-Sports Camp (Ages 8-14)	Summer Junior League
Session 1 (June 28-July 2)	Novice (Ages 4-7)
Session 2 (August 2-6)	Futures (Ages 7-10)
	Challengers(Ages 10 - 14)
"The Gamut" Tennis Ladder	Satellites (Ages 14-18)
T-Shirt Size (circle one): Ch-S, Ch-M, Ch-L, XS, S, M,	L, XL
Allergies/Medical Conditions:	
Emergency Contact Other than Parent (Name, Cell Phone	, Relationship:
Parent Signature Date	<u> </u>



## Leadership

#### **April 2011**

## Welcome home!

Your Club should always feel like an extension of your own home. Share your ideas with us and let us know how we can better serve you

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