



LAKE JOVITA ADVISORY BOARD

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As we enter the summer we need to get as many things done by fall as possible including all disciplines of the club.

Lake Jovita hosted the Hurricane Junior Tour and it was great to see these young golfers experience all the North Course has to offer. I had an opportunity to meet the young man that won the under 10 division, shooting 76 & 72 from the red tees.

Michael Johnson, Tony Disano, Bob Davis, Jack Flynn and I met with the leaders of the various men and lady groups to ask their help in controlling the cart traffic among the members on our courses. Clearly, we need to improve the communication to the public players however we ask the LJ members to help by obeying the 90 degree policy, do not drive carts past the directional "no carts beyond this point" signs, and don't drive carts between greens and cart paths. Doubling up would also be a tremendous help to the health of the golf courses.

We need to continue our effort to grow our wedding event platform. We participated in two wedding expos to showcase the club and our booth received some nice traffic.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

May was a good month as we continue to evolve in all areas of the club. Sunday brunches have picked back up. We hired a full time Sous Chef, who joined us from Pearl in the Grove. We have been working hard on improving the restaurant and it appears to be headed in the right direction.

The fitness center should be finished this week with new flooring and several pieces of new equipment.

I am very pleased to announce this fall we will be launching the "Jovita Cup" (see attached flyer). This will be a series of men's tournaments (October-May) where members earn points to qualify for a season ending shootout. The winner of the "Jovita Cup" will win one year's trail fees or if he does not own a golf cart then he will receive one years cart fees. We will have a dedicated website, to be launched in August. Registration will coincide with the launch of the website.

We have fertilized “wall to wall” and we have already begun to see some benefits from that. We will be experimenting with the height of the rough over the summer with the goal of it being a “mediocre” lie vs. a “penal” lie. Most likely you will see the rough settle in at a height of 2 to 2 1/2 inches.

Lake Jovita will be hosting a “Little Linksters” event on a Saturday afternoon in November and we will be reaching out to members for some volunteer help. Founder Brenden Elliott, PGA Golf Professional, is the founder of this 501c3 Non Profit organization. Little Linksters has won several awards for their creative approach to introducing golf to “Pee-Wee” golfers 3-8 years old. We encourage our members to come out and witness the fun these kids will be having at Lake Jovita.

We have hired two additional course advisers and will soon be hiring a manager for the cart barn enabling us to do a better job in managing that departments staff.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOLF

- The golf committee would like to see course advisors enforce the golf rules:
 - ✦ Overall cart rules, especially for public play.
 - ✦ 90 degree rule.
 - ✦ Do not allow carts to drive on the tee boxes.
 - ✦ Monitor the distance between golf carts and the greens (including carts with blue flags).
 - ✦ Golf carts with blue flags may drive on fairways marked “cart path only” if it is for maintenance but not if it due to weather conditions.
- There are several players not posting their scores. Please make sure all scores are posted.
- The handicap committee requested we publish a breakdown/example of the handicap adjustment’s relative to which tee you are playing and who you are playing against.
 - ✦ At Lake Jovita Player A plays from the forward Men’s Green Tees (rated 68.0, slope 125). His lowest 10 scores of his last 20 were all 78. This makes his handicap differential 9.04 ($(78-68.0) \times 113/125$), and his USGA Handicap Index 8.7 ($9.06 \times .96$).
 - ✦ Player B plays from the regular Men’s White Tees (rated 70.0, slope 132). His lowest 10 scores of his last 20 were all 80. This makes his handicap differential 8.56 ($(80-70.0) \times 113/132$), and his index 8.2 ($8.56 \times .96$).
 - ✦ Player A’s course handicap from the Green Tees is 10 ($125/113 \times 8.7=9.6$).
 - ✦ Player B’s course handicap from the White Tees is also 10 ($125/113 \times 8.2 = 8.6$)
 - ✦ On Tuesday, both player’s go out to play their respective tees and both shoot their handicap, which by definition is the course rating plus handicap.
 - ✦ Player A therefore shoots a 78 (course rating 68.0 +10).
 - ✦ Player B meanwhile shoots an 80 (course rating 70.0 +10).
 - ✦ If players A and B were competing against each other, who wins? 78 or 80?
 - ✦ This is why the USGA requires a handicap adjustment for players competing from different tees equal to the difference between each USGA Course Rating with the resulting figure rounded to the nearest whole number (.5 or more is rounded upward).

- ◆ Player A and B above have similar games, but Player A is playing an easier golf course as evidenced by the Course rating.
- **Definitions:**
 - ◆ The Slope Rating is the USGA's mark that indicates the measurement of the relative difficulty of a course for players who are not scratch golfers. The lowest slope rating is 55 and the highest is 155. A golf course standard playing difficulty has a Slope Rating of 113. It is the standard "bar" that the USGA set when the Slope system was designed.
 - ◆ **Handicap Differential** is calculated as follows:
 1. Subtract the course rating from the adjusted score.
 2. Multiply the difference by 113.
 3. Divide the result by the slope rating of the course played.
 4. Round the final number to the nearest tenth.
 - ◆ **Best 10 Handicap Differentials**
 1. Determine the 10 best Handicap Differentials.
 2. Average the differentials being used.
 3. Multiply the average by .96. The .96 has been used by the USGA long before slope was around as a way to give lower handicap players equity in handicapped events.
 4. Delete all digits after the the tenths digit, do not round to the nearest tenth (e.g. 15.984 = 15.9)
 - ◆ The following decision in the USGA Handicap Manual, 3-52:
 - Q. Many golf clubs choose not to follow Section 3-5 of "The USGA Handicap System" manual if the clubs' groups are competing from different tees?
 - A. No, ignoring Section 3-5 when players are competing from different tees would be waiving a Rule of Golf. The Committee in charge of a competition does not have the authority to waive a Rule of Golf.
- We are including the local rules sheet previously sent out to make certain everyone received.

Lake Jovita Golf and Country Club
Local Rules Sheet
March 2017

Out of Bounds- is defined by white stakes, fences and the inside edges of roadway. Objects defining out of bounds are deemed to be fixed with no relief available.

Embedded ball- rule is through the green. (Lift, Clean, and Drop)

Abnormal Ground Conditions, Ground Under Repair- A player may take relief from a washout in a bunker under Rule 25-1. If the players with the group can agree that the ball lies in a washout in the bunker, the player may take relief by lifting, cleaning and dropping in the bunker, no closer to the hole and taking complete relief or maximum available relief from the GUR. (In stroke play only) If the players cannot agree as to whether or not the ball is in a washout, the player should play two balls and obtain a decision in the golf shop upon completing their round.

Drains in Fairways- Are immovable obstructions, player may take the proper relief inside the rules of golf w/out penalty. (Drains that have dropped from their normal elevation are

deemed to be abnormal ground conditions. Players may take relief from these drain with the margin of abnormal ground condition starting at the point where normal surface height has begun to drop)

Stones in Bunkers- Are deemed to be movable obstructions.

Immovable Obstructions-Relief may be taken under Rule 24-2. If the ball lies off the putting green and a sprinkler head is within two club lengths of the putting green and within two club lengths of the ball, and intervenes on the line of player, the player may take relief. The ball can be lifted; cleaned and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lies that is not nearer the hole and avoids the interference.

Ball Accidentally Moved on Putting Green - When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball marker is accidentally moved by the player, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment. The moved ball or ball marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1.

Note: If it is determined that the player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from the new location.

Distance measuring devices- A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only.

Landscaped areas including (planting beds/flower beds)- are mandatory relief, no penalty. Drop areas for these areas will be marked in yellow. (#9 North)

Water Hazard, playing a provisional ball. Provisional ball can be played if a ball is to be believed to have entered a lateral hazard. Once the provisional ball is played the player forfeits his/hers right to any other relief options from the hazard. If the original ball is found and player chooses to play it he must play it as it lies. If the original ball is found outside the hazard the player must play the original ball.

Rock/Drainage- area on the Right side of #8 North is a lateral hazard

Drop Areas- are defined by a white circle

Balls entering the Hazards from:

- North #9 back tees may move to the drop area located on the green teeing ground with a penalty of one stroke.
- North #11 all tees may move to the drop area located between the cart path and the side of the hazard (just across the cart path bridge) with a penalty of one stroke, or re-tee or drop the ball under the Rules of Golf with a penalty of one stroke, or move to the tee area on the other side of the hazard with a penalty of two strokes.
- South #1 into the yellow staked hazard area may move to the drop area on the far right side of the fairway nearest the hazard with a penalty of one stroke, or move to the drop area on the opposite side of the hazard with a penalty of two strokes.
- South #16 may move to the drop area located nearest the hazard with a penalty of one stroke if the player's ball enters the second hazard (Creek cutting through between the tee boxes and fairway). Player may choose to move to the drop area on the opposite side of the hazard with a penalty of two strokes.

Note-some of the drop areas advance the ball and take the hazard out of play. They are provided as additional options for the players and speed of play issues. These rules are not within the rules of golf and the player may choose to proceed under the rules of golf. Areas that advance the ball will not be used in major club tournaments.

GREENS

- We have been pumping a great deal of fertilizer and other materials on the course and the grass is responding (see putting green in photo at end of minutes).
- The tree work that has been done over the past few months is really helping grass growth. We will continue to trim trees over the next few months.
- You may have noticed white lines painted around the greens in recent weeks. Those represent outlines of the original green design. We are in the process of cutting down and treating those areas so if you notice a brown edge around some of the greens those represent the new shape of the greens. We will need to kill the evasive grasses that have penetrated those areas followed by digging them up and re-sodding so they may look bad initially but the long term impact will be great.
- The aerification has gone very well.

HOUSE

- We will be painting the fitness center as well as looking to upgrade the remote workout room, located by the pool.
- We have directional signs ordered that will direct people to the pro shop.

MEMBERSHIP

- We continue to target new homeowners within 20 miles.
- We will be continuing our "meet & greets" for new and prospective members going forward.

GOLF CART RULES AND DISABILITY FLAG POLICY

We are urging members to help us take care of the health of the courses by obeying the policies of Lake Jovita:

General Golf Cart Rules

- Utilize the 90 degree rule at all times.
- Do not drive between greens and cart path.
- Obey cart directional signs.
- Pair up whenever possible.

Disability Flag Policy

- Carts must be no closer than 60 feet from green.
- Carts are allowed to drive on fairways marked "cart path only", however still need to follow policy of no closer than 60 feet from green.
- When courses are designated as "cart path only" due to weather conditions the "cart path only" designation applies to disabled carts as well.



We are pleased to announce a season long series of golf events where male golf members of Lake Jovita earn points toward a season ending shootout to determine the "Champion Golfer of the Year". The Jovita Cup is open to male golfers of all levels, regardless of the tees they play. In addition, players who did not place in their flight will also receive points for participation in the event. Golf events will be divided into two categories; 1) regular tournament, and 2) major tournament. Major tournaments winners and participants will receive double points. All tournaments (except Member Guest) will be held on weekends.

Season Entry Fee: \$55

Tee Qualifications:

- White Tee = Foundation of the tournaments will be from the white tees.
- Green Tee = Age & Handicap 85+.
- Red Tee = Age & Handicap 95+.

Tournament Registration:

- Opens two weeks prior to event, except major tournaments.
- Registration closes 72 hours prior to event.
- Registration will be done on line.
- Number of flights per event determined by number of entries.

Tournament Prizes:

- 1st place (gross) each flight.
- 1st, 2nd, 3rd place (net) each flight.
- Closest to Pin.
- Skins.
- Hole In One - \$1 per player, per tournament goes into fund and carries over until there is an ace.

Jovita Cup Rules:

- If the ESC differential becomes + - 4 points an adjustment will be made.
- For any two man tournament players can make their own team. For four man teams, players will be selected as A,B,C,D.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(*denotes major tournament, points double)

| EVENT | DATE |
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| Two Man Event (9 holes Best Ball - 9 Holes Scramble) | October 7, 2017 |
| Quota Game | October 21, 2017 |
| Two Man Scramble | November 4, 2017 |
| Club Championship** | November 18 & 19, 2017 |
| Superintendents Revenge | December 2, 2017 |
| Easy Course Challenge | January 6, 2018 |
| Jovita 6-6-6 (Two Man Teams) | January 20, 2018 |
| Match Play** | February 10, 11, 17, 18, 2018 |
| Member / Member** | March 10, 11, 2018 |
| Lone Ranger Four Man Team Event | March 31, 2018 |
| Masters "Pick Your Pro" | April 6, 2018 |
| Member Guest** | April 19-22, 2018 |
| Jovita Cup Shootout (top 20 point leaders) | May 5, 2018 |

POINTS SYSTEM

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| 15 Points | 1st Place Gross |
| 15 Points | 1st Place Net |
| 10 Points | 2nd Place Net |
| 8 Points | 3rd place Net |
| 5 Points | Participation |

JOVITA CUP GRAND PRIZE = ONE YEAR TRAIL FEE

(members without trail fee win one year free cart fee)

HURRICANE JUNIOR TOUR

Kids of all ages participated in the Hurricane Junior Tour on the North Course and for those that watched them play saw some magnificent golf. This follows in our club mission of increasing the amount of junior golf we see at Lake Jovita.



DEEP TYING AERIFICATION

The deep tyne aerification has been done on both courses and the results are fabulous. Greens, fairways and rough are responding very well.



Fitness Center

The new flooring has been installed in the fitness center and is a dramatic improvement over the carpeting that previously existed.



Greens

You will notice some of the greens have been cut either larger or smaller than normal. The reasoning is twofold; 1) to return the greens to their original size, and 2) to build a more attractive collar around the greens.

