

March 2019

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Thank you to Reese James for his detail woodwork. James took an old etching of the golf course that was found while cleaning up the maintenance area. He refurbished and framed the etching and made it into a piece that we are proud to display.

Thank you to George Geer who AGAIN took the time to paint and seal all the tee markers on the course. There are 180 tee markers that Geer originally made and annually maintains.

Please fill your Divots!!

Although it is cart path only, that doesn't eliminate the need to fill your divots. When it is cart path only our suggestion is to get in the habit of bringing with you:

3 clubs (1 you think, +1 and - 1 club) Towel Range finder Sand bottle

Get in the habit of doing this and you will always be prepared; keeping you from having to walk back and forth as much, increasing your pace of play. Anyone with a personal cart should have at least 1 sand bottle. The golf staff can show you where in the cart barn to fill your sand bottle after each round.

Please make sure to check out usga.org for the new modernized 2019 Rules of Golf. Click this link for video tutorials on the rules. As of January 1st these rules are now in effect. It will be important to know these rules if play in events or participate in the club championship. The new rules are simplified, going from 34 to 24 total rules.

Are there any changes you would like to see made to Elm Lake? If so, please send your comments to a board member or to jhanko@pga.com. We want Elm Lake to be the best it can be, so we value your input greatly!

2019 UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 22nd --- 4A Boys Golf District Saturday, May 4th --- Birdies for Brazil 1:30pm May 6th-7th --- Boys 4A State Golf Champ Sunday, May 19th --- Roast n' Boast 1:30pm Sat, June 1st --- Swings for Scholarships1:30pm Sat, June 8th --- Tee's for St. Jude 1:30pm Monday, July 8th --- Coca Cola Junior Tour July 12 - 14th --- Club Championship July 15 - 16th --- Greens Airification Saturday, Aug 11th --- Battle of the Ages 9am Saturday, Oct 5th --- ATMAE Scramble 9am Saturday, Nov 9th --- National Fallen Fire 1:30p Fighters Scramble Thursday, Nov 28th --- Thanksgiving - Closed December 25th --- Christmas Day Course Closed

If you request special (handicap) cart permissions, that is possible on certain days. You will need to get permission from the golf shop if you think it may be dry enough for you to request special permission.

From the Course

The back 9 putting greens were covered for a period of 16 nights, in an effort to rid them of Poa-annua. We did this test on the South half of the putting green and saw a 90% elimination. We then did the North half of the PG with about 65% elimination followed by the back 9 again with around 65% elimination. We feel the original test was more successful due to 1) more sunlight heating up the tarps and 2) the plants being younger and weaker.

This is a test we will plan to do again in future seasons (9 holes at a time). We thank you for your patience as your play was limited to just 9 holes. We hope you agree that it was worth the wait to achieve a cleaner putting surface. We do plan to cover greens 5, 6, 8, 9 for two weeks beginning March 4th.

Divot Days will be a day where volunteers will gather at the course to help walk the fairways and fill divots in teams. We will have a reception after a few hours of work. More information to follow!

Spring pre-emerge (Prodiamine) will be sprayed as weather allows during March. For the past couple years we have sprayed 50 acres of turf in our spring pre-emerge. This season we have purchased enough chemical to spray 160 acres or ALL of our maintained course turf.

From Tee's

New Hours for the Spring/Summer Season Wed.-Fri. 11-2 & 4:30-9 Saturday 11:00-9:00 / Sunday 12:00-8:00 New hours starting the week of March 11th.

New spring menu will be introduced on March 13th. Make sure you come by to pick up an updated menu.

We now have Brioche Buns!! You can choose between our traditional Sourdough bun or the new Brioche bun. Happy Eating!