



Clearwater Country Club Newsletter

January 2021



HAPPY NEW YEAR! We know everyone is looking forward to 2021. As we welcome in the new year, I want to welcome all our new members to the club. I also want to thank all of you (our members, guests, staff and vendors) for doing your part in keeping our club safe and open throughout these unprecedented times. We are looking forward to a very busy year and celebrating the club's 100th Anniversary. WOW.

Tee times are starting to fill up this time of year. Members may reserve a tee time two weeks in advance, while guests can book one week in advance. During the month of January the bar and grill will remain closed on Mondays. A limited menu and full service bar will be available Tuesday through Sunday.

To help with security in the cart rooms and clubhouse, security cameras are now being installed. We still want private cart owners to close overhead doors when exiting the cart room.

I want to thank all of you for being so generous to the employees over the Christmas holidays. I know they appreciate it.

Again, Happy New Year, looking forward to a healthy and prosperous 2021!

**See you around the club,
Greg McClimans, P.G.A.**

**Welcome New and Returning Members:
Dave Parsons, David Syraski and Mark & Peggy Taylor**



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Upcoming Events

- Thursday, January 7 – FSGA Men's Interclub season starts with a home match at noon vs. Pasadena Y. & C.C.
- Sunday, January 10 – L.P.G.A. Amateur Golf Association outing: tee times begin at noon for 15 groups
- Thursday, January 14 – FSGA Match CCC @ Countryside CC (noon)
- Thursday, January 21 – FSGA Match CCC @ West Chase (noon)
- Thursday, January 28 – FSGA Match CCC @ Pasadena (noon)

Golf Course Update

Over the next few months, or until about mid-February, there may be a couple of nights that are cold, clear and calm with moisture present: ideal conditions for frost to form. Sometimes, even though your car thermometer reads above freezing, the colder the air is, the heavier it gets and there may be frost forming in lower areas of the golf course that dip below 32° F. If we have frost predicted, a delayed start to morning tee times will be necessary. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Also, a big thank you for using the "90° Rule" as much as possible! The rye-grass is sensitive to cart traffic and this reduces the wear and tear on the fairways, producing better playing conditions for those of you who can hit them!

We always appreciate feed-back, so **feel free to flag me down** anywhere on the property and offer your comments.

From myself and my staff:

**Best Wishes for a Happy & Healthy New Year!
Kevin Vereb, Clearwater C.C. Golf Course Superintendent**

Congratulations

We had a field of 75 players (in fivesomes) tee off at noon in the “**Walker Cup Invitational 12 Holes of Christmas**” on December 23, presented by **John Daly** and **Dan Walker**. The weather was great and the field had a fun time playing a 5-person scramble on holes 1 – 12! Scoring was low as 9 of the holes featured 8” cups. Leading the way with a 13-under par 34 was the team of **John Daly and his son John, Scott McNay, David Savacino & Dan Walker**. Every contestant went home with a frozen turkey for their upcoming Christmas feast!

The **2020 Father & Son Team Championship of Tampa Bay** took place on Sunday, December 23. The shotgun start, scheduled for 8:30 AM, was delayed by frost until 10:00 AM. The day warmed up quickly after that and the 35 father / son teams enjoyed 18 holes of competition with a delicious luncheon after golf followed by the prize presentation. The top three gross scores were 1st – **John Daly & John Daly, Jr.** (67), 2nd – **Greg & Harrison McClimans** (68) and 3rd **Greg & Gregory McClimans** (69). Three teams tied for Low Net at 64. After a net match of cards starting on the #1 handicap hole, the results were 1st – **John & Anthony Pesce**, 2nd **Scott & Tyler Weathersby** and 3rd – **Jesse & Wilson Putt**. Closest to the Pin winners were #6 – **Jason Davis**, #11 – **Paul Jaycox** and #16 – **Dr. Fred McClimans**. Longest Drive on #7 was **John Daly, Jr.**

Go to the online newsletter and click [HERE](#) for Father – Son pix on Google Photos!

Congratulations to all the winners!

Rules Quiz – True or False

The Committee may adopt a Local Rule allowing:

1. Lateral relief on the opposite side of a red penalty area at an equal distance from the hole.
2. Golfers the option to drop a ball in a specific area (including the nearest fairway area) near where their original ball is lost or out of bounds , under a two-stroke penalty.

A good resource on the Rules of Golf is the [USGA Rules and Interpretations](#) web page.

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Drink Recipe of the Month:

HAPPY NEW YEAR !

“MIMOSA”

Fill your favorite champagne glass with champagne and add a splash of orange juice.

“POINSETTIA”

Rather than orange juice, add a s

Enjoy!

Great Deal for Members Only

Sign up for Unlimited Range Balls

for just \$20 / month!

Locker - \$5 / month

Club Storage - \$5 / month

Rules Quiz Answer

1 – True: Although “opposite side” relief is no longer an option for red penalty areas under the Rules of Golf, a local rule allowing it is permitted under certain circumstances.

2 – True: To speed up play, a [specific local rule](#) may be adopted by the Committee that offers “near to where the ball went out of bounds or was lost” options so the golfer does not have to return to the tee (or spot from which the original ball was played). However, this new local rule is not intended for use in higher levels of play, such as professional or elite amateur competitions.

Our P.G.A. Staff:

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