



Emporia Country Club CHRONICLES



November 2020

From the President

Dear Emporia Country Club Members;

First, I'll address our recent difficult decision. A collective decision by your Board of Directors, Chris Herrig, and Oaks Golf, has been made. We have struggled with this decision since the Virus Lock down in March. The financial strain the virus has presented brought us to discontinuing the position Kati Beatty has held. Her last day was November 2, 2020. Chris has elected to step up some more in managing the Club, and will rely more on Mattathias Davis on the golf course and Karlie Owens for help scheduling events and house activities. Look for their contact information later in the newsletter. Remember, there is no room fee for your events. If you are concerned with having all your friends or personnel at one party, please consider two or more smaller seasonal celebrations. This would be a more personal opportunity. We all benefit from social interaction.

Again, the Membership Committee has had some great events, Bon Fire, and Halloween Party. Upcoming events are, November 6 fund raiser supper for the United Way, and November 21 Chili Cook-off and Corn-hole Competition. Come join the fun.

We took a debt payment holiday last summer, but have resumed making payments to ESB Financial and are making the required bi-annual "Member Lenders" payment in November.

Thank You for your continued support of Your Emporia Country Club.



A Note from the General Manager

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Hello all,

I would like to start off by thanking the Social Committee and Golf Committee for all their hard work and dedication to the club. They have thought of some great ideas for some fun events and given some great feedback on the course, I look forward to working with both groups to insure the Country Club remains a great atmosphere for our members to enjoy.

The Golf season is quickly coming to a end and winter is right around the corner. I would like to take a little time to discuss frost and the damage caused by frost. Frost occurs on cold, clear nights when atmospheric conditions cause objects, like grass, to become colder than the surrounding air. Depending on the conditions, frost can be light and scattered, or heavy enough to kill flowers and bring on dormancy in plants. On a scientific level, grass blades move water through the blade, for nourishment, but this moisture freezes inside the grass when you observe a light frost across the outside surface. Water molecules naturally expand during the freezing process, so plant cells are damaged as the moisture ruptures the cell walls. A light frost does not freeze the ground and the roots remain above the freezing point. As a result, you may have some blade damage after the cold weather, but the roots have a chance at healing the damage as the grass continues to grow. Why Stay off It? When grass is frosted, the grass blades are literally frozen. Any activity on the grass while it is frozen, like walking on it or cart traffic, will "break" the grass blade and damage the core of the plant. Eventually the turf will recover, but it may not fully bounce back until the following spring. Scientifically, when a heavy object presses down onto the blades, the expanded water molecules slice through the grass and cause significant cellular damage to the blade and the core of the plant. You notice impact damage after passing across the surface, the blades often produce a white or beige hue from being crushed. ECC will take all appropriate measures to insure we avoid any frost damage. The cart shed doors will remain closed until the Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent deem it safe for play. I would also like to discuss our policies on Bermuda grass Fairways for the winter months. Bermuda grass spreads rapidly by stolon's (above ground stems) and rhizomes (below ground stems), which accounts for its superior recuperative ability. However, Bermuda grass stops growing when temperatures fall below 60 degrees F and will initiate dormancy when temperatures drop below 50 degrees F for an extended period. When Bermuda grass enters dormancy it is important to keep carts off the Bermuda grass as much as possible to reduce damage done. Bermuda grass does not heal when dormant and bare spots can occur. No traffic on our Bermuda Fairways will also help them in the spring when they are coming out of dormancy making it less likely for spring dead spot to occur.

As always I look forward to seeing everyone this month.

Chris Herrig

A Note from the *Chef...*

Hello everyone,

We had a wonderful October here at the club with the Bags and Bonfire night and trick-or-treating on Halloween. I know we had a blast with both events and are looking forward to the future events and trying new things.

Thanks to COVID Pandemic we will not be doing a Thanksgiving buffet this year. Instead we will be offering a grab and go option for Thanksgiving. I am still ironing out the specifics and will be getting everyone the information to you very soon. We will also be offering homemade pies for thanksgiving so all your holiday needs will be taken care of and your family can just relax and leave the cooking to us.

Thank you for your continued support and if there are any questions or concerns feel free to contact me and I will help in any way I can.

Chef Shane

The Club strives to make sure all members birthdays and anniversaries are listed properly. If we have forgotten yours, please contact Sara Bashaw to correct our records.



Brandon Pope	11/1
Maurice Schmidt	11/1
Jerid Thomas	11/1
Gould Garcia	11/2
Charles Hanna	11/2
Nancy Pool	11/2
BJ Bayer	11/6
Janice Schulte	11/6
Aaron Watters	11/6
Clark Allemang	11/8
Jared Fessler	11/8
Sylvia Koepke	11/8
Jon Geitz	11/10
Jan Peak	11/10
Travis Sullivan	11/10
Melanie DeWitt	11/12
James Lauer	11/12
Jeffrey Hodges	11/15
Tell Kirk	11/15
Jerry Olmstead	11/15
Kimberly Crouch	11/19
Kate Evans	11/25
Jason Koch	11/25
Becky Baumgardner	11/30

Kent and Jodi Heermann	11/3
Cameron and Jessica Murphy	11/17
Jared and Lillian Germann	11/20
Dean and Julie Hollenbeck	11/21
Luke and Nikki Thompson	11/22
Bryan and Tasha Sailer	11/26
Brian and Melanie DeWitt	11/29
Jamie and Jennifer Sauder	11/29



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