

# BRICKYARD

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January 2024 Newsletter





# Christmas 2023



Kate & Carter Hill



Luke, Levi & Lachlan Gillespie



Penn Thornley



Carter Brown



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Counterclockwise:  
**Chuck Adams Family**

**Claire & Cameron Stabell**

**Campbell & Hudson Smith  
Henry Cohen**

**Davis, Michael & Becky  
Janssen**





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Clockwise:

Cissy Bradley & Family  
Wesley & William Roberts  
Hamp & Noah Birdsong  
Bray & Jeff Gordy



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Amerson & Coleman Thigpen



J.D., Katie Rose & Watson Walters



Braxton Wood



Spires Baby





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Sepp & Caroline Hill



Mary Stuart & Hadden Park



Jonathan & Sarah Senn, Tristan Bennett



# Golf Course Superintendent



We are rolling into January in good shape out on the course. The greens are healthy and show good coverage up top and root growth underneath. We will begin to post treat the Poa Annua on all the golf course in the coming weeks. For these treatments we will spray out certain areas of the course, depending on weather at different times. For example, on a closed Monday with low to no wind, is the best time to spray around greens. This prevents tracking from players walking through the product and then onto the greens. Rough can be sprayed anytime (wind permitting) and fairways on our less busy days.

The biggest thing happening in January is that our new Assistant Superintendent will be starting. On January 8<sup>th</sup> Tyler Collins will be joining our maintenance team. Tyler is a recent Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC) graduate. He has worked at multiple golf courses and interned last summer at Pike Creek Sod Farm. Tyler comes with great references, who all speak highly of his work ethic. If you see him out on the course, please introduce yourself.

Please remember that while the grass is not actively growing, try to be aware of where you drive your carts and take different routes when possible. Also, as always please repair all ball marks and fill all divots.

Thank you

Rusty Hill

Golf Course Superintendent



# Golf Shop News



The 2023 year is now in our rearview mirror. I want to start by saying “Thank You” for all the support you gave to the Pro Shop last year and during the Holiday Season. Special orders are still a big percentage of the orders we place for our membership. We will continue to have our Brickyard Member pricing at or below the big retail stores. Golf lessons and clinics are available in 2024 to sharpen up your game.

I will be attending the 2024 PGA Merchandise Show at the end of this month. I will be purchasing various items for the Club, attending seminars, and scouting out products that we feel will improve our merchandise selections and member experiences. We will continue to improve and update items to keep things fresh and in great shape. Feel free to pass along any suggestions or ideas that you would like to see at the club, and I’ll research them to implement successful items that our leadership team feels would be a good addition for The Brickyard.

We will be offering a **Member Birthday Best Practice** beginning this month and going through the 2024 calendar year. **The Brickyard Member Birthday Rewards Program** offers an additional 20% OFF the Brickyard Member Price to members during their birthday month. This applies to in stock merchandise, one time purchase during your birthday month, and limited to one item or one dozen golf balls. *Excludes price protected merchandise.*

The upcoming Member Tournaments will be the Polar Bear Scramble, a 2-Person Scramble scheduled for 10am on January 6, 2024. Then, on February 11, 2024, the Super-Bowl Scramble will take place. We will be kicking up the Club Fitting Events in March, which will offer a 10% discount on all orders. Members Credit Book must be spent by the end of March 2024. Dates and times for our golf club vendors’ fitting days will be announced in the February newsletter. They will have the current and new golf clubs along with Trackman Launch Monitor and a certified Professional Fitter. The 2024 Member Tournament Calendars are posted in the Locker Rooms inside the clubhouse. And they are on page 3 of this newsletter.

The new process of signing out the carts is in place and working out well. Please continue to be patient with us as we are hiring and training new staff members with new procedures. Our system places the odd # carts parked with back wheels on curb while even # carts parked in front of the odd cart numbers. The # on the Cart Key Tag is written on receipt, then signed for at the bottom of your cart receipts. Please match up key tag # to cart # and enjoy your round of golf. This states that you will take care of the carts and are responsible for any damages and lost and found items are successfully returned to the golfer that used this cart. We’ve already returned several range finders, multiple towels, cell phones and all kinds of apparel.

One last note, there are an enormous amount of Range Balls being found on the golf course. This is NOT ALLOWED; please pass this along to all your family members, the Practice Range balls stay on the range and please do not take them from the range. Also, several members have reported to the golf shop staff that the Sand Traps are not being raked by our club members and divots are not being filled in using the sand bottles on the golf carts. Please rake your footprints in all bunkers and come back with empty sand bottles after completing your round of golf. This is considered inappropriate member etiquette at Golf Clubs worldwide.

Have a great 2024 Year and we’ll see you at the Club,

Derek Lafferty, PGA Head Golf Professional



# Club News



## Special Golf Rule- Stroke Play

Player A & B are playing hole #7. As Player A is a long hitter, he chose to back up about 4 club lengths from the tee marker, to avoid going into the creek. His tee shot goes right and might be out of bounds. He rethinks his shot and decides to hit from the tee markers. Player B suggests that he use a 3 wood to be safe. He pulls the 3 wood and tells Player B he is hitting a provisional.

Player A, however finds his 1st ball in play just outside the OB line (in bounds). He plays that ball and they complete the hole and goes on to complete their round. Which is true?

- A) All is good.
- B) As Player A's 1st tee shot was hit from outside the teeing area, he was required to accept a two stroke penalty and play from the correct area. The 1st tee shot is a wrong ball, as it was not put into play. The provisional became the ball in play, when hit from the correct teeing area and was not a provisional. Player A is now penalized 2 strokes for playing a wrong ball for a total of 4 strokes.
- C) Because Player A did not correct finishing #7 with a wrong ball, he is disqualified, and Player B is penalized 2 strokes for suggesting A play 3 wood to be safe.

Rule 6.3c, 6.1b & 10.2a The answer is "C"

Happy New Year In February, the newsletter will include some of the rule changes for 2024.

## Men's Night Out

**Tuesday January 23, 2024 6pm**

**Come out for Steak Dinner \$25**

**Tenderloins by Grillmaster-Chris Raines**

**Fun, Beverages & Fellowship**

**A Great Way to Meet New Members**

**Reservations are Required by Wednesday,**

**January 17th at 12pm**

**Call or Email Kathy Allen 478-477-6765 X224**

**membershipdirector@brickyardgolf.com**

**No Show Reservations Will Be Billed**

**Reservations Can't be Cancelled**

**After 12pm January 17th**

