November 2023 Newsletter

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A Newsletter for the Broadmoor Community

Newsletter Highlights: Spotlights / A Word from James / Fall Fun / Social Scene / Elections

Dining Room Monday-Tuesday Closed Wednesday-Saturday 11:00am – 8:00pm Sunday 11:00am – 6:00pm

Golf Shop

Tuesday-Friday Open 9:00am Sat – Sunday Opens 8:00am

Golf Simulator Tuesday-Friday 10:00am-6:00pm Saturday-Sunday 10:00am-4:00pm

From our General Manager:

A wonderful Broadmoor tradition began many years ago to create a Holiday Fund for the entire team at BCC. Although the fund is collected and distributed in December, I want to assure you that it is shared among those currently working as well as those who were here throughout this season. I will be sure to include staff making it fun from Easter Brunch to the Scary Mary golf tournament.



The holiday fund is an opportunity to share gratitude for those you see nearly every time you visit the club as well as the many great people that you may never see when you come to the club. At the peak of the season Broadmoor has over 70 people on the team creating day-to-day fun and providing quality conditions to make Broadmoor your home away from home.

By design, my respectful ask of you and the Broadmoor membership is

at a time that will 1) provide the staff additional dollars as the holiday season approaches, and 2) provide them all a timely remembrance that their efforts are indeed appreciated.

There is a voluntary fund of \$75 which will appear on your upcoming statement. The contribution amount is solely at your discretion and accepted in strict confidentiality. If you wish to adjust this amount up or decline, please contact Alana Voege in accounting (avoege@broadmoorcc.com).

Whatever you decide to give is greatly and universally appreciated. I thank you for viewing this message and thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Keith Clark, PGA; General Manager

Upcoming Events November 5 Time Change! November 15 Book Club: Spoon Lady November 23 Thanksgiving: Club Closed December 1 Game Night December 10 Breakfast with Santa December 22 Annual Holiday Party

Welcome New Members

Premier

Danny Kennedy and Amy Martin Scott Childers and Ashina Singh Mark and Catherine Hardwick

Member Spotlight: Meet Our New President

LuAnn Humphrey joined Broadmoor Country Club in 2018. At that time she was flipping houses and her realtor brought her to BCC. She loved the course, everyone was really nice, and she felt it was a good fit for her. Growing up in Kentland, Indiana, her family belonged to the local country

club and they would spend many hours there, playing/eating/drinking. In a town of 2,000, the club became a tight-knit family which gave her some of the best memories of her life. That was the appeal of Broadmoor – people care about each other, everyone is welcoming, and we look out for each other.

Once joining Broadmoor, she quickly became involved. As a kid, she never really took golf seriously but in the 90's she got the "golf bug." An excellent golfer, she not only plays in our Ladies' League but she is a leader of the BCC Ladies' Interclub team. She also plays in several tournaments each year, including the Women's Golf Association of Metropolitan Indianapolis (WGAMI) and the Indiana Senior Woen's Golf Association (ISWGA).



LuAnn's involvement in the club doesn't stop at golf. In 2020 she was elected to join the Board of Directors and became part of the Facilities Committee (she designed and drove the main floor restroom renovations). In time, she also joined the Golf Committee and, anticipating a stronger leadership role, became a member of the Finance Committee earlier this year. In 2021 she was elected Vice President and was unanimously elected President following the All-Member Meeting in October.

But who is she?

After finishing high school in Kentland she enrolled at the University of Indianapolis, majoring in political science and business. The IU School of Law followed and she graduated with her J.D. Next stop? The U.S. Air Force as a Judge Advocate General. That took her to Southern California, where she spent 4 ½ years. During that time she was both a prosecutor (i.e. court martials) and a defender. But she realized the Air Force wasn't a long-term goal for her so she moved back to Indianapolis and opened a private practice – J. LuAnn Humphrey, Attorney at Law – in an office on Monument Circle. She then moved her practice into a renovated house in Broad Ripple and practiced there for 7 years.

While running her law practice, a former competitor-turned-friend encouraged her to coach AAU basketball and she became an assistant high school basketball coach in Martinsville while also serving as a public defender in her home town of Kentland. Can you feel it? Driving up to Kentland, back to Indy, down to Martinsville, back to Indy, back to Kentland . . . it became a little much.

Another door opened. There was an opening at the NCAA – a perfect blend of her love for basketball and all sports and her background in law. She began as an assistant director and then became a director, dealing exclusively with men's basketball. She stayed at the NCAA from 1999-2014 – and then retired. You can see her on our golf course several times a week!



In 2005 she was in Kansas City for an NCAA Conference and met Azure Davey, an All-American Soccer goalkeeper and Assistant Athletic Director at SUNY Courtland in upstate New York, who was also attending the conference. Azure also ended up working at the NCAA and is now a consultant for higher education. She spent several years coaching lacrosse at Bishop Chatard High School but now spends her time officiating at games. They married in 2016.

A favorite BCC member, especially among the golf ladies, is Dave Humphrey, LuAnn's older brother. Dave came to live with

LuAnn and Azure in May, 2022, after the death of their father. As part of a golfing family growing up he played a little golf, but not as much as he does now. "Davey" is affectionally known as the Golf King at Broadmoor and LuAnn doesn't know who loves the club more – her or Dave.

There you have it. Our new President is smart, athletic and – for those of us who have worked with her – pretty no nonsense when it comes to planning and execution. We will all be in very capable hands with LuAnn at the helm!

Employee Spotlight: Meet our new Assistant Golf Pro

We welcomed Blake Wolfe as our new Assistant Golf Pro on October 10th and he is jumping into it to help wind down the season and stock new merchandise.

Blake originally is from Illinois where he grew up in a large golfing family. His grandfather played at Ball State and his mother played in high school (dad was a football player). Blake's high school golf team won the State Championship 2 out of the 4 years he attended, and he went to State his sophomore, junior, and senior years. Blake then played 2 years of college golf at Lincoln Trail Junior College in Robinson, IL.



He then ventured to Indiana where he is enrolled at IUPUI, with a dual major in finance and commercial real estate. At first living with his uncle (and member) Rich Wolfe, Blake worked part time for Broadmoor in May-June of 2022. He then went to Ulen Country Club, where he was the Assistant Pro from June 2022-October, 2023 – then this opportunity came open! No longer bunking with his uncle, he is now roommates with the head pro at GCI.

His hobby is watching movies, and Disney movies have been his favorite for years. He grew up watching VCR tapes and admits to still being a big Cars fan.

When asked what he thinks of Broadmoor so far (not quite 30 days), he said he loves James – he is energetic, outgoing, and talks to anyone and everyone! He also is impressed with the number of good quality players here at Broadmoor.

Welcome, Blake, and we look forward to getting to know you better!

A Word from James Gilbert

As the days get shorter and the temperature drops, many of us are faced with the dilemma of how to maintain our golf skills during the off season. That's why I'm excited to introduce our Winter Simulator League, and I'm here to tell you why you should sign up and make the most of this unique opportunity!

1.

of-the-art golf simulators, you can enjoy the game you love even when the golf course is covered in snow. Don't let the winter months keep you away from the game. Join our **Winter Simulator League** to stay on top of your golf game throughout the year.

2. **Improve Your Skills**. Winter is the perfect time to work on your golf swing and overall game. Our simulators provide detailed swing analysis, allowing you to pinpoint and improve any weaknesses in your technique. You can work on your swing mechanics and make significant improvements before the next golf season arrives.

Play all Year Round. With our state-

- 3. **Friendly Competition**. Joining our **Winter Simulator League** means you'll be part of a community of fellow golf enthusiasts. Compete in a friendly and fun atmosphere with others who share your passion for the game. It's a fantastic way to stay connected with golf friends during the off season.
- 4. Variety of Courses. Our simulator system offers a wide selection of virtual courses from around the world. Experience playing on famous championship courses or try your hand at some of the most beautiful golf destinations. It's a great way to challenge yourself and enjoy a change of scenery without leaving our facility.
- 5. **Prizes and Recognition**. We'll be keeping track of your progress, and there will be opportunities to win prizes and receive recognition for your achievements throughout the







Winter Simulator League. Whether it's the lowest score, the most improved handicap, or other categories, there will be plenty of ways to earn some golfing accolades.

- 6. **Flexible Scheduling**. We understand that winter schedules can be unpredictable. That's why we offer flexible scheduling options to accommodate your availability. You can easily fit simulator play into your busy winter routine.
- Stay in the Golfing Mindset. Consistency is key in golf, and playing regularly during the off season helps you maintain your focus and keep that competitive edge. Joining the Winter Simulator League will ensure you're ready to hit the ground running when the golf season returns.

Don't let the winter weather keep you from enjoying your favorite sport. Sign up for our **Winter Simulator League** and continue to hone your skills while having a great time with fellow golfers.

To register or learn more about the **Winter Simulator League**, please contact the golf shop or email us at <u>bwolfe@broadmoorcc.com</u>.



See you on the virtual fairways! **JG**

Ladies' Golf Update

Our own **Julia Potter-Bobb** came in 1st for the **2023 U.S Women's Mid-Am** which was played September 9-14 at Stonewall (North Course) in Elverson, PA.



Julia is the first female left-handed champion in USGA history and owns a pair of U. S. Women's Mid-Amateur titles. The winner receives a gold medal, custody of the Mildren Prunaret Trophy for one year, exemption into the 2024 U. S. Women's Open, exemption into the next ten (10) U. S. Women's Mid-Amateurs and exemption into the next two (2) U. S. Women's Amateurs.

CONGRATULATIONS, JULIA - a National and Broadmoor Treasure!

Fall Classic

It started as a cold and rainy day, but golfers braved the weather to play in the **Fall Classic** on October 14th. Even as they straggled in, rubbing their hands from the cold, our golfers had another great day on the course. Congratulations to the first-place team!

BROADMOOR COUNTRY CLUB 2023 Broadmoor Fall Classic Final Results		
1st Place Nathaniel Lee Josh Lee Jason Boyewsky Terry Crone	-11	\$320
2nd Place Net Jim Still Larry Dorfman Danny Kennedy Donald Ross	-10	\$200
3rd Place Net Todd Sermersheim Brandon Phillips Rich Wolfe Ray Coyne	-8	\$120
4th Place Net Dan Durham Kyle Beaty Andrew Vassilo Matt Baker	-7	\$80

Thanksgiving Take Out

No muss, no fuss – plan on Broadmoor for cooking your Thanksgiving Dinner!

Look for more information about ordering your dinner – pickup on the Wednesday before.



The Social Scene

As the weather turns colder and golf clubs don't come out as much, there is still much to do at Broadmoor! This newsletter should give our members an insight into other reasons to come to your Club! Fun gatherings, game nights, book club, wine/bourbon tastings, special dinners . . . keep watching for updates.



Game Night

The fall/winter social scene kicked off on Friday, October 27th, with the return of our monthly Euchre night. But this time, Ambassadors **Jenna and Andrew Rutherford** expanded this opportunity for meeting new members and socializing by adding more "games" to Game Night. Over 20 members – including several newer members – joined for Euchre, Uno and Phase 10.

For \$15, attendees receive a free cocktail and appetizers. Be sure to put **December 1st** on your calendars for our next Game Night, featuring Euchre, Farkle and Yatzee.

Similar to our book club books, the games will be stored in the library and available for anyone to use outside of game nights. Guests are encouraged, especially if you have a game partner outside of the club.



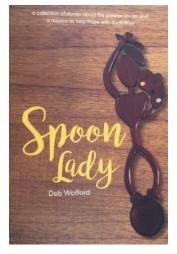
Jenna and Andrew give instructions before play begins





In addition to 3 tables of Euchre, Phase 10 was popular!

Book Club



The **November 15th** meeting will have a special guest! **Spoon Lady** by **Deb Wofford** is a memoir centered on an interesting and colorful group of individuals living in the invisible world of disabilities while working in an art gallery and making art of their own. This book is free to members of the Book Club and anyone else who would like to attend as Deb will be coming as well! Contact Jan Frazier for more information (jfrazier@planningplusllc.com).

Our **December 13th** meeting will see us come full circle – the first book we read was the Midnight Library and the last book of the year is The Librarian Spy by Madeline Martin, the

same author as the Last Bookstore in London, which we also read (see a theme here?). Vanessa Lopez recommended this book.

Discussions begin at 6:30 and entrees are half-price for Book Club attendees!



The Importance of RSVP's



As we send out notices and sign-ups for events, please be sure to RSVP so we know how to set up and prepare, especially when food is involved.

Scary Mary: is it Golf or is it Social? It's both!!!!



Saturday, October 28th was our traditional **Scary Mary** event, a 9-hole scramble with a twist! Ten teams of Halloween golfers came out to enjoy a chilly but mild day on the course. After a 10:00am shotgun start and fun play, golfers were treated to Bernie's chili/hot dog lunch.



If you have never played this before, please think about it for next year – lots of fun the Broadmoor way!

Winners "Hall and Oats" (**Todd and Amy Sermersheim**) took costumer honors for a dinner for 2!



Halloween Brunch

If you weren't there . . . you missed it! Broadmoor staff got into the festivities!





As always, members were greeted with Bernie's set up!





Who is this guy?????



Coming up . . .

Grounds Report by Chris Groene

October was another busy month on the golf course. We hosted the Wabash Invitational October 8 – 10, a new Fall Classic member event October 14, deep-tine aerified 4 acres of greens on October 19, and solid tined 44 acres of tees and fairways the following week as well!

Typically, we top-dress greens with sand during the greens aerification process, but rain forced us to delay topdressing to the following Monday. That left holes open longer than usual and will likely slow the



recovery process. However, we have already started to see recovery just 1 week after aerification and 3 days after the first top-dressing. We will continue to top-dress greens on Mondays throughout the rest of the year to fill in any remaining holes, continue to smooth the playing surfaces, and help provide the crowns of the turfgrass with protection from the winter weather.



Leaf cleanup has become a priority, and we continue to do our best to keep the course playable. Every day leaves are blown off from the playing surfaces into the rough and mulched into the surrounding turf. Did you know that on average a healthy tree produces 200,000 leaves? And a 40-foot oak tree can have up to 1 million leaves! That's a lot of leaves to keep us busy for the next several weeks!

Things to be aware of as we enter November and colder weather:

- Please check into the pro shop for any potential frost delay. Even though you may not have frost at home, if temperatures are below 40° we will likely have frost on the course. Temperatures at the course typically are 2-3° colder than what is displayed on weather apps or the morning news. It is important to check with the pro shop first to avoid any frost damage from being on playing surfaces too early, particularly the putting green, and allows us time to perform morning maintenance tasks that were also delayed because of the frost.
- The driving range tee will be closing the first week of November to begin the recovery process after a long season. The tees will be aerified and filled/leveled with a divot mix/seed combination. We will also be making fertilizer applications to promote as much growth and divot recovery as possible this fall. We will repeat this process again in very early spring and hopefully open a fully grown in range tee to start the 2024 season as soon as possible.



- The golf course restrooms will also be closing for the season due to the weather.

- As always, the preference is to **REPLACE your divot** whenever possible. This is especially important at this time of year as divot recovery drastically slows down in colder weather. Please continue to **REPLACE the divots and REPAIR the ball marks** all year long!

Member Feedback Open House

On Saturday, October 14th, we sponsored our second **Member Feedback Open House**, where members could come in and give us their feedback on the Golf Course, Golf Shop, Food and Beverage, Social, and Infrastructure/Member Meetings. We scheduled this on a day we thought members would be coming to the club, i.e. The Fall Festival Golf Outing.

For those who could not attend in person, we sent out the survey questions for electronic responses.

The Member Engagement Committee is in the process of summarizing and creating a content analysis to identify the key points from members, and this information will be used during our Strategic Planning session in January. We will also be sending out a summary to members in our December newsletter.

For those members who participated – we thank you – and we welcome your feedback anytime. That is what will help us make Broadmoor an even great destination!



Several members decided to participate before the 11:00am shotgun start. Jenna Rutherford of our Member Engagement Committee begins the debrief.



THE WINNER OF THE DINNER FOR 4 WAS LARRY DORFMAN!

All Member Meeting and Elections

We want to thank our members who attended our All-Member Meeting on October 4th. The Power Point and election results we sent out to the entire membership. We again congratulate **P. J. Stockert** and **Keith Suttle** as our new board members.

The Broadmoor Board of Directors' Officers for 2023-2024 are:

- LuAnn Humphrey, President
- Colin Terry, Vice President
- Dave Jongleux, Treasurer
- Phil Genetos, Secretary

There is a significant amount of work this board will be doing in relation to our on-going infrastructure needs, addressing our pool issues, prioritizing repairs . . and identifying funding mechanisms. We congratulate all these individuals who will continue to work hard keep moving Broadmoor forward!