

ON THE COURSE: FALL AERATION RECAP

Our agronomy team recently completed a small greens aeration during our closure November 5th through 8th. During this time, we pulled a quarter-inch core on one and half-inch centers at a depth of two inches. We back-filled the holes with topdressing sand and nutrients to promote healthy turf and soils through the winter months and into 2019. This small aeration is very beneficial to our root health, which is vital for strong, healthy, firm greens. As expected, the greens are rolling very similar a week after aeration as they were a week before.



During this recent closure, we also verticut all tees and approaches. This process reduces accumulation of dead and decaying plant matter (thatch), and allows for growth of new, healthy bentgrass. If thatch is not continually removed, the excess thatch acts as a sponge (holding water close to the surface), and does not allow roots to move deep into

the soil. Our team is currently working on verticutting all the fairways. This process has taken longer than planned due to extremely wet conditions in recent weeks.

We appreciate your patience during the recent closure for these vital cultivation practices at Ballyhack Golf Club. Our aerations and verticutting are designed and scheduled to disturb play as little as possible. Please let me know if you have any questions on these practices.



We wish you and your family a happy holiday season and we look forward to seeing you at the club.

Sincerely,

Steven Ball

DECEMBER 2018

TURKEY TOUGH DAY RESULTS

Ballyhack's Turkey Tough Day tournament on November 3rd held form to being an annual highlight enjoyed by members, guests, and staff. Players were treated to delicious food and a unique golf course setup featuring new holes, challenging pin placements, on-course obstacles, and seldom-used tee boxes. A special thank you goes to Steven Ball and the golf course maintenance team for their efforts in preparing a memorable day filled with fun and camaraderie. Congratulations to the winning teams!

1st65Wade Whitehead, Frank Leyes, Mike Krulich, Justin Young2nd65Mickey White, Justin Schumer, Tom Blaylock, Kemper King3rd67Bob Birch, Kriss Myers, Dyke Davies, Kenny Morgan4th67Preston Waldrop, Skip Hamilton, Phil Hopkins, Randy Norbo





VICTORIA NATIONAL TO HOST WEB.COM TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP THROUGH 2028

The Web.com Tour, United Leasing & Finance, Golf Gives Back, and Dormie Network have announced a 10-year agreement for our sister club, Victoria National Golf Club, to serve as host venue for the Web.com Tour Championship through 2028. The newly named Web.com Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance will be contested August $30^{\rm th}$ through September $2^{\rm nd}$ of next year, with the final round set for Labor Day.



"We are excited to bring the Web.com Tour Championship to Evansville because it has all the elements and partnerships in place to make this unprecedented, long-term commitment an incredible success," said Web.com Tour President Dan Glod in a press release distributed by the PGA Tour, the Web.com Tour, and Dormie Network. "It starts with United Leasing & Finance, which has been an unwavering supporter of the Web.com Tour since 2011. And now with Dormie Network's support of the tournament and its recent acquisition of Victoria National Golf Club—one of the game's most demanding tests—we have the ideal scenario for our season-ending championship. Additionally, with strong local leadership through Golf Gives Back, numerous volunteers, and TOUR Vision Promotions as our operator, we are confident the Web.com Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance will continue to have an increased impact on fans, the community, and charity."

We couldn't be more thrilled to welcome the Web.com Tour back to Victoria National for this very exciting event!



GOLF SHOP HOLIDAY SHOPPING

Come visit the Ballyhack golf shop for an excellent selection of family gifts, business gifts, and stocking stuffers. Select items are on sale throughout the month of December!



NEW BALLYHACK MEMBERS

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to the following new members:

Matt Anderson of Roanoke, VA Robert Dowd of Conshohocken, PA Clark Goodman of Mint Hill, NC Kevin Haggerty of Alexandria, VA Dick McCullough of Norfolk, VA Joe Schnur of Fort Lauderdale, FL Kenneth Wood of Haymarket, VA

WEEKEND FIRESIDE DINING & BRUNCH SERVICE

You are cordially invited to join us for fireside dining on Friday and Saturday evenings. Please contact the club by 3 p.m. to make reservations for your visit. Ballyhack Brunch service is also available on Saturdays and Sundays. Enjoy Chef Conner's farm-fresh menu creations all winter long!

DORMIE NETWORK SET TO WELCOME HIDDEN CREEK GOLF CLUB IN JANUARY

We're thrilled to announce the pending purchase of the sixth official Dormie Network club: Hidden Creek Golf Club in Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey (just outside Atlantic City). Hidden Creek opened in 2002 to widespread critical acclaim, ranking third among private golf clubs in the United States in *Golf World*'s inaugural Reader's Choice Awards in 2008 (behind only the fabled Augusta National and Pine Valley Golf Clubs). In 2003, just one year after its inception, Hidden Creek was ranked 72nd on *GOLF Magazine*'s list of top 100 courses in the U.S.

Hidden Creek Golf Club features an 18-hole heathland-style golf course designed by Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw. Crafted into 750 acres of aged woodlands and rolling hills, the course features bent grass fairways, strategically carved bunkers, dramatic elevation changes, and subtle green contours. The club has been the site of a number of championships and Open qualifiers, including: a U.S. Senior Open qualifier in 2004; 2004 and 2017 Women's Open qualifiers; the 2015 U.S. Senior Amateur Championship; and 2014 and 2018 U.S. Open qualifiers.

The sale of the club is expected to be finalized in January. We couldn't be more excited to welcome it to the Dormie Network family, and will announce additional updates as details are finalized.

MEMBER HOLIDAY BRUNCH: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

Please join us for the annual Member Holiday Brunch on Sunday, December 16th. Seating times are available from 10 a.m. through 2 p.m. Please contact Leigh King at lking@ballyhackgolfclub.com to secure your reservation.





BALLYHACK WELCOMES EXECUTIVE CHEF CONNER JOHNSON

Please join us in welcoming Executive Chef Conner Johnson to the Ballyhack Golf Club family! Conner's passion for food and cooking started at a young age. His family moved to Roanoke when he was just three years old, and he grew up in the industry, watching and learning from his parents as they ran their small business: Brothers Bakery. Career highlights include Beaver Run Hotel in Breckenridge, Colorado, where Conner worked alongside Chef Bob Burden. He went on to join Chad Scott at Roanoke's acclaimed 202 Social House before working with Mark Baldwin at Blue Ridge Catering. Conner comes to Ballyhack after spending the last 10 years at Hotel Roanoke, where he gained experience in all aspects of managing a large-scale production kitchen as sous chef with responsibility for executing successful banquet events.

Conner's cuisine is centered on the highest-quality ingredients sourced from local farmers. He is experienced in crafting custom menus for special events and will work alongside Dormie Network's Executive Chef Tony Pope to provide truly exceptional dining at Ballyhack Golf Club. We are thrilled to have Conner's leadership, expertise, and talent!



AMBASSADOR OF THE MONTH: MEGHAN CLELLEN

Congratulations to Meghan Clellen, Ballyhack's ambassador of the month! Meghan has worked part time at the club for a number of years, but has recently taken on additional responsibility within our food and beverage and cottage services teams. As noted by one manager: "Meghan is a team player. She is always more than willing to help Ballyhack in any area possible. She continually receives positive feedback for being a friendly and helpful member."

CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH BALLYHACK

The holiday season is upon us! Ballyhack Golf Club is delighted to help with planning your corporate celebrations and special dining events. Contact the club for more information about hosting an event at Ballyhack.



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DORMIE NETWORK MEMBER-ONLY TRAVEL BAGS

For the holiday season, Dormie Network is offering the opportunity to order exclusive logo-stitched Club Glove travel bags. A limited quantity of both the Last Bag Large Pro and Last Bag Collegiate bags are both available for order in black, navy, and charcoal. Drop shipping is available for \$9.99. Please submit orders to Ashley Conkling at (812) 858-1790 or ashley.conkling@victorianational.com.

Last Bag Large Pro (\$334.99)

Premium large collapsible bag (10.6 pounds; 51" H x 19" W x 16" D) accommodates up to a 47-inch driver plus room for gear and golf accessories. When not in use, folds compact for storage. For larger golf bags and staff bags, we recommend the XL.

Last Bag Collegiate (\$284.99)

Premium fitted collapsible bag (8 pounds; 51" H x 15" W x 14" D) is the perfect size with all the great features of the Last Bag Large Pro. Shoe pockets are strategically located on the exterior of the bag for convenient and easier access or storage. When not in use, fold and store compact.



NETWORK-WIDE PROJECT UPDATES

The clubhouse renovation, on-course comfort station, and construction of on-site cottages continue at ArborLinks. Victoria National is in the process of resurfacing its greens, with on-site cottages in the early planning stages. Ballyhack's new maintenance building is coming along nicely; coming soon to the club will be four new cottages and a new cart barn. Briggs Ranch has received its updated fleet of maintenance equipment and Club Car golf carts; a clubhouse renovation and on-site casitas are currently in the works, and we expect to break ground on the TrackMan Performance Center in early 2019. Dormie Club is working toward a new maintenance facility, new clubhouse, and the construction of 15 new cottages.

GUEST POLICY REMINDER

Please be sure to advise club staff ahead of guest visits. Contact the club and provide an email address and phone number ahead of each visit. All guests must be accompanied by a Dormie Network member when playing on the golf course, unless the sponsoring member has obtained prior approval from the individual club's professional staff. A sponsoring member is allowed up to seven accompanied guests per visit, provided the member is playing in one of the two groups. Larger groups may be authorized on an individual basis.

BOOK TEE TIMES AHEAD

A quick reminder to be sure and book tee times ahead of your visit to Dormie Network clubs. This gives our club staff an opportunity to serve you and your guests with the premier hospitality for which the network is quickly becoming known.

NETWORK CONCIERGE SERVICES

Planning a buddy trip, family vacation, corporate event, or other outing? Dormie Network's club concierges are here to help. Each club offers full-service support with the ability to assist in making travel, dining, entertainment, and other arrangements (whether at the club or in the surrounding area) ahead of and during your stay. Contact your home club's concierge to facilitate arrangements at any Dormie Network club.