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MEET YOUR PROFESSIONAL STAFF

- *Head Golf Professional – Brett Baylin, PGA*
- *Director of Instruction – Neil Gowan, PGA*
- *Assistant Golf Professional – Garrett Wright*
- *Assistant Golf Professional – Trevor Austin*
- *Golf Course Superintendent – Brad Fluitt*
- *Assistant Golf Course Superintendent – Blas Guerrero*

COMMUNICATION

Bentwood Country Club, has worked hard to bring communication to a new level. Most of us have begun to enjoy the wonderful world of technology, making communication easier, faster and more accurate. Bentwood Country Club uses several modes of communication:

- *Website – www.bentwoodcc.com*
- *E-Newsletter – Sign up to receive this email by calling 325-944-0520*
- *Club Newsletter; The ByLines*
- *Facebook*
- *Twitter – bentwoodc.c.*
- *Posters and flyers around the Club*
- *2017 Golf Handbook*

HOURS OF OPERATION

- *Golf Shop* *Tuesday – Sunday*
7:00am – 7:00pm (daylight savings time)
7:00am – 6:00pm (standard time)
- *Driving Range* *Tuesday – Sunday*
7:00am – 7:00pm (daylight savings time)
7:00am – 5:30pm (standard time)
- *Golf Course* *Tuesday – Sunday*
Starting times begin at 8:00am

STARTING TIMES

- *Starting Times may be obtained by calling 325-944-8575 or walking in.*
Weekday times – call up to three days in advance
Weekend/Holiday times – call up to three days in advance
Members may request up to four (4) consecutive starting times.

REGISTRATION

- All golfers must check in the Golf Shop prior to play.
- All golfers must have their own golf clubs and bag to play.
We offer a club rental service if needed.
- All golfers and non-golfers are expected to follow the dress code.
(See the Golf Attire section of the Handbook for details)
- Starting on the #10 tee is not allowed, unless approved by the Professional Golf Staff.

GUEST PLAY

- *Guest Fees*
 - 18-holes:

<i>Weekdays</i>	<i>\$50.00 + \$13.50 cart fee</i>
<i>Weekends/Holidays</i>	<i>\$60.00 + \$13.50 cart fee</i>
 - 9-holes:

<i>Weekdays</i>	<i>\$30.00 + \$8.50 cart fee</i>
<i>Weekends/Holidays</i>	<i>\$40.00 + \$8.50 cart fee</i>
- **Guests must be accompanied by a Member at all times unless pre-approved by the Head Golf Professional.**
- *Members are responsible for the conduct and attire of their guests at all times. Please inform your guests of the dress code, etc., prior to their arrival at the Club.*
- *Local guests, including tennis and social members, have a limited guest play of six (6) times in the same calendar year, no more than one (1) time per month.*
- *Family Rate Fees (immediate family ONLY)*
 - 18-holes:

<i>Weekdays</i>	<i>\$40.00 + \$13.50 cart fee</i>
<i>Weekends/Holidays</i>	<i>\$50.00 + \$13.50 cart fee</i>
 - 9-holes:

<i>Weekdays</i>	<i>\$30.00 + \$8.50 cart fee</i>
<i>Weekends/Holidays</i>	<i>\$35.00 + \$8.50 cart fee</i>

SISTER to SISTER

*As a Bentwood member, in good standing, you have member privileges at all of these Clubs! * Just contact the Bentwood Golf Shop to reserve starting times (and pay cart fee only) or the Bentwood Receptionist for dining reservations at each of the following Clubs.*

'Sister Club's' as of 1/1/17:

*Desert Pines Golf Course, Ft Stockton
Tascosa Golf & Country Club, Amarillo
Brady Golf Course, Brady
The Shores Country Club, Rockwall
Brownwood Country Club, Brownwood
Ballinger Country Club, Ballinger
Santa Fe Golf Course, San Angelo*

GOLF AMENITIES

- **Club Storage –**
*You may store your golf bag and clubs at the Club for \$72.00 per year. (billed semi-annually in February and August)
This service includes club cleaning, storage in a constant room temperature and daily staging prior to play.*
- **Pull Cart Storage –**
You may store your pull cart in the Club Storage area for \$36.00 per year. We will have your cart set up and ready for you prior to play or practice.
- **Locker Rental –**
Lockers are available for the men. The cost is \$72.00 per year. (billed semi-annually in February and August)

GOLF SHOP MERCHANDISE

The Golf Shop at Bentwood strives to provide Members and their guests with a variety of top of the line golf merchandise at very competitive pricing. We stock men's, ladies and juniors apparel, as well as, gift items for your favorite golfer!

CUSTOM CLUB FITTING

The Golf Staff at Bentwood have been professionally trained to custom fit clubs. Equipment is a key component to developing a repeatable technique. Studies indicate and we believe that a properly fit set of clubs can improve your golf game by as much as 30%! We have the ability to custom fit irons, wedges, woods and putters.

CLUB REPAIR

Bentwood Country Club provides state of the art club repair services. From re-gripping to re-shafting we can do almost all club repair in house and in a timely fashion to get you back on the course as soon as possible. We have the equipment and expertise to improve the overall performance for any club in your bag.

GOLF COURSE PROPERTY

- *The golf course is considered private property. We do not condone any person or vehicle to travel on any portion of the golf course without prior approval. Any individuals, vehicles or homeowners that cause damage to the golf course will be held liable and billed for damages.*
- *The golfer is responsible for the flight of their golf ball and any damage it may cause to homes, vehicles, etc. If you or a guest causes damage to any said property please notify the owner of the property as soon as possible.*

PETS & HOMEOWNERS

- *Absolutely no pets on the golf course. Walking or running with your pet should be restricted to streets only. Your pet must be on a leash and any excrement from your pet must be cleaned up. Failure to comply with this will result in a call to the Humane Society.*
- *Please respect the privacy of the homeowners and do not retrieve golf balls from private property.*

GOLF INSTRUCTION

Bentwood Country Club provides instruction and training in all aspects of the game. There is something for everyone, beginners, professionals, juniors, seniors, men or women.

*Instruction is led by **PGA Professional Brett Baylin** and his Professional Team (**Neil Gowan, PGA, Garrett Wright & Trevor Austin**).*

BCC features a driving range, one private teaching bay, short game area, club repair and club fitting technology.

Instruction will focus on technique in all aspects of the game ranging from proper practice skills to on course strategy training and mental skill development.

Visit the Golf Shop for more information or to reserve your lesson time.

- ***Brett Baylin, PGA***
- ***1 Hour Lesson***
Member - \$70 Non-Member - \$80
- ***9 Hole Playing Lesson***
Member- \$140 Non-Member - \$155
- ***Clubfitting***
Member- \$50 Non-Member - \$75

- ***Trevor Austin & Garrett Wright***
- ***1 Hour Lesson***
Member - \$50 Non-Member - \$65
- ***9 Hole Playing Lesson***
Member- \$100 Non-Member - \$115
- ***Clubfitting***
Member- \$50 Non-Member - \$75

- ***Neil Gowan, PGA***
- ***1 Hour Lesson***
Member - \$60 Non-Member - \$70
- ***9 Hole Playing Lesson***
Member- \$120 Non-Member - \$135
- ***Clubfitting***
Member- \$50 Non-Member - \$75

- ***TPI Workout 1 Hour Session***
Private Adult Member - \$50 Non-Member - \$60
Private Junior Member - \$40 Non-Member - \$50
- ***TPI Series of 8 Sessions***
Private Adult Member - \$350 Non-Member - \$420
Private Junior Member - \$280 Non-Member - \$350

CLUB GOLF CART USAGE

- *No one under the age of 16 is permitted to drive a golf cart (THIS INCLUDES PRIVATE CARTS). The driver must have a valid driver's license.*
- *No more than two riders per golf cart.*
- *Golfers are responsible for observing the daily cart rule pertaining to cart path and course accessibility.*
- *Carts are to remain on the cart path at all tees and greens and Par 3's.*
- *No more than (3) carts for fivesomes, (2) carts for foursomes & threesomes and (1) cart for twosomes & singles allowed in each group.*

PRIVATE CART USAGE

- *You must be a Bentwood Estates resident to own or operate a private cart.*
- *The Golf Professional Staff must inspect all carts that are brought onto golf course property.*
- *The cart owner will be responsible for all repairs for their golf cart. If a Bentwood Country Club Employee assists in the repair of the cart - a charge of \$20 per hour for labor + any part charges will be added to your Member bill.*

PULL CART USAGE

- *Pull carts are not allowed on tees, collars or shoulders of greens or in bunkers.*
- *Keep pull carts a minimum of five (5) paces from the green.*
- *Pull carts may be stored in Club Storage for a fee of \$36 per year.*

WALKING POLICY

- *Members and their guests may walk any time of the day, Tuesday – Sunday.*
- *Walking will not be permitted in Club tournaments.*

HANDICAP FLAG USAGE

Handicap flags are issued to Members who have an authorized letter from a physician or who possess a handicap parking pass from the Department of Motor Vehicles. The intent of a handicap flag is to allow a member who is medically impaired to have better access to their ball during play. Carts can cause significant damage to the course if taken into places which are restricted. The handicap flag holder's cooperation is very important.

Handicap flags will not be issued on days that carts are restricted to path only. Handicap flag holders are asked to sign an agreement stating that they will follow these guidelines:

- *Flag will be flown on their side of the cart – easily visible.*
- *Flag will not be in effect when the cart is restricted to path only – any or all holes.*

- *Flag will not be loaned to another player.*
- *Flag gives privileges only to holder and not to the other player in the cart.*
- *When there are more than two handicap players in the same foursome – they should share a flag/cart.*
- *Member will follow the 90-degree policy at all times.*
- *Member will keep their cart on the mowed approaches to the green and will not put the cart within 10 yards of a green or on a green slope.*

For more information or to obtain a handicap flag, please contact the Golf Shop.

HANDICAPS

Maintaining an accurate handicap in accordance with the U.S.G.A. Rules is a personal responsibility. An accurate handicap is earned by posting a score (applying equitable stroke control according to your handicap) for all rounds of golf played.

A round of golf includes:

- *All 18-holes completed*
- *Two consecutive 9-holes regardless of dates played*
- *13 or more holes played*

(To arrive at your posting score when you play at least 13, but less than 18-holes, add to your cumulative score, adjusted according to your handicap, par for each remaining hole, plus the strokes you are entitled to for each hole, according to your handicap.)

*****IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY BENTWOOD GOLF EVENT (NOON GAME, SKINS GAME, 1PM GAME, PARTNERSHIP, CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, ETC...), YOU MUST HAVE A HANDICAP ESTABLISHED THROUGH BENTWOOD COUNTRY CLUB.***

All Members that were on the 2016 Handicap Roster will automatically be included in the 2017 Handicap Roster. The handicap fee is \$36 per person per year (billed annually in February). Bentwood Country Club uses the GHIN System for reporting handicaps. If you are a new Member or a new golfer and would like to establish a handicap, please submit at least five (5) 18-hole scorecards from Bentwood play and we will assign a handicap number to you.

PACE OF PLAY

- *The expected pace of play is **4 hours** or less per 18-holes. Under CART PATH ONLY conditions, 4 hours 15 minutes per 18-holes.*
- *Keep up with the group in front of you at all times.*
- *Be at the ball, ready to hit, when it is your turn.*
- *Take 2 or 3 clubs to the ball.*
- *Start moving toward ball immediately after it is hit.*
- *Limit search for lost ball to five (5) minutes. Hit provisional ball before searching (Rule 27).*

GOLF ATTIRE

Proper golf attire is required of all Members and their guests at all times. This includes all practice areas. Shirts with a collar and sleeves (mock collar accepted) are considered appropriate for men, if they are tucked in. Sleeved or sleeveless shirts are considered appropriate for ladies. All shorts, men's or ladies, must be hemmed.

Swimwear will not be permitted in the Clubhouse, on the golf course or on the practice areas. Non-metal footwear is required by all golfers on the golf course and practice areas.

ETIQUETTE

Please observe golf etiquette as set forth in the current "U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf" with a special notice to the following:

- If a group fails to keep pace on the course and loses more than one clear hole from the players in front, they should allow the group following to pass or simply skip a hole to catch up.*
- No player should play until the players in front are out of range.*
- Players searching for a ball should signal the players behind them to pass as soon as it becomes apparent that the ball will not be easily found. They should not search for more than five minutes before doing so. They should discontinue play until the players following them have passed and are out of range.*
- Players should, when the play of a hole has been completed, immediately leave the green.*
- Players may not practice on the golf course.*

LOCAL RULES*

Play is governed by the U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf and its Decision Book and where applicable, by the following Local Rules. Conditions and definitions subject to changes and/or amendments by the Golf Professional and approved by the Board of Advisors.

Appendix I of the Local Rules and Conditions of Competition

In the 2016 – 2017 U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf

"The Tournament Committee may make and publish Local Rules for abnormal conditions if they are consistent with the policy of the governing authority of the country concerned as set forth in Appendix I to these rules."

- 1. Out of Bounds: Defined by white stakes defining property lines. The nearest points at ground level define out of bounds. The inside edge of all streets, curbs of streets and fences bordering homes define out of bounds. A ball is out of bounds when all of it lies out of bounds. Rule 27.*

2. *Water Hazards: Defined by yellow lines. A ball is in a water hazard when any part of it lies in or touches the lateral water hazard.*
3. *Lateral Water Hazard: Defined by red lines. A ball is in a lateral water hazard when any part of it lies in or touches the lateral water hazard.*
4. *Obstruction: Anything artificial, including sprinkler heads, control boxes, all cement cart paths, sewer manhole or drain covers are obstructions. When a player's ball is in a hazard the player may not, without penalty, take relief from an immovable obstruction within a water hazard. Relief 24-2B.*
5. *Embedded Ball: A ball embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground in any closely mown area 'through the green' may be lifted, cleaned and dropped, without penalty, as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole. The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the course 'through the green'. "Closely mown area" means any area of the course, including paths through the rough, cut to fairway height or less.*
6. *Ground Under Repair: Enclosed white line areas define ground under repair. A ball is in ground under repair when it lies in or any part of it touches ground under repair. The line itself is ground under repair. Other areas of ground under repair, even though not so marked, include:
 - a. *French drains (trenches that have sunk below the surface, may also be filled with small stone or the like)*
 - b. *Newly trenched areas and sod seams*
*Rule 25-1. When in doubt of a ruling, play a second ball.**
7. *Tree Wells: Relief will be given only from tree wells designed to hold water.*
8. *A ball striking hi-line wires must be replayed. No penalty.*
9. *Yardage devices, measuring distance only, will be allowed during tournament competition.*
10. *Relief Procedure: Stance plus one club length from the following areas:
 - a. *Pine Straw built up around tree bases*
 - b. *All areas covered in granite**
11. *Bunker Rakes: The USGA recommends that rakes be placed inside the bunker where they are least likely to affect the movement of the ball. Rakes should be placed parallel inside the bunker approximately two feet from the edge.*

BENTWOOD GOLF ASSOCIATIONS

The MGA and LGA represent the organized Golf Associations at Bentwood Country Club. Each association has a variety of events throughout the year. Please note: You must be a BCC Golf Member in good standing and have an established U.S.G.A. handicap with Bentwood to participate in any tournament unless otherwise posted.

MGA

Men's Golf Association

Any adult male BCC Golf Member in good standing with an established U.S.G.A. handicap is welcome in the MGA. 2017 annual dues are billable to your Member account in the amount of \$25 per person.

The MGA enjoys an Association Playday periodically throughout the year. Please see the tournament section of this handbook for more details.

2017 MGA President – Jim Carson

LGA

Ladies Golf Association

Any adult female BCC Golf Member in good standing with an established U.S.G.A. handicap is welcome in the LGA. 2017 annual dues for ladies 69 and younger, \$30 per person, 70 and older, \$20 per person and are payable to the Ladies Golf Association.

The LGA enjoys Association Playdays on Tuesday and Saturday of each week. Sign up for play in the Golf Shop.

2017 LGA President & Membership Chairwoman – Debbie Young

2017 **GOLF EVENTS**

Tournament Cancellation Policy:

Any Member or guest, who has registered for a Club sponsored/endorsed golf event and finds it necessary to cancel, must do so at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled event. If a cancellation or “no show” occurs after that time period, the Member will be billed for the event.

PRESIDENT’S DAY

Monday, February 20th
Golf Course open to walkers and private carts.
Golf Shop will be closed.

MGA PLAYDAY

Saturday, March 4th
MGA Members Only, Sign up in the Golf Shop.

CALLAWAY DEMO DAY

Saturday March 4th 9:30am – 3pm
Come out and test drive the latest and greatest Callaway equipment

MEN’S LEAGUE PLAY

10 straight Tuesday evenings (5:30pm shotgun) starting April 11th through June 13th
4 man teams ABCD handicaps (Teams will be formed by the golfshop)
Format: 9 hole net best ball/9 hole net match play (simultaneously)
Example: A plays with B, C plays with D against another teams ABCD players
Cumulative points and team net best ball score each week. Winning team will be paid at the end of the league based upon finish in both match play and best ball results.
Must be a Bentwood golf member with an established USGA handicap

MGA PLAYDAY

Saturday, April 8th
MGA Members only, sign up in the golf shop

LGA CONCHO PEARL

Saturday April 22nd
Ladies Partnership hosted by the Bentwood Ladies Golf Association
Invitations will be available in March!

PING DEMO DAY

Saturday April 22nd 10am – 2pm
Come out and test drive the latest and greatest Ping equipment

MGA PLAYDAY

Saturday, May 6th
MGA Members only, sign up in the golf shop

LOVING CUP (RYDER CUP STYLE FORMAT)

Saturday & Sunday May 27th & 28th
Friday May 26th – pairings party to determine teams
Saturday – 2 person best ball net format 18 holes
Sunday – singles format 18 holes

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday May 29th
Golf Course and Golf Shop will be open for regular play

THE BENTWOOD COUPLES CLASSIC

Saturday & Sunday June 3rd & 4th
Format: Scramble Saturday & Shamble Sunday Net scoring flighted
Entry fee: \$300 per couple and includes prizes for winners, breakfast & lunch both days
Sign up in the Golf Shop
Contingent upon level of participation

MGA PLAYDAY

Sunday June 11th
MGA Members Only, Sign up in the Golf Shop.

FREDOM SCRAMBLE 4th OF JULY TOURNAMENT & PARADE

Tuesday, July 4th, 9:00am Parade through Bentwood Estates
11:00am Shotgun
Four Person Scramble
Make your own team or let the Golf Shop pair you!

Fireworks Party!

Watch the Lake Nasworthy fireworks from the Driving Range or the Club patio!

THE MEN'S PARTNERSHIP

Thursday July 13th – Saturday July 15th
The Premier Men's Event in West Texas!
More details to follow.

MGA PLAYDAY

Sunday, August 13th

MGA Members Only, Sign up in the Golf Shop.

LABOR DAY

Monday, September 4th

10:00am Shotgun

Four Person Scramble

Make your own team or let the Golf Shop pair you!

MGA PLAYDAY

Saturday, September 9th

MGA Members Only, Sign up in the Golf Shop.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday, October 6th – Sunday October 8th

Individual stroke play

Tee Times each day

Flights and tees will be determined based on participation

MGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, October 21st

Must be a MGA Member to play, Sign up in the golf shop.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thursday, November 23rd

Golf Course Open to walkers & private carts

Golf Shop Closed

GOLF SHOP CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 10th

Visit the Golf Shop for our biggest sale of the year!! Appetizers and Drinks on the house!! Don't forget.... gift certificate and credit book totals expire on December 31st!