



# Tree Talk



## Pride and Professionalism

By Mike Kelly



[Each handicap is like a hurdle in a steeplechase, and when you ride up to it, if you throw your heart over, the horse will go along, too.](#)

[Lawrence Bixby](#)

I start this article with the above quotation for several reasons. The other day a member of our staff approached me and stated that we needed more *handicap* flags. I naturally assumed that the ones we have, had gotten ragged and needed replacement. We have roughly 10 or so that we use whenever someone is truly *handicapped* which allows he or she to drive within 20 ft. of the green. To my surprise, he did not mean replacement, but was requesting that we get additional flags.

Now this is when I start thinking. How can it be that 1/3 of the people on the golf course that day could possibly be handicapped in some way or another? To add a little side note, we had a tournament on a day that we were "cart path only", and all of the sudden we had many requests for flags. Of course we do not allow even the handicap to drive the fairways when we are on paths for obvious

reasons. But, back to the point. Don't miss understand me. We will continue our handicap program as it was set up. But, we will be asking people to comply with that program. If one wants a handicap flag, he or she must demonstrate, either with a doctor's note or a DMV handicap auto registration that they are handicapped and need a flag to assist in their round. I hope all can understand.

Remember folks, Goldsboro Municipal is going to replace their greens just as we did some time ago. Their members will be utilizing our course thru the process and I ask that we extend the same courtesies they afforded us.

Summer is upon us and with the temps starting to rise, please remember to keep well hydrated and try to stay cool.

## HAPPY SUMMER



## Pro Shop News

By Joe Bailey



### June Pro Shop Newsletter

Since last newsletter it seems like it has rained at least twice a week. I wish if it would only rain between 8:00 pm and midnight, But not enough to make us ride cart path only.

When we are not cart path only, if you have a handicap flag please remember don't go any closer than 20 feet of the green. The maintenance crew has the course in great shape and we need to help keep it that way.

I hope everyone remembers to honor Memorial Day and what it stands for. Also you need to make a tee time on all holidays to ensure you tee off at the time you want. Hope you have a great June and will see you on the tee box.

### Brag Box:

We have 2 brags for this month. Chuck Bise had an Eagle on hole 14 and scored 5 shots below his age with a 74. Great round Chuck. David Price had an Eagle on hole 7. Winner drawn was David Price. Stop by Pro Shop and receive your sleeve of balls David.

The Brag Box proves what I already knew, Lane Tree has some of the best golfers around.

I would advise you to get a tee time any time you wish to play, that way you are assured to play at the time you want without a long wait, especially on Fridays, since that has become one of our busiest days.

Don't forget when we have Tournaments on the schedule, please call for availability of play.

Also if we are closed for a tournament you can go to the following courses and play on our reciprocal, but will need someone from Pro Shop to call for you. Courses and prices are as follows: Goldsboro Municipal, Southern Wayne, Falling Creek, Cardinal, Timberlake, Three Eagles Golf Course, Johnston County Country Club, (\$15 weekdays \$30 weekends); Wilson Country Club (\$30); Kinston Country Club (\$25), Cotton Valley (\$25 weekdays & \$30 on Weekends) Cutter Creek (\$26 weekdays & \$36 weekends). Iron Wood (\$25 weekdays & \$30 weekends) Cypress Landing (\$35). If you have any questions or concerns please let us know.

### Ladies Golf News

The two-day finals of the Eastern Carolina Ladies Golf Association was held on May 14<sup>th</sup> and May 15<sup>th</sup> at Southern Wayne Golf Course. Eight ladies from Lane Tree qualified to play in this event and although inclement weather threatened play, the tournament was completed as scheduled. Winners in the Championship Flight were Cathy Garris, 2<sup>nd</sup> Low Gross and Linda Watson 1<sup>st</sup> Low Net. Novella Zambelli won 2<sup>nd</sup> Low Gross in the First Flight and Linda Hilburn won 1<sup>st</sup> Low Net in the Third Flight. Cathy Garris and Betty Jean Gurley won awards for Closet to the Pin and Novella Zambelli was awarded a prize for the Most Accurate Drive. This tournament concluded league play for the past twelve months and Lane Tree will kick off the new season by hosting the ECLGA tournament on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations ladies and we encourage all members of the LTLGA to participate in our regularly scheduled tournaments for much fun and fellowship.

Linda Watson  
League Representative