



Tree Talk



Pride and Professionalism

By Mike Kelly



[Never think that God's delays are God's denials. Hold on; hold fast; hold out. Patience is genius.](#)

[Comte de Buffon \(1707 - 1788\)](#)

It's funny that around the same time every year, we seem to be talking about roughly the same things. Last year I wrote about patience in my July newsletter. We had just accepted Goldsboro's members for the remainder of the summer. They had just started their greens renovation project. Some of our members thought that the pace of play had really slowed down and had some concerns. To say the least, we made it through and actually picked up some new members and all survived.

This year we have a new situation. As most of you know by now, the new carts have arrived. The GPS systems have not been installed and this has some that are excited to start using this feature some anxiety. This will hopefully be resolved in the next few weeks. However this is not the real problem at hand.

I think that most people will agree that change will sometime cause concern. Not sure everyone would agree, but more times than not, change is for the good. We have had to make some changes in the way everyone gets their carts and then proceeds to see the starter. Everyone will need to identify their cart number as well as produce a paid receipt to our starters.

You see, we have had people take carts out, bring them back damaged in some ways beyond repair, and don't want to own up to it. We also have people that are trying to get their friends free golf so they will pay for themselves, pick up the friend and head off to play. The other day, someone ran into a tree in the parking lot with one of the carts and told no one. Cost roughly \$550.00 in repairs. I can't tell you how many times just in the last couple months that we have caught people trying to steal golf.

Hopefully all this will work itself out and everyone will agree that the new systems will help everyone. As I have stated for the last 8 years, my biggest job is to try to keep your dues as low as I possibly can.

**PATIENCE
EVERYONE**

Pro Shop News

By Joe Bailey



Summer arrived on Friday June 21. We have been cart path only almost every day since. Hopefully someday soon the sun will come out and dry up the course. I know we all can use some walking for our exercise, but I don't know about you but I would prefer my exercise other ways. We received our new carts on Wednesday June 19. If you haven't seen them you need to stop by. The GPS systems are suppose to be here sometime in the next 3 to 4 weeks. The course is still in as good a shape as I can remember. I want to give Chad and his crew accolades for how well the course is. I know they have been busy the past weeks getting the course ready for everyone to play. So if you haven't been out yet you need to knock the rust of the clubs and join us.

Be sure to check the Calendar for tournaments, we start having tournaments this month.

Golf Quote

"Real golfers, no matter what the provocation, never strike a caddie with the driver. The sand wedge is far more effective."

Brag Box:

We have 3 Brags for this month. Cathy Garris had an eagle on hole 14. Brad Massey had an eagle on hole 14. Michael Hinnant had an eagle on hole 12. Great playing guys. Winning name pulled was Michael Hinnant. Stop by

Pro shop and get your sleeve of balls Michael.

Upcoming Events:

July 12, 13 &14 Wayne
County Men's Amateur Tourney

August 10 & 11 Deacon
Jones Memorial Tourney

September 21 &22 Lane Tree
Club Championship Tourney

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, (\$15 weekdays \$20 weekends); Johnston County Country Club, (\$20 weekdays \$25 weekends); Wilson Country Club (\$31 weekdays and weekends); Kinston Country Club (\$25 week days and weekends), Cotton Valley (\$25 weekdays and \$30 on Weekends) Cutter Creek (\$35 weekdays and weekends).Iron Wood (\$25 weekdays and \$35 weekends), Cypress Landing (\$30 weekdays and weekends). If you have any questions or concerns please let us know.