



April 2017



# Club News

A Monthly Publication of the Quincy Country Club

## Comfort Food Wednesdays

April 5  
QCC Signature Lamb  
Shanks

April 12  
Shrimp & Grits with  
Collard Greens

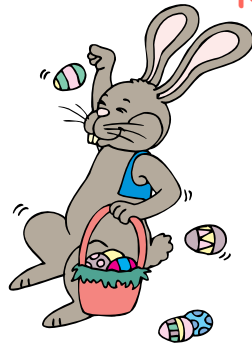
April 19  
QCC Fried Chicken

April 26  
Red Beans & Rice  
with Corn Bread

## KIDS' EASTER PARTY

Saturday April 15th

11:30 - 3:00 pm



Easter Floral Design instructed by  
our very own Abby Schlipmann  
Kids' Event 11:30 - 1:00

Cookies, cupcakes & punch 12 pm

Face Painter & Balloonist 12-2 pm

Egg Hunt - 1pm sharp for all ages 1-4, 5-7, 8-10, 11 & up age groups

Games, Sack Race, Bean Guess, Coloring Contest

Easter Bunny "Live" hopping at QCC

The Gravy Train along with Bounce Unlimited and Petting Zoo.

Call for reservations, 223-3452.

Please bring Easter baskets for your children.

An event you will not want to miss!!



Live Music  
for your  
listening  
pleasure



Bella Sonethongkham  
April 1st 6:30 pm

David Damm Trio  
April 8th

Steve Buckman  
April 22nd



Sunday Brunch

April 16th

11:00 - 2:00

Appearance by the Easter Bunny 12:00 - 1:30pm  
Face Painter 11-1pm Jay the Balloon Man 11- 1pm

Please call for reservations 223-3452

Adults-\$21.00, Children-\$15.00 3 & Under \$5.00

QCC will be closed this evening for service. No a la carte serving.

Terrace bar open until 5 pm for drinks only.



## From the Manager

Dear Members,

Much to do at QCC this month so let's get your calendar marked for great times at the club! The final 4 semi-finals are scheduled for Saturday April 1st. This year we will have this event televised in the Terrace Bar or Men's

Locker room for you to enjoy! I will have wagering boards to partake in the week before or that night. Bella will also be live this night as well starting at 6:30.

Next, our 2 sessions of fitness fun at the club. First, 6-week session of Golf Strengthening with NuFit scheduled to begin Wednesday April 5th at 10:00 am. Next, a separate 6-week session focusing on Core Fitness. Partake in one or the other or if you are ready for healthy living—both!! Email me to register today! Limited to the first 10 members to register for each class.

Paige's Poseys will be here on Saturday April 8th for an afternoon of floral instruction. See page 5 for more details. David Damm live Saturday April 8th to enjoy leading us into the Easter Holiday Celebration. More than just bunnies and eggs! Our Annual Kids' Easter Party is Saturday April 15th with great things to see and do as a family, and then the big day!! Come and break bread

## Pickleball FREE Clinic & Mixer

### Wednesday May 10th

INSTRUCTED by MONICA HINKAMPER & MIKE TERRY

MORE DETAILS SOON...



WHAT IS PICKLEBALL?

A PADDLE SPORT CREATED FOR ALL AGES AND SKILL LEVELS.

THE RULES ARE SIMPLE AND THE GAME IS EASY FOR BEGINNERS TO LEARN, BUT CAN DEVELOP INTO A QUICK, FAST-PACED, COMPETITIVE GAME FOR EXPERIENCED PLAYERS. (RACQUET SETS AND BALLS AVAILABLE FOR CHECK OUT!)

THE BASICS

THIS FUN SPORT COMBINES MANY ELEMENTS OF TENNIS, BADMINTON AND PING-PONG. PLAYED OUTDOORS ON OUR WEST TENNIS COURT WITH MODIFIED TENNIS NET AND LINES PLAYED WITH A PADDLE AND A PLASTIC BALL WITH HOLES.

with us here at QCC and celebrate the day that brought new life!! Brunch will begin at 11:00 am and I encourage you to get your reservation in as soon as possible. Space fills quickly!

The Board of Directors invites you to welcome Golf Course Superintendent Ben McNair on April 22nd. Ben is the newest member of our Club's Professional Team. Steve Buckman will be here to "key some notes" as you enjoy a relaxing evening at the club.

Take time to check out the upcoming events for May on the back page. Great times ahead and just around the corner—Pool Season!!

See you all at the club soon and thank you all for your continued support of your club. Couldn't do it without you!!

God Bless.

Respectfully,

Matthew Mulherin, Manager

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2 Timothy 1:9 • Psalm 62:1 • Romans 1:16, 5:10

### —IMPORTANT BILLING REMINDER Concerning Handicaps, Lockers, Club Storage, or Range

You must notify the office by April 30th if you wish to be taken off these lists. Anyone wishing to make any changes to his/her handicap, locker, club storage, or range program from last year should notify the business office as soon as possible.

### —MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATES

If you have changes to your directory listing, please notify the office NOW. Printing is scheduled to begin by May 1.

### —TERRACE BAR & TERRACE PATIO RULES

The Terrace Bar and Terrace Patio are for casual dining but appropriate attire is required. Proper attire includes shoes and excludes swimsuits and cover-ups. No one under the age of thirteen (13) is permitted in the Terrace Bar. Minors thirteen (13) through seventeen (17) years of age are permitted in the Terrace Bar before 5:00 p.m., if accompanied by an adult. Minors age eighteen (18) through twenty (20) are permitted in the Terrace Bar during all service hours, but must be accompanied by an adult. Children ages twelve (12) and under are permitted on the Terrace Patio if accompanied by an adult. Children ages thirteen (13) and older are permitted on the Terrace Patio unaccompanied while weather permits.

The Quincy Country Club  
 Board of Directors  
 invites you to help welcome  
 Ben McNair and his wife Kasey  
 on Saturday April 22nd.  
 Appetizers at six in the Ballroom



**Why does Quincy work for us?**

It was time to get out of Chicago. As kind as the northern suburbs have been to my family and me, we are anxious to get back to a “small town” way of life. Both my wife and I grew up in Greenville, South Carolina; went to college in Clemson, South Carolina, and prefer a town like Quincy known for its family friendly lifestyle. A predominantly outdoor lifestyle with our puppy Sage in tow is our dream, but a difficult one in Chicago winters. My wife Kasey is a third grade teacher at a local elementary school. Becoming involved and impactful in the Quincy Elementary School System is the ultimate completion to our “Quincy” vision. We’re looking to put down roots, purchase a home, and God willing, grow our family in Quincy.

To be a part of such a well established and prosperous Country Club is a true privilege and dream come true. By all accounts Quincy Country Club does everything the right way. I’m especially impressed with the Junior Program and the Bag Tag Test. It seems like you’re growing the game the right way. The skill level of the golfers at Quincy Country Club is also very attractive.

Providing conditions that challenge and stretch the region’s best players was my daily motivation at Sho-reacres, and it won’t change as your Superintendent at Quincy Country Club.



***Filling divots on the course—***

The sand we are currently providing in the carts is expensive and provides an inefficient medium for growing seed as it has no nutrients or water-holding capacity. We will be using a dirt, composted and mixed onsite, that will provide a far more beneficial growing medium for the bent seed we will mix in. The grounds crew will do all divot filling as I would like to control the use of my resources (seed and soil) as much as I can. Members can replace the divot after hitting if they wish, but the rest will be done by us.

Thank you,  
 Ben McNair and Grounds Committee



## PAR for the course

by Gideon Smith, Head Golf Professional

Spring is here and that means new products are in the Pro Shop. We have a large selection of new men's and women's shoes from Footjoy, Nike and Ecco to choose from. Women's new fashions consist of EP Pro and Footjoy. The Men's new fashions consist of Fairway and Greene and Footjoy. They are very strong Easter colors. Congratulations to the teams of Dennis Boudreau – Tom Mitchell and Ryan Schuenke – David Mosley who won the first flight of the St. Patrick's Day event. The Second flight was won by the team of Mike Ernst – Jim Hansen. We had 40 participants in our first event of 2017 and thank to all that participated. Next up is the Men's Match Play Championship being held March 31st – April 2nd. Men's Opening Day is going to be moved from April 20th to the new date of May 4th. We will be aerifying greens on April 17th and 18th and we want to give the greens time to heal before the Men's and Women's Opening Days.

PGA Junior League sign-ups have begun online. We are looking forward to a great season with our junior teams in a new POD. Junior League practices will begin in April. Please contact the Pro Shop for more information on PGA Junior League and the sign-up process. Summer long Junior Golf begins June 6th and Junior sign-ups will be conducted in May. Our first family event will be the Dogwood Cart Parade on May 5th. All families that would like to participate and decorate a float (golf cart) please contact Matthew or Gideon. This was a great family event last year and we are looking forward to more floats this year. The best way to kick the season off is with a lesson series. Why start the golf season off without something to work on to make golf more enjoyable. Contact the Pro Shop to sign up for a lesson series today.

Have a great month and we will see you at the Club,

Gideon

**Congratulations  
Craig Cherington  
on your 10th  
Hole in One  
March 25th on #3**

**FINAL 4  
Saturday  
April 1st**



**Come out to the club and watch the NCAA final 4 televised event in the Men's Locker Room or Terrace Bar. Wagering Boards will be available (cash only please) Regular dining menu will be available South Carolina vs. Gonzaga - 5:09 pm Oregon vs. UNC - 7:49**

**Quincy Country Club**  
*Golf & Outdoor Fun*  
*You've got skin in the game!*

Join us for a Summer Sun Smart Seminar

*Guests welcome!*

Presented by Glori Traeder CNP

Thursday, April 13th  
Enjoy hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 pm  
Presentation begins at 6pm



# “Spring has Sprung”

## Quincy Country Club & Paige's Poseys Saturday April 8th

Fun and Easy ways to use Spring Flowers in your next arrangement  
You will make a spring arrangement of tulips and other spring flowers  
to brighten your home or someone's day!

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm Instructional Event

\$25.00 per person Includes Dessert and Tea

And great instruction by our Own QCC Member Nancy Mead

Call 223-3452 or email qccgm@adams.net today to sign up!

Limited to the first 10 members to register.

### Quincy Country Club 2017 Entertainment Committee Signature Events

## KENTUCKY DERBY

Saturday May 6th, 2017

Guests Welcome!

### “Casual Club Spaces for Casual Club Fun”



4:00 pm arrival • 5:30 pm Kentucky Derby Race  
Para mutual wagering, Live Music by “Dixie Dads”  
Mint Julips & Blush Lilies  
Kentucky Bourbon Tasting



Bourbon glazed short ribs, crab cakes, tea sandwiches, pimento cheese sandwiches,  
lobster mac n' cheese, Kentucky derby sliders and more...

Dress for the races with your Derby Hat  
or create one here with Nancy Mead & Paige's Poseys

After the race we continue with Para Mutual Wagering for Live Mouse Races

\$25.00 pp or \$45.00 per couple  
Includes Appetizers, 1 Derby Beverage  
and a Great Time!

DERBY DAY KIDS' CLUBHOUSE 4:00 PM  
Bounce House, Games - Dinner included  
\$20.00 per child

Saturday July 15th, 2017

**Taste of Japan**

Saturday October 21st, 2017

**Oktoberfest**



**NuFIT on Site  
at Quincy Country Club**

instructed by Jenna Hull  
Certified Personal Trainer NASM

Available to the **first ten members** to register.

**There will be two six-week sessions**

**Session 1**

**GOLF STRENGTH TRAINING**

Held on Wednesdays starting April 5th  
10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Training to improve Mobility & Other  
Key Areas of your game

**Session 2**

**CORE FITNESS**

Held on Saturdays starting April 8th  
10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Strength, Cardio, Flexibility, & Balance Training

\$75.00 per person for each six-week session

Contact Matthew with questions or  
to register, 223-3452 • qccgm@adams.net

**Quincy Country Club  
All level Yoga!**

*Bring yourself and a mat if you have one!  
Wednesdays from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm*

*Starting on  
Wednesday April 5th*

*Jennifer Reekie  
Certified Yoga Instructor*



*\$10.00 per class*

**MEN'S HEALTH & WELLNESS SEMINAR**

**Guests Welcome**

**Instructed by Dr. Sandhu & Dr. DeRosa,  
Urologic Oncologists, Urologic Surgery**



**Tuesday May 2nd**

**Enjoy hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 pm • Lecture at 6 pm**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>APRIL 2017</b>						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>MEN'S MATCH III</b>	PRO SHOP/ CLUBHOUSE CLOSED	12:00 pm Private Party PR	5 <b>COMFORT FOOD</b> Lamb Shanks	<b>PASTA &amp; PIZZA</b>	11.00 am Private Party GR 12:00 pm Private Party BR PR Legacy	<b>Paige's Poseys 1:30</b> <b>David Damm</b>
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	PRO SHOP/ CLUBHOUSE CLOSED		<b>COMFORT FOOD</b> Shrimp & Grits	7.00 am Private Party all up 12:00 Sr. Nit Wits GR/BR 12:30 Jr. Nit Wits - PR <b>PASTA &amp; PIZZA</b>	Kohl Golf Outing course closed from 10-4	 <b>KIDS' EASTER PARTY 11:30</b>
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
<b>EASTER BRUNCH 11:00 - 2:00</b>	PRO SHOP/ CLUBHOUSE CLOSED	<b>Greens Aerification</b> BOARD MEETING 6:00 PM PR	<b>Callaway DEMO Day 2-6</b> <b>Women's Golf Get-Together - 6:30</b> <b>COMFORT FOOD</b> QCC Fried Chicken	Mrs. Murphy's Tables 11:00 PR Hutmacher Bridge 12:00 pm Private Party Cent. <b>PASTA &amp; PIZZA</b>		Welcome Reception for the McNairs 6:00 pm <b>Steve Buckman</b>
23/30	24	25	26	27	28	29
	PRO SHOP/ CLUBHOUSE CLOSED	<b>"CRUSH IT" LIKE THE PROS 6:00</b>	6:30 Private Party Legacy <b>COMFORT FOOD</b> Red Beans & Rice	<b>MEN'S GOLF</b> 12:00 Sr. Nit Wits GR/BR 12:30 Jr. Nit Wits - PR 5:30 Private Party all up <b>PASTA &amp; PIZZA</b>	6:00 Private Party all up	12:00 pm Private Party GR



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**John Wood Outing - May 1st**

**Men's Seminar - May 2nd**

**Women's Opening Day - May 3rd**

**Men's Opening Day - May 4th**

**QCC Dogwood Cart Parade - May 5th**

**Logan Live - May 5th**

**Entertainment Committee Signature Event  
Kentucky Derby Day - May 6th**

**NEW!! PICKLEBALL CLINIC!!  
Free Clinic and Mixer - May 10th**

**NEW!! Friday Night Fires!!  
Friday nights in May & June beginning  
on May 12th**

**Tim Hart Live - May 12th**

**Mother's Day Lavish Floral Wine and Design  
May 13th**

**Mother's Day Brunch - May 14th**

**Young Life Golf Outing - May 15th**

**Junior Sports Registration/ Pool Opening  
Day - May 20th**

**Men's Holiday Tournament - May 28th**

**Memorial Day Event & Cookout - May 29th**

**Club Closed - May 30th**





Dear Members,

We are writing you to introduce in greater detail the Strategic Capital Plan adopted by the Board of Directors late last year. In addition, we would like to share some thoughts about the Board's overall approach to funding the plan.

As stewards of the members' capital dollars, the Board strives to be respectful and conscientious each year. While the Board has long had a good grasp on capital items for the upcoming year, the Board has not had a good plan projecting needs over 5 to 10 years. Over the last year and a half, the Board has engaged in that level of detailed strategic planning.

The planning started with the Board retreat in November 2015 under President Jeff Tweedell's direction and then continued throughout 2016 culminating in a presentation and adoption of the Capital Plan by the Board at its retreat November 2016. The Club now has a Capital Plan that can be passed down to each successive Board and modified as needed. The document is not set in stone. It is a nimble framework that will change as circumstances evolve.

Just as with your planning for your home or business, the Board can never anticipate everything that will be needed at QCC. Even with the Capital Plan, we may be off a year or two when looking out 5 to 10 years. When pipes need to be fixed unexpectedly or a roof decays more quickly than anticipated, those items cannot wait until the year designated in the plan. The corollary is that if we take good care of golf course maintenance equipment, for example, we may be able to extend its life a year or two. All the better!

The two examples below provide a better picture:

- First, our riding greens mower is a good example. It is a piece of equipment we bought in 2013 for about \$34,000. We believe it has 10 good years before we trade it for a new model. We have planned that expense in 2023, but if we can stretch its use further, we will. With expected inflation, that same piece of equipment will probably cost about \$40,000 in 2023. Obviously, that is a guess and does not include trade value or negotiation.
- A good second example would be the club's video and sound system. We have to keep up with technology to give our members a quality product. We replaced the ballroom system and a few other areas in 2016, spending roughly \$25,000. We think to stay current and give you the kind of quality that you expect for a wedding, business meeting, etc., we will need to update this in about 6 years.

There are plenty of other items on the Club's wish list for capital expenditures. At some point over the next 10 years, we will have to replace the golf course irrigation system and invest in a new maintenance facility. Those will be significant expenditures. We also need to spend money relatively soon to fix or redo the parking lot. We know the kitchen has to be redone. The golf carts must be replaced roughly every 8 years. All of these items are scheduled in the Capital Plan by estimated year and dollar amount.

The sources of funds to pay for capital items have been and will continue to be threefold – operations surpluses, capital assessments, and borrowings.

Each year the Club's budget includes roughly \$210,000 for capital expenditures, which is currently funded by regular capital assessments of \$700 per regular member and \$460 per social member. Other than extraordinary items such as the irrigation system, maintenance facility or significant uninsured losses, the Club's regular capital budget should cover most capital items each year with proper planning and maintenance of our facilities and equipment. On rare occasions the Board may authorize special capital assessments for extraordinary needs; however, the Board exercises that right cautiously.

When there are operations surpluses, they afford the Club extra resources for special projects. For example, the operations surplus for 2013 in part permitted the Board to replace the then badly deteriorated cart path and maintenance road running from the top of the practice tee through the practice range, Holes 1 and 10, to the tee on Hole 11. In contrast, when there are operations deficits, the Club does not have those extra resources to allocate to capital items and instead is compelled to make operations assessments.

This side benefit of surpluses is another reason the Board encourages all members to utilize the Club for your personal and business socializing needs whenever possible. Of course, as a social club exempt from income tax and discouraged by applicable law to pursue profit over the long term, the Club will typically seek to operate at or close to break even. The focus is the enjoyment of the members although a good bottom line helps!

As an aside, the Board regularly monitors (thanks to our Club Manager) the operations, capital assessments, and fee structures of clubs in the CICC and elsewhere in the region. Our Club's assessments and fees consistently rank among the lowest of our peers.

Borrowing is another tool to fund capital expenditures. The Board is committed to manage the Club's debt prudently. The current goal is to continue to reduce the Club's debt to provide additional borrowing capacity that may support one or more projects in the future. Also, from time to time the Board refinances its debt to take advantage of more favorable terms and/or when the debt matures.

The Capital Plan provides the Board with a tool to thoughtfully manage the Club's capital needs and fund them responsibly over time. Again, that does not mean we will not be surprised at some point with an unexpected need. Expect it! But our plan should give a good framework or guideline to keep the quality experience that we have all come to expect at QCC.

Thank you,

Harold B. (Hal) Oakley, President

Paul Mugerditchian, Vice President