

Newsletter from Pine Crest 2022

The following is from one of our trade magazines and we think it sums up the past 2 season pretty good.

“Golf is safe! It is played with friends, outside in the fresh air while walking (ahem) a few kilometers through 150 or so acres of nature with not more than three others who have no problem supporting the two meters physical distancing at all times. Golf is exactly what is needed throughout the Covid 19 pandemic. Golf is also fun, physical, challenging and competitive. It allows you to compete against the course, the conditions and even your fellow golfers. But golf is so much more than that. It is also a stress buster. It improves your mood, decreases risk of depression and increases your social wellbeing while safely interacting with others. Not to mention the gratifying 19th hole.”

Regarding tournaments and entries...it has been decided that all in house tournament entries must be paid at time of entry...no exceptions. Also, if you do not have a handicap for events that require you to have a handicap you will not be able to enter these events.

The course is continuing to mature under the leadership of Bam. The new greens on 8 and 17 should be in play this year.

We had planned to remove 35 trees between holes 3 and 12, 4 and 5, 5 and 6. However, because of weather challenges we only about to remove trees between 3 and 12. We will plan to remove the remaining trees next winter.

After 37 years we have decided to discontinue the Wes Dixon tournament. There have been many discussions about this but in the end, it was decided that it was no longer viable. Thanks to all who participated over the past years.

Pot of Gold tournaments?? Why is the participation level down so much? Is it the formats, the time of day, the fact that they are on Sundays...what? We will be running them again for those who have been supportive of these the last few years. The 50/50 money collected from them are great at subsidizing the closing day event.

We are going to bring back the Lefty/Righty on May 21. This will be open to the First 50-2-man teams that are fully PAID. Again, no exceptions.

Pine Crest has seen an increase in memberships and daily fee play in the past 2 years and judging by the interest we have seen so far for 2022, we have decided that we will not host any day long tournaments, but we will still encourage the small family and group events.

As of March 1, it looks like most in-house dining will return to normal and vaccine mandates are no longer needed. Let's hope this is a good move! Plus, we are happy to announce that Dave and Delaine are returning as our kitchen chefs.

Club Storage will continue to be self serve. You can get tokens in the pro shop to operate the cleaning machine.

Last August of 2021 we placed an order for 25 new Yamaha golf cars for the 2022 season. Unfortunately, because of unforeseen issues at Yamaha's end we will not receive the cars this year. So, we decided to do some upgrades on our current fleet: seats, windshields and bag covers.

This year we will not be able to accommodate single rider golf cars. No groups shall have more than two cars in it or 2 cars with 1 person on each. This will help make sure that everyone who requires a car can be accommodated. It also helps to reduce wear and tear on the golf course.

Our Calendars of Events have been uploaded to our website should you wish to co-ordinate your golf time.

Membership payments can be made by Visa, Master Card, Debit Card or our preferred method: **e-transfer**. If you wish, we can send you an invoice with the items you wish to buy this year and we will then email that to you. Then you can pay by sending payment to: office@pinecrestgolfclub.com. We are set up for auto deposit, so no password is needed.