

# Cedar Rock Golf & Country Club

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## January 2020

## Volume 6 Issue 1

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## Superintendent's Message

### Golf Course Superintendent

This month we will begin spraying the Bermuda with Round Up in areas that Poa Annua has come up. We will also spray around the putting surface of the greens. Please do not drive around standing water in the cart paths (for example 14) as it does more damage to the course driving through the wet grass than getting the cart wet on the cart path.

Please repair your ball marks on the greens.

The maintenance staff thanks the Men's Golf Association and all the people who donated to the staff's Christmas gift.

Robert Reid, GCSAA  
Golf Course Superintendent



**Welcome**  
**New Members**

Michael & Maria Jones  
R. Glenn & Stephenie Deesy

### Chef's Corner

We look forward to the Italian Buffet on Saturday, January 18, from 6-8 pm in the Fireplace Room.

#### MENU:

Caesar Salad  
Mozzarella & Tomato Salad  
Baked Focaccia Bread  
Egg Plant Rollatini  
Chicken Parmesan  
Baked Lasagna

Assorted Desserts

\$19.95/person

Call 758-4451 for reservations, and there will be a Chianti Wine special for \$15.00/bottle.

We certainly enjoyed the busy holiday season cooking for over twenty parties. The Santa Sunday was particularly rewarding as we fed over 200.

Thanks for a great season, and the culinary team looks forward to a tasty 2020.

Executive Chef  
John Deschler, CIA



## January Events

**Saturday, January 18, 2020**

***Italian Buffet***  
**6-8**

***Menu:***

***Caesar Salad***  
***Mozzarella & Tomato Salad***  
***Baked Focaccia Bread***  
***Egg Plant Rollatini***  
***Chicken Parmesan***  
***Baked Lasagna***

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***Ladies Wine Night***  
***Tuesday, January 21st***  
***5:30-7:30pm***





## Golf Professional News

### Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe it's 2020! The start of a new year, let alone the dawn of a new decade, brings the inevitable laundry list of resolutions. Unfortunately, as all of us know, resolutions rarely hold true. That's why this year, I suggest that you remove the resoluteness of resolutions and insert hope instead. Here are some things that I hope for:

I personally hope to spend more time with my family, live healthier, spearhead a great golf program, and maybe sneak in a little more golf for myself!

My hope for Cedar Rock is that the membership realizes what it has and what it could be. That everyone enjoys what the club has to offer and is willing to work together and support it to make it better this decade than it was the last.

Being new to Lenoir, and Cedar Rock, I was taken away by the natural surroundings that this golf course and community is nestled in. It's easy to take this for granted for those of you who have been here over the years... but my hope is that you reconnect with this gift.

My hope is that you grow to appreciate the diversity and friendships that membership offers and participate in social events, golf tournaments, and any opportunities to spend some time with friends.

Lastly, I hope you personally embrace what the game of golf has given you. That you will relish the memories and make room for more.

### Things coming up:

#### **The new WHS (World Handicap System)**

As you may have heard, the governing bodies have gotten together to form a new universal handicap system. The goal is still the same, to enable golfers of different abilities to play and compete on a fair and equal basis. Here are few ways this will impact you.

The formula will no longer use 96% of your best 10 scores of your last 20. That number will be reduced to 8, and the new formula will emphasize your demonstrated ability vs your potential ability.

You will receive a "playing handicap", which will take into effect the course rating, slope, and par of the course. You will no longer have to add the differential in course ratings when playing from different tees.

ESC (equitable stroke control) will change. There will no longer be a sliding scale based on your handicap. Instead everyone can post a maximum of double bogey, plus their handicap stroke, if they receive one depending on your playing handicap.

Handicaps will update daily vs bi-weekly.

The new system will also guard against extreme score fluctuation and weather conditions, and will adjust your handicap according to normal scores and the averages of day by other players, so it becomes important to post each day.

With this new system, handicapping will be more accurate and easier to use. You can post score either at the course or through their app. It's a great way to play fairly against your friends and track your performance.

**Going forward in 2020, any player participating in a tournament at Cedar Rock must have an established handicap through the WHS. There will be a \$30 charge for this service.** This will make it easier to create events that are equitable for all players.

### Upcoming Tournament

Speaking of events...new to the tournament schedule is a comprehensive Tournament Points Series. Players will earn points for each tournament played throughout the year, based on participation and performance. This will culminate in a season ending Tournament Championship where we will crown a Tournament Champion. The schedule of events and tournament details are listed below.

The first upcoming event is the **NFL Tournament on Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**. Weather permitting...this will be a great way to start the season, by playing a little golf, then watching the NFL Championship games.

## **NFL Tournament**

**Sunday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

Tee Times start at 10:30

Players will be divided into two big teams, then play 2 Person, multi-format match-play.

**\$35 Entry Fee**

**Entry Fee includes Prizes and Tailgate food after play!**

Come play some golf and then watch the Championship games after the tournament!



*Robert Nowak, PGA*

Head Golf Professional





## 2020 Tournament Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Tournament</u>	<u>Tier</u>
1/19	NFL Tournament	(3)
3/14-15	St. Patrick's Day Spring Invitational	
3/16-20	Aerification	
4/10-12	Masters Tournament	(2)
4/27	CGA 1-Day Senior Four-Ball	
5/2-3	Member-Member	(1)
6/4-7	Member-Guest	(1)
6/16-19	NC Junior Girls Championship	
7/4	Red, White, and Brew Tournament	(3)
7/18	Caldwell County Amateur	
8/15	BBB (Birdies, BBQ, & Beer)	(3)
9/12-13	Rumble at Cedar Rock	(2)
9/21-25	Aerification	
10/4	CGA One-Day	
10/16	One-Day Member Guest	(2)
10/24-25	Club Championship	(1)
10/31	Tournament Championship	

## Tournament Championship Series

Playing in tournaments is a great way to experience the joys that the game of golf can provide. It's a great way to measure your game against other players or see where you stand with your personal goals. It's also a great way to meet new people or enrich the relationships you already have in a competitive or social environment. As we look to build a variety of tournaments with some being more social in nature and others focusing more on performance, we will be introducing the Tournament Championship points race. Throughout the year, players will have many opportunities to accumulate points during tournaments in order to qualify for a year ending event, culminating with the crowning of the Player of the Year. Players will earn points by just participating in an event and earn more by performing well. Whether it's as an individual, team, or flighted event, there are opportunities for players of all abilities to earn points. We hope this will serve as an exciting way to compete with your friends throughout the year, while rewarding those who play consistently as well as those who excel during tournaments.

### **Who Qualifies?**

The year ending Tournament Championship will consist of the 60 players who earned the most points during the tournament season. If one of the top 60 cannot participate, the field will be shrunk by that number. If less than 48 of the top 60 can participate, we will contact #61 and others until we have a 48-player field.

### **Midseason Golf Trip**

At the conclusion of the Red, White, & Brew Tournament, the top six points leaders will be invited for a day trip to a premier local golf course. We will take care of the guest fees (dining is not included). This is just a small way to reward those who have participated and played well midway through the tournament season.

### **What are you Qualifying for?**

Besides a chance to be the overall Tournament Champion, the Tournament Championship will be a celebration for those who have played well throughout the year. The events start on Saturday night with an awards dinner to honor those who played well throughout the year. The Tournament Championship itself will be held on Saturday, October 31st. These two events will be at no cost for all the players who have earned entry into the Tournament Championship.

The Tournament Championship will be broken into 4 flights. The first flight will consist of the top 12 points leaders playing in the event. Every player in this flight will have a mathematical chance to be the Player of the Year by accumulating the most points through the finish of the Tournament Championship. The other 3 flights will be broken evenly by the number of players remaining in the tournament. As far as the prize money is concerned, Flight 1 will have the largest purse, Flight 2 the second largest, Flight 3 the third largest, and Flight 4 the smallest.

### **How do you Qualify?**

A weighted point distribution system will be in use. All points will be based on the player's net finish. The gross finish will only be used when net isn't applicable. All ties will split points. The tournaments are broken into 3 tiers, with the point distribution as follows:



### Tier 1 ~ (Member-Guest, Member-Member, Club Championship)

1 <sup>st</sup> in each flight	100
2 <sup>nd</sup> in each flight	70
3 <sup>rd</sup> in each flight	50
4 <sup>th</sup> in each flight	40
*all other places	30

### Member-Member – May 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>

This year's Member-Member will receive a new format. The Match Around format will consist of (5) 9-hole net better-ball matches. Each two-person team will be flighted into groups of 6 and play one 9-hole match against each team in their flight. Teams will receive one point for each hole won, plus an additional point if they win the match. The teams with the most points within their flight will proceed to a shoot-out to determine the overall champion. There will be an optional practice round on Friday, with a Players Pairing Party on Friday night. Players will also be treated to breakfast and lunch each day.

Time- Saturday AM Shotgun, Sunday AM Shotgun

Cost- TBD

Format- Two-Person Better Ball Match Around - 45 Holes with a Shootout

### Member-Guest - June 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>

The Member-Guest is the crown jewel of the club. An invitational, 54 hole two-man better-ball tournament. The event starts with an optional practice round on Thursday, followed by a skills contest and pool party Thursday night. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday rounds will consist of double shotguns each day, with the championship flight going off in tee times on Sunday afternoon. Teams will be flighted after the second round. Players will be treated to three lunches, three dinners, and a player's tee package.

Time- Thursday Practice Round, Friday, Saturday AM and PM Shotguns, Sunday AM Shotgun, PM Shotgun and Tee times

Cost- TBD

Format- Two-Person Better Ball - 54 Holes

### Club Championship – October 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>

The ultimate test of your game. This 36-hole individual stroke play event will be flighted based on handicap, to not only determine the club champions, but who is the best among players of similar ability. There will be flights from different tees as well as Senior divisions.

Time – Saturday Tee Times, Sunday Tee Times

Cost – TBD

Format – 36 Hole Individual Stroke Play

### Tier 2 ~ (Masters Tourney, BBB, One-Day Member-Guest)

1 <sup>st</sup> in each flight	70
2 <sup>nd</sup> in each flight	50
3 <sup>rd</sup> in each flight	35
4 <sup>th</sup> in each flight	28
*all other places	20

### Masters Tourney – April 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>

Needing a "shot in the arm", this one will soon become a "tradition like no other". The event will start with a Friday night pairings party, where players will be able to draft the rest of their foursome from the players that made the cut at Augusta. The first round will consist of a Par 3 Tournament on Saturday morning. We will be playing the course backwards in order to play 18 par 3 holes! The second round will consist of individual stroke play. Your two rounds will be combined with the two best players of the three that you picked.

Time- Saturday AM shotgun, Sunday Tee Times

Cost- TBD

Format- Individual Par 3, and 18-hole stroke play

### B.B.B. (Bogeys, Barbeque and Brew) - August 15<sup>th</sup>

Celebrate the dog days of summer with a little golf, food, fellowship. This two-man 6/6/6 tournament will test your game. Players will play 6 holes of scramble, 6 holes of Pinehurst Alternate Shot, and 6 holes of Preferred Drive. The day will conclude with barbeque, brew, and a band by the pool.

Time- 3:00 Shotgun

Cost- TBD

Format- Two Person 6/6/6 – 18 holes

### One-Day Member-Guest – October 16<sup>th</sup>

What better way to invite a friend and show off the club during the best time of year to play golf. The leaves will be changing, and the course will be in perfect shape. The event will start with lunch before play, followed by an 18 Hole Better Ball tournament, concluding with awards and dinner.

Time- 2:00 Shotgun

Cost- TBD

Format- 2 Man Better Ball – 18 holes

### Tier 3 ~ (NFL Tournament, Red, White & Brew, Rumble at Cedar Rock)

Place	Points	Place	Points
1 <sup>st</sup>	50	6 <sup>th</sup>	28
2 <sup>nd</sup>	40	7 <sup>th</sup>	26
3 <sup>rd</sup>	35	8 <sup>th</sup>	24
4 <sup>th</sup>	32	9 <sup>th</sup>	22
5 <sup>th</sup>	30	10 <sup>th</sup>	20
		*all other places	15

### NFL Tournament – January 19<sup>th</sup>

With everyone's focus on the Pigskin and football, how about multi-layer urethane and golf? Better yet...let's combine the two! Players will be divided into two big teams, then play 2 person, multi format, match play. When you are on offense, you will play two-person scramble, on defense you will play two-person preferred drive. Can you force a change of possession? How will you use your challenge flags or penalties? Tournament includes Tailgate food and awards after play.

Time- Tee Times starting at 10:30

Cost- TBD

Format- Team play – 18 holes

### Red, White, and Brew – July 4<sup>th</sup>

This country was formed by being a melting pot of different people. Celebrate this diversity with a four-person scramble tournament. Players will sign up individually, and the pro shop will make the pairings to create even teams consisting of people you might not normally play with. Teams will get to choose which holes they will play from the "Red, White, or Blue" tees. This is a great way to meet new members and celebrate the diversity within the club. Play will conclude with awards and an "All-American" lunch.

Time- 9:00 Shotgun

Cost- TBD

Format- 4-person scramble - 18 holes

### Rumble at Cedar Rock – September 12th-13th

Everyone loves a little Ryder Cup team play, and this is our version. Players will be broken into two teams. Saturday will consist of two-man teams playing 9 holes of Captain's Choice and 9 holes of Better Ball Match play. Sunday will be all about single play! Each player will play two 9-hole single matches. The event will include a Saturday night party.

Time- Saturday and Sunday Tee Times

Cost- TBD

Format- Team Match Play – 36 holes



## Cedar Rock Hours of Operation

**All Hours  
Weather Permitting**

### Golf Shop

January 7:30am-5:00pm daily  
(828)758-4421

### Grill & Lounge

#### Grill Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday &  
Thursday 11am—5:00pm  
Friday 11am—8:00pm  
Saturday 8:00am - 8:00pm  
Sunday 8:00 am—6 pm

#### Lounge Hours

Tuesday-Friday 4:00pm to 9:00pm  
Saturday and Sunday  
12:00pm to 9:00pm  
**828-758-4451 ext. 227**

### Thursday Night

#### Dining

Dining in the Lounge  
5:30pm until 8:30pm

**For Reservations, please call  
828-758-4451**

### Administrative Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 4:00pm  
828-758-4451

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Bob Floyd.....*President*  
Bill Johnson .....*Treasurer*  
Kenvian Ferguson.....*Secretary*  
Dan Anderson.....*Director*  
David Dill.....*Director*  
Wayne Keller.....*Director*  
Larry Taylor.....*Director*  
Jack Temple.....*Director*  
Lennie Younce.....*Director*

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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## TYPES OF MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE

### *Full Membership and Under 50 Full Membership*

A Full Member and Under 50 Full Member and family are afforded the use of the clubhouse and all facilities. This includes a superb 18-hole Ellis Maples golf course, putting and chipping greens, golf shop, four composition tennis courts, an Olympic size swimming pool & wading pool.

### *Golf Membership and Under 50 Golf Membership*

A Golf Member is afforded the use of the golf course, clubhouse facilities, and access to club events. This includes a superb 18-hole Ellis Maples golf course, with putting and chipping greens, and full service golf shop.

### *Non-Resident Membership*

A Non-Resident membership is available to those whose legal residence is outside Caldwell County. (Enjoy use of all the club's amenities).

### *Social Membership*

The Social Membership allows member and immediate family to clubhouse activities, lounge, pool and tennis privileges.

### *Clubhouse Member*

A Clubhouse Member entitles member and immediate family to the pool, member events, lounge and club house services.

### *Corporate Membership*

Corporate Memberships are available to corporations that sponsor at least three members. Monthly dues will be discounted 10%.



# January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Hi-Low Bridge BHR—Private Party  Thursday Night Dining & "Birthday Night"	3	4
5	6	7 CR Garden Club Fireplace Room	8	9 2nd Thursday Bridge  Thursday Night Dining	10	11 Private Party—Fireplace Room
12	13	14 Brush & Palette Club Luncheon/meeting FP Room	15 3rd Wednesday Bridge	16 BHR—Book Club Lenoir Service League—FPR Thursday Night Dining	17	18 Italian Buffet FPR 6-8pm
19 NFL Tournament	20	21 FPR-ADK BHR—Book Club Ladies Wine Night 5:30-7:30 VOCR Council Meeting—BHR	22 CR Bridge—FPR	23 Thursday Night Dining	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Now serving Breakfast in the Grill Room every Saturday and Sunday 8:00 am-11:00 am  
PLEASE RSVP ALL EVENTS 828-758-4451

Full Newsletter has been emailed—If you would like a hardcopy of the entire Newsletter, stop by the Business Office and pick one up.