

Note from the Manager, Scott Neal:

The staff at The Cardinal Golf Club hopes this letter finds you and your family in good health. It's been an amazing year of challenges. Although the year 2020 is not over, I think it's safe to say, the year has been defined by all the challenges and life changes that have happened as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic. The impact was felt at The Cardinal Club as well, causing a closure for the month of April and the first six days of May. Although we were closed for business, Billy Edwards and the Maintenance Team were hard at work on various projects on the Golf Course. The following are just some of what was accomplished during the closure:



- Re-shaped and enlarged Gold Tee Box, #4, White Course
- Re-sodded white/blue tee, #4 & Red Tee Box #7 on the White Course.
- Prepped/Stripped area for new tee location of Red Tee Box, #6, White.
- Other various areas around the course also received some new sod. All the sod that was laid is Zeon Zoysia. We have many shade issues due to the number of trees we have surrounding the Course. This type of grass is more shade tolerant grass than Bermuda and these areas have recovered nicely.
- Large core aerification and top dressing on all greens complexes.
- All greens complexes also received liquid and granular fertilization which helped heal
 the greens. A late frost slowed the recovery time of greens, but as of this writing the
 greens complexes are in very good shape.
- All tee complexes were aerified and top-dressed.
- Applied 0-0-7 fertilizer to all tee complexes.
- Pavilion fencing, all Gazebos on golf course, and the starter shack were power washed and stripped of mold/mildew.

These are just some of the tasks completed by the Maintenance Team completed while keeping up with regular daily course maintenance.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 804-734-1228 or scott.r.neal4.naf@mail.mil.

I wish health and happiness to you and your family.

Sincerely, Scott Neal, PGA Golf Course Manager



Upcoming Tournaments

There will be NO FOOD scheduled for the events due to COVID-19. Tournaments listed below will either be a Shotgun Start or Tee Time Start, depending on COVID19 Guidelines.

August 21 - CG Scramble, start time 1 PM

August 29 - Summer Sizzler, start time 8 AM

September 12-13 - Club Championship, 8 tee times 8 AM

September 18 - CG Scramble, start time 1 PM

October 16 - CG Scramble, start time 10:30 AM

October 24 - Halloween Scramble, start time 9 AM

November 21 - Turkey Shoot, start time 10 AM



Golf News

Golf Council: A Golf Council has been established. Meetings have been pre-empted by COVID-19. Stay tuned for further details.

Golf Pro Tip: If you're having trouble hitting the Golf Ball on the Toe of your club, try moving the ball back in your stance. You only have to move about ½ inch to an inch. This may help you getting the clubface square at impact versus the club shutting down a bit, which can cause you to catch the ball on the toe of the club.

Golf Lessons: Currently Lessons are \$40 for ½ hour and \$70 for an hour taught by PGA Professional, Scott Neal. Lessons are available for all levels of play, from beginners to highly skilled players. Check with the Golf Shop or Scott Neal, to make an appointment.

Please keep in mind that the Cardinal Snack Bar is open and COVID-19 Guidelines are in place.



Locker Room: Some still don't know about the new Locker Room. The new lockers are inside the Clubhouse. The cost is an annual fee of \$100. The locker is big enough to fit your golf bag along with shoes, shirt, or other items you may need to put in the locker. See the Pro Shop Counter to sign up today!



Membership News

The Cardinal Course had an HQ Staff Assistance Visit which included an Audit. One of the things the audit team determined was, our annual green fee pricing structure is not in compliance with the minimum standards that were established in regulation by Installation Management Command (IMCOM). As a result, there are changes to our Annual Green Fee structure for the upcoming fiscal year 2021, that begins in October 2020.

Please see below:

E1 - E5 Active Duty Enlisted and Youth (17 & Under) Single - \$390

Family - \$625

All Remaining Authorized Users Single - \$660

Family - \$1,050

Associate Single - \$900

Family - \$1,450

Due to Directives from IMCOM, we are no longer accepting monthly fees for annual greens fees. Fees listed above must be paid in full, respectively, prior to October 1, 2020 or before first use of the new fiscal year. We will start accepting payment of dues beginning September 8, 2020.

We appreciate your continued support and patronage. Please feel free to encourage others to join The Cardinal Golf Club. We currently are open to all DoD Personnel and honorably discharged Veterans.





The most important shot in golf is the next one.

Ben Hogan