

# CCC News

Charleston Country Club

April 2022

## Kitchen/bar hours extended; Sunday breakfast returning

Beginning April 12, the club will begin summer hours with extended dining and bar services, including breakfast and lunch on Sundays.

The kitchen will be open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sundays. The bar will be open 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays.

Of course, management could close early if there is no business for an extended period on any evening.

A return to having breakfast and lunch on Sundays will begin with an Easter

brunch buffet on April 17. To ensure prompt seating, reservations are encouraged, 217-345-6603.

“The hope is members will return en masse to enjoy their club now that COVID has subsided for the time being,” Interim President John Ryan said.

The Board of Directors set the summer hours March 21 at its monthly meeting.

Among other business, the board:

- scheduled a reception for New Head Golf Pro Kee Fryxell from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, April 23. The board encouraged members to

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### Wagoners = winners

Bob & Faith Wagoner pose with the King of Clubs that Faith pulled from the second to bottom row, winning half of the \$15,655 pot on March 10. The new pot sits at more than \$3,200.

## Reception set for Golf Pro Fryxell



Kee Fryxell

A reception for new Head Golf Pro Kee Fryxell will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. April 23 at the club.

“If you haven’t met Kee yet, this would be a perfect time,” Interim President John Ryan said. “If you have met him, come out any way and enjoy talking with him some more in a relaxed setting. See how he can help your game.”

Appetizers will be served.

Kee joined the staff Feb. 15. He hails from Davenport, Iowa and served as an assistant professional at Pinnacle Country Club, Milan, Ill.

### Join us for Easter Brunch

10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
April 17

Buffet to include everything  
from breakfast favorites  
to ham luncheon

Reservations  
217-345-6603

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The Board of Directors meets at 6 p.m. the third Monday of every month.

# Miller, 55, former board member

Robert “Bobbie” Miller, 55, a former club member who once served on the board of directors, is being remembered as a fun guy who loved golfing with friends.

Miller, who died March 10 at his home in Tooele, Utah, after a long battle with cancer, was fun to hang out with, said Tony Logue, a long-time friend.

He shot in the 70s and 80s and loved golfing, Logue said.

“He’d show up 10 minutes before a tourney with a beer in one hand and a six-pack in the other with a grin on his face,” Logue said.

Doug Dillon, Miller’s cousin, said Miller had a lot of talent.

“He could have been better had he pushed it but he was pretty laid back,” he said.

“When I first joined, he was my partner in league,” Dillon said. “I grew up with him. He was three months older than me.”

Miller often played in Wendell Adams’ game along with



**Bobbie Miller**

Mike Wrye and Logue.

“He was a friend to almost everybody,” Dillon said. “He always was smiling or a giggling when you saw him.”

Miller was set to retire the end of March and go with his family on a cruise, Dillon said. He wanted the family to take the cruise so they did and his Illinois memorial service was pushed back to May.

Born April 14, 1966 in Tuscola, he was the son of Sharon Joines and Robert E. Miller.

He graduated from Newman High School and Eastern Illinois University. He was a production manager at Celotex before moving to Utah with another company to become a plant manager.

He enjoyed golfing, going on exotic vacations with his wife, Tina, watching action movies with his children and shopping with his mother. He held a black belt in six sigma martial arts.

Survivors include his wife, his mother; three daughters, Kelsey (Chad) Inscore, Shaylah (Mike) Buck and Makayla Orr; grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

His father; grandparents, Harold and Avis Miller and Earl and Francis Schmitt; several aunts, uncles and cousins preceded him in death.

A celebration of life will be held May 14 in Newman. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Utah Cancer Center or Oregon Health and Sciences University.

## Kitchen/bar hours extended; Sunday breakfast returning with Easter Brunch

**(Continued from page 1)** come out and meet Kee and see how he can help with your game.

■ renewed its contract of \$3,100 with Golf Genius for same-time scoring during league and tournament play.

■ approved an approximately \$1 million budget for the club for the 2022 calendar year. The conservative budget projects a \$24,055 deficit in a worse-case scenario. The club has more than \$1 million in

assets minus liabilities.

■ is seeking bids to repave and restripe the parking lot.

■ heard a report from House Director Jim Hickenbottom that one air conditioner and one of the clubhouse’s three boilers quit working. The air conditioner will be replaced soon but the burned out boiler does not have to be replaced immediately. However, bids are being sought for the boiler system to be replaced in a year or

two.

■ approved membership applications of three Class A members and two social members plus agreed to grant Carl Dell senior membership status from Class A.

The new Class A members are Cole and Evin Taylor, Tracee Young and Matt Tate and Kirk and Brooke Kepley. New social members are Michael Sanders and Mary Ellen and Michael Martin.

**For the record:  
Welcome new  
members:**

**Junior**

Cole & Erin Taylor  
Tracee Young & Matt Tate  
Kirk & Kash Kepley

**Social**

Michael Sanders  
Mary Ellen & Michael Martin

**Senior**

Carl Dell from Class A

**Membership #s**

Class A/Promo A = 145  
Social = 88  
Seniors = 46  
Junior/Jr. Promo = 40  
Fellowship = 10  
Non-resident = 10  
Student = 4

**Men's, Women's leagues:**

Men's begins April 26  
Women's begins May 4  
**Sign up in Pro Shop**

**Indoor League results:**

1. David Craig & Jim Kuykendall
2. Kenny Bower & Luke Lawrence
3. John Yakle & Mike Crews

**Kitchen hours as of April 12**

Tuesday- Saturday:  
11 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
Sunday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Bars hours as of April 12**

Tuesday-Saturday: 11 to 11  
Sunday: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**Pro Shop hours:**

Monday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday-Saturday: 8 to 5 p.m.

**Club's #: 217-345-6603**

# Ochs: Course in good shape; keeping it that way tough part

Course Superintendent Dan Ochs Jr. said the course should be in “pretty good” shape this spring but the real challenge will be affording the chemicals to keep it in good shape through the year.

“Overall the course came through the winter in pretty good shape,” he said during an interview March 28. “But it all depends on how the storm season goes.”

He predicted the back nine will flood at least two times this spring – once in April and once in May.

Until then, he said, the grounds crew will be cleaning the course up the next several weeks and working the greens.

“We’ve mowed them once,” he said. “It’s all about how wet they are and if you can access them. We’re starting to work them.”

He said the grounds



**Dan Ochs Jr.**

crew will roll the front greens for the second time the last week of March and he hopes the back nine will dry out more so that the crew can roll those greens a second time also.

The course has been sprayed once with a pre-emergent to kill weeds. He said it will get two more treatments before May 15.

However, he wouldn’t promise that there will not be dandelions on the course.

“Chemical prices have gone through the roof,” he said. “Prices are doubling. I’ll be watching the price of herbicides. If the cost of

herbicides doubles from \$5,000 to \$10,000 an application, we might not spray.”

Watching the budget is going to be the toughest job this year and for the next couple years, he predicted.

Fuel prices are up and it takes fuel to manufacture chemicals and fuel to deliver them. Fuel also is needed for all the mowers.

He said fertilizer costs have increased dramatically. However, he will be using fertilizer that he bought in 2021 for use in 2022. In future years, the fertilizer will cost the club more.

“Watching the budget is going to be more and more challenging,” he said.

He said he will begin the year with a five-man crew but he will need to hire at least three more workers.

“The agronomy is the easy part right now,” he said.

## Meet CCC staffers: This month Ryan

**Name:** Ryan Kolling

**Position:** Cook

**Months/years at club:** two weeks

**Home town:** Charleston

**High school/college:** Charleston High School

**What I like about my job:** I like working with Kyle Hisatake and learning how to be creative with food.

**When not working, I like to:** hang out with friends

**My dream job would be:** being a counselor or a psychologist

**Favorite vacation place or place to visit:** Golf Shores, Ala., because of the great seafood

**One thing no one knows about me:**

I like to play chess

**When I grow up, I want to:** be a counselor or psychologist



**Ryan Kolling**

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