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CHATMOSS COUNTRY CLUB

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## BACK IN THE SADDLE



**Friday Night  
January 14th**  
DJ Smiley will be  
playing from  
6:00 – 8:00 pm

**Wear Your Best Boots & Cowboy Hat**  
**Prizes for Best Boots and Hat**  
1/2 Price House Drinks, 5:30-7:00 pm in Elmwood Bar

Join us for

**Valentine's  
Dinner  
February 12**

2022

## Upcoming Events

### JANUARY

Club Reopens  
January 12

Back in the Saddle  
January 14

Tennis Social  
January 21

Ladies' Luncheon  
January 27

Tennis Social  
January 28

### FEBRUARY

Super Bowl Party  
February 6  
5:30 pm

Valentine's Dinner  
February 12

Ladies' Luncheon  
February 24

Watch for Family  
Night specials  
In February

### MARCH

Annual Meeting  
March 8  
5:30 pm



## Thoughts from the President

Dear Chatmoss Members:

As we bid 2021 farewell we remember all the wonderful moments we shared at our Club this year. We are grateful we have Chatmoss and all it has to offer. In addition, The Board of Governors, as well as our staff work diligently to insure Chatmoss provides each and every member entertainment value. Without participating members we don't have a Country Club! Thank you for making Chatmoss your number one option!

I wanted to take this opportunity to report on my Employee Christmas Fund challenge. If you recall, my challenge was to have 100% member participation with a \$100.00 minimum donation. My goal was to show our employees, all forty of them, our appreciation for their hard work and dedication all year long. We all know, we experienced some bumps along the way in 2021 however, our employees delivered day in and day out for the membership. Unfortunately, I fell short of my goal. The good news is we surpassed the amount collected for 2020. Our employees received more than they received in 2020. This is outstanding! Our annual Employee Christmas Fund means so much to our employees and they are always so appreciative to receive their bonus. Thank you to all of our Members for your generosity and continued support of our Employee Christmas Fund appeal!

As we approach 2022 we contemplate a New Year's Day meal filled with corn bread, collards, black eyed peas, squash and onions, brown sugar pork roast and of course deviled eggs for a year full of health, fortune and good luck. On behalf of the Chatmoss staff and the Board of Governors we wish each and every one of you a healthy, happy New Year full of good fortune and many blessings!

Keep an eye out for announcements on many fun events and activities throughout the Club.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

Join me at the Club!

Jim Farrell  
President

# Comments from the Clubhouse Manager \_\_\_\_\_

Happy New Year!!

I hope all of you had a very nice Holiday Season. It seems to come and go very quickly. I hope that 2022 will be a fantastic year for all our members.

On behalf of the entire staff at Chatmoss, I want to thank the members for the employees' Christmas Bonus. All of us are very grateful to you and appreciate your kindness and generosity. We look forward to serving you in 2022.

A great big thank you to the House Committee for decorating the Club for the holidays and for taking it all

down last week. They did an amazing job.

The year 2021 was certainly better than 2020. Hopefully, 2022 will bring an end to all things Covid, and life can get back to some normalcy. Plans are in the making for some fun events this year, so watch for emails about them and check out the newsletter.

The Club will re-open on Wednesday, January 12, and "Back in the Saddle" is scheduled for January 14.

Judy Chaney  
Clubhouse Manager

# Comments from the Operations Manager \_\_\_\_\_

As the New Year arrives, I would like to thank the membership for your generosity. Whether it is the employee Christmas fund, the hole number 8 irrigation fund, or other donations of time and money, I am consistently amazed by the amount of support given to the club. On behalf of the staff, I would like to say thank you!

The past year saw many positive signs for the club. Golf revenue surpassed the record year of 2020. Tennis revenue and participation rates are growing. Pool memberships reached capacity and restaurant sales are nearing pre pandemic levels. Although we lost two valued department heads, we filled the void nicely with the addition of John Hart as golf course superintendent and Brian Cunniff as our head of tennis.

We have also made progress recently in membership levels, but we are still below capacity. High membership levels are the engine of a successful country club

operation. It can also be said that you the member are the best ambassadors of the club. So, I ask you to please introduce Chatmoss to a person or family that will enjoy what we have to offer. Any increase in memberships eases the burden on day-to-day operations and allows us to serve you better.

As a club we try to identify areas that need improvement and that will continue this year. The Board of Governors is compiling a list of clubhouse repairs and an action plan for their implementation. The list is extensive and it will cover both cosmetic and operational issues. The completion of these projects will be based on product availability and adequate funding. Hopefully, some of these projects will be finished when you return to the club on January 10.

P. C. Wells  
Operations Manager



## Welcome New Members and their families

Dr. George & Debbie Vaughn  
Daniel Whitener

## In Memoriam

Margaret Lester • Reed Moore  
John Parcell • Dr. George Scouras  
Cari Zimmer

# Tennis

I wanted to thank all members for their participation and interest over the past year with our tennis program. At this time, we are well into our indoor tennis season with many members taking advantage of booking out set time frames each week for their contract times. If you are interested in subbing for any of our contract time games during the week, please let the front desk know.

I wanted to also make sure that all members know that Jon Smith, Cordie Burnett and myself have been teaching private and group lessons and still have various time frames that are available should you wish to take a tune up lesson or set up a weekly time slot. Please call the pros directly to set up your lessons:

Brian: 919-714-5196  
Jon: 434-334-8219  
Cordie: 276-806-9263

And just as a friendly reminder, the club still has a 24-hour cancellation policy for all lessons cancelled within a 24-hour time frame for the scheduled lesson.

Over the past several months, we have had a number of well attended and fun Social Tennis events. We will be having two (2) "Evenings of 105" in January. Please mark your calendars and sign up at the Tennis Desk or call Brian directly. Also note that each of these events in January are for different ability levels.

Our January 21st Evening of 105 is primarily for INTERMEDIATE and ADVANCED players while our January 28th Evening of 105 is for USTA 2.5-3.0 Level. If you are not sure which level you should sign up for, please contact

Brian, Jon or Cordie. Each Tennis Social will be from 5:30-7:00pm and include a fun evening of group doubles team point play.

You may notice that our upstairs lounge in the Tennis Center has a new look with a very nice ping pong table donated to the club by Tyler Freeland. Feel free to come by and enjoy a game or simply watch some great indoor tennis play from our viewing area.

I also wanted to let everyone know that Jon Smith is still offering 24-48 hour stringing service with a wide array of string options. Please contact him directly at 434-334-8219 if you would like to get a tune up or repair on your racket.

Members may notice that our indoor tennis center just became a little brighter. We recently installed four (4) new lights which is making our tennis games a bit more illuminated.

And finally, I wanted to send a special thank you to our tennis desk manager, Dale McCrickard, who continues to do an outstanding job of office and billing administration for our tennis program. If you'd like to reach Dale at the Tennis Desk, our land line club phone number is 276-632-1857. Thank you, Dale.

Thanks so much again to all members and from the Tennis Department, we wish all of you a very Happy New Year!

I serve, you receive,

Brian Cunniff  
Director of Tennis

# Reindeer Classic



## On The Greens

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It's said that "time flies when you're having fun", so true for my first year on the job. Where has the time gone? Just over a year ago, I stepped onto the grounds here at Chatmoss for the first time, I blinked, and we were wrapping up our first season. With a new year comes new opportunities and new challenges. Our maintenance plan is to keep carrying on with course improvements to further advance our goal of keeping Chatmoss Country Club the premier private club in the area.

Since the last time we talked, leaves have since fallen and are no longer a major issue, but winter projects have already begun. I hope that everyone has noticed the tree work we've been doing to ensure safety for members and their guest. We have taken down many of the dead ones that have plagued the property the past few years and posed major safety concerns for our patrons. We still have quite a few to go but are steadily chipping away at it. We have plans of working to improve the bunker conditions

by adding sand and improving drainage. We will be completely redoing the right-side bunker on #17 and the left-side trap on #10. We will improve or replace the drainage, apply a bunker liner, and re-sand these traps. We have other drainage jobs, notably the right side of #8 fairway to complete on our way to spring. We have been trying to aesthetically enhance various areas on the course by clearing, pruning, and trimming. I would like to remind everyone that though we have had fairly mild weather conditions so far, we are moving into the typically harsher months of winter and I encourage those that can help, to help, in case of coverings. Keep your fingers crossed that those are sparse in the coming months. It is my hope that we continue to build upon 2021 and make 2022 golf season the best one yet. Thank you for your support. Until next time...

John Hart  
Golf Course Superintendent

## Ladies' Golf Event Participants

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## Breakfast with Santa

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## Decorations Going Up

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## Flower Arrangement Class

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# Dance Club



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# CHATMOSS Country Club

## Boxwood Grille Hours

LUNCH Tuesday-Saturday — 11:30-3:00 pm  
DINNER Tuesday-Thursday — 4:30-8:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday — 4:30-9:00 pm

The Clubhouse is closed all day Monday  
for Food and Beverage Service.

## Elmwood Bar Hours

TUESDAY-THURSDAY 11:30 am-9:30 pm  
Bar closes at 10:00 pm  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY 11:30 am-10:30 pm  
SUNDAY Open for Holidays  
and Special Events

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