

# The Tallwood Tradition

**January 2018**

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## The President's Corner

### **BABY IT'S COLD OUTSIDE!!!!**

Tallwood didn't see any warm golf days this year in December and January is looking to be more of the same - COLD! I did stop by the course to see 4 cross country skiers heading up to the 1st tee.

This time of year, your BOD is looking forward to the 2018 season and membership renewals. Please take a look at the Membership article for the latest info about Tallwood and the TMC having a booth the 2018 Golf Show in Hartford. This will be our 2nd year at the event.

Social is planning a new twist to the March 2<sup>nd</sup> Kick Off event that sounds very exciting. The Social committee is working hard to make the event one to remember.

I hear the Pro Shop may see some updates and changes as well for 2018. Eric DeStephano is already engaged and is very excited about hitting the ground running for 2018. There is a positive and energetic vibe for what the Pro Shop will have to offer for 2018.

Stay Warm as winter is only temporary. We will be golfing again before we know it.

*Richard Potticary  
President*

## Membership

**New members** - Please welcome new members **Kevin Kokoszka, Rob Schueler** and **Peter Ramey!** Many may remember Peter as a former member.

**Renewal for 2018** – To date, approximately 60 members have renewed for 2018. We are particularly looking forward to renewals from 2017's new members!

The form for 2018 membership renewal can be downloaded or completed on line. Payments postmarked before February 1, 2017 may deduct \$20.00 from the regular renewal amount. We are accepting applications for Young Adult (Junior), as well as Regular members. Please select your membership category and forward your payment to:

Bob Wahlberg  
TMC Membership  
8 Markwood Lane  
Manchester, CT 06040

**Membership incentive** – The Board has decided to continue the policy which was established in 2017 to provide rebates to returning members who recruit new members. Beginning in January, any member who recruits a new member will receive a 25% rebate on the current year's dues, up to 100% (maximum rebate for four new members). So, for each new member, the returning member will receive a rebate of 25% of the dues paid for the year. The membership application contains a line where the new member will indicate who referred him. Please ensure that the new member fills in that line so the returning member can receive the rebate!

**TMC at the golf show** – Tallwood Country Club and Tallwood Men's Club will again team up at the Connecticut Golf Show in March. This will require volunteers from the Men's Club to man our booth in shifts over the three-day event. I would ask any and all interested volunteers to e-mail me at [TMC\\_membership@yahoo.com](mailto:TMC_membership@yahoo.com). Get a friend and sign up as a twosome!

**Payment for season passes** – Please note that season passes are purchased through Tallwood Country Club, not Tallwood Men's Club. Payments should be addressed to Mike McDermott at Tallwood.

All comments and suggestions are welcome. If there are any questions, please e-mail me at [TMC\\_membership@yahoo.com](mailto:TMC_membership@yahoo.com)

**Bob Wahlberg**  
**Membership Director**  
[TMC\\_membership@yahoo.com](mailto:TMC_membership@yahoo.com)

## *Social*

Happy New Year from the Social Committee. We are in the final planning stages for our first event of the season, The Kickoff Event. We have something new in store for you this year, so keep your eyes peeled for a blast detailing all that will be happening on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We hope there will be an excellent turnout for this event and that you will enjoy what we have planned. See you there.

*Earl Brown and Gary Greenwald*  
*Social*

## **Tournament**

We would like to thank all of those who responded to the Tournament/Handicap survey to help us better understand how our membership would like us to conduct events in 2018. We are compiling the results and will send out a “blast” by the end of the month with the survey information.

The schedule for 2018 will be very consistent with last year. We will be adding one event, although, it does not require a specific date. This will be the Challenge Cup. You will be able to challenge anyone playing on the same day to a match. All participants will start the year with points and depending upon the outcome of your match, you will gain or lose points. We are finalizing the basic rules for the contest, but we hope this will be a fun way to get members to challenge others throughout the year.

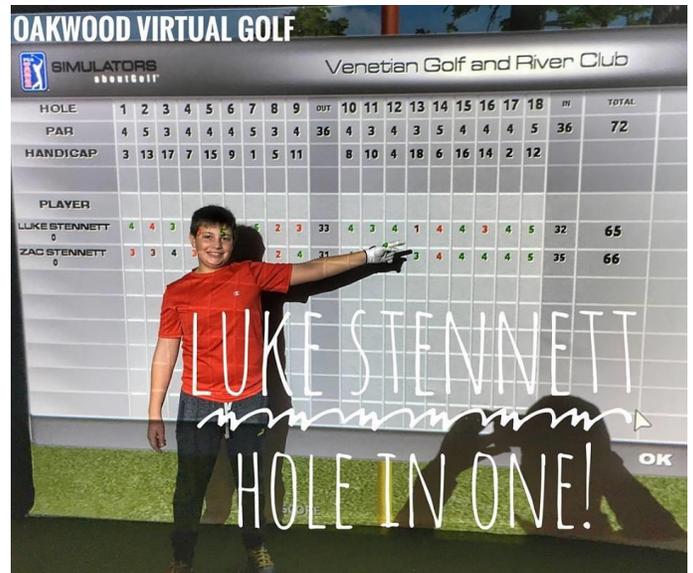
Hope you all stay healthy and put in that off-season work you committed to last year. It’s going to be a great 2018.

*Terry Russo*  
*Tournament*

## Pro Shop

I hope everyone had a great holiday and dodged all the winter bugs that were going around. I know our family wasn't so lucky but we made it through. I have enjoyed my recharge time and had my small break. I am ready to test the sticks on some real turf as soon as possible and get this golf season going. I have been busy with the CSGA transitioning to the new Golf Genius Tournament software which we will now be implementing for all our tournaments going forward. The added features and user friendliness of the software are very promising and go hand in hand with our vision and goals for Tallwood. I will give you more details in the February newsletter as I continue to find the best ways our club can benefit from these changes. I have met with Eric and Nicole this off season, most recently with Nicole to discuss some really exciting new junior golf programs that I will launch this spring. Some things to keep in mind and to look out for this spring: I have recently finished my training to become a Certified EyeLine Instructor. I look forward to show all of you these great new training aids and programs to improve your putting and practice. I have attended seven seminars this winter with various topics such as; player development, growing junior golf, improving tournament operations, the newest equipment in the market and other exciting professional development topics. Next month I will be introducing a monthly or bi monthly video clip lesson that you can click on from the newsletter. These videos will go through various swing mechanic tips, situational fundamentals as well as drills and game management ideas. I know all of the staff at Tallwood are anxiously waiting for this spring and I am just adrenalized as usual. I hope you had or have some nice trips planned this off season with family and/or friends. I know I will be taking a trip this week with my son to the west coast. We will be flying in to San Francisco grabbing a car, driving to Monterey, CA (I hear there's this little golf course there....) after that we are heading to Universal Studios, up to the Hoover Dam and the Grand Canyon and finally ending in Arizona for some golf and warm weather. Be sure to look out for my pictures and videos on my Facebook and Instagram pages. The last thing I will leave you with for those of you that don't have Facebook is that my son, Luke made his first hole in one!!! Yes, it was on a simulator but it was absolutely amazing to see the pure joy he had (he beat me to the punch though). I hope you all have a fun safe rest of the winter and we will see you when the birds are chirping.

*PGA Professional*  
**Zac**



**“Golf is the closest game to the game we call life. You get bad breaks from good shots; you get good breaks from bad shots- but you have to play the ball where it lies.”**

**-Bobby Jones**

## **Instruction**

Happy New Year Tallwood Men's Club! It has been a busy winter preparing for the upcoming season. I kicked off the first week of January helping Eric remodel the golf shop...I will let him unveil the details of his masterpiece! I also met with the McDermott family to choose a new building that will serve as my "home away from home." When you are walking up the 18<sup>th</sup> cart path, you will see a welcoming 12X16 building next to the lesson tee that will house my many training aids. There will be a small porch on the front for you to stop by and say hello. And of course my Australian Shephard is always looking for someone to give her a good belly rubbing! I continue to build my new website and prepare various instructional programs for 2018. Last week Zac and I met to discuss his ideas to start a junior golf league as well as host a PGA Junior Golf Team. If you have any junior golfers in the house, be on the lookout for details this spring. Next week I will be flying to Florida to connect with Eric at the PGA Show. We will be scouting out what's new in golf to share with you. One way I keep my students up-to-date is through my newsletter. If you would like to be included in this newsletter, simply send me a quick email and I will be happy to add you to the list ([nicole.lpga@gmail.com](mailto:nicole.lpga@gmail.com)). I also welcome any of your ideas or suggestions. Looking forward to seeing all of you at Tallwood this spring!

*Nicole Damarjian*

*Director of Instruction Tallwood Country Club*

**Tallwood Men’s Club 2018 Membership Renewal Application**

**MEMBER INFORMATION**

NAME:

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ADDRESS:

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CITY, STATE:

ZIP:

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PHONE #: HOME:

WORK:

CELL:

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E-MAIL: (required)

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OCCUPATION:

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MEMBER SINCE \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_

IF NEW MEMBER, REFERRED BY:

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I would like to assist on the following Committee(s): Social\_\_\_\_ Tournament\_\_\_\_ Rules\_\_\_\_  
Handicap\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Renewal is due February 1, 2018.

Early Bird discount applies if the renewal is postmarked before February 1

Membership Type	Renewal Amount	Discount Applies	Total Fee Due	Renewal Selection
Regular Member (Received before Feb 1 <sup>st</sup> )	\$175.00	-\$20.00	\$155.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Regular Member	\$175.00		\$175.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Past President (Received before Feb 1 <sup>st</sup> )	\$175.00	-\$20.00	\$155.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Past President	\$175.00		\$175.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior Member	\$80.00		\$80.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Social Member	\$80.00		\$80.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
GHIN Only	\$30.00		\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

Make check payable to: TALLWOOD MEN'S CLUB

Please mail your check and Renewal Application to the 2018 Membership Director:

Bob Wahlberg  
 8 Markwood Lane  
 Manchester, CT 06040

If you have questions, e-mail Bob at: [tmc\\_membership@yahoo.com](mailto:tmc_membership@yahoo.com)

**2018 SEASON PASS RATE**  
**TALLWOOD COUNTRY CLUB**

	FEE	TAX	TOTAL
FULL SINGLE			
<u>CASH/CHECK</u>			
IF PD BY 1/1/18	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 190.00	\$ 2,090.00
IF PD BY 1/31/18	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 2,200.00
IF PD AFTER 1/31/18	\$ 2,100.00	\$ 210.00	\$ 2,310.00

SPLIT PAYMENT JAN 1ST/ MARCH 1ST/ APRIL 1ST			
EACH PAYMENT	<u>CASH/CHECK</u>	\$ 670.00	\$ 67.00
			TOTAL \$737.00
			TOTAL \$2,211.00

**IF YOUR USING PROSHOP CREDIT FOR SEASON PASS, PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY DECEMBER 15TH**

HUSBAND AND WIFE			
<u>CASH/CHECK</u>			
IF PD BY 1/1/18	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 3,025.00
IF PD BY 1/31/18	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 290.00	\$ 3,190.00
IF PD AFTER 1/31/18	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 3,300.00

**COMPARISON 18 HOLE RATES**

SENIOR	\$30.00
WEEKDAY	\$39.00
WEEKEND	\$43.00

DRIVING RANGE PASS \$120.00  
 PAY IN MARCH

GOLF CART PASS \$700.00  
 PAY IN MARCH CASH/CHECK

STUDENT AND YOUTH MEMBESHIPS MON-THURS (AVAILABLE TIMES) FRI-SAT-SUN AFTER 1PM (AVAILABLE TIMES)

Student (19-23 Y.O.)	\$ 500.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 550.00
Youth (12-18 Y.O.)	\$ 400.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 440.00

