



**Gentlemen of the BTC,**

**May 2, 2024**

The Kentucky Derby is a storied event that has captured the hearts of horse racing enthusiasts and spectators worldwide and this Saturday marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of *The Run for the Roses*.



1. **Inception:** The Kentucky Derby was first run in 1875 at Churchill Downs racetrack in Louisville, Kentucky. The inaugural race, then known as the "Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes," saw an audience of around 10,000 people.
2. **The Derby Name:** Meriwether Lewis Clark Jr., grandson of William Clark of the Lewis and Clark expedition, founded the Kentucky Derby. He wanted the race to rival the prestigious horse races in Europe and modeled it after the Epsom Derby in England, thus giving it the name "Kentucky Derby."
3. **Growth and Popularity:** Throughout the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the Kentucky Derby grew in popularity, attracting more spectators and becoming a prominent event in American sports and culture.
4. **Traditions:** The Kentucky Derby is renowned for its traditions, including the playing of "My Old Kentucky Home" as the horses make their way to the starting gate and the garland of roses presented to the winning horse.
5. **Famous Winners:** Over the years, the Kentucky Derby has seen many legendary horses claim victory, including Secretariat, Affirmed, Seattle Slew, and American Pharoah, who won the coveted Triple Crown in 2015.
6. **Impact of the Derby:** Beyond horse racing, the Kentucky Derby has become a symbol of Southern hospitality and style, with attendees showcasing extravagant hats and participating in Derby Day parties featuring mint juleps, a traditional Derby drink.
7. **Continued Legacy:** Today, the Kentucky Derby remains one of the most prestigious events in horse racing, drawing top horses, jockeys, and trainers from around the world. It is the first leg of the American Triple Crown, followed by the Preakness Stakes and the Belmont Stakes.

8. **Evolution:** While the essence of the Kentucky Derby remains steeped in tradition, the event has also evolved with the times, embracing modern technology for broadcasting and engaging a global audience.

The Kentucky Derby's rich history, thrilling races, and timeless traditions continue to make it a beloved and eagerly anticipated event each year.

The official drink of the Kentucky Derby is the iconic Mint Julep, a refreshing and classic cocktail enjoyed by spectators and participants alike. Here's a traditional Mint Julep recipe.

#### **Ingredients:**

- 2 oz Kentucky bourbon
- 1/2 oz simple syrup (equal parts sugar and water, dissolved together)
- Fresh mint leaves
- Crushed ice

#### **Instructions:**

1. In a silver or pewter cup (traditional for Mint Juleps), muddle a few fresh mint leaves with the simple syrup to release the mint oils.
2. Fill the cup with crushed ice, packing it down slightly.
3. Pour the bourbon over the ice and stir gently to combine.
4. Garnish with a generous sprig of fresh mint.
5. Optionally, you can add a straw for sipping and a dusting of powdered sugar on top for extra sweetness.

#### **Tips:**

- Use a high-quality Kentucky bourbon for an authentic taste.
- Make sure to use plenty of fresh mint for muddling and garnishing to enhance the drink's aroma and flavor.
- Crushed ice is essential for a Mint Julep to maintain its cold, refreshing character.

Enjoy your homemade Mint Julep while watching the excitement of the Kentucky Derby!

#### **Sick & Vigil**

Our condolences go out to **Wayne & Sandy Hutchinson** on the sudden passing of their daughter, **Linda Sullivan**, last week. She was 56 years old. Services are private. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Hutchinson family.

**Vince Oliva** is having a heart procedure done this week so keep him in your thoughts and prayers also. We will update when we know more on how he is recovering.

#### **Happy May Birthdays**

**Jim Day (7), Arnie Carlstrom (9), Frank Reichenberger (14), Les Swintek (19), Craig O'Reilly (21), Bob Martino (22), Ken Pencak (23), Les Podlasek (24), Phil Jurczewski (25), Larry Lloyd (25), Corey Rob (28), Ken Wisniewski (30), Ron Abramowicz (31).**

**Let me know if I forgot anyone.**

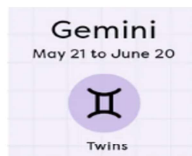


**Strengths:** Reliable, patient, practical, devoted, responsible, stable

**Weaknesses:** Stubborn, possessive, uncompromising

**Taurus likes:** Gardening, cooking, music, romance, high quality clothes, working with hands

**Taurus dislikes:** Sudden changes, complications, insecurity of any kind, synthetic fabrics



**Strengths:** Gentle, affectionate, curious, adaptable, ability to learn quickly and exchange ideas

**Weaknesses:** Nervous, inconsistent, indecisive

**Gemini likes:** Music, books, magazines, chats with nearly anyone, short trips around the town

**Gemini dislikes:** Being alone, being confined, repetition and routine

### ***Parting thought:***

A guy is walking through the country when he spots a sign that reads, "Talking Horse for Sale." Intrigued, he walks up to the stable to check it out. "So, what have you done with your life?" he asks the horse. "I've led a full life," the horse answers miraculously. "I was born in The Andes where I herded for an entire village. Years later, I joined the mounted police force in New York and helped keep the city clean. And now, I spend my days giving free rides to underprivileged kids here in the country." The guy is flabbergasted. He asks the horse's owner, "Why on earth would you want to get rid of such an incredible animal?" The owner says, "Because he's a liar! He never did any of that!"

Have a great week!

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## **GOLF NEWS**

Awesome news!!!!

I am excited to announce that I had numerous calls and messages that they would like to get in one of the premier events of the BTC, the 2 MAN competition. I apologize, I thought that everyone that wanted in would have let me know by now, but I was definitely wrong, so we will leave entries open till the 3rd week of golf.

This will give members the opportunity to find a partner over the first few weeks of golf and if we end up with an odd number of teams, we will do a blind draw to figure out who gets the bye round to start the tournament.

Just a reminder, the 2man and club championship events are open To BTC members in good standing only. The daily game is open to all BTC members and the applicants that have 5 rounds of golf with the BTC or have an established CDGA handicap. If you have a CDGA handicap, please let me know your information and we will give you a handicap each week till you establish a BTC handicap

Once again, I did not plan on locking anyone out of the 2man, I just thought everyone had called me that wanted to be in the event.

Sorry  
Larry Garetto  
Your golf guy?

Call the hotline if you want in the 2man and if you haven't already called about opening day.

### **Tennis Report – Al Baldermann**

The tennis season ended with some very good championship matches. It seems as though everyone enjoyed the competition. We also enjoyed our tennis banquet thanks to the funds supplied by the club.

Results of the tournament are as follows:

### **2024 BTC Tennis Champions:      Mike Ganz and Charlie Cherven**

2 <sup>nd</sup> place	John Schiera and Pete Kahlhammer
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Kevin Bewley and Mike Darabaris
4 <sup>th</sup> place	Rob Rollins and Al Baldermann
5 <sup>th</sup> place	Dan Heraty and Roosevelt Kees
6 <sup>th</sup> place	Ron Abramowicz and Dr. Park
7 <sup>th</sup> place	Rich Schroeder and Jim Reschke
8 <sup>th</sup> place	Todd Johnson and Chuck DiNolfo
9 <sup>th</sup> place	Tom Cleary and Ed Rooks
10 <sup>th</sup> place	Steve Anderson and Lee Kosek

Looking forward to seeing everyone at opening day for golf!

### **BOWLING NEWS**

The 2023-2024 Builders Tee Club Bowling Season is officially in the books! It was another great season of camaraderie, competition, and fun! Thank you to all that participated this season. Our season concluded with our Annual Calcutta Tournament in which we had 10 Teams of 4 Bowlers (please see results in newsletter). I would like to send out a special thank you to Andy Zilis and Jerry Jasinski who, ran the tournament and the parimutuel betting again this year. They collected and handed out over \$1,400 in bets this year, in addition to \$6,000 for the main tournament prize fund. The Calcutta was followed by our end of season Bowling Banquet, where I handed out over \$24,000 in cash prizes to our bowlers. I hope everyone had an enjoyable time at the banquet, I really enjoyed the drinks and conversations with my fellow members.

Every bowling season comes with suggestions, and comments to make a more enjoyable league for everyone. I do take notes during the season of these suggestions and bring them up for consideration during our summertime pre-bowling rules meeting. As we get further into the golf season and summer, I will be putting out the date of this meeting for all bowling captains, and concerned members interested in attending. It has been my pleasure, serving as your bowling league secretary again this season. I hope to make it out to golf more this year, and look forward to seeing everyone this summer.

Keith Tadevich – Bowling Secretary

### 2024 CALCUTTA RESULTS

1.	TEAM #3 – DINGA, PALIGA, SWITAK, RACE	2653
2.	TEAM #6 – R. SAMOSKA, BAY, RYMSZA, SCHWENN	2620
3.	TEAM #9 – TADEVICH, WARD, LAMBROS, JESK	2580
4.	TEAM #2 – VIZDAL	2545
5.	TEAM #8 – SLUSARCZYK	2530
6.	TEAM #7 – JENNER	2505
7.	TEAM #1 – ROBERTS	2503
8.	TEAM #4 – O'REILLY	2480
9.	TEAM #5 – GIOVANETTI	2478
10.	TEAM #10 – D. SAMOSKA, JR.	2463

### TEAM GAME POTS

GAME #1 TEAM #7 JENNER	838	TEAM #9 TADEVICH	833
GAME #2 TEAM #5 GIOVANETTI	895	TEAM #8 SLUSARCZYK	853
GAME #3 TEAM #3 DINGA	968	TEAM #6 R.SAMOSKA	911
GAME #4 TEAM #6 R.SAMOSKA	886	TEAM#2 VIZDAL	879
		#10 D.SAMOSKA JR.	879

### HIGH OUT OF THE MONEY

“A” O'REILLY	918
“B” LEWIS	862
“C” VALENTINAS	910
“D” CHRISTOPHERSEN	900

# 2024 UPDATED GOLF SCHEDULE MARCH 21, 2024

GOLF SCHEDULE 2024 (COULD BE CHANGES)

DATE	COURSE	TIME	SPLIT OR SHOTGUN OR TEE TIMES	EVENT
MAY 7TH	SILVER LAKE NORTH	10AM	SHOTGUN	DINNER AFTER AT 3:00
MAY 14TH	SANCTUARY	8:20AM	SPLIT TEES	CALCUTTA
MAY 21ST	GREEN GARDEN BLUE	9:00AM	SPLIT TEES	SCRAMBLE
MAY 28TH	SILVER LAKES SOUTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
JUNE 4TH	GLENWOODIE	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	2 MAN
JUNE 11TH	DEER CREEK	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
JUNE 18TH	CINDER RIDGE	8:00am	SPLIT TEES	MAKE UP DAY
JUNE 25TH	GREEN GARDEN EMERALD FRONT/BLUE FRONT	9AM	SPLIT TEES	2 MAN
JULY 2ND	GLENWOODIE	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	CALCUTTA
JULY 9TH	DEER CREEK	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	MAKE UP DAY
JULY 16TH	SILVER LAKE SOUTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	MAKE UP DAY
JULY 23RD	GREEN GARDEN GOLD COURSE	9:30AM	SHOTGUN	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
JULY 30TH	SILVER LAKES SOUTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	2MAN
AUGUST 6TH	CINDER RIDGE	8:00am	SPLIT TEES	CALCUTTA
AUGUST 13TH	GEORGE DUNNE NATIONAL	8:00AM	TEE TIMES	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
AUGUST 20TH	GREEN GARDEN BLUE COURSE	9:30AM	SHOTGUN	ITALIAN DAY
AUGUST 27TH	GEORGE DUNNE NATIONAL	8:00AM	TEE TIMES	2 MAN
SEPTEMBER 3RD	SANCTUARY	8:30AM	SPLIT TEES	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
SEPTEMBER 10TH	GREEN GARDEN GOLD COURSE	9:30AM	SHOTGUN	2 MAN
SEPTEMBER 17TH	SILVER LAKE NORTH	8:36AM	SPLIT TEES	CALCUTTA
SEPTEMBER 24TH	MICHIGAN TBD			
OCT 1ST	CARDINAL CREEK	9:00AM	SPLIT TEES	TBD
OCT 8TH	GREEN GARDEN EMERALD/BLUE BACK	9:30AM	SPLIT TEES	WORLD SERIES
OCT 15TH	WATERS EDGE	TBD	SPLIT TEES	WORLD SERIES
OCT 22ND	NAPERBROOK	9:30AM	SPLIT TEES	2MAN
OCT 29TH	SILVER LAKES SOUTH	10AM	SHOT GUN	GOLF BANQUET AND ELECTION
DECEMBER 3RD	SILVER LAKES CHRISTMAS PARTY	6:30PM		

ALL EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE