



**Gentlemen of the BTC,**

**May 23, 2024**

### **Honoring Our Heroes: The Significance of Memorial Day**



As we approach Memorial Day, it's important to take a moment to reflect on the true meaning of this solemn holiday. Memorial Day, observed on the last Monday of May, is a day dedicated to honoring and remembering the brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.

### **A Brief History**

The origins of Memorial Day date back to the aftermath of the Civil War, a conflict that claimed more American lives than any other. The practice of decorating soldiers' graves with flowers, a tradition that eventually led to the creation of Memorial Day, began during this period. Originally known as Decoration Day, the first national observance took place on May 30, 1868, at Arlington National Cemetery, where both Union and Confederate soldiers were buried. General John A. Logan, leader of an organization for Northern Civil War veterans, called for a nationwide day of remembrance.

By the 20th century, the day had evolved to commemorate American military personnel who died in all wars. In 1971, Memorial Day was declared a national holiday by an act of Congress, and its observance was moved to the last Monday in May, ensuring a three-day weekend for federal employees.

### **Observing Memorial Day**



Today, Memorial Day is marked by a variety of traditions that help us pay our respects to fallen heroes. These include:

1. Visiting Cemeteries and Memorials: Many Americans visit cemeteries and memorials to honor those who have died in military service. Volunteers often place American flags on graves of military personnel in national cemeteries.
2. Parades and Ceremonies: Memorial Day parades, often featuring military personnel, veterans, and various community groups, take place in cities and towns across the country. These events serve as a public display of gratitude and remembrance.
3. National Moment of Remembrance: At 3:00 PM local time, Americans are encouraged to pause for a moment of silence to remember and honor those who have died in military service.

### **Reflecting on the Sacrifice**

Memorial Day is not just a day off work or a chance for a long weekend. It is a time to reflect on the freedoms we enjoy and the cost at which they have been secured. The holiday serves as a poignant reminder of the sacrifices made by countless individuals and their families.

**While we enjoy barbecues, family gatherings, and the unofficial start of summer, it is essential to remember the true purpose of Memorial Day. Whether through participation in local events, visiting a memorial, or simply taking a moment of silence, we honor the legacy of those who have given everything for our country.**

### **How You Can Participate**

1. Attend Local Events: Check your local community listings for Memorial Day parades, ceremonies, and other events.
2. Volunteer: Organizations such as the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), and local veterans' groups often seek volunteers for Memorial Day events and activities.
3. Educate Yourself and Others: Take the time to learn about the history of Memorial Day and share its significance with friends and family, particularly younger generations who may not fully understand the importance of this day.

As we gather with friends and family this Memorial Day, let us remember to honor and remember those who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom. Their sacrifice is the foundation upon which our liberties are built, and their memory should inspire us to strive for a future worthy of their courage and dedication.

### **Conclusion**

Memorial Day is a powerful reminder of the cost of our freedom and the bravery of those who have fought to protect it. As we observe this important holiday, let's take time to reflect, remember, and honor the heroes who have made our way of life possible. Through our collective remembrance, we ensure that their sacrifices are never forgotten.

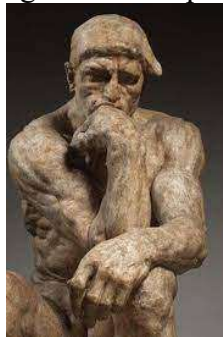


### **Happy May Birthdays**

**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).**

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

I mowed the lawn today, and after doing so I sat down and had a cold beer. The day was really quite beautiful, and the drink facilitated some deep thinking. My wife walked by and asked me what I was doing, and I said, "Nothing." The reason I said "nothing" instead of saying "just thinking" is because she then would have asked, "About what?" At that point I would have had to explain that men are deep thinkers about various topics, which would lead to other questions. Finally, I pondered an age-old question: Is giving birth more painful than getting kicked in the nuts?



Women always maintain that giving birth is way more painful than a guy getting kicked in the nuts, but how could they know?

Well, after another beer, and some more heavy deductive thinking, I have come up with an answer to that question.

Getting kicked in the nuts is more painful than having a baby, and even though I obviously couldn't really know, here is the reason for my conclusion:

A year or so after giving birth, a woman will often say, "It might be nice to have another child."

But you never hear a guy say, "You know, I think I would like another kick in the nuts."

I rest my case. Time for another beer. Then maybe a nap.

Have a great week!

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## MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The Membership Committee met with **David Schwenn, John Race and Terry Conway**, and we made the executive decision to approve their membership. Please make these fine gentlemen feel welcome.

Jerry Jasinski

## GOLF NEWS

ATTACHED WILL BE MEMBERS WHO SIGNED UP TO BE IN THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP. PLEASE TAKE A CLOSE LOOK TO SEE IF YOU SIGNED UP TO PLAY IN THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP. YOUR NAME HAS AN X NEXT TO IT. LIKEWISE, IF YOU DON'T WANT TO PLAY IN IT, PLEASE TEXT ME AT 708-269-3464.

ALSO, I HAVE A LIST OF GUYS WHO JUST WANT TO GOLF AND YOU GUYS NEED TO CALL THE HOTLINE TO GIVE ME YOUR FOURSOME OR I WILL PAIR YOU UP.

I AM DRAWING DIVISIONS BY SATURDAY, AFTER SATURDAY IT IS TOO LATE.

ALSO, FINAL LIST OF TWO-MAN TEAMS WILL BE ATTACHED, AND I NEED EVERYONE TO PAY BEFORE IT STARTS.

ALSO RESULTS FROM SCRAMBLE ARE ATTACHED, CLOSE ONE. IF ONLY I COULD PUTT, I COULD'VE BEEN A WINNER.

Thanks

Larry

Your golf guy.

\*\*\*\*Next week starts the Club Championship. All members are invited to participate. Unfortunately, applicants and members with NO BTC established handicap can participate. There will be a sign-up sheet on the board, if you want to play in this **free event but** you must sign the sheet or give me a call before next Friday. I must draw divisions and do not want to redo it so Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> will be the cutoff day.

## GREEN GARDEN SCRAMBLE 2024

WON

1ST	SCHLESSLER,T	RADCLIFFE	PODLASEK	BAY	67 250 EACH
1ST	PARISI	HERATY	HAMMOND	CARLSTROM	67 250 EACH
3RD	LEE	WILSON	ZIELINSKI	PAOLETTTI	68
3RD	SCHLESSLER,P	VIZDAL	ROB	KLEINPASTE	68
3RD	GARETTO,J	OLLENBURGER	LAMBROS	VAN ECK	68
3RD	KOGUT	VARDIKOS	BRUNO		68
7TH	LES	RAYMOND	TUCKER	KELLY	69
7TH	FOSTER,B	JENNER	GARETTO,L	SWINTEK	69
9TH	OSTROWSKI	SCHROEDEER	TOMKINS	STRADAL	70
9TH	FOSTER,G	ROBERTS	FRANKO	SEEBOCK	70
11TH	ELLIOTT	BEWLEY	BOTWINSKI	HUTCH	71
11TH	DAY	ALEXANDER	JASINSKI	ZILIS	71

## CLOSEST TO THE PIN

#4	VARDIKOS	KOGUT	BRUNO		25 EACH
#7	P SCHLESSLER	VIZDAL	ROB	KLEINPASTE	25 EACH
#12	LES	RAYMOND	TUCKER	KELLY	25 EACH
#16	FOSTER,B	JENNER	GARETTO,L	SWINTEK	25 EACH

CLOSEST SCRAMBLE I CAN REMEMBER HAVING.

4 STROKES BETWEEN 1ST AND 12TH

THANKS FOR EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED

TWO MAN TEAMS	PAID	PLAYER	PAID
OLLENBURGER	PAID	BEWLEY	PAID
ROB		ELLIOTT	
GANZ	PAID	QUILICI	PAID
HERATY		STANFORD	
MCDERMOTT	PAID	ZIELINSKI	PAID
LES	PAID	BONARIGO	PAID
MUSSER		WILL	
SCHLESSER	PAID	SCHLESSER	PAID
RADCLIFFE	PAID	FURMAN	PAID
STEWART	PAID	JANDA W	PAID
DAY	PAID	OSTROWSKI	PAID
JASINSKI	PAID	BAND AUSKI	PAID
CANTELO	PAID	TUCKER	PAID
KOGUT	PAID	VARDIKOS	PAID
TOMKINS	PAID	BAY	PAID
GRAMITH	PAID	WELSCH	PAID
ROBERTS	PAID	ALEXANDER	PAID
KAZ	PAID	SERITELLA	PAID
BOTWINSKI	PAID	CHMELAR	PAID
VIZDAL		RAYMOND	
STRADAL		PODLASEK	
GUARNIERI	PAID	BONDI	PAID
BAZAN		FRANKO	
CARLSTROM	PAID	SCHROEDER	PAID
SAMOSKA,J		SKONIE	
VAN ECK		DEMPSEY	
JESK	PAID	MAIRA	PAID
LEE	PAID	WILSON	PAID
SAMOSKA,D	PAID	SAMOSKA,R	
FOSTER,G		JENNER	
CARIOTI	PAID	CARIOTI	PAID
BRIER	PAID	MORETTI	PAID
FOSTER,B		LAMBROS	
ABRAMOWICZ	PAID	ANDERSEN	PAID
BANAS		SWINTEK	
ROLLINS		BALDERMANN	
HUTCH		FEBEL	
BRUNO		PARISI	
PIVARONAS		KELLY	

MARINO

POTERACKI PAID (OUT)

BTC Golf Results  
5/21/2024  
Green Garden Blue

Division 1 (0 - 36)										Handicapped Scores													
Par	4	4	5	3	4	5	3	4	4	36	4	4	3	5	4	5	3	4	4	36	72		
H/C	13	11	3	15	7	1	17	5	9		10	12	18	4	6	2	16	14	8				

Skins:  
Closest to the Pin  
Division 1  
Division 1 Players:

	H/C: x x x 1 x x x x x x x x 3 x x x x 2																		
Hole:	4	7	12	16	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Serritella	XXX	Stewart	Guamieri	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	20 Christophersen		X		X	D Samoska		High Net:		No pay high net									

Number of Skins: 3 Pay Each Skin: 33 Skins: Younus, Chmelar, Breier

Blind Best Ball:	1	64	100	Quilici / Cantelo Breier / Bondi D Samoska / P Garetto																
	2	64	60	Tie																
	3	64	40	Tie																
	Back:			None																

Name	H/C	Div	DG	Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	Net	Best Ball
Kaz	29	1Y		1	6	4	5	4	3	3	3	4	3	35	4	5	5	6	7	5	5	4	5	46	81	65
Welsch	20	1Y		1	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	30	4	5	2	6	4	5	3	6	4	39	69	
Quilici	11	1Y		1	5	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	5	36	5	5	3	5	4	4	4	5	3	38	74	64
Cantelo	18	1Y		1	4	4	5	2	6	6	3	3	3	36	4	6	2	6	4	5	2	4	5	38	74	
Lewis	22	1Y		1	6	4	7	2	5	6	2	4	4	40	5	5	4	4	5	4	3	4	6	40	80	68
Younus	36	1Y		1	5	6	5	3	4	4	3	4	4	38	4	6	3	7	6	4	3	5	2	40	78	
Chmelar	28	1Y		1	5	4	7	3	5	7	4	5	5	45	6	4	4	3	4	4	6	8	3	42	87	65
Bonarigo	17	1Y		1	3	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	4	34	3	3	6	4	5	5	2	5	4	37	71	
Breier	36	1Y		1	4	5	6	1	3	6	2	3	4	34	5	4	3	5	7	6	2	3	7	42	76	64
Bondi	15	1Y		1	4	3	4	3	4	5	5	3	4	35	4	4	3	5	5	4	4	3	5	37	72	
Heslop	14	1Y		1	4	4	5	3	6	4	4	4	3	37	5	3	4	7	4	5	5	3	6	42	79	67
Serritella	16	1Y		1	4	4	5	2	4	4	3	4	3	33	4	4	4	6	3	4	3	4	4	36	69	
Flanagan	28	1Y		1	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	3	6	35	4	7	4	5	4	3	3	4	6	40	75	68
Stewart	17	1Y		1	4	4	6	4	5	5	3	3	5	39	4	6	2	5	6	5	2	4	5	39	78	
JandaW	24	1Y		1	4	3	3	4	6	4	3	4	4	35	4	5	3	4	3	3	3	4	7	36	71	65
Delano	36	1Y		1	5	6	5	2	4	4	2	5	4	37	7	6	4	6	5	4	3	4	6	45	82	
Christophersen	26	1Y		1	6	5	7	2	4	5	4	3	4	40	4	5	2	7	4	4	4	5	5	40	80	65
Guamieri	19	1Y		1	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	3	4	33	6	4	3	4	5	6	3	4	4	39	72	
Samoska,D	29	1Y		1	5	4	4	3	5	5	4	4	3	37	3	4	5	5	6	4	3	6	4	40	77	64
Garetto,PJ	13	1Y		1	3	4	7	2	4	3	4	3	5	35	3	3	4	6	3	6	5	5	4	39	74	

# 2024 UPDATED GOLF SCHEDULE

DATE	COURSE	TIME	SPLIT OR SHOTGUN OR TEE TIMES	EVENT
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 ELEC