The Glade Springs Villager



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Message from our General Manager

Dear Residents:

Happy new year from all of us at the POA. We are excited to move into a new year and new opportunities the new year can bring for all of us.

The Communications Committee has decided that moving forward, Matt Felber and Patrick Murphy will be alternating months with providing information to the community in the newsletter. This will free up the gentlemen to address other responsibilities.

The POA office has received some questions about how owners can obtain a back gate pass. To request a back gate pass, you will need to contact the administrative office at 304-763-2000, and they will be happy to assist you. The cost is \$15.90 (this includes tax per transponder).

Has your contact information changed? Do you have a new email, phone number, or mailing address? Do you want to add another email to the POA Contact list? Don't forget to let the POA office know so we can stay in touch with you. Email the management team your new contact information at

info@gladespringspoa.com

If you would like to submit an article to the Communications Committee to be considered for inclusion in a newsletter, please email it to <u>the office</u> and we will be happy to pass it on.

It's **snow season**, and Public Works has informed the POA office, they are ready to address snow removal. Below are a few reminders about snow removal before the storms start:

- Public works has informed that all of the snow trucks are functioning and ready to go.
- The Public Works Department has secured adequate salt to address slippery roads.
- Please note that the team follows a set plan for snow removal, and it is the same plan that they follow every year. No changes in the snow removal plan are being made.
- If you have an emergency during a snow event, please call the front gate for assistance. You can reach the front gate at 304-763-4385

Respectfully yours,

Linda Horensavitz, PCAM General Manager

Around the Green



Now that the holiday season is behind us, we enter into the heart of the winter months, and old man Winter will begin to show his ugly face. Things tend to move a little slower this time of year, but this is not the case for the golf maintenance team. We have numerous projects to tackle before the arrival of the warmer days of spring. Winter is the perfect time to take on projects like this, which will be beneficial for the upcoming season.

All course accessories will be getting a facelift, along with the addition of a few new key pieces. On course, staking and directional pieces are being resurfaced and painted. All signage and yardage plates are being stripped, painted, and relined. There will be several new items added for the 2024 season, so be on the lookout for new tee markers, flagsticks, and pin position signage at the starter building.

Not only do the winter months provide time to refresh our on-course items, but, it also gives us a chance to focus on our administrative responsibilities as well. We are streamlining our employee training program and putting focus on promoting the development of existing employees. Our employees are an investment, and I will always embrace motivation and hard work. New goals are being set with our expectations clearly defined. This will keep us uniform and set a standard for all employees. We are also using this time to implement any new policies and procedures that we may have.

Just because the courses are frozen doesn't mean all work is done indoors. We are taking on several on-course projects as well. We have bunker work planned that will involve some reshaping and possibly converting some unnecessary bunkers from sand to grass. We will also be tapping into our irrigation lines, adding quick couplers in some key areas that have historically been hot spots in years past. This will allow us to hook up hoses for hand watering. The use of hoses will allow us to target specific areas instead of broadcasting over a large area. Leaving behind unfavorable wet conditions. There will also be lots of clearing of underbrush and selective tree work.

Tree work is a necessary part of every golf maintenance department and, if ignored, can provide significant setbacks and/or difficulties in the growing season. Trees continue to grow and increase in size year after year. When trees get bigger, so does the shadow that they throw, limiting the amount of sunlight that we would receive. Not only do they shade our turf, but trees have the potential to encroach and can impact the visibility of greens and limit shotmaking opportunities. The most detrimental is the effect on playability and performance of the turf. If trees aren't properly managed by utilizing techniques such as thinning, limbing up, and/or removal when necessary, there is no doubt that sunlight will be blocked and grasses will suffer from reduced growth due to shade. This will make them much more susceptible to winter injuries and decline. We also must be aware of what is happening underground. Tree roots can stretch into unwanted areas such as fairways and tee boxes, taking away critical nutrients and water from surrounding turfgrasses. Not only will this cause unsightly damage, but it also comes with a cost. Typically, sod will be purchased along with seed to fix the damaged areas. Both of which have seen steep price increases over the past couple of years.

Trees are beautiful, and removal is always the last option. Therefore, we focus our energy on raising the canopy; when possible, this will allow sunlight to penetrate and reach our turf below. The winter months may be cold and even unpleasant at times, but it is the perfect time to take on this type of work. Therefore, the winter months are just as important to us as the peak months of summer. By using our time wisely this winter, it will enable us to hit the ground running come opening day. I look forward to seeing everyone on the course this spring.

-Reminder-

All golf carts will be restricted to the path during the months of January and February.

The board has decided to close the Stonehaven Course to public play from January 2, 2024, through February 28, 2024. After much consideration and the

board's evaluation of a financial review of the Stonehaven Course for the months of January and February.

Owners with a valid trail pass will be able to play the Stonehaven course. No POA golf carts will be available from January 2, 2024, to February 28, 2024. The golf carts will be stored in a location that will best protect the asset and allow time for the golf maintenance team to perform maintenance on the carts. Stonehaven will not require a tee time during this period.

Thank you,

Patrick Murphy,
Golf Course Supernatant
Glade Springs Village Property Owners Association

If you need to reach Patrick, you can email him at: Patrick Murphy's Email

GSVPOA Management Office Hours

The GSVPOA Management office is open Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. You can reach the office staff at 304-763-5382 or you can email us at the POA Management office at info@gladespringspoa.com



Commonly Requested / Needed Phone Numbers

www.gladespringspoa.com info@gladespringspoa.com

The POA Management Office – 304-763-5382 Woodhaven Pro Shop – 304-763-3332 The Front Gate – 304-763-4385 Cobb Golf Shop – 304-763-2050 The Resort Main Number – 304-763-2000

American Electric Power (AEP) – Electrical Service -888-710-4237
Frontier – Telephone - 800-921-8101
West Virginia American Water Company – Water - 800-685-8660
Shady Spring Public Service District – Sewer -304-255-1565
Optimum Cable -877-694-9474
Mountaineer Gas – Natural Gas -800-834-2070
Raleigh County Tax Department – 304-255-9162
Beckley Garbage – 304-252-6051
Oak Hill Garbage – 304-255-6551

Lusk Garbage Disposal – 304-253-3292 Bunkers – 304-763-0817 Small Talk Café – 304-763-0814

City of Beckley 2024 Events



Events organized by Beckley's Events Committee with the City of Beckley

Follow "Beckley Events" on Facebook for more details and events. Also, visit Beckley. Events to add other local events on the Chamber's Community Calendar. Another local event source — raleighcountyevents.com. Beckley Events: 304-256-1776, jmoorefield@beckley.org.

To reserve a city property (city park, gazebo, Beckley Intermodal Gateway Plaza, trail) for events, contact Beverly Farris at 304-256-1748.

For more information, check out the City of Beckley website: https://beckley.org/city-event-calendars/

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No Ice is Safe Ice

As the colder weather will soon be with us, no ice is safe to walk on. When Chatham Lake and the various streams ice over please stay off the ice for your own safety. Parents, please remind your children that ice is not safe to cross or play on.



Update on Road Construction, US 19 Southern Sections of the Z-Way



The extension of US 19 south of the East Beckley bypass will be built in two projects. The first will be a new road that extends US 19 from the intersection of the East Beckley bypass and I-64 to Beaver. The road will intersect with US 19 at the Old Crow Intersection below the School of Harmony. The second project will begin at that point and widen the existing road to three lanes south past the US 3 route intersection to Hinton.

The contract to build the new road was awarded to Kanawha Stone in June 2023. That contractor is currently in the process of obtaining all the permits to get their sediment and erosion plans approved by WVDEP. The contractor is also in the process of ordering materials and arranging to get their construction equipment on site. The project has been delayed by slow court hearings on the condemnation of property and receiving right-to-enter approval. Relocation of utilities, especially water lines, has also taken a lot of time.

The construction contract for the second project, widening US 19 to three lanes, was awarded on November 13th to Mountaineer Contracting. Construction on this project should begin early in the spring of next year and will no doubt cause considerable traffic problems. The WVDOH has asked the contractor to work in small, localized sections to help reduce traffic congestion. There is, however, no way to completely eliminate the traffic headaches.

The Beckley-Raleigh County Transportation Authority has been working with the WVDOH since 2006 to design and complete the Z-Way route. The mission in the beginning was to construct a highway that would allow the heavy traffic from Shady Spring and Daniels to flow unimpeded north on US 19 to Beckley and eventually to Robert C. Byrd Drive and a bypass around Beckley.

The Authority has been successful to date in getting the East Beckley Bypass (part of the Z-Way) extended to Robert C. Byrd Drive on the other side of Beckley. The remaining two projects that complete the Z-Way design are the southern sections of Beaver, Daniels, and Shady Spring. Those two projects are now under contract and will hopefully be completed within the next two years. The new road construction may take a little longer.

On Thursday, June 22, 2006, the Register-Herald's front page headline quoted the WV Secretary of Transportation and Highways Commissioner as saying "No state funds are coming for Beckley bypass until 2025." The Beckley-Raleigh County Transportation Authority refused to accept that and started working toward completing the Z-Way in a timely manner.

The transportation authority's rejection of "no funding until 2025" and the action taken by the authority resulted in the Z-Way being extended to Robert

C. Byrd Drive, completing the bypass by 2021. In the year 2023, the final two sections of the Z-Way were funded and under contract for construction.

The year 2025 will see a Z-Way nearing completion instead of a lengthy construction just beginning. The end is in sight; be patient.

Bill Baker, President Beckley-Raleigh County Transportation Authority

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