



# St. Patrick's Day PARTY



Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

Cocktails and Dancing Following Dinner  
Drink Specials All Night



## St. Patty's Day Favorites

- Corned beef and cabbage  
with boiled potatoes..... 12.75
- Guinness braised shepherd's pie.....9.50
- Creamy Bailey's Mousse Pie.....6.75

*May your glass be ever full  
May the roof over your  
head be always strong  
And may you be in heaven  
A half hour before the  
devil knows you're gone.*

— Old Irish Toast



## Welcome New Members!

### Membership Status

(as of March 1, 2012)

Proprietary/Corp-Primary .....	270
Non-Resident .....	5
Social.....	9
Briarwood Subdivision .....	22
Founder .....	8
Business .....	5
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>319</b>

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# News *from the* **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

February 21, 2012

## Executive Board Memo to the Members

The 2012 Golf Season is upon us! We hope you are ready and excited. We as your board are excited and have spent countless hours in discussions with professional golf organizations and club advisors on trends from past, present, and future of private clubs in order to make The Briarwood the best in Montana. This mission is two fold, we need to attract new members and secure the ones we have.

### *Attracting New Members*

In order to run our club in a financially secure setting we need new members. It is our hope that you will approve the suggested By-Law changes. The suggested changes to the By-Laws are an attempt to position The Briarwood in a way to facilitate attracting new members. It is the board's goal to increase the value of each of our investments through growth. We are asking you to approve the following changes to the By-Laws:

- Add a new Single Membership.
- Add a new Young Professional Membership.
- Add a new Elite Social Membership to replace the Social and the Briarwood Social memberships.
- Change the current Business Membership to allow four additional memberships for a total of 6.

### *Securing Current Members*

We want The Briarwood to be family friendly and golf challenging. With that as our goal, we hope that you have seen the improvements in progress: A small remodel to the clubhouse is underway to separate a bar setting from a family dining atmosphere, new lighting, new tables and chairs, some new flooring and paint that we hope you will be proud of. Our course was the talk of Billings last year and Sean Sullivan's efforts have been nothing short of miraculous. Because of Sean's talent, our losses have been contained to less than what they could have been and we are getting a more aesthetic course with great playing conditions. If you get a moment, please thank him.

We believe the above changes to the By-Laws, if approved, will help us in attracting the new members we need to make our club the premier club in Montana. Please plan on attending the annual meeting on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 to discuss these changes and other items of interest to your club. If you have questions prior to the meeting, call any of the board members.

From the board, we thank you for your trust and we wish you a great golf season in 2012.

Dirk Bauwens, Paul Kennelly, Mike Skaggs, Stu Summers, Matt Hall,  
Bryan Roach, Bruce Hamm, Randy McGrail, and Chris White

## 2012 Briarwood Tournament Calendar

<b>March 24</b>	March Madness "Money Ball" Tourney (11am Shotgun)
<b>April 1</b>	Presidents Cup Signup begins (Men's & Women's)
<b>April 14</b>	Ladies Clinic (10:00 am)
<b>April 16</b>	Men's League Fun Night (5:45 Shotgun)
<b>April 21</b>	Men's Kickoff Scramble (9:00 Shotgun)
<b>April 23-25</b>	Course Aerification
<b>May 4</b>	Billings High School Fundraiser (8:30 Shotgun)
<b>May 5</b>	Ladies Kickoff Scramble (9:00 Shotgun)
<b>May 18</b>	Chamber of Commerce (Double Shotgun 7:30 & 1:30)
<b>May 26</b>	Couples Kickoff (1:00 Shotgun)
<b>June 1</b>	Briarwood Ladies Pro-Am (8am T-Times)
<b>June 2-3</b>	Member – Member (8:00 – 11:00 both days)
<b>June 7</b>	Vision Net (8:00 Shotgun)
<b>June 11</b>	Senior Interclub (9am Shotgun)
<b>June 12</b>	Junior Lessons Start (8:00 – 11:00)
<b>June 12</b>	Couples League (3:00)
<b>June 14</b>	Ladies League (5:45 Shotgun)
<b>June 15</b>	Yellowstone CASA Golf Tourney (1pm Shotgun)
<b>June 17</b>	Fathers Day Tournament
<b>June 19</b>	Auto Auction (1:00 Shotgun)
<b>June 23</b>	Couples Event (3:00)
<b>June 29</b>	NAIFA Scholarship Fundraiser (8:30 Shotgun)
<b>June 30</b>	The "Bash" Ladies Member – Guest (9:00 Tee-Times)
<b>July 2</b>	Briarwood Men's Pro-Am
<b>July 4</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Flag Tournament
<b>July 6</b>	West/Senior 25yr Reunion (8am Shotgun)
<b>July 12</b>	Junior Lesson Finale (8:00 – 11:00)
<b>July 13</b>	A&H Turf Specialties (8am & 1:30 Double Shotgun)
<b>July 19-22</b>	Montana Men's State Amateur (All Day)
<b>July 26-28</b>	The "Tangle" Men's Member - Guest
<b>August 2</b>	ASHRAE CRC Engineering (8:30 Shotgun)
<b>August 5</b>	Couples Event (3:00)
<b>?</b>	Billings Association of Realtors (9:00 Shotgun)
<b>August 11</b>	Midnight Masters – Full Moon Golf
<b>August 17</b>	Ferguson Golf Tourney (1:00 Shotgun)
<b>August 18-19</b>	Men's & Women's Club Championships (8:30 Tee-Times both day)
<b>August 24</b>	Billings Clinic Classic (12:00 Shotgun)
<b>August 27</b>	Briarwood Men's Pro-Am
<b>September 7</b>	Montana Stock Growers Golf Tournament (1:00 Shotgun)
<b>September 13</b>	SM Energy (9:00 Shotgun)
<b>September 16</b>	Briarwood Open
<b>September 17-19</b>	Course Aerification
<b>October 6</b>	CAT – GRIZ Match Play (10:00 Shotgun)

# *the Briarwood*

## **Ryder Cup 2012 Qualifying Criteria**

Throughout the year the Pro-Shop will award Members points for participating in tournaments/ events held here at Briarwood. Bonus points will be awarded based on your finish in these events.

The top (24) Members on the points list following the conclusion of the Briarwood Open, will qualify for the Briarwood Ryder Cup. Two equal teams will be made and play in a 27-Hole Ryder Cup style tournament (date TBD). The Golf Professionals will captain one team, and the Course Superintendent will captain the other.

***9 Holes – 2 Person Best Ball***

***9 Holes – 2 Person Chapman***

***9 Holes – Singles Matches***

Any top (24) qualifier will receive 10% off of all Merchandise in the Pro-Shop for the remainder of the year.

Winning team will receive 15% off of all Merchandise in the Pro-Shop for the remainder of the year.

### **Major Events (4 pts.)**

Presidents Cup (Men & Women)  
Club Championship (Men & Women)  
The "Tangle"  
The "Bash"  
Briarwood Men's Pro-Am  
Briarwood Ladies Pro-Am

### **Special Events (2pts.)**

Men's Kickoff Scramble  
Women's Kickoff Scramble  
Briarwood Major – Masters  
Briarwood Major – US Open  
Briarwood Major – British Open  
Briarwood Major – PGA Championship  
Briarwood Open

### **Other Events (1pt.)**

Couples Kickoff  
March Madness  
Men's League  
Ladies League  
Flag Tourney  
Midnight Masters  
Couples League

\*Points will be updated after the completion of each event and will be posted in the Pro-Shop! Also the monthly totals will be updated each month in the ChipShots newsletter.

**Good Luck & Thank you for supporting the  
Briarwood Country Club and its events!!**

## News *from the* RESTAURANT

*Rex Ripley*

I hope that everyone had a great February! March is already upon us and along with it hopefully some more great weather for golf! Our renovations are winding down and if you have not already made it down please stop in, say hello and enjoy the new atmosphere.

Thank you to everyone who enjoyed our Valentine's Dinner and made it a success. We hope to see even more people here for our St. Patrick's Day party on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Chef Tyler is cooking up some of your St. Patty's Day favorites as well as some other exciting dishes. Like always we are taking reservations and urge everyone to call early to get signed up. Also in March, college basketball starts coming to a close and with it comes fun games to partake in along with food and drink specials.

Remember that Easter and Mother's Day are both right around the corner and that it is never too early to call and reserve your spot for both of these great brunches!

## News *from the* PRO SHOP

*Scott Pekovich, Head PGA Professional*

The 2012 golf season is here and the course will begin to green up before you know it! The TaylorMade equipment has arrived in the Pro-Shop and has been a huge success. Come see the latest in technology and apparel from a variety of vendors arriving daily.

\*Men's & Women's League sign ups begin March 15<sup>th</sup>.

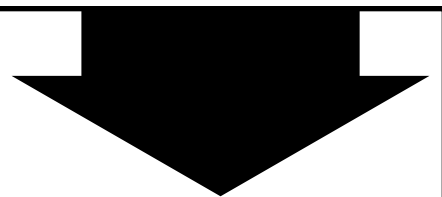
\*Men's & Women's Presidents Cup Match Play event sign ups begin March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Call the Pro-Shop (248-2702) for the details and to secure your spots, these events will be limited and fill up fast. The team meetings will be announced at a later time.

### Annual Meeting

March 13<sup>th</sup> • 6:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like to know what will be going on at Briarwood this year **PLEASE** attend the annual meeting. We will also be voting on the 2012 board members. This is **YOUR** club, so helpful suggestions and feedback are always welcomed to help insure we are giving you the best experience at The Briarwood Country Club.



### USE IT OR LOSE IT

**March** is the **last month** for "Use-it-or-lose-it"!

Please come out and enjoy the great food in our restaurant.

# March 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Annual Meeting 6:30 pm	14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day Dinner and Dance
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 March Madness Money Ball Tourney 10 am
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## *the Briarwood* RESTAURANT

### HOURS

**MONDAY** .....Closed  
**TUESDAY** ..... 9 AM - 8 PM  
**WEDNESDAY** ..... 9 AM - 8 PM  
**THURSDAY** ..... 9 AM - 8 PM  
**FRIDAY** ..... 9 AM - 8 PM  
**SATURDAY** ..... 9 AM - 8 PM  
**SUNDAY** ..... 8 AM - 7 PM

### BAR HOURS

**Monday** .....TBA  
**Tuesday** ..... 9 AM-9 PM  
**Wednesday** .....9 AM-Close  
**Thursday** ..... 9 AM-9 PM  
**Friday** .....9 AM-Close  
**Saturday** .....8 AM-Close  
**Sunday** ..... 8 AM-7 PM

### NOW SERVING BREAKFAST

#### MENU

2 eggs, hash browns, bacon or  
 sausage, toast ..... \$6.50  
 2 Eggs Benedict  
 with hash browns ..... \$5.50  
 2 breakfast sandwiches  
 with hash browns ..... \$6.50  
 Biscuits & Gravy ..... \$5.50

## PIZZA TO GO! 245-2966

### THE BRIARWOOD PHONE DIRECTORY

Pro Shop	248-2702	Maintenance	248-5153
Clubhouse	245-2966	Office	248-1215