



# RIDGEPOINTE COUNTRY CLUB

JANUARY 2025



## WELCOME 2025!

As we head through the colder months, it's exciting to see membership at RidgePointe growing! It's been a pleasure welcoming new residents and showcasing the incredible offerings of our club. We've also seen a rise in non-resident memberships and are eagerly awaiting spring to welcome even more new faces. A huge thank you to everyone who attended or sponsored events at The Pointe in December—it was a fantastic way to celebrate the season together. Looking ahead, we're gearing up for more fun in 2025 with exciting tournaments, member events, and delicious winter specials like hearty braised dishes and fresh seafood. The golf course is in great shape as we prepare for the spring, and our Tennis and Pickleball departments have a jam-packed January lined up. Don't forget to check Clubster for updates on events, sales, and new offers! Here's to an amazing 2025—let's make it our best year yet!

*We Appreciate  
you!*

*A heartfelt shout-out to the entire RidgePointe staff for their unwavering dedication, hard work, and the exceptional service they provide every single day. A sincere thank you to our members for your continued support—it's because of you that we thrive.*

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# CLUB REMINDERS

## BILLING

- Remember that setting up an Automatic Bank Draft is easy, convenient, & has no fees. Contact Stacy to get signed up!
- Sign up for e-mail statements to reduce paper waste and mailing issues
- Signing up for Clubster allows you to see all of the RidgePointe events & happenings- all at your fingertips!

## FOOD & BEVERAGE

- Need to plan an event? Contact Chef Joe! We have several packages to choose from.
- Be on the lookout for upcoming Specials on Clubster

## GOLF

- The Golf Shop hours are Tuesday-Sunday from 8am-5pm. The first tee time starts at 9am.
- Be on the lookout for sales & golf events on Clubster
- Please make sure you are obeying golf course rules. Closures or course updates will be on Clubster.

## MEMBERSHIP

- Information about membership is located in the Admin. Office
- If you have someone you know interested in a membership, please have them reach out to Stacy at [office@ridgepointecountryclub.com](mailto:office@ridgepointecountryclub.com) or by calling 870-931-5000

## MISC. EVENTS/ REMINDERS

Setting up an Automatic Bank Draft is quick, easy, and completely fee-free—contact Stacy to get started today! Want to reduce paper waste and avoid mailing issues? Sign up for e-mail statements! Be sure to download Clubster to access all RidgePointe events and happenings right at your fingertips—plus, look out for upcoming specials! Planning an event? Chef Joe is ready to help with a variety of packages to choose from. Don't miss out on sales and golf events, which will also be posted on Clubster. The Golf Shop is open Tuesday-Sunday from 8am-5pm, with the first tee time starting at 9am. Make sure to follow all golf course rules—closures and course updates will be posted on Clubster. If you're interested in membership or know someone who is, information is available at the Admin Office, or you can reach out to Stacy directly at [office@ridgepointecountryclub.com](mailto:office@ridgepointecountryclub.com) or by calling 870-931-5000. Let's make the most of our wonderful community—get involved, stay informed, and enjoy everything RidgePointe has to offer!

# MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

As we turn the page into 2025, I am filled with excitement and optimism for what the upcoming year holds for RidgePointe Country Club. Our team remains committed to enhancing the experience for our members and ensuring that RidgePointe continues to be a place of exceptional service, camaraderie, and unparalleled facilities.

This year, we are focusing on expanding and diversifying the programming we offer to our members. Whether it's new social events, family-oriented activities, or additional tennis and golf opportunities, we are excited to create more ways for our members to connect and engage with the club. We are also looking forward to hosting more tournaments and special events, further elevating the club's status as a premier destination for both leisure and sport.

In addition to expanding our programming, we are prioritizing member experience through enhanced services and upgraded amenities. From our dining offerings to our recreational programs, our goal is to make sure that every visit to RidgePointe feels like a special occasion. We are also exploring new technology and tools to improve communication and further enhance your overall experience at the club.

While we have faced some financial challenges in recent times, we are confident in the steps we are taking to improve our outlook. We have a clear plan in place to stabilize our finances and continue providing exceptional value to our members. With the ongoing support and engagement of our community, we are optimistic that 2025 will mark a turning point for the club, allowing us to invest in the improvements and experiences our members deserve.

As we look ahead to 2025, I want to extend my gratitude to each of you for your continued support and dedication to RidgePointe. Together, we will make this year one of the best yet, and I am confident that we are on the path to even greater success.

Here's to a fantastic year ahead at RidgePointe Country Club!

Sincerely,  
Brett Walster, PGA  
General Manager/Director of Golf



# GOLF



As we reflect on this past year, the golf staff would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you. It is an absolute privilege to serve such a wonderful membership. Your support, enthusiasm, and passion for the game make our work truly rewarding. Here's to another successful year and many more rounds of great golf in 2025! We will be introducing new events for the membership and striving to make existing ones bigger and better. Our membership has grown and will continue to grow next year, which will only elevate the club as a whole. We are finalizing and updating the tournament schedule for 2025 and will have it available to the membership as soon as it is finished. We will also be making changes to our league play to increase participation and create a fun environment for all. I would like to thank Dan and his staff for keeping the course in such great shape throughout the year. The Pro Shop will have even more stock this year, as we've had time to plan for spring orders. Plan for those to start rolling in by early March.



- *Connor Thomas* Head Golf Professional

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# TENNIS



## Events & Happenings

### TENNIS

JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP  
January 7-12  
January 11 // Pizza Party at Noon

ADULT CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP  
January 14-January 19

### PICKLEBALL

ADULT & JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP  
January 29-30  
ADULT TENNIS & PICKLEBALL PARTY  
January 17// LIVE MUSIC  
with Jon Jones

*Get ready for an action-packed January at the Tennis and Pickleball Department, where there's something for everyone.*

*We're kicking off with the Junior Tennis Club Championships from January 7 to 12, featuring a pizza party at noon on Saturday, January 11. Then, it's time for the adults to take the spotlight with the Adult Tennis Club Championship from January 14 to 19. For pickleball fans, the Adult and Junior Club Championships will take place January 29 and 30.*

*Don't miss the highlight of the month—the Adult Tennis and Pickleball Party on Friday, January 17, complete with live music by Jon Jones. It's the perfect chance to celebrate and unwind with fellow players.*

*For those looking to up their game, the January Junior Tennis and Pickleball Clinics offer fantastic opportunities for players of all ages and skill levels. From Red Ball for beginners to Advanced Tournament Clinics for experienced players, these sessions are designed to teach, inspire, and challenge. Sessions are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the month.*

*A special thank you goes out to Vanessa, Jeff, and the entire tennis department crew for their hard work in creating such a fantastic lineup. Their dedication and passion make every event a success.*

*To sign up or get more information, call (870) 931-4211 or email Vanessa Roper at [vroper@ridgepointecountryclub.com](mailto:vroper@ridgepointecountryclub.com). Don't wait to join the fun!*





# YOUTH CLINICS

SIGN UP IS FOR THE MONTH// MINIMUM IS FOUR STUDENTS PER CLINIC

TENNIS IS MORE THAN JUST A GAME—IT HELPS TEENS SUCCEED IN SCHOOL, STAY HEALTHY, AND BUILD IMPORTANT LIFE SKILLS. STUDIES SHOW THAT TEENS WHO PLAY TENNIS DO BETTER ACADEMICALLY, HAVE FEWER SUSPENSIONS, AND ARE MORE INVOLVED IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES LIKE VOLUNTEERING AND THE ARTS. THE SPORT TEACHES FOCUS, PROBLEM-SOLVING, AND RESILIENCE, WHICH CAN HELP IN SCHOOL AND LIFE.

TENNIS PLAYERS ARE ALSO HEALTHIER—THEY'RE LESS LIKELY TO SMOKE, DRINK, OR GAIN EXTRA WEIGHT COMPARED TO NON-ATHLETES OR THOSE IN CONTACT SPORTS. WHILE THE SPORT IS MORE COMMON AMONG HIGHER-INCOME FAMILIES, IT BENEFITS EVERYONE BY IMPROVING FITNESS, BUILDING CHARACTER, AND ENCOURAGING ACADEMIC SUCCESS. TENNIS REALLY CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE FOR TEENS!



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**TUESDAYS**

<i>Red Ball</i>	<i>Ages 5-8</i>	<i>3:45-4:45pm</i>	<i>\$45.00</i>
<i>Pickleball</i>	<i>Ages 10+</i>	<i>3:45-4:45pm</i>	<i>\$45.00</i>
<i>Int./Adv. Tournament</i>	<i>Ages 12+</i>	<i>4:45-6:00pm</i>	<i>\$52.50</i>

**JANUARY 7, 14, & 21**

**THURSDAYS**

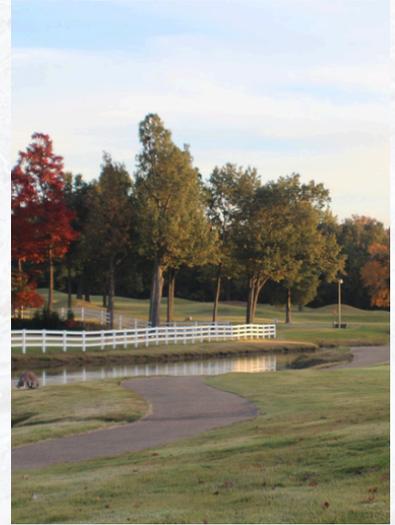
<i>Red Ball</i>	<i>Ages 5-8</i>	<i>3:45-4:45pm</i>	<i>\$45.00</i>
<i>Orange Ball</i>	<i>Ages 8-9</i>	<i>3:45-4:45pm</i>	<i>\$45.00</i>
<i>Green Ball</i>	<i>Ages 10+</i>	<i>3:45-4:45pm</i>	<i>\$45.00</i>
<i>Int./Adv. Tournament</i>	<i>Ages 12+</i>	<i>4:45-6:00pm</i>	<i>\$52.50</i>

**JANUARY 2, 9, 16 & 23**

CALL 870-931-4211 TO SIGN UP OR EMAIL [VROPER@RIDGEPOINTECOUNTRYCLUB.COM](mailto:VROPER@RIDGEPOINTECOUNTRYCLUB.COM)

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# GOLF COURSE UPDATE



So far, this winter has been kind to the health of our turf. The grass is fully dormant, and we've successfully mulched about 90% of the fallen leaves. The greens are in great shape with no signs of damage, and we're staying vigilant, covering them as needed to protect against any cold snaps.

As we prepare for spring's arrival, we'll continue edging the cart paths, sprinkler heads, and yardage markers, ensuring everything is ready for that first burst of green. Wishing everyone a joyful New Year, and we can't wait to welcome you back to the course when the weather warms up!



- *Dan Brabec* Golf Course Superintendent

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# FOOD & BEVERAGE *updates*

First a big THANK YOU to everyone that held, attended or sponsored an event in The Pointe in December. We are very grateful to have had lots of great families and businesses including us in their holiday festivities.

The year 2024 was a fun and eventful year for us in The Food and Beverage Department from the Savor and Sound Dinners, The Rumble, The 4th of July, The Ladies Four Gal and our First Annual New Years Eve Bash. Thank you to The Members for supporting all of our events. It is great watching everyone enjoying the Social side of RidgePointe Country Club.

As we head into 2025 we have a pretty good calendar ready to go with tournaments and member events all in the planning process. We are always looking for any new ideas or suggestions for fun activities/events for us to add to the repertoire here at RPCC.

## **THE KITCHEN**

We are in the winter months now which means some good classic comfort foods. Our specials will start leaning towards some braised items along with soups, stews, pastas, winter veggies and of course fresh seafood!

## **THE BAR**

I had an inquiry for a good IPA beer to be added to the list, look for it in the coming month. It is also time that The Wine List gets a little attention, if you have some favorites or a suggestion or two please feel free to reach out with some ideas on what I can look for.

I would like to thank Jaime and Stuart and the rest of our team for all their hard work and dedication to creating quality dining experiences and memorable events. I couldn't do it without them!!

HAPPY NEW YEAR YA'LL!!!

CHEERS TO A GREAT 2025!!!!

*-Chef Joe* Chef/ Food & Beverage Director

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# MEMBERSHIP

Dear RidgePointe Community,

As we move through the colder months, I'm excited to share that membership at RidgePointe continues to grow. It's been a pleasure welcoming new residents into our vibrant community, and I've had the opportunity to show them just how special our club is. Our diverse membership options have allowed many to explore ways to get involved and make the most of what RidgePointe has to offer.

What has been especially rewarding is the rise in non-resident memberships. Even as the temperatures drop, we've seen many individuals from surrounding areas choose to become part of our community. This increase in membership truly highlights the appeal of our club, and we're eagerly awaiting the spring season when we anticipate even more new faces to join.

I'm grateful for the continued support from our members, and as always, I look forward to introducing even more people to the fantastic opportunities we share here at RidgePointe Country Club.

Warm regards,

- *Stacy Matilton* Membership Director & Accounts Receivables



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