



Upcoming Events:

8/5: MGA 3,2,1 8:30 t-times

8/19: Club Championship 8:00 t-times

8/20: Club Championship 8:00 t-times

8/28: APG 9:30

8/31: SC Homebuilders 10:00

Weekly Member Play:

Ladies Day: Tuesday & Thursday 8:15am

SMGA: Tuesday @ 9:00am

Dogfights: Wednesday @ 12:00; Friday @ 12:00;

Saturday @ 9:00; Sunday @ 12:00

Local Knowledge:

• Hole In One

We had a Hole In One bonanza at the club last month, with 4 members scoring ace's! On 7/5/23, Zach Farmer found the bottom of the cup on hole #3 from 151 yds with his PW. On the following day, Jean Burns also found the bottom of the cup on hole #3 from 98 yds using her 7 iron. Darren Hileman scored his ace on 7/17/23 on hole # 17 from 129 yds with his 8 iron. John Moore aced hole #3 on 7/20/23 from 98 yds using a PW. Congrats!

• Club Championship

With the Club Championship coming up later this month, you have a few more weeks to get you're 'A' game ready. Both Steve & Justin are available for lessons. Whether it's a few lessons or just a few tips, they are here to help.

• MGA 3-2-1

Get ready for another tournament with a fun format on August 5, with the MGA's 3-2-1 event. Read News from the Golf Shop for details, then find a team and get signed up!

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Changes on the Way

Important and exciting changes are on the way regarding how you can access your member account and schedule tee times. Over the past several months we have been working on changing our point of sale system (POS) and tee sheet. Last month the staff underwent training on the new system and we went live with the new system on July 20. We have been working hard to make the switch as pain free as possible for everyone. With our new POS system you will be able to view your member statement online and make changes to your payment information (i.e.: adding/updating your credit card info). We will also be able to start offering a bank draft if you prefer that method over a credit card. In addition, you will also be able to schedule a tee time online. Later this month we will send out new information with instructions on how you can access your account and make tee times. If you do not receive a monthly statement by August 2 via email, please let us know or if you have a new email address you would like to add send that information to: info@goldenhillsgolf.com. In the meantime, please have patience with us as we become more familiar with the new POS and tee sheet. *Thank you!*

News from the Golf Shop

We hope this newsletter finds you and your family having a fantastic summer! While the kids may be returning to school later this month, there will still be plenty of long sun filled days to enjoy all the amenities Golden Hills has to offer. Whether you are enjoying a round with friends, serving up a few aces, or just lounging around the pool, we hope you will be able to find time in your schedule to slow down and relax at Golden Hills!

Back in June, the 2023 Club Championship was delayed because of weather that made course conditions not suitable for our Club Championship. The maintenance staff has worked tirelessly this summer and Golden Hills is once again the class of the city. We have rescheduled the Club Championship for this month on August 19th & 20th. Registration is now open for all divisions: Men's, Women's, Senior, Super Senior and Juniors. Play will begin at 8am on Saturday with the Women's division teeing off first followed by Senior, Super Senior, Men's and Junior flights. Flighting will be determined by your first round score and number of players playing in each division. The Women's Club Championship will also have a net division and be played over 2 days as well. To sign up, simply call the Golf Shop at 803-957-3355 or let us know the next time you stop by the club. Come out and test your skills and see where you stack up against the rest of your peers!

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Men's Golf Associations Pick 6 tournament in July. In this format, if you normally play the blue tees you get to play 6 from the green, 6

from the blue, and 6 from the gold. This is a unique and fun format that requires some strategy. It was cool to see the guys discussing their strategies after the round. Regardless of your strategy, you still had to play some good golf! Thomas Looper (the Loop) and Randy Senn topped the field by shooting net scores of 4 under par 67's. Congratulations gentlemen and well done! Next up for the MGA is the 3,2,1 tournament on August 5th. In this 4 man team format, teams will count 3 net best balls on hole 1, 2 net best balls on hole 2 and 1 net best ball on hole 3, then repeat the rotation of 3 net balls on 4, 2 net balls on 5 and 1 net ball on 6 and rotate the rest of the round. Get your group together and sign up asap by calling Golf Shop at 803-957-3355.

Our Senior Men's Golf Association is continuing to grow. Last month they almost eclipsed 60 players for their Tuesday morning crowd. If you are new to the club, over the age of 55, looking for a steady game or just an opportunity to make new friends, our SMGA is the place to play. Come on out and join them at 9:00 every Tuesday. If you would like to join in the fun, simply call the Golf Shop at 803-957-3355 by Monday at 3pm to sign up!

Calling all Ladies! Every Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15 at the club is our Ladies Play Days. This is an outstanding group of ladies that have the same goals in mind: HAVE FUN! And maybe a little competition along the way. It doesn't matter if you are a beginner or scratch golfer, walk or ride, play 9 or 18, all are welcome to come and join in the fun. For the next several weeks, Steve and his staff will

be experimenting with our new forward tees. Any input that you may have will be openly received and greatly appreciated. As Jack Nicklaus said ~ there is a time in everyone's life that you need to play it forward!

Over the past several months the Golf Shop staff and other members have witnessed an alarming number of members hitting range balls over the fence in the back of range into the woods. Unfortunately, over time this makes it very difficult for the Golden Hills staff to provide enough golf balls to you. It would be very helpful if you would refrain from hitting balls over the fence into the woods. Your attention to this detail will be greatly appreciated!

Your Golf Shop Staff,

Steve Larick, Justin Fowler, Jared Courtenay

Ladies Golf Association

The temperature is hot and so is our LGA! We are so proud to see more ladies playing golf at the club each month. If you are new to the club, just picking up the game or simply looking for more playing opportunities, then make plans to join us each Tuesday & Thursday for our Ladies Play Days. Our ladies tee off at 8:15 and you are welcome to play 9 or 18 holes, walk or ride. During the summer months we have also added a few Wednesday afternoon tee times starting at 2:30. Regardless of your skill level, all are welcome and encouraged to participate. Call the Golf Shop two days in advance at (803) 957-3355 to secure your t-time.

We had a blast at our summer party last month. A huge thanks is in order for Regena Sellers for planning the party, providing fabulous food and tasty margaritas. Some of our ladies played a 9 hole round before the party. Congratulations to the team of Carol Stone, Cheryl Swanson and Trish Simmons.

Due to summer vacations (and the heat) we will not hold a Couples Tournament this month. The next Couples Tournament will be held on September 17 at 10:00am. The format will be a "3 Clubs & a Putter". This is a fun format and we hope you will make plans to join us.

Our Ladies Handicap Match League team will be back in action this month. On August 8 the team will face off against Mid Carolina. Good luck ladies!

The Sandlapper tournament this month will be held on August 22 at Wildewood. If you would like to participate, contact Tia Davis at (803) 892-5132.

Mark your calendars for the next Ladies Chip & Chatter clinics that will start on September 19. Golf lessons, cool drinks and time with friends ~ what more could you ask for?!!

If you would like to join in on our fun or learn more about the LGA, contact Trish Proctor at: proctrish@gmail.com



Celebrating

35 years

Senior Men's Golf Association

After a fairly mild spring and start to summer, the heat and humidity has finally arrived. Therefore gentleman, be sure to fill your water jugs and bring them with you to the club this month because regardless of the weather, we are going to make the most of each day we get to play some golf! If you are looking to play more, then we invite you to join our senior men's group each Tuesday at 9:00am. All senior men, age 55 & over, are welcome to join our weekly outings that prove to be both competitive and fun. If you would like to tee it up with us, you can register by calling the Golf Shop by 3:00 pm on the Monday preceding each Tuesday match at (803) 957-3355.

Our Ryder Cup team played well but were defeated in a close match last month against the Woodlands (10-8). The team will get a break this month and will next face off against Lexington CC on September 6 at Golden Hills. The final match of the season will be against Cobblestone at their course.

Results from our SMGA events are as follows:

July 4: 1st - Larry Harding (+3); 2nd (tie) Ray Chiellini & Chuck Felkel (+2); 4th (tie) Don Elliott & Dale Mamele (+1); 6th (tie) Gary Maynard & Doug Stanard (-2)

July 11: 1st - Bill Lorenzen (65); 2nd - Frank Wingate (67); 3rd - David Ha (68); 4th (tie) Ray Chiellini & Kirk Wiley (69); 6th - Bruce Liles (70); 7th - Jim Anderson (71); 8th - Al Beard, Chuck Dunlap, John Sumbara, Mark Wiggins (72)

July 18: 1st - Bill Lorenzen (+10); 2nd (tie) Mike Kammer, Frank Wingate, Jody Young (+7); 5th (tie) Ray Chiellini & Jessie Snipes (+6); 7th (tie) Chuck Dunlap & Doug Stanard (+4)

July 25 - 18 Hole Blind Draw: 1st - Frank Wingate & Gary Maynard (134); 2nd - Dick Howe & Bill Lorenzen (138); 3rd - Chuck Felkel & Dan Sass (139); 4th - Joe Ecker & Mike Kammer (140); 5th - Gary Liles & Jessie Snipes (143); 6th (tie) Jim Anderson & Rick Hubbard; Don Elliot & Doug Harper (144)

If you would like to receive emails from the SMGA about events and results, send your address to Ray Chiellini. He can be reached by calling (803) 518-4215 or email him at: dober2plus1@gmail.com

River Bluff Women's Golf Team



The River Bluff Women's Golf Team is looking for any young lady who is interested in playing this Fall. The team is open to any girl in the River Bluff attendance zone that is rising 7th-12th grade who would like to play. Playing experience is desired but not required!

Women's Golf Plays in the FALL Season!
Tryouts begin August 1st!!!!

If you are interested please call or email the following:

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