### October 2022

# The Link



#### **Upcoming Events:**

10/3: Gator Nation 10:00am 10/6: Applegreens 10:00am 10/8: MGA No Alibi 8:30am 10/8: LGA Championship 10:30am 10/10: DCAC 12:00pm 10/13: Cancer of Many Colors 11:00am 10/16: LGA Couples 10:00am 10/16: LGA Couples 10:00am 10/17: Lexington Chamber 9:30am 10/18 & 25: SMGA Championship 9:00am 10/20: LJ's 10:00am 10/24: MCEC 1:00pm 10/26: IREM 10:00am 10/27: Liams 1 Up 12:00pm

Weekly Member Play: Ladies Day: Tues @ 8:15am & Thurs @ 8:30am SMGA: Tuesday @ 9:00am Dogfights: Wednesday @ 12:00; Friday @ 12:00; Saturday @ 9:00; Sunday @ 12:00

#### Local Knowledge:

#### • Lessons & Grips

Our new Assistant Golf Pro, Justin Fowler, is available for golf lessons for all ages & skill levels. You can book through the Golf Shop or call Justin at (803) 979-1395. The rate for members is \$65/hr & lesson packages are also available. Justin is also available for regripping clubs.

#### • Hole In One

Congratulations to Joey Joiner for his hole in one on hole #15, from 161 yds using a 6 iron on September 21. This is Joey's **8<sup>th</sup>** hole in one! Wow! Who will be next to add their name to our hole in one archive? Hopefully it will be you this month at Golden Hills!

#### • Care for the Course

Taking divots is a normal part of golf. Making our best effort to repair divots should also be a routine part of the game. Spending a little time to properly repair divots makes a big difference in how the course plays & sets a positive example for others. Repairing divots is an easy way to care for the course, while helping other to enjoy their round!

#### Special Occasions

The clubhouse makes the perfect setting for any special event. Whether a party, shower or business meeting, contact our Food & Bev. Manager, Laurice Mears, for assistance at (803) 957-3355

#### • Tennis Lessons

Sean Koch offers tennis lessons for all ages & ability levels. Whether you're looking to pick up the game or improve it, he can assist. Contact Sean at (803) 719-1104 or snkoch5@gmail.com

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## **News from the Golf Shop**

Can you feel it? Yes, it's here! FALL! Even though the first day of fall brought a record 97 degrees, crisp, clear mornings and jacket weather are on the way. October is my favorite month for golf! The course is still green from the growth of summer, the trees begin their transition to fall colors and there is still enough daylight to get those evening 9 holes in that we all treasure. Take time this month to enjoy the outstanding conditions that have been created for you and play golf. Whether it is a late nine after work or 18 with friends and family, we look forward to seeing each of you at Golden Hills in October.

The 2022 Match Play Championship completed its first round in September and will continue throughout October. Of the 16 first round matches played, seven of them needed 18 holes or more to decide a winner. The highlights of the first round were Charles Gray taking out defending champion David Gibson on the 20th hole and Rick Kester blowing a 4up lead with 4 to play, then rebounding to win the match with Scott Lewis on the 22nd hole. More exciting matches are sure to follow this month.

The Men's Golf Association played their 3 6's tournament on September 10th. As usual the unique format of this tournament had many success stories and downfalls. The format was 6 holes of alternate shot, six holes of best ball, and six holes of aggregate net score. In the end there was a tie between 2 teams for first place between Trent Whitfield/ Jarrod Frick and Paul Morario/Chaz Crane. Finishing in close at 3rd was the team of Darryl Phelps/Doc Griffin. Congratulation's Gentlemen! Be sure to mark your calendar for the next MGA event on October 8th:The No Alibi Tournament. This is an individual

stroke play event with full handicap but... instead of shooting your score and subtracting your handicap, each player will be given a mulligan for every handicap stroke. For example, if you are a 10 handicap you will get 10 mulligans. To sign up simply call the Golf Shop at 957-3355.

Our Senior Men's Golf Association continues to grow and will start their weekly Tuesday matches at 9am during October. Also in October the SMGA will conduct its SMGA Championship. The championship will be held on successive Tuesdays, October 18th & 25th. As always if you would like to join this great group of guys simply call the Golf Shop on the preceding Monday before 3pm.

Ladies Day continues to be a hit on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. The Tuesday tee times begin at 8:15 and Thursday mornings beginning at 8:30. If you are new to Golden Hills and looking for a great group of ladies to play a little golf and have some fun and fellowship, these are your gals! Whether you are a scratch golfer or beginner, play 9 or 18, walk or ride all are welcome to join in the fun! There are two ways to sign up, simply call the Golf Shop at 957-3355 or email Annemarie Keene. Good news ladies! Our world famous CHIP & CHATTER will be back in October. For three consecutive Tuesdays evenings at 5:30, beginning on October 11th, Steve, Justin & Jared will host the Chip and Chatter. Week 1 will be at the driving range. Week 2 will be on the short game. Week 3 will be on the course. The cost is \$25 for an individual session or \$60 for all 3. Hope to see all y'all on Tuesday evenings!!

Your Golf Pro,

Steve Larick

### Welcome ~ Assistant Golf Professional, Justin Fowler

"Happy October everyone, my name is Justin Fowler and I am a Class A PGA Teaching Professional. I grew up locally here in Lexington and graduated from White Knoll High School. I completed my PGA certification at Coastal Carolina University and since was a Assistant Golf Professional at Olde Beau Golf Club in Roaring Gap, NC. Recently getting engaged brought me back home to Lexington. Golden Hills felt like a great fit for me and I'm looking forward to working with you all and meeting all our wonderful Members" ~ Justin

## Ladies Golf Association

We had a great day and lots of fun at our FUN DAY last month. All the twists that we incorporated into the format made it a truly unique experience that everyone was able to enjoy. We would like to congratulate the winning team of Trish Simmons, Eunice Miyaji, Sue Styles and Tia Davis. The team who came in with the most string was Kathy Shillaber, Regena Sellers, Sandra Jackson and Cheryse Jordan.

Our Golden Hills team rose to the occasion last month and represented Golden Hills well in the LHML competition. Our A Team tied with their Ponderosa competitors and Teams B & C took all three points from their respective competitors. The performance lifted us into a tie for 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the season.

We have lots of great opportunities to play this month and enjoy at the club. As always, the Ladies Play Days at the club are held each Tuesday at 8:15am and Thursday at 8:30am. Whether you like to walk or ride, play 18 or 9, all ladies are welcome to participate. Our LGA Championship will be held on October 8 at 10:30. You will have the option to either play in the championship or in a captain's choice tournament (if you don't want to compete in the championship) so we hope to have a great turnout on the 8<sup>th</sup>. On October 16 we will hold another great Couples Tournament. The tournament format will be Stableford and play will begin at 10:00am. Lunch will be provided in the clubhouse following play. To participate in any of these events, simply call the Golf Shop at 803-957-3355.

Also coming up this month is the famous LADIES CHIP & CHATTER. For three consecutive Tuesdays evenings at 5:30 beginning on October 11th Steve, Justin & Jared will host the Chip and Chatter. Week 1 will be at the driving range. Week 2 will focus on the short game and in week 3 we will be on the course getting real time play instruction. The cost is \$60 for all 3 sessions or \$25 for an individual session. Contact the Golf Shop to register.

Our highly anticipated fall trip will take place on October 21 - 23. We will be going to the Richard B. Russell State Park and play the Arrowhead Pointe golf course. For more information on the trip, please contact Annemarie Keene.

If you would like to join in on our fun or learn more about the LGA, contact Annemarie Keene at (803) 318-3107 or email her at: snauzers@yahoo.com

## Senior Men's Golf Association

Cool crisp mornings will greet us for our weekly matches this month gentlemen! Make plans to join us! Any male member of Golden Hills, age 55 or older, is invited to participate in our matches held each Tuesday at 9:00am. The format changes each week and is fun for all ability levels. To be included on the roster, simply call the Golf Shop at (803) 957-3355 by 3:00pm on the proceeding Monday.

We will hold our SMGA Championship this month on consecutive Tuesday's, October 18 and 25. With the growth we have seen in our membership this year we are looking forward to the competition. So guys, tune up your games and get ready to put them to the test on October 18 & 25. To register, please contact the Golf Shop.

Results from our SMGA events are as follows:

<u>Sept. 6:</u> 1-2-3 Tournament - 1<sup>st</sup> - Chuck Dunlap, Chuck Felkel & Larry Haussman (124); 2<sup>nd</sup> - Jesse Snipes, Steve Lyman & Al Prudhomme (126); 3<sup>rd</sup> - Doug Harper, Dale Mamele & Robert Waterfield (131); 4<sup>th</sup> -Jim Anderson, Gary Maynard & Randy Fisher (134)

<u>Sept. 13:</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - Bill Lorenzen (61); 2<sup>nd</sup> - Robert Davis (62); 3<sup>rd</sup> - Hardy Youmans (63); 4<sup>th</sup> - Randy Miller (64); 5<sup>th</sup> (tie) Rick Green & Dale Mamele (66); 7<sup>th</sup> - (tie) Dale Crawshaw, Doug Stanard & Mark Wiggins (67)

<u>Sept. 20:</u> 1st - Jody Young (+8); 2<sup>nd</sup> - Keith Morgan (+7); 3<sup>rd</sup> - Jim Anderson (+5); 4<sup>th</sup> (tie) Gary Maynard & Randy Miller (+4); 6<sup>th</sup> (tie) Mark Di-Maggio, Mike Kammer & Tommy Mann (+3)

<u>Sept. 27:</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - Butch Hale (+10); 2<sup>nd</sup> - Knut Brockmann (+9); 3<sup>rd</sup> (tie) Ray Chiellini & Dale Mamele (+8); 5<sup>th</sup> - Jody Young (+7); 6<sup>th</sup> (tie) Joe Ecker & Dave Gray (+6); 8<sup>th</sup> - Chuck Dunlap, Mark Lipinski & Joel White (+5)

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

