



Upcoming Events:

- 10/2: Gator Nation 11:00am
- 10/7: MGA No Alibi 9:00am t-times
- 10/9: DCAC 12:00pm
- 10/12: Cancer of Many Colors 11:00am
- 10/15: Couples Tournament 10:00am
- 10/16: Faith United Methodist 9:30am
- 10/19: Lex. Educ. Foundation 9:30am
- 10/23: MCEC 1:00pm
- 10/25: IREM 10:00am
- 10/26: Liams I Up 12:00pm
- 10/28 & 10/29: MGA Championship 9:00am
- 10/30: Lexington Chamber 9:30am

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:

• Men's Golf Association

The MGA has 2 exciting tournaments this month that you don't want to miss out on: The No Alibi will be held on 10/7 and the MGA Championship will be held on 10/28 & 10/29. Read details in "News from the Golf Shop".

• Hole In One

On 9/8, Ray Chiellini found the bottom of the cup on hole # 17 using a GW from 112yds. Congrats!

• Couples Tournament

The next Couples Tournament will be held on October 15 at 10:00am. The format will be Alternate Shot. Find a partner and make plans to join us.

• Member Login's

If you haven't been able to login to your member account or our tee time portal please let us know. Email: info@goldenhillsgolf.com if you need assistance.

• Tennis Anyone?

Read page 2 of The Link to find out more information on Advantage Tennis at Golden Hills.

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News from the Golf Shop

Just when you thought summer would never end, it did. Fall is finally here! Great playing conditions, cooler temperatures and smiling faces are here waiting to greet you at Golden Hills. Soon the leaves will start to turn and Golden Hills will display all the colors of fall. Take sometime this month not just to play golf, but take in the splendor of the beauty of Golden Hills. Daylight savings time does not start until November so there is still plenty of time to enjoy those late afternoon rounds and the beauty of the sun setting at Golden Hills. We hope you will be able to spend some time with us in October!

On Saturday, September 9th, the Men's Golf Association beat the heat and the thunderstorms finishing just in time before the bottom fell out of the clouds! While there were a few teams that struggled with the three 6 hole formats there were others that rained in birdies. Jim Anderson and Yeomin Yoon set the pace early by shooting a 6 under score of 89, they held on until the next to last group of David Huff and Paul Morario rained on their parade by shooting a 9 under par 86. Congratulations gentlemen, well done! Next up for the MGA will be 2 tournaments in October. On Saturday, October 7th the MGA will host the No Alibi tournament. Instead of playing your round and subtracting your handicap at the end, each golfer will be given mulligans for each handicap stroke. If you are a 10 handicap you will get 10 mulligans. That tournament will lead into the season ending MGA Championship on October 28th & 29th. Registration is

open for the No Alibi now and the MGA Championship sign up will open immediately following the conclusion of the No Alibi tournament. Our Senior Men's Golf Association continues to rock and roll on Tuesday Mornings! Beginning October 17th, the start time for the Tuesday morning group will change to 10:00am and continue at that time until the Spring. If you would like to join and play with this great group of guys simply call the Golf Shop at 803-957-3355 by 3:00 each Monday.

The Ladies Golf Association continues to grow and seems to have more fun each time they play! The Ladies Days will continue in October to meet on Tuesday's and Thursday's but the time will change on Tuesday's to 9:15 beginning October 17th. If you are new to the club or just looking to play with a great group of ladies this is your time! Come and join in the fun.

During the fall season the grass on the golf course does not grow as quickly as it does in the summer. While you are playing, please take the opportunity to help our maintenance staff to keep it in great shape. How you might ask? Just the little things. Sand in your divots in the fairway and rough, repair your ball marks, obey cart rules, and rake the bunkers. Thanks in advance for helping keep your golf course in fantastic shape!

Your Golf Shop Staff,
Steve Larick, Justin Fowler, Jared Courtenay

Ladies Golf Association

September brought slightly cooler temperatures and more fun for our ladies at the club. Speaking of fun, FUN Day last month was indeed just that! Beautiful weather was par and we had a great group of ladies participating. Congrats to the winning team consisting of Cheri Toerck, Sharon Crawshaw, Rosemary Jansen, and Sandra Jackson — they won on a match of cards! We are very appreciative of: Steve Larick's Golf Shop help; Laurice's assistance in the bar area; many gals that offered to lend a helping hand before the tournament; Annemarie Keene for being our own personal photographer; team captains — Carole S., Jean, Janet H., and Cheri; and the great clean-up crew. It's hard to determine which was the favorite hole — using only a putter on the entire #3 hole, "teeing" off from the sand trap on #7 using a "hand" wedge, teeing off from the peninsula on #10, or using only a 7-iron for all shots on #15! Nevertheless, it was lots of fun and we look forward to doing it all again next year.

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. Please note that on October 17, the Tuesday morning start time will move back to 9:15. 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 look forward to seeing you at the club this month!

Rain showers interrupted our Couples Tournament last month. However, we had 5 couples show up and try to grind it out. The Waterfield's and Wiggins finished hole #1. Carole Stone and Josh played with Simmons and Shillaber through hole #5.....and no surprise Jean Burns and Milly Kester played nine! Despite the rainout, Rosemary and Frank Jansen prepared a great lunch; Jambalaya, salad, fresh bread and chocolate cake. The Couples Tournament this month will be held on October 15 at 10:00am. The format will be Alternate Shot. Sign up in the Golf Shop and get ready to join us at the club for golf, great food and social time together.

We had 10 ladies participate in the Chip & Chatter last month. They actually were able to pick up a few helpful tips while laughing and having fun with our Golf Pro's.

We have 18 Ladies going on our Fall Golf Trip this month. On Oct 10-12th we will be traveling to the Richard B Russell State Park in Ga, playing Arrowhead Pointe Golf Course.

Lastly, be sure to mark your calendar for our 2023 LGA Championship. It will be held on November 8th. For those of you who don't want to compete in the championship, we will also have a Captains Choice. Make plans to join us in November for more fun and competition on the course.

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

Driving Range

With the cooler temperatures, it's a great month to use the practice facilities to hone your skills! Over the past 6 months we have noticed an alarming number of members abusing their range privileges by hitting balls over the fence, not filling their divots in with sand, hitting from outside the ropes and retrieving balls from the range to hit. We are installing a range monitoring program to help remind those who may forget or not know what the rules are at the range. These rules are very important to maintaining the quality of your range experience. Our goal is to always provide you with quality turf and an ample supply of quality golf balls to be able to keep the range open. With the number of balls hit over the fence and into the woods, it's nearly impossible for us to maintain an adequate supply of balls and forces us to close the range from time to time. Please help us provide you with the quality experience everyone deserves by adhering to the rules of the Driving Range. Thank you in advance for helping us alleviate this problem.

Senior Men's Golf Association

If you are looking to play more, then we invite you to join our senior men's group each Tuesday at 9:00am. Please note, on October 17, the start time will move to 10:00am. 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.

On Oct. 3rd we will play a 2 Man Captains Choice. All teams must be signed up at the Golf Shop by 1pm Sunday. We will handicap this format by using 35% of the "a" players Tuesday handicap and 15% of the "b" players. These 2 numbers will be added together and that will be the team handicap for the 18 holes. Make sure to notify the Golf Shop who your partner will be and what foursome you will be playing in.

Our Ryder Cup team won the Battle of Lexington 10.5 to 7.5 last month. But they fell short against Cobblestone 11.5 to 6.5. The team is currently 4-4 on the year and waiting to hear if they will make the playoffs.

Sept 5: 1st (tie) Al Beard & Lonnie Griffin (+5); 3rd - Don Elliott (+4); 4th - David Ha (+2); 5th (tie) Mike Kammer, John Sumbera, Mark Wiggins, Butch Hale, Joe Ecker (+1)

Sept 12: 1st - Hardy Youmans (+9); 2nd - Lonnie Griffin (+7); 3rd (tie) Doug Harper & Jessie Snipes (+4); 5th - John Sumbera (+3); 6th (tie) Joe Ecker, Dan Sass, Ed Siggelko, Ohmer Slaven, Jody Young (+2)

Sept 19: 1st - Mike Kammer (66); 2nd - Hardy Youmans (67); 3rd - Chuck Cordovano (68); 4th - Bill Lorenzen (69); 5th (tie) Dick Howe & Doug Stanard (70); 7th (tie) Ray Chiellini, Butch Hale, Ohmer Slaven (71)

Sept 26: 1st (tie) Mark DiMaggio & Frank Wingate (+6); 3rd (tie) Dick Howe & Rich Turgeon (+5); 5th (tie) Gary Liles & Dale Mamele (+4); 7th - Doug Harper(+3)

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

Tennis

Golden Hills has a new tennis coach offering lessons at the courts. Let us introduce you to Whit Moorman:

Coach Whit Moorman is a PTR certified pro who began coaching in Douglas, Georgia over 20 years ago. While there he developed a thriving tennis program that sent over 20 players to all levels of college tennis (JUCO to Division I). In 2017 Coach Moorman and his family moved to Bradenton, FL where he worked first as a coach and then as the Recruiting Coordinator and Coach at two high performance tennis academies (Inspiration Academy and Next Generation Tennis Academy). While in Bradenton/Sarasota he had the opportunity to coach multiple top world ranked juniors and budding professionals. He has been a travel coach at USTA, ITF, ATP and WTA events. In May of 2019 Coach Moorman relocated to Lexington as the Assistant Director of tennis at Capital City Tennis Academy located at Topspin. For the past four years he has continued to work as a private instructor and coach focused on performance-based tennis. He believes that the coach/player relationship is the key to all success. Coach Moorman lives in Lexington with his wife, Jenny, and daughter, Laurel. In addition, his son, Lee, is a Sophomore at USC; son, Sam, is in his 3rd year of medical school; and daughter, Caroline, lives in Georgia with her family. If you would like to learn more about lessons and clinics that Whit will be offering, you can reach him at: whit.tenniscoach@gmail.com or call (912) 381-1584