

Upcoming Events:

- 5/3: Columbia Metro Airport 12:30pm
- 5/5: Golden Hills Shootout 9:00am
- 5/6: Couples Tournament 1:00pm
- 5/7: Lex. Wildcat Wrestling 10:30am
- 5/10: IREM 11:00am
- 5/18-20: **Member-Guest**
- 5/19: **Pool Opens 10:00am**
- 5/21: Kenny Wolfe 10:00am
- 5/23: Jay Criscone Memorial 1:00pm
- 5/28: **Memorial Day** 
- 5/29: Aerification - Course Closed

Welcome

New Members:

Mr. & Mrs. Adam Suszek
 Mr. & Mrs. Jon Foster
 Mr. & Mrs. John Hyatt
 Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Rinaldi
 Mr. Joe Borden
 Mr. & Mrs. Marion Gray
 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Prachar

Spring/Summer Hours:

Mon - Fri: 8:00am - 7:00 pm
 Sat/Sun: 7:30 am - 7:00 pm

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May is **Blooming** with activity at **Golden Hills**



MEMBER - GUEST

May 18th, 19th & 20th



Pool Opens



May 19th

News from the Golf Shop

I hope this newsletter finds you doing well. All is well, make that fantastic, here in the golf shop. We are extremely excited about the staff we have put together to serve you. Some of you may have already met Matt Van Laan and Steven Hartwig. Steven comes to us by way of The Woodlands and Wildewood & Woodcreek. He has a tremendous amount of experience to help service all your needs. If you have not done so, please take the time to stop by and introduce yourselves to them.

Now that our staff is in place and the golf season is upon us, we will be starting our ladies and junior clinics very soon. The ladies will begin on Wed., May 2nd and will meet for 4 consecutive weeks. The cost will be \$50 for the 4

week session. We will offer 2 time slots at 5:15 and 6:30. Our junior golf clinics will be held over 4 weeks, starting in June. Complete details on our junior program are available on our website. So, as you are making plans for summer, be sure to include a golf clinic.

Our **Member-Guest** will be held on May 18, 19, 20. We are excited about the line up for this years event. The format will be net best ball of the twosome. An optional practice round will be held on Friday and tournament play will begin with a 9:30am shotgun start on Saturday, followed by a 10:00am start on Sunday. You can register your team on our website. Lets make this years Member-Guest the best ever!

Over the past couple months I have received increasing reports of members abusing their cart privileges. Folks, please remember our cart rules when playing as it helps us maintain our beautiful golf course. Carts are to be kept on the cart path around all tees, greens and on all par 3's. Carts should maintain a minimum of **50'** away from greens, for **all** players, and at **no time** should they be on the slopes beside the green. Your adherence to our cart rules is greatly appreciated.

Thanks for your support of Golden Hills. Please remember if there is any way I can help you, my door is always open.

Golfingly, Steve

Noteworthy

- We are glad to welcome Steven Hartwig to Golden Hills as our new Assistant Golf Professional. Steven is a talented and knowledgeable golf professional, with years of experience working at courses, teaching lessons and assisting with club sales and repair. We feel confident you will find him to be a nice addition to our staff.

- Statements are now being sent via email. Last month was our first trial with the new method and there were a few "snags". Hopefully, the process

will run smoothly going forward. However, if do not receive your statement within the 1st week of the month or If you have not submitted your email address, please contact: dian@goldenhillsgolf.com or call 803-957-3970.

- An automatic draft is available for Members that would like to have their credit/debit card drafted to cover their monthly charges. Call or email Dian to have this feature set up.

- Have you checked out our new website www.goldenhillsgolf.com? The new site includes a Member login where you can submit your entry into our Member Business Directory or post comments on Golf Connect. Through Golf Connect you can post information on topics relating to golf, tennis or swim. Calendars, tournament sign-up/results, online tee times, news, updates and much more are all available on our site. There's lots to see and do, so add us to your "favorites" list!

Ladies Golf Association

Are you ready for a "Weekend Get-A-Way"? Well pack your bags and grab your clubs because we're off to Lake Lure on May 25th-27th. We are looking forward to a great weekend and hope you will be able to join us. Contact Carolyn Brooks for more information at 803-359-7070.

Even with overcast skies, we had a great time on the course for our Couple's Tournament last month! We had 8 couples playing, and 11 couples for dinner & drinks. A BIG thank you to **Pat and Knut Brockman** for sharing their lovely home with us following play, the food was amazing! Congratulations to our winners: Greg & Karen Yarbrough – 1st, Ken & Wilma Shaw – 2nd and Nancy Dodge & Connie Liley – 3rd

Put **Sunday May, 6th** on your Calendar for the next Couple's Tournament. We will tee off at 1:00. Afterwards, we'll head to the home of Diana Dorey, in Shoal Creek Subdivision off Mineral Springs Road, for dinner.

This month's One Day State will be held on May 8th at Woodfin Ridge, in Spartanburg and Oaksdale CC, in Florence. The Sandlapper Tournament will be held on May 22, at Timberlake.

The GHLGA has tee times reserved at 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. each Thursday. The only exceptions will be when tournaments are scheduled; which will simply mean we will play on Wednesday instead. We invite you to join on the 1st Tee each week!

Our next LGA monthly meeting will be held on May 15th, at the Lexington Library. If you are interested in joining the LGA or would like a chance to meet our group, we invite you to join us!

In closing, ladies don't forget that each Thursday at Golden Hills is Ladies Guest Day. Take advantage of this opportunity to invite a friend out to play for only \$27! In addition, LGA guests can play on the 3rd Saturday of the month, after 12:00 pm, for only \$27!!

For more information on the LGA contact:
Carolyn Brooks; GHLGA Sec/Treas, 803-359-7070



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Gearing Up to Make a Splash

The pool will open for the 2012 swim season on Saturday, May 19th. Pool hours will be 11:00 am - 9:00 pm Monday - Friday; and 10:00 am - 9:00 pm Saturday & Sunday. Members may request a date for a pool party on our website, under the "swim" tab, click on "pool party reservation". You can also visit the website for additional pool news and updates, information on swim lessons and rules for the upcoming season.

The Golden Hills Gators 2012 Swim Team registration is still open! To register, simply go to the "swim" page at www.goldenhillsgolf.com and click on the link to "Online Registration". Practice will begin this month, so if you have children/friends interested in joining the team don't delay registering.

Sponsorships for the 2012 Gators are also available! For every \$500 you obtain in team sponsorships, you will receive one free swim team membership. Swim Team fees are \$75 for GH members & \$135 for non-members, with a multi-swimmer discount for additional swimmers.

For more information on the upcoming swim season including important dates, practice & meet schedules and city meet dates visit goldenhillsgolf.com or email: jared@goldenhillsgolf.com

Senior Men's Golf Association

Boy, the weather has been great, for the most part. Even the few chilly mornings have been refreshing. Our course is in great shape, thanks to the crew under the leadership of Chad and Sandy. Thanks guys, for a job well done. By the way, have you noticed how nice the edge of the green on # 1 and the hillside on tee box # 11 looks with the new mulch added? To help keep these areas looking nice don't drive your cart on the new mulch! It will preserve the mulch and the beauty of our course if we all cooperate and obey the cart rules. Additionally, please remember to repair your ball marks on the

greens, plus one more; and please use the sand to fill in divot marks. Thanks for your cooperation.

We had some fun tournaments in April. Here are the results of our matches since the last newsletter: **Apr. 3rd., Points Match:** 1st - Leon Pfeiffenberger (+14), 2nd - Chuck Felkel (+13), 3rd - Clarence Simmons (+12), 4th - (tie) Jackson Mack & Lonnie Griffin (+11), 6th - (tie) Dean Davis & Steve Johnston (+10).

Apr. 10th., Ryder Cup: "A" Team - 12.5, "B" Team - 5.5

Apr. 17th., Individual Handicap: 1st - (tie) Clarence Simmons &

Scott Riles (63), 3rd - (tie) Kirk Worth, Bubba Rinehardt, Joe Ecker, Mac Moore & Lonnie Griffin (66), 8th - (tie) Mark Gardner, Joe Mack & George Cobb (67).

Hopefully, May will bring many more of our seniors out to play golf. If you're looking for a great group of guys to play with, come join us on most Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Just call Bubba Rinehardt (803-739-4807) by Monday Noon and he will add you to the lineup for the next day's match. Try us, you'll like us!

The Court Report - Hobson Performance Tennis Now at Golden Hills!

Golden Hills now has a dedicated tennis professional, Morné Hobson (first name pronounced Mornay), with the establishment of **Hobson Performance Tennis** within our location.

Hailing originally from South Africa, Morné's vision is to create a high performance junior tennis program in Lexington to empower young people with essential life skills through the sport of competitive tennis. While the focus will be on junior tennis, Hobson Performance Tennis also offers adult clinics for all levels and coaching for Golden Hills league teams. His playing résumé includes competing on the ATP and ITF tour

schedules, national and regional tennis titles and representing the South African Colleges team in singles and doubles. He currently has a 5.0 NTRP rating and competes in USTA sanctioned tournaments.

He is a USPTR certified coach and has coaching experience in South Africa and in the USA, coaching a number of school, state and international players. He is married to Cheryl who is a Pharmacist and has 2 children, a son of 15 years and a daughter of 11 years.

Should you want to know more, Morné can be contacted at (803) 719 -1385 or email Hobson1@windstream.net

Courtside Notes:

If you are interested in playing on one of our Mixed or Combo teams this summer, please let us know. We have several teams playing out of Golden Hills and will be glad to help you find a team. If interested, email tennis@goldenhillsgolf.com

Members can reserve courts on the tennis page at www.goldenhillsgolf.com Select "Reserve a Court" and you can view available courts/times and make a reservation. If you have questions, contact Tennis Coordinator, Melissa Kneece, (803) 530-7293 or email tennis@goldenhillsgolf.com