



Upcoming Events:

3/4: Gator Golf Gathering 1:00 pm

3/11: Gator Invitational 12:00 pm

3/12: Gator Invitational 8:30 am

3/14: MGA 9:00 am

3/15: MGA 12:00 pm

3/15: LGA Couples 10:00 am

3/24: Sandlappers 9:30 am

3/28: LGA Play Day 11:00 am

Tuesday's @ 10:00 am - SMGA

Wednesday's @ 12:30 pm- GH Dogfight

Thursday's @ 10:00 am - LGA

Fri/Sat/Sun @12:00 pm - GH Dogfight

Local Knowledge:

● **The Perfect Venue:** Keep in mind that our beautiful clubhouse is available for your next social event! Our main dining room & bar area is the perfect venue to host your wedding reception, birthday party or baby shower. To view photos of past events we have hosted you can visit our Facebook page and view the banquet rental album. For more information & availability, contact our bar staff or info@goldenhillsgolf.com

● **Stay In The Know:** Have you been receiving our e-news? If not, you may be missing out on the latest news from around the club. Send your email to: info@goldenhillsgolf.com to stay informed on what's happening at Golden Hills.

● **Is your Game Ready for Spring?** Get your swing ready for spring by scheduling a lesson with, head professional, Steve Larick. Steve has years of experience & is always excited to help members improve their game.

Hours:

Mon - Fri: 7:30am - 6:00pm

Sat & Sun: 7:30am - 6:00pm

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News from the Golf Shop

Who else is ready to feel some golden rays of sunshine and hit the links this month? Now is the time to get your swing in shape and have it ready for the beautiful days to come. Excitement is building among everyone at Golden Hills in anticipation of seeing your family take full advantage of all of our amenities this spring. Let's shake off winter and gear up for the wonderful season ahead!

One of the best ways to take advantage of your membership is by participating in our SMGA, LGA, MGA or member Dogfight's. These groups are always happy to welcome new members to join their round. They also provide a great way to meet other members, enjoy a little friendly competition and social events throughout the year. Call the Golf Shop at 803.957.3355 for more information or to reserve your next tee time.

We would like to thank all who participated in our Super Sunday events on February 1st. The weather was outstanding for the Super Ball tournament and so was the golf. The team of Alan Gibson, Phillip Gibson, Paul Morario and Robbie Davis made everything they looked at and blew the field away with a gross score of 56. The net division was hotly contested with four teams finishing within 1 shot of each other. There was a tie for first, with a net score of 57, between team Wilson (Scott, David & Gene) and Ron Stills and the team including Bill Hastings, Kenny Wilhelm, Randy Fisher and Dale Shelhorse. Finishing in a tie for third, 1 shot back at 58, were the teams of Charlie Newton, Mike Newton, Dewayne Heffley, Mike Moody and Trent Whitfield, Chip Whitaker, Pat Monegan and Dean Davis. The awards and Super Bowl viewing party provided everyone with an opportunity to share in the days highlights, enjoy great food and prepare for a great evening of football. We don't call it **Super Sunday** for nothing!

The first MGA tournament of 2015 went off without a hitch last month, as mother nature finally produced a great day for playing golf. The tournament started with a draft and social on Friday night and a good time was had by all! We witnessed some great golf (and some not so good - it's ok guys, it's still early in the sea-

son) and everyone enjoyed the opportunity to meet other members of the MGA. Thank you to all who participated in making the event awesome. Finishing in first place in both the Low Gross & Low Net division was the team of: Tony Redman, Ricky Epperson, Mike Slapnik & George Lesesne, with a Low Gross score of 140 and Low Net score of 115. Complete tournament results have been posted to our website, so visit goldenhillsgolf.com to view and to see results from all our club events.

Coming up this month, the MGA will hold a 2-day event on March 14th and 15th. This will be a fun event for all, as it will introduce a new format to most golfers called Modified Stableford. It will be an individual tournament that will be based on handicap to establish how many points each golfer must make. Most of our SMGA golfers are familiar with this format. Points are awarded as follows: 8-eagle, 4-birdie, 2-par, 1-bogey, 0-double bogey, and -1 for triple or higher. Handicaps being established at par would mean that if you are a 10 handicap you would have to make 26 points. You can figure out how many points you need to make by subtracting your handicap from 36. We hope you will all take the time to mark your calendars for this event as it truly is a lot of fun! Sign up in the Golf Shop or call us at 803.957.3970

Have you ever considered using the convenient amenities of our Men's Locker Room? The spacious lockers, shower, changing room and more are available to you daily. If you are interested in renting a locker or using our upstairs facilities contact Adam in the Golf Shop.

Golden Hills Golf & Country Club is excited to offer your family a season full of golf, tennis, swim & more. Keep up to date on all our upcoming events and news by visiting goldenhillsgolf.com or liking our Facebook page. We have many great upcoming events and tournaments that will make 2015 one to remember!

Your Golf Shop Staff,
Steve Larick & Adam DeLoach

Ladies Golf Association

Mark your calendar and join us for the 1st Couples Tournament of the year on Sunday, March 15th. Play will begin with a 10:00 am shotgun start and the format will be "Play it Forward". It's time to revamp our swings and get the 2015 LGA season teed off! Sign up is available in the Golf Shop and we look forward to seeing you on the 15th.

We have a great year planned for the LGA with lots of casual and tournament play opportunities. LGA membership also affords an opportunity to play in Sandlapper, One Day State & Match Play tournaments. Golden Hills and our LGA will play hosts for the March Sandlapper event. It will be held on March 24th, with a 9:30 am start. On a really fun note, we have Spring & Fall golf trips planned, as well as a Summer & Christmas party. Several other premier events you will want to make note of: May 2nd - LGA Member-Guest; September 19th - LGA Championship; October 29th - LGA Invitational. As you can see, we are active and we always have fun. We welcome ladies of all skill levels, so if you haven't participated with us in the past make this the year that you experience the LGA.

Tee it up with us each Thursday morning at 10:00 a.m. Join us for 18 or a quick 9 hole round, either way we welcome your participation. We have also scheduled a LGA Play Day for Saturday, March 28th. Play will begin at 11:00 am and you are welcome to invite a guest, as the club has generously extended a reduced guest fee for anyone accompanying a LGA member for this occasion.

Our next LGA meeting will be held on March 12th at 6:00 p.m. We meet at the Wings & Ale in Lexington. You are welcome to join us just for the meeting or for dinner as well.

If you would like more information on the LGA, contact Annemarie Keene at snauzers@yahoo.com or (803) 318-3107.

Senior Men's Golf Association

The first day of spring arrives on Friday, March 20th and we welcome it wholeheartedly. We have a dedicated group among our SMGA and we've tried to make the most of the winter season but it's nice to know that weather more conducive to our game is on the way.

Speaking of weather, due to poor conditions, we were limited to only two matches in February. The results are as follows:

Feb. 3, Full Handicap: - 1st - Jim Antill (68); 2nd - Gerald Carter (69)
3rd - (tie) Rick Green & Frank Smith (71)

Feb. 10, Full Handicap: - 1st - Robert Davis (67); 2nd - Jim Antill (68);
3rd - Mark DiMaggio (69); 4th - (tie) Steve Johnston, Knut Brockman,
Rich Antinozzi & Dan Sass (71)

Congratulations to all the winners above and with five Tuesday's in the month of March, we hope to have results from five events to report in our next newsletter.

As always, we encourage any member of our club, age 55 and over, to join our great group of senior golfers. The SMGA plays each Tuesday at 10:00 am and the format changes for each match. We always try to keep it both challenging and fun. Call the Golf Shop by 6:00 pm on the Monday preceding our Tuesday match in order to be added to the roster.

May luck be on your side throughout the month and each time you tee it up in the year ahead!



Lesson From The Pro

Two of the most misunderstood terms in golf are "**the slot**" and "**being connected**". For most people the understanding of the slot is the point at the top of the backswing that starts the transition to the forward swing. "The Slot" actually refers to the point in the forward swing where the shaft of the club reaches parallel to the ground at hip level and is pointing toward the target. There are 3 ways to get to the slot and all of them will work depending on your body type, flexibility, etc. The direction that the club enters the slot determines the ball flight. For example, our Club Champions for the past 3 years, Alan Gibson and Mike Calkins, both enter the slot from outside to in which produces a beautiful fade. They are able to maintain their consistency because they stay "connected", a term I will cover next month, throughout their forward swing.

I hope this tip helps you understand the golf swing a little better. If you would like more information don't hesitate to come by the shop or schedule a lesson with me. May all your putts find the bottom of the hole.

~ Steve Larick



Swim team registration for returning swimmers will begin on March 15th. Registration is available on our website under the "swim" tab. If you have questions about our program or participating on the Golden Hills team, contact our Head Coach, Jennifer McLeod at goldenhillsgators@gmail.com

We're looking forward to another fantastic swim season!

Courtside Notes:



Practice makes perfect! To improve your serve, incorporate better practice routines. Include more quality, not more repetition, using targets and try to put yourself in a match situation as you practice your serves. Practice better = Play better

Looking to pick up the game or in need of a lesson? Contact Hobson Performance Tennis & USPTR professional, Morné Hobson, at (803) 719-1385 or Hobson1@windstream.net

Reserving a court is easy and available anytime by visiting our website at www.goldenhillsgolf.com. Under the "tennis" tab, members can view available courts and times, then make a reservation. If you have questions or would like information on tennis at Golden Hills, contact Adam DeLoach at: (803) 957-3355 or email tennis@goldenhillsgolf.com