



## Local Knowledge:

### • Kids Tri 2015

Get your junior athletes signed up to swim, bike & run in the Kids Triathlon! The event will be held at GH on June 27 at 2:00pm. There will be 4 age groups for kids ages 3 - 13. For more information or to register, visit: [bodyshopathletics.com](http://bodyshopathletics.com)

### • Guest Day

Every Thursday is "Guest Day" during the renovation period. Guests accompanying you for an 18 hole round will only have to pay \$16.

### • Junior Golf Program

Our golf staff has planned a great way for your junior to spend summer while improving their golf game. Contact the Golf Shop for details.

### • The Renovation Process

Read details of the renovation process that is underway by visiting our website; look under the Golf tab.

• **Hole In One:** Congratulations to Nick Rinaldi on his hole in one made on May 8<sup>th</sup>, Hole #7, 145 yds, 8 iron. Congrats, also, to Mike Calkins on his hole in one made on May 17<sup>th</sup>, Hole #17, 145 yds, 6 iron.

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## News from the Golf Shop

We hope this newsletter finds you and your family doing well. Among the many things to look forward to this month is the celebration for the arrival of Summer and Father's Day on June 21<sup>st</sup>.

It has been with great anticipation that we have also been looking forward to the renovation projects that are underway. The maintenance staff has been working diligently to prepare the course for the renovations as well as making sure our members will be able to play here during the process. Temporary greens have been established so that you and your guest will enjoy the game you love at the course you have selected as your home. Over the past few months your staff has been working on reciprocal agreements to insure that you will have the opportunity to play neighboring golf courses as well. If you wish to play at one of our reciprocal courses, arrangements will have to be made through the Golf Shop at Golden Hills.

Arrangements have been made for our Senior Men's Golf Association to travel and play at other golf courses throughout June. They will play at the Ponderosa on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. They will play at Columbia CC on June 9<sup>th</sup> and Orangeburg CC on June 16<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to participate, you have to be a member of the SMGA and must call the Golf Shop at Golden Hills by 5:00 pm on the Monday preceding the day of play.

The courses our men's dogfight groups will play will be selected on a week to week basis, due to the day and times they wish to play. Most clubs have said they would prefer to wait until the week of, as their members would have 1<sup>st</sup> priority. That being said, we have several courses and tee times to choose from each week. All members wishing to take their games on the road with the dogfight will be required to call the Golden Hills Golf Shop by 5:00 pm the preceding day. Keep in mind we will try to do what is best for the group, not the individual.

Individual groups may call the Golf Shop at Golden Hills to arrange their tee times as much as a week in advance at some courses, or as little as day of, on a space available basis. We are very thankful to our neighbors for doing an outstanding job of making their golf courses available to us.

Please keep in mind that your golf course will be open every day and is in great shape. The fairways are as fine as any in the midlands and you will be pleased with how well the temporary greens are playing.

Our course proved to be a great test of golf for contenders in the 2015 Club Championship. Over the weekend of May 16 & 17, the course played firm and fast. Alan Gibson led the way after day 1 with an outstanding round of 71. He was followed closely by Phillip Gibson at 72. Alan seemed to be in complete control after the front nine on Sunday until a triple bogey on #10 brought the field back to him. Charles Gray, who had shot 78 in round 1, was 2 under par for the day and tied for the lead after #12. However, birdies by Alan on 12 & 13 gave him an insurmountable lead that he would not give up. Mr. Gibson captured his 2<sup>nd</sup> Men's Club Championship in the last 3 years with a score of 148. Finishing 1 shot back was Charles Gray, followed by last years champion, Mike Calkins with a score of 150. Dave McElrath won his 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive Senior Men's Club Championship with a score of 155. Barry Gossett finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the senior division at 158. Nancy Dodge won her 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive Ladies Club Championship with a score of 163 and Annemarie Keene clinched the Net Ladies Championship with a net score of 136. Congratulations to all our Champions and be sure to visit our website for a complete list of the tournament results.

Your Golf Shop Staff,

*Steve Larick, Alex Mende & Adam DeLoach*

## SUMMER 2015 RENOVATIONS THE EXPERIENCE ONLY GETS BETTER!

The renovation process has begun! Throughout the renovation period, members of Golden Hills have access to 16 local golf courses through reciprocal agreements made on your behalf. These clubs and their members have been generous to provide opportunities for our members to play at their clubs, as we have done for many of them in the past.

Advance tee times are required at all clubs in order for reciprocal rates to be honored. It is important to note that tee time arrangements at all private clubs must be arranged by contacting a member of the Golden Hills Golf Staff. Our staff will contact the club professionals at the respective club to arrange the times. Our staff will do their very best to honor both your requests for facility and tee times. However, there may exist a time where we are unable to accommodate your specific club or tee time. In such

cases, we will provide alternative options for another facility and/or time.

You should have already received a list of the courses and details related to the reciprocal arrangements. If not, notify us at [info@goldenhillsgolf.com](mailto:info@goldenhillsgolf.com) and we will be glad to send a copy. You can utilize the list throughout the renovation project as a reference for: reciprocal rates, range availability/rates, days/hours of operation & other relevant items. In regard to each course, we ask that you always abide by the following rules: Wear Collared Shirts, No Denim, No T-Shirts and No Personal Coolers. Members violating these or any respective club's rules will have their reciprocal privileges revoked for the duration of the renovation period. Rates and availability for non-Golden Hills members will be subject to each club's standard guest fee.

As a reminder, the course at Golden Hills will remain open during the renovation project. In order to allow you to play your course throughout the summer, temporary greens have been set up on holes being renovated. In consideration of the circumstances and as a sign of our appreciation for your continued support, **member cart fees during the renovation period will be reduced to \$13 for 18 holes and \$8 for 9 holes.** Additionally, **each Thursday will be Guest Day**; wherein guests included in your tee time will only be charged \$16.

Take advantage of seeing, experiencing and playing some of the local clubs in our area during the summer but continue to play and keep active at Golden Hills as well. Our staff will be here each day to welcome and assist you in an effort to make the work being done as seamless as possible.

## Ladies Golf Association

We have experienced a great year of golf thus far and we're looking forward to what's yet to come! A recap of our May events, as well as information on the upcoming June activities follows below.

On May 2<sup>nd</sup>, we held our annual LGA Member/Guest. After enjoying the round of golf on a beautiful day, we were treated with pizza, salad & wonderful fellowship! Special thanks to Lois Tessier, Vicki Cyr & Darlene Seguin for helping with the salad and to Lana Ames & Nancy Hanna for working the registration table. Congratulations to our winners: 1<sup>st</sup> - Wilma Shaw & Dena McCutchen (60); 2<sup>nd</sup> - Annemarie Keene & Sandy Wallace (60); 3<sup>rd</sup> - Lois Tessier & Diana Dorey (63). Congrats also to our Chipping Contest winner, Cathy Robinson & Closest to the Pin winners, Dena McCutchen & Darlene Seguin.

We had 10 couples come out and enjoy the beautiful weather for our Couples Tournament on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. We played a 'Blind 9 Best Ball' format and the winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> - Pat & Knut Brockman; 2<sup>nd</sup> - Lois & Ron Tessier & 3<sup>rd</sup> - Nancy & Jim Hanna. The luncheon after the tournament was hosted by Wilma Shaw & Lois Tessier. Mark your calendar and join us for our next Couples Tournament on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00am.

We invite you to tee it up with us each Thursday morning at 9:00 am for an 18 hole round or a quick 9; either way we welcome your participation.

Our LGA ladies have an A & B team playing in the Columbia Regional Match Play Women's Tournaments this year. The match play event this month will be held at Cobblestone on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. All teams will compete against the course in a modified par format. Other golf events occurring this month: One Day State - June 9<sup>th</sup> @ Hartsville CC & Boscobel GC (Pendleton). Stroke Play - June 10<sup>th</sup> @ CC of Charleston. Sandlapper - June 23<sup>rd</sup> @ Ft. Jackson CC.

Join us for our next meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Wings & Ale in Lexington. For more information on the LGA contact: Annemarie Keene at snauzers@yahoo.com or (803) 318-3107.

## Senior Men's Golf Association

Arrangements have been made for our Senior Men's Golf Association to travel and play at other golf courses throughout June. Dates and locations for our weekly Tuesday matches are as follows: Ponderosa CC on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>; Columbia CC on June 9<sup>th</sup> and Orangeburg CC on June 16<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to participate, you have to be a member of the SMGA and must call the Golf Shop at Golden Hills by 5pm on the Monday preceding the day of play. If you are not able to make it to one of the locations or would prefer to play at Golden Hills, contact the Golf Shop and your name will be added to a list of others choosing to continue play at GH.

Results from our recent events were as follows:

**April 27, Points:** - 1<sup>st</sup> - (tie) Robert Davis, Joe Ecker & Rich Antinozzi (+4); 4<sup>th</sup> - Bob Amory (+3); 5<sup>th</sup> - Dave Middleton (+2)

**May 5, 18 Hole Blind Draw:** - 1<sup>st</sup> - Kirk Wirth & Vic Labbate (134); 2<sup>nd</sup> - Mark DiMaggio & Jim Antill (135); 3<sup>rd</sup> - Chuck Felkel & Gary Liles (137)

**May 12, Full Handicap:** - 1<sup>st</sup> - Ray Chiellini (66); 2<sup>nd</sup> - (tie) Larry Mixon & Rich Antinozzi (68); 4<sup>th</sup> - (tie) Robert Davis & Bob Amory (69)

**May 19, Points:** - 1<sup>st</sup> - Bob Amory (+11); 2<sup>nd</sup> - (tie) Gene Wilson & Larry Mixon (+9); 4<sup>th</sup> - Jim Antill (+8); 5<sup>th</sup> - Gary Liles (+7); 6<sup>th</sup> - (tie) Mark DiMaggio, Dean Davis & Ray Chiellini (+5)

Congratulations to the winners above and also to Nick Rinaldi for his hole in one on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Nick aced hole #7, with an 8 iron from 145 yds.

The format for our events change each week; making them challenging and fun. If you are a member, age 55 & over, we encourage you to join our senior group. As mentioned, many of us will be "traveling seniors" this month for our weekly Tuesday matches but if you prefer to play at GH, that option for a casual round is certainly available. To participate, call the call the Golf Shop by 5:00 pm on the Monday preceding our Tuesday match at 803.957.3355.

~ Tee it High & Let it Fly!

**Swim, Lounge and Relax** all summer long at Golden Hills!

The pool is open from 11:00am - 9:00pm daily. You will need a new key to gain access to the pool. You can receive your key, with a \$5 refundable deposit or by trading your key from last season, from an on duty lifeguard. The 2015 Pool Newsletter, available on our website, is your quick guide to news & fun at the pool.



Both group and private swim lessons are being offered this season. Dates & registration information is available on our website.

Interested in having a pool party? It's hard to beat a poolside party at Golden Hills; fun will be had by all! Look under the "swim" tab on our website to make a Pool Party Reservation.

Our snack bar is stocked with your favorite ice cream, snacks and beverages. So...pack your sun screen, grab a towel and join us for a fantastic summer!



The gators are back in the water and practice has been going well. With school out for the summer, morning practice times will begin on June 8. It's not too late to join the team. Registration is available on our website under the "swim" tab. If you have questions about our team, contact Head Coach, Jennifer McLeod at [goldenhillsgators@gmail.com](mailto:goldenhillsgators@gmail.com)

## Courtside Notes:



### Consistency Wins!

- Aim higher over the net to hit deeper.
- Most points are won by unforced errors; just keep the ball in play and the odds will be in your favor.
- How many balls can you hit in a row during one rally until you crack? Is it 1, 2, 4, 8, 30? Increase your rallying threshold & get inside your opponents head.

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