



Upcoming Events

- 12/3: MGA Championship 10am T-Times
 12/4: MGA Championship 11:30am T-Times
 12/8: SMGA Christmas Party 6:30pm
 12/15: Member Christmas Open House 6:00pm
 12/22: Winter Classic Jr Open 9:00am
 12/25: **Merry Christmas!**
 12/27-29: Junior Golf Camp 1:00-3:00pm

Weekly Member Play:

- Tuesday's @ 9:00 am - SMGA
 Wednesday's @ 12:30 pm - GH Dogfight
 Thursday's @ 10:00 am - LGA
 Fri/Sun @ 12:00; Sat @ 9:30 - GH Dogfight

Local Knowledge:

● Golf Shop Credit

As a reminder, any Golf Shop credit earned in 2016 needs to be spent by Dec. 31st. Any shop credit earned on or after Dec. 1, 2016 can be rolled over to 2017. The Golf Shop is well stocked with apparel & equipment and we can special order items for Christmas delivery.

● Junior Golf Camp

Sign your junior golfers up for our Junior Golf Camp over the holiday break. The camp will be held on Dec. 27, 28 & 29, from 1:00-3:00pm & will serve as a great activity to get them out of the house while enjoying the game of golf. Register in the Golf Shop.

● Titleist - Special Holiday

Enjoy FREE personalization this holiday when you purchase a dozen Titleist golf balls. The offer is available thru 12/31/16 but 12/9/16 is the last day to order with guaranteed delivery by 12/24/16. To place your order for one of the #1 gifts in golf contact the Golf Shop.

● Stick with Us

New Golden Hills stickers have arrived. Let everyone know you are stuck on Golden Hills by placing one on your car, boat, yeti, cooler or whatever you want to customize. Choose from one of 3 colors available in the Golf Shop.

● Match Play

We have reached the semifinals of our Match Play competition. See who remains, their pairings and results by visiting our website.

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News from the Golf Shop

Wow! What a great month November was. With temperatures getting a little cooler, leaves on trees changing colors, and the greens getting slicker, November saw some of the best playing conditions we have had in some time. We're looking forward to more of the same during the month of December.

With the Holiday season upon us, Golden Hills is prepared to help you ring in the season. You will find our clubhouse decorated to the hilt to help you find some holiday cheer. Our annual member Christmas Open House will be held on Thursday, December 15th from 6:00-9:00pm. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and cocktails will be served in appreciation of your loyal support throughout the year. The Golf Shop will be open for the Annual Member Christmas Sale with some fun and exciting ways for you to gain additional savings that is sure to add to the evenings excitement. We hope to see you and your family on Dec. 15. Please RSVP by calling the clubhouse at 957-3355.

Bring your Christmas list to the Golden Hills Golf Shop for convenient stress free shopping. Your Golf Shop staff is standing by ready to assist you with all of your gift giving needs. With the arrival of new Footjoy, Nike and other apparel there are plenty of options for all to choose from. If you see something at another Golf Shop, retail store or online that we don't carry, please give us the opportunity to see if we can find it for you; possibly at a better price! If you have a hard time deciding what to get or what's the right fit, we offer 2 one size fits all options: Gift Certificates from the Golf Shop and lessons from Head Pro Steve Larick and Assistant Pro Ryan Murphy. Once again, the Pros are offering a series of 4 1-hour lessons for only \$150.

New this year over the Christmas holiday break, Golden Hills will be offering a Junior Golf Camp. On Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, Dec. 27, 28 & 29 from 1:00-3:00pm bring your children to Golden Hills to make a few swings, hit a few putts and play a little golf. The cost is only \$60

per child. Get the kids out of the house and bring them to Golden Hills to learn and enjoy the great game of golf with us.

We would like to thank all those who participated in the 2016 Turkey Bowl & Bog on Sunday, November 20th. We were treated with beautiful sunny skies, seasonably cool temperatures and some really good play from our members. The team of Mike Calkins, Alan Gibson, Sandy Smith and Robbie Davis were victorious in the end, holding on to a 1 stroke victory over two teams. For complete results visit our Facebook page or website. Thanks again for all who participated.

The 2016 MGA Championship is scheduled for December 3rd and 4th. You must be a current member of the MGA and have played in at least one MGA event to be eligible to play in the season ending championship. This two day event will have both gross and net winners. Tee times will begin at 10:00am on Saturday and 11:30am on Sunday. If you would like to sign up for this marquee MGA event, please call the Golf Shop at 957-3355.

Heading into the winter season we would greatly appreciate your efforts to help us maintain our golf course. As many of you may know, during the winter grass in the fairways and on the greens does not grow. That means ball marks do not heal as fast, divots do not heal, and golf cart damage to the course does not repair. Please help us maintain the magnificent condition of the course by repairing your ball marks, filling your divots with sand and adhering to the 90 degree rule.

We look forward to an awesome 2017 season with a wonderful list of events and social gatherings for you and your family to participate in. On behalf of our entire staff, we thank you for your continued support and wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Your Golf Staff,
 Steve Larick, Ryan Murphy & Mac Warzecka

Ladies Golf Association

The LGA has enjoyed a fantastic year, with great golf, fellowship and fun in all our endeavors. As we look forward to the upcoming holidays, we find ourselves filled with the spirit of season! We would like to extend a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all the members of Golden Hills.

Our annual LGA Christmas Party will be held on December 3rd. Among the fun and festivities will be the presentation of our annual awards. We will also welcome our new 2017 LGA Board: Pres. - Lana Ames; V.P. - Darlene Seguin; Sec-Treas. - Cindy Remington; Events - Sally Ademy & Sandlapper/WSCGA Rep - Nancy Hanna. Get ready for the holiday season by joining us for our Christmas and yearend celebration!

Upcoming golf events include: One Day State - Dec. 12th @ Port Royal GC (Hilton Head) * Four Ball Tournament *, and Kiawah Island - River Course. For more information on these and other upcoming WSCGA and Sandlapper events contact Nancy Hanna at: hanna8645@bellsouth.net

Don't put your clubs up during the holiday's or winter months! We plan to continue playing each Thursday at 10:00 am and invite ladies, of all levels of play, to join us.

For more information on the LGA contact: Annemarie Keene, 2016 LGA President, at snauzers@yahoo.com or (803) 318-3107 or incoming 2017 LGA President, Lana Ames, at falagolfers@aol.com

Senior Men's Golf Association

Our annual Senior Men's Golf Association Christmas Party is set for December 8th at 6:30pm. The festivities will be held at the Golden Hills clubhouse. The dinner will be catered by Olive Garden and the association will supply all drinks. The all-inclusive price is \$10 per person or \$20 per couple. If you plan to attend, RSVP Ray Chiellini at (803) 518-4215 or dober2plus1@gmail.com. Make plans to join us as it promises to be a great evening!

Results of SMGA matches since our last report were as follows:

Nov. 1 - Points: 1st (tie) Dean Davis & Ray Wright (+10); 3rd - Steve Johnston (+7); 4th - Robert Davis (+6); 5th - Sam Pressley (+3)

Nov. 8 - Handicap: 1st - Jim Antill (64); 2nd (tie) John Curry & Ray Wright (68); 4th (tie) Joe Pawluk & Mike Ruddy (69)

Nov. 15 - Points: 1st - Steve Johnston (+5); 2nd - Rick Green (+3); 3rd (tie) Ray Chiellini & Barry Long (+1)

Nov. 22 - Handicap: 1st (tie) Barry Long & Ray Chiellini (67); 3rd (tie) Ray Wright & Rich Antinozzi (72)

If you are looking for a friendly group of golfers or reason to get out to play, the SMGA gladly welcomes your participation. Our Tuesday matches feature formats that change each week, with play beginning at 9am. You can register by contacting the Golf Shop by 4pm each Monday. Call (803) 957 - 3355 to take advantage of every opportunity to enjoy a

round of golf with fellow Golden Hills members.

For more information on the SMGA, contact Rich Antinozzi, SMGA President, at (803) 960 - 8706 or email: rja1055@aol.com



Courtside Notes :



These 2 tips will most likely improve any players game instantly with no practice or effort!

Tip 1: We all watch and see the ball, but usually our tracking of the ball is around 60% of our potential. So, telling you to watch the ball won't help because everyone is on some level already watching the ball.

If you increase your awareness and track the ball closer to your 100% potential, doing so will instantly improve your performance – and another benefit is that when you are more focused on the ball, the array of unhelpful thoughts will diminish.

Tip 2: Do you hold your racquet more tight or more loose? If you hold it tight then more unnecessary muscles will be recruited throughout your arm and this will decrease optimal performance. An age old tip is to hold your racquet like holding a bird so it cannot fly away but you are not crushing its ribs.

Are you interested in participating on a Golden Hills tennis team for league play? If you would like to participate or find out more information, contact info@goldenhillsgolf.com.

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.