



Upcoming Events

- 5/3: SMGA Ryder Cup 10:00 Shotgun
 5/8: Ladies Chip & Chatter 5:30pm
 5/10: AllSouth Vet's 12:00 Shotgun
 5/10: Stag Night 5:30 Shotgun
 5/15: Ladies Chip & Chatter 5:30pm
 5/17: American Legion 12:30 Shotgun
 5/19: MGA Wild Rules Open 9:30 Shotgun
 5/20: LGA Couples 10:00 Shotgun
 5/21: STSM 11:00 Shotgun
 5/22: Ladies Chip & Chatter 5:30pm
 5/24: SMGA Ryder Cup 10:00 Shotgun
 5/29: Aerification - Course Closed

Weekly Member Play:

LGA: Monday & Thursday @ 8:00am

SMGA: Tuesday @ 9:00am

Dogfights: Wednesday @ 12:30; Friday @ 12:00;

Saturday @ 9:00; Sunday @ 12:00

Shootout: Saturday & Sunday ~ Make a Tee Time

Local Knowledge:

• Ladies Chip & Chatter

Enjoy a little light refreshment followed by instructional golf tips to help you get your game up to par. Whether beginner or advanced, all ladies are invited to join our Pro's for a series of beneficial golf instruction, along with laughs and lots of fun! Read more in "News from the Golf Shop"

• Stag Night

Gentlemen, join us this month on May 10 for another exciting evening with golf, great food, cards and fellowship. We'll tee things up at 5:30 with a 9 hole, 1-2-3 format competition. Fun, food and maybe a little luck at the card table will follow play at the clubhouse. Call the Golf Shop to sign up.

• Dive In

Dive in to fun at the pool on Saturday, May 26th. Starting on the 26th, pool hours will be 10am-8pm on weekends and 11am-8pm on weekdays. Visit our website for a copy of the Pool Newsletter, information on swim lessons, swim team, pool parties and more.

• Wild Rules

The MGA is hosting a Wild Rules Open on May 19th. This is your chance to try some of those "wish I could have's" on the course. It's going to be fun but will also be a strategic test. Read more in "News from the Golf Shop".

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News from the Golf Shop

Welcome May! Long, sunlit days on are the way. We want to help you get more enjoyment out of this beautiful month and all of 2018 by taking advantage of all the amenities we have to offer for you, your family and guests. With the pool opening this month, you can dive into more fun and excitement poolside, experience a round of golf second to none in the Midlands or serve up a few aces on the courts. Whatever your pursuit, make every day count and let us know if we can help you with the use or enjoyment of anything at the club.

Along with its traditional rain, April brought some sunshine, warmer temperatures and nice playing conditions for golf. The month got started with an awesome Masters and the unlikely victory of Patrick Reid over hard charging Jordan Speith and Ricky Fowler. Reid held them off with some solid play down the stretch. The same could be said for our 2018 Maters Pick a Pro Tournament on Sunday, April 8th. This annual unique tournament format allowed each member to pick a Masters pro out of a hat to pair up with for this event. While their pro is teed it up in Augusta, they teed it up our very own little golf mecca, Golden Hills. Joe Ecker (67), paired with Louis Ousthuisen (69), captured the championship by 2 shots over a the hard charging teams of Yeomin Yoon (71) & partner Ricky Fowler (67), Tony Redman (71) & Webb Simpson (67), and Woody Lucas (71) & Brandon Grace (67). Thanks to all who played and enjoyed viewing the Masters with us afterwards!

Stag Night continues to be a big hit! We had 22 gentlemen tee it up for Stag Night on April 12th in an individual modified stableford format. Doc Griffin, Shawn Miller and Frank Pinckney were a few of the golf winners at +6, +5, and +4. Following play the gentlemen were treated to a wonderful meal catered by Papa Gios and then tested their luck at the card tables. A good time was had by all! This month Stag Night will be held on May 10th and we're bringing back everyone's favorite format, the 1, 2, 3. With the 1,2,3 format everyone will play in foursomes with the team counting 1 net best ball on hole 1, 2 best balls on 2, 3 best balls on 3; then they will rotate back to 1 best ball on 4 and repeat the process. You can sign up as a foursome, 3, 2, or single. The Golf Shop staff will assist with any needed pairings. Call (803) 957-3355 to register.

Our Member/Member golf tournament was held on April 21 & 22 and had 29 teams teeing it for

the opportunity to call themselves 2018 champions. The tournament featured four 9-hole formats, with a winner of each format in each flight and the champion coming from the total of all four formats. Play began with Trent Whitfield and Todd Lindsey setting the pace with a blistering score of 28 in the first 9 hole Pinehurst Alternate shot format. Mike Moody and Woody Lucas found their groove and a 28 of their own on the back nine Captains Choice format and took the first round lead at 58.but, like they say in Augusta at the Masters, it all comes down to the last nine on Sunday. While Mike and Woody continued their torrid play in the Net Best Ball format with a score of 30 to lead going into the final nine holes their playing partners Joe Pawluk and Tommy Morin were up for the chase. In the final 9 hole Aggregate Net format, Joe and Tommy finished with a 65 and tournament total 161. Not to be outdone and lurking in the next to last group of the day, Phillip Gibson and Joey Joiner were bringing the heat and finished at 161to tie for the lead. Forced to a sudden death playoff, Joe and Tommy along with Joey and Phillip headed to the 1st tee. In the end, Joey and Phillip came out on top in the playoff and were crowned 2018 Member/Member champions. In addition to exciting championship finish, we witnessed some other amazing golf on the final day of play. Sent Xayaveth and Dale Welch shot a 27 on the front nine, Mike Calkins shot his age (67), and not to be outdone was Robbie Davis, who had spent the night in the hospital with kidney stone pains, shooting 38 on the back 9, with an eagle on 14, which carried him and his partner Alan Gibson to a second place finish in their flight. Well done gentlemen! We hope everyone enjoyed the weekend and thank you to everyone who played! Visit our website for more tournament results at www.goldenhillsgolf.com

Our senior men's Ryder Cup team faced some tough competition last month; suffering loses at Camden and at home against Lancaster. Hopefully, they will find their edge and winning ways when they face off this month against Mid Carolina and Lexington. The men of the SMGA also continue their weekly play on Tuesday's at 9:00am. If you have not played with our senior men before and would like to participate all you have to do is call the Golf Shop by 4pm on Monday to register. This is a great group of guys who always welcome new players. Come and join the fun!

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Our Ladies Golf Association will continue to play at 8am on Monday and Thursday throughout May. Ladies of all skill and ability levels are welcome to play. To join them, all we ask is that you call the Golf Shop by 4 pm the preceding day to sign up. The LGA is hosting a Couples Tournament this month on Sunday, May 20th at 10:00am. The format will be the best 2 net balls of the foursome. If you are new to the club or have not played with these folks before this is a great way to meet other couples who love the game of golf and a good time. This Month also brings back the Chip and Chatter with your golf professionals. Beginning on Tuesday, May 8th, for 3 consecutive weeks we will meet at 5:30 for a little light refreshment followed by an hour and a half of instructional tips to help you get your game to the next level. Whether you are a beginner or more advanced, Steve and Ryan can help you with all aspects of your game. Session 1 will be at the Driving Range. Session 2 will be a short game clinic. Session 3 will be on the course. The cost is \$50 for all 3 or \$20 per session. Sign up by dropping by the Golf Shop or calling 957-3355.

The Men's Golf Association will be holding its Wild Rules Open (WRO) on Saturday, May 19th. Play will begin at 9:30 with a shotgun start. Have you ever hit a poor tee shot and said "if I could only par this hole", or hit a ball on the green and wanted to declare it a gimmee? Have you ever wanted to put a tee in the ground in the fairway or play a mulligan anywhere, not just on the first tee? Now you can. The WRO will prove to be a fun event for everyone but with lots of strategy required. Mark Saturday May 19th on your calendar as a must do!!

As we gear up for the summer with the Club Championship and Member/Guest on the horizon, now is a great time to invest in a new set of irons, wedges you've had an eye on, a putter to sink more putts or the all new Rogue driver to smash the ball farther than ever before. Your Golf Shop staff can help fit you with the best equipment to take your game to the next level. Gear up and game on!

In closing, our door is always to assist you and listen to suggestions. Count on us to help you get more enjoyment out of 2018!

Your Golf Shop staff,
Steve Larick, Ryan Murphy, Taylor Wright



Ladies Golf Association

Enjoy May in full bloom, with us, on the course and having fun at Golden Hills! Ladies of all ability levels are invited to join us for our weekly tee times each Monday and Thursday morning at 8:00am. If you will like to join us, call the Golf Shop by 4:00pm on the proceeding day.

With our April event cancelled, the inaugural 2018 Couples Tournament will be held on Sunday, May 20 at 10am. The anticipation couldn't be higher for the return of this event. The format will be Best 2 Net Balls of each foursome. Following play everyone will enjoy lunch and fellowship at the clubhouse. If you are new to the club or looking for something to enjoy with your spouse or friend, sign up for a day of golf, food and fun.

On April 19, the Carolinas Golf Association hosted a tournament at Bald Mountain in Lake Lure, NC. The format was Better Ball of Two. Darlene Sequin & Jean Burns won 2nd gross in the 3rd flight and Wilma Shaw & Cindy Remington won 2nd net in the 3rd flight. Congratulations ladies! mber. Way to go ladies!

The Ladies Chip and Chatter returns this month, giving us all a chance to tune up our game in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. Beginning on Tuesday, May 8th, for 3 consecutive weeks everyone will meet at 5:30 for a little light refreshment followed by instructional tips to help you get your game to the next level. Whether you are a beginner or more advanced, our Pro's, Steve and Ryan, will help with all aspects of your game. Session 1 will be at the Driving Range. Session 2 will be a short game clinic. Session 3 will be on the course. The cost is \$50 for all 3 or \$20 per session. Sign up by dropping by the Golf Shop or calling 957-3355.

Other great opportunities to play this month include: WSCGA One Day Stroke - May 1: Charleston Municipal; WSCGA One Day 2 Person Best Ball - May 1: Houndslake (Aiken) & Reserve at Lake Keowee (Sunset). Ridge Senior - May 21: Links at Stoney Point (Greenwood); Sandlapper - May 22: Mid Carolina (Prosperity); LHML - May 24: CC of Lexington. If you would like more information on WSCGA, Sandlapper or other events contact our State Representative, Sally Ademy at: joesally8922@yahoo.com

For more information on the Golden Hills Ladies Golf Association, contact LGA President, Lana Ames: falagolfers@aol.com

Senior Men's Golf Association

Guys, this is the month to make every day count and what better way to do so than playing golf at Golden Hills! We invite all the Golden Hills senior men, age 55 & over, to join us each Tuesday at 9:00am for our weekly competitions. If you would like to tee it up with us, you can register by calling the Golf Shop by 4:00 pm on the Monday preceding each Tuesday match at (803) 957-3355.

Our Ryder Cup team faced some stiff competition last month, resulting in 2 loses. On April 12, the team traveled to Camden where they were out dueled 13-5. Back at home on April 19, the team fell to Lancaster 9.5 to 8.5. Hopefully the team will right the ship this month, with both matches being played at Golden Hills. On May 3rd the team will face off against Mid Carolina and on May 24th they will take on cross town rival, Lexington C. C.. Good luck gentlemen!

Results of our matches since the last report are as follows:

April 3 - Handicap: 1st - Ray Chiellini (64); 2nd - Mike Blakely (66); 3rd - (tie) Frank Jansen & Mike Ruddy (67)

April 10 - Points: 1st - Ray Chiellini (+10); 2nd (tie) Dan Sass & Kirk Wirth (+6); 4th - David Ha (+5); 5th (tie) John Curry, Mike Ruddy & Don Elliot (+4)

April 17 - Handicap: 1st - Frank Jansen (63); 2nd - Dan Sass (65); 3rd - (tie) Rich Antinozzi & Knut Brockmann (67)

April 25 - Points: 1st (tie) Robert Davis & Don Elliot (+5); 3rd - Ray Chiellini (+3); 4th - Chuck Felkel (+2)

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