



Upcoming Events

- 12/1 & 2: MGA Championship 10:00am
 12/3: Bearcat Invitational 12:00pm
 12/11: Christmas Open House 6:00-9:00pm
 12/25: Merry Christmas!
 12/27: Coaches Winter Classic 8:30am

Weekly Member Play:

Ladies Day: Monday & Thursday @ 10am

SMGA: Tuesday @ 10:00am

Dogfights: Wednesday @ 12:30; Friday @ 12:00; Saturday @ 10:00; Sunday @ 12:00

Shootout: Saturday & Sunday ~ T-Times

Koosa's Korner:

Dear Golden Hills Members,

As many of you have seen, our junior program is well under way and is entering its fourth week with what I would consider to be excellent participation. We have had 22 juniors participate with 2 clinics left in our initial series. We fully intend to have our second program startup sometime in March.

As we move through the cold weather months, now is really the time to begin preparing your golf games for spring. This is the perfect time of year to work on your golf swings with the intention of trying to improve your mechanics for better ball striking. Steve and I will begin a winter seminar for you all during the month of January. Details will be provided in the next newsletter.

Thus far, I have truly enjoyed my time teaching and meeting more of you at the club. I look forward to the journey ahead.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Koosa ~ Director of Instruction

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News from the Golf Shop

The holiday season is a time to reflect on the blessings we have received and to express gratitude toward those who have impacted our lives. We would like to express how much we appreciate your loyalty and friendship and hope your holidays will be filled with peace and joy. May the blessings of the holiday remain in your home and stay with you throughout the year.

Join us for mingling and merriment at our annual Christmas Open House on December 11th. You will find our clubhouse decorated to the hilt to help you find some holiday cheer. The Christmas Open House will be held from 6:00-9:00pm and will coincide with our annual Golf Shop Christmas Sale. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres and cocktails will be served in appreciation of your support throughout the year. Giving and getting the gifts of golf is one sure fire way to add joy to the holiday and the Golf Shop will be serving up 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 December 11th. Please RSVP by calling the Clubhouse at 957-3355.

We would like to thank all who participated in the Turkey Bowl and Bog on November 18th. We were treated with beautiful sunny skies, seasonably cool temperatures and some really good play from our members. The teams of Trent Whitfield, Bill Danielson, Todd Lindsey, Robb Hill and Ernie Dotson, Mike Slapnik, Walter Peake, Robbie Lyles tied for 1st, with a score of 18 under par, in the Texas Scramble 2 net best ball format. Three teams tied for 3rd, two strokes back, at 16 under par. Complete results are available on our Facebook page and website. Thanks again to everyone who participated!

The Men's Golf Association Championship is scheduled for December 1st & 2nd. You must be a current member of the MGA and have played in at least one MGA event to qualify for participation in the championship. This two day event will have both gross and net winners. Tee times will begin at 10am both days. Be sure to check our website for results following the conclusion of the championship rounds.

Another round of thanks goes out to everyone who participated in this year's Golden Hills Match Play tournament. 32 men, women and

seniors teed it up for the chance to be crowned 2018 Match Play Champion. Once again this year, the matches brought solid play from unexpected competitors and some of the usual suspects. In the first semifinal, Charlie Newton defeated his good friend Shawn Miller to advance to the finals. In the second semifinal, Scott Wilson defeated Joey Joiner to advance to the finals to play Charlie. As we reached the deadline to print this newsletter, the final match had not been played. Stay tuned for the update on our website and Facebook for news of our new 2018 Match Play Champion.

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 Footjoy, Adidas, Travis Matthew, Titleist Callaway, Taylormade and more in stock there are plenty of options for all your Christmas wishes. If you see something at another Golf Shop, retail store, or online 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, we have two 1 size fits all options: Gift Certificates and lessons from Head Pro Steve Larick. Once again, a series of four (4) 1 hour lessons for only \$150 is being offered. If there is anything golf that you wish for this year, we have you covered!

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

In closing, we are looking forward to an awesome 2019, 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 Shop Staff,

Steve Larick, Taylor Wright & Jimmy Koosa

Ladies Golf Association

It's the most wonderful time of year and we're looking forward to the holiday season and all the good things to come in the New Year. Not to be overlooked in the holiday rush is quality time on the golf course! We invite you to bring your merry self out to join us each Monday and Thursday at the club for a round of golf. Whether you're a beginner or advanced golfer, up for 9 holes or 18, if you would like to play simply contact the Golf Shop by 3:00pm on the preceding day to sign up. We tee off at 10:00am and look forward to seeing you at Golden Hills throughout the month ahead.

Congratulations are in order for our ladies that competed in the Lexington Handicap Match League and captured the 2018 Championship title! The ladies played against 8 other clubs in the Lexington/Columbia area this season. Once again, congrats to our ladies on their outstanding play and sportsmanship!

We look forward to ending the year and beginning the new on high notes! While we will continue to enjoy time playing together this month and our annual LGA Christmas gathering, excitement for the New Year has already begun to build. As we head into 2019, we will usher in a new slate of LGA officers. Filling the leadership roles for 2019 include: President - Annemarie Keene; Vice-Pres. & Events Chair - Lois Tessier; Sec./Treas. - Nancy Hanna; Match Play coordinator & WSCGA rep. - Darlene Seguin; Sandlapper rep. - Tia Davis. Special thanks and appreciation are extended to the outgoing panel of officers for their exceptional representation over the past 2 years!

Other great opportunities to play this month include: WSCGA One Day Stroke Play - December 10: Callawassie CC (Okatie); & December 11: Caledonia (Pawley's Island).

If you would like more information on the Golden Hills Ladies Golf Association, contact 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 13th. The festivities will be held at the Golden Hills clubhouse and will begin with a social hour 6:30pm. The dinner will be fully catered 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!

All senior men, age 55 and over, are welcome to join us for a friendly 18 hole competition each Tuesday morning at 10:00am. If you would like to participate, you can register by calling the Golf Shop by 4:00 pm on the Monday preceding each Tuesday match at (803) 957-3355.

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

Nov. 6 - Points: 1st (tie) Dan Sass & Dave McElrath (+6); 3rd (tie) Mark DiMaggio & Nick Rinaldi (+5)

Nov. 13: Rained out

Nov. 19 - Handicap: 1st - David Ha (63); 2nd - Bruce Liles (64); 3rd - Ray Chiellini (65); 4th - Knut Brockman (70)

Nov. 27: No play due to wind & low temperature

For more information on the SMGA contact Ray Chiellini at (803) 518-4215 or email him at: dober2plus1@gmail.com

Golden Hills Member
**Christmas
Open House**
Join us for complementary hors d'oeuvres & beverages
December 11th, 6:00 - 9:00 pm
Celebrate the Season
Shop our Annual Golf Shop Sale * RSVP: (803) 957-3355