



Upcoming Events:

- 12/3: Carolina Reaper Baseball 10:00am
 12/7: Bearcat Club 12:00pm
 12/12: Jack Frost Open T-Times
 12/12 & 12/13: Christmas Sale
 12/25: Merry Christmas
 12/28: Coaches Winter Classic 8:30am

Weekly Member Play:

- Ladies Day: Tues @ 9 & Thurs @ 10am
 SMGA: Tuesday @ 10:00am
 Dogfights: Wednesday @ 12:30; Friday @ 12:00; Saturday @ 10:00; Sunday @ 12:00

Local Knowledge:

• Christmas Sale

Wrap up your Christmas list at our Golf Shop Christmas Sale on December 12 & 13. Apparel will be discounted at 25% for 1 item, 35% for 2 items and 40% for 3 or more. There will also be specials on balls, gloves, shoes and more. Shop with us, where it's quick, easy and sure to please.

• Hole - In - One

Congratulations to Butch Hale on his hole in one made on August 20th; Hole #3, 156 yds, 8 iron. Congrats also to Nick Rinaldi on his hole in one made on November 6th, Hole #17, 115 yds, "A" wedge. A final congrats goes out to Joe Ecker for his ace made on November 24th, Hole #17, 110 yds, 8 iron.

• Fun Fact

Mike Calkins has made a hole in one on each of the par 3's at Golden Hills. Who will be next to take a run at his record? Tee it up, the challenge is on!

• Golf Shop Credit

As a reminder, all Golf Shop credit on the book must be spent prior to December 31. Any credit earned in December will be rolled over into 2021.

• Tennis Lessons

Kyle Koch offers tennis lessons for all ages & ability levels. Whether you're looking to pick up the game or improve it, he can assist. Contact Kyle at (803) 348-1595.

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News from the Golf Shop

With the holiday season upon us, it presents a time to reflect on all the blessings we have received and express our gratitude toward those who have impacted our lives. While 2020 has been a year with hardships brought to many, we remain hopeful that 2021 will be a great year for all! We would like to express how much we appreciate your loyalty and friendship and hope your holiday will be filled with joy and peace. May the blessings of the holiday season remain in your home and stay with you throughout the year.

We've added a new tournament just for the holiday season and we're calling it the Jack Frost Open. On Saturday, December 12, you'll have one more opportunity to test your golf skills in 2020. The format is a two-person team net best ball. The tournament format will also allow you to make your own tee times and play with your usual group. If you play well enough, you may even earn a little Christmas spending money in our Golf Shop. The only stipulation is that you must tee off before 11:00 am. This tournament will also coincide with our annual Christmas Sale that will take place on Saturday, December 12th and Sunday, December 13th. If you would like to participate just make your normal tee time and please let the Golf Shop staff know that you plan on participating so we can have your scorecard ready when you arrive for your tee time. If you don't have a partner, we will be glad to help pair you this someone. This is a great way to get in the spirit of the season, earn a little Golf Shop credit for all those last-minute golf items on your list and enjoy another round of golf at the Midlands best golf course.

The MGA Championship was held last month. It was the first time in the last four years that the golfers were treated to some great conditions to play golf weather wise. 36 golfers teed it up with the hopes of becoming the 2020 MGA Champion. Three-time club champion Alan Gibson brought home the Gross Championship with a two-day total of 147. While the new handicapping system has brought many frustrations, with handicaps being lower than they used to be, the system was designed to bring scores closer to par. It

worked! For the first time ever at Golden Hills the winning score was Even Par 142 shot by Yeomin Yoon. Finishing in second at 2 over par were Charlie Newton and Don Harrison. Chris Ulmer was named the 2020 MGA Money Leader. Chris played in all five 5 MGA tournaments and won \$691! Congratulations gentlemen, well done!

The 2020 Match Play Championship is down to the final two players, Tony Redman and Chris Ulmer. Even with the postponement of a few matches due to COVID concerns, we managed to keep the matches safe and mostly on schedule. Good luck to our final 2 competitors in the Championship match.

While regrettably we will not be hosting a Christmas Party this year, we will be offering a two-day Christmas Sale in the Golf Shop. Stop by on December 12th or 13th and enjoy holiday shopping with us. Apparel will be discounted at 25% for 1 item, 35% for 2 items and 40% for 3 or more. We will also have specials on balls, gloves and accessories. If you have some last-minute shopping to do for the golfer in your family or yourself, make Golden Hills your place to shop. Maybe you need help with your golf game itself. Steve and Hunter are offering Christmas specials on lessons during this time as well. To those with credit on the books, remember it must be used by the end of the year.

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

In closing, 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, Hunter Dodgen, Jeff Gibson

Ladies Golf Association

It has been a trying year but, thankfully, we have certainly experienced a lot of JOY on the golf course. Throughout the year we continued to welcome new ladies to the game and our LGA. We are so very proud to have such an exceptional group of ladies that enjoy having fun, fellowship and a little competition every now and then out on the course. We hope the new year will bring continued growth and more fun at Golden Hills.

If you are new to the club or just looking for a chance to pick up the game, you are welcome to participate with us on the Ladies Play Days at the club. Tee times are set aside each Tuesday at 9:00am and Thursday at 10:00am for the play days. Ladies of all ages and levels of play are invited to participate. Whether you like to play 9 or 18, walk or ride, all are welcome. In order to play, you must register in the Golf Shop by 3:00pm on the proceeding day. If you do not register, we may not be able to include you in our group. So, please register early by calling the Golf Shop at (803) 957-3355. We look forward to seeing you at the club this month.

We played a Texas Scramble at the Couples Tournament held last month on November 8th. Dianne Dennis and her son, Jason, won first place. Jerry & Annemarie Keene won second place and Ron & Lois Tessier won third place. All the couples enjoyed a chili cook off after the round. It was the last Couples Tournament in 2020 but we'll be back with more fun in 2021.

We hope you will enjoy the holiday season, golf and great times with friends and family at the club this month. Keep safe and healthy!

If you are interested in learning more about the Golden Hills Ladies Golf Association, contact Annemarie Keene at (803) 318-3107 or email her at: snauzers@yahoo.com

Senior Men's Golf Association

Santa won't be the only one holly and jolly this holiday season, our senior men will be as well! As long as we are able to keeping playing and enjoying our socially distanced time together, there will be peace on earth!

Are you looking for something to brighten your holiday season? Join us. All male members of the club, age 55 and over, are welcome to participate in our weekly Tuesday morning outings. Tee times are set aside for our senior men beginning at 10:00am each week. If interested, you can register by contacting the Golf Shop by 3:00pm each Monday. Call (803) 957-3355 to take advantage of every opportunity to enjoy a round with your fellow Golden Hills members.

On December 8th, we will play an 18 hole blind draw event. With this format, you will not know who your partner is until you finish the round. Make plans to join us on the 8th and see who might be your lucky partner.

Questions have come up regarding the "Leaf Rule". During this time of year, as trees shed and leaves are blown on the course, the "Leaf Rule" comes into effect. If your foursome agrees that a ball is lost due to the leaves, you may drop and not incur a penalty.

Results from other SMGA events are as follows:

Nov 3 - Points: 1st (tie) Bill Branch & Lee Sessions (+4); 3rd (tie) Chuck Felkel & David Ha (+3); 5th - Dan Sass (+2); 6th (tie) Gary Liles, Keith Morgan, Frank Jansen & Rich Turgeon (+1)

Nov 10 - Handicap: 1st - Gary Liles (60); 2nd - Chuck Felkel (68); 3rd (tie) Lee Sessions & Jim Antill (69); 5th (tie) Ray Chiellini, Dick Howe, Jack & Jerry Keene, Bill Lorenzen & Doug Stanard (70)

Rick Green & David Ha (+2)

Nov 17 - Points: 1st - Frank Jansen (+6); 2nd - David Ha (+4); 3rd - Mike Ruddy (+3); 4th (tie) Jim Antill, Mike Kammer, Jack Keene & Rich Wood (+2); 8th (tie) Al Beard, Fred Kakascik, Jerry Keene, Bruce Liles, Jim Poag, Dan Sass & Randy Senn (+1)

Nov 24 - Handicap: 1st (tie) Jim Antill & Jesse Snipes (68); 3rd (tie) Ray Chiellini, Butch Hale, Gary Liles, Lee Sessions & Scott Zhang (70)

If you would like to receive emails from the SMGA about events and results, send your address to Ray Chiellini. He can be reached by calling (803) 518-4215 or email him at: dober2plus1@gmail.com

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<p>1. ALWAYS stay six feet apart from others.</p>	<p>2. STAY HOME if you have a fever or feel sick.</p>	<p>5. ALWAYS mark your ball clearly.</p>	<p>7. AVOID handshakes and high-fives.</p>	<p>8. RESPECT the game and all involved.</p>
<p>3. AVOID large gatherings on the first tee, driving range or after the round.</p>	<p>4. If in doubt... DON'T TOUCH IT.</p>	<p>6. WEAR a facial covering when taking a lesson.</p>	<p>9. REMEMBER to wash your hands after playing.</p>	