



Upcoming Events:

2/12: Par 3 Tournament

2/26: MGA Pinehurst Alternate Shot

Weekly Member Play:

Ladies Day: Tues @ 9am & Thurs @ 10am

SMGA: Tuesday @ 10:00am

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

Saturday @ 9:00; Sunday @ 12:00

Local Knowledge:

• Keep Up the Pace

We all have the responsibility to show proper etiquette by playing in a timely fashion. We want everyone to enjoy their round and that starts with everyone maintaining the pace of play. Read news from the Golf Shop for more on how you can help everyone enjoy playing at Golden Hills. Thank you!

• Handicap Fees

As a reminder, handicap fees were charged to member accounts last month. If you would like to establish a handicap, contact the Golf Shop and our staff will be glad to assist.

• Tee Times

Members can make tee times one week in advance. While we always do our best to accommodate member play, it's best to make your tee times in advance. We also ask that you let us know if you need to cancel your tee time as soon as possible. Thank You!

• Improve Your Swing

If you are new to golf or find yourself frustrated with your game, a quick lesson or tip from one of our pro's may be all that you need. Get more enjoyment out of the game by contacting Steve or Jake in the Golf Shop.

• Take Golden Hills Home

Photographer Edward Van Lierop has a sweetheart deal for you this month. See page 2 for details on how you can take Golden Hills home.

• Tennis Lessons

Sean Koch offer tennis lessons for all ages & ability levels. Whether you're looking to pick up the game or improve it, he can assist. Contact Sean at (803) 719-1104 or snkoch5@gmail.com

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News from the Golf Shop

Brrr!.....Well, thank goodness January is over! For the first time in quite a few years winter reared its ugly head and prevented many of us from playing a lot of golf. Fear not, Spring is right around the corner with longer days and warmer temperatures on the way. We hope February will provide you with more time to enjoy some golf here at Golden Hills.

With that in mind, Golden Hills is bringing back our infamous Par 3 tournament on Superbowl Saturday, February 12th. Play will begin at 9:30 with a shotgun start. In this format, all holes will be turned into Par 3's and players will be given 50% of their handicap. This is a fun and unique event that will provide a different way to experience golf at Golden Hills. Mark your calendars, save the date, and sign up asap as space is limited! To sign up simply call the Golf Shop at 957-3355 or see us on your next visit to the shop. The cost will be \$28 per player + cart fee if riding.

The Men's Golf Association will kick off its tournament season on Saturday, February 26th. The format will be Pinehurst Alternate Shot. Each player will hit a tee ball. On the second shot both players will hit their partners ball. Then the team will choose 1 ball and continue to alternate shots until the ball is holed. Tee times will begin at 9am. MGA Dues for 2022 must be paid prior to playing in the tournament. If you would like to sign up, simply call the Golf Shop.

Unfortunately, our SMGA had a difficult time playing golf in January. It seemed just about every Tuesday we got the worst of the weather and had to cancel organized play. Thankfully, winter will be over soon and we can get back to filling the golf course with this great group of guys. The SMGA organized play is held every Tuesday with a 10:00 shotgun. If you are new to the club or just looking for a steady game, anyone over the age of 55 is welcome to come and join in the game. To sign up, simply call the Golf Shop by 3:00 the Monday beforehand.

Ladies Days continue to be hit and seems to be growing every month. The Ladies play on Tuesdays at 9am and Thursdays at 10am in February. It doesn't matter if you are a beginner or scratch golfer, play 9 or 18, walk or ride, all are welcome to come and join in the fun. If you would like to come and play with the ladies simply call the Golf Shop on the preceding day by 3pm to sign up.

As many of you may know, getting supplies for the Golf Shop, well for anything, has been challenging to say the least over the past 2 years. For 2022, I have been assured by our vendors that most of these issues are being resolved. We have just received a new shipment of winter/early spring apparel from Footjoy and look forward to being fully stocked by the middle of February to meet all your golf apparel and equipment needs.

Of the many issues that face any golf course, the hardest topic to tackle is slow play. While we love to see each and every one of you enjoying the great game of golf, we all have a responsibility to show proper etiquette and play in a timely fashion so we all may enjoy their rounds. How do I know if I am not playing at a proper pace? An LPGA Hall of Famer described it this way. If you are not waiting on the group ahead of you, you may be playing to slow. Here at Golden Hills, we have a policy of playing 18 holes in four hours or less posted on the first tees. Please help everyone enjoy their time at Golden Hills by playing in a timely fashion.

We have finalized the 2022 tournament calendar all club, MGA and LGA events. It's going to be a great year and we hope you will make plans to participate in as many events as possible. The schedule will be posted in the online newsletter edition or you can contact us at:

info@goldenhillsgolf.com for a copy.

Your Golf Shop Staff,

Steve Larick, Jake Yarborough, Owen Van Gundy

Ladies Golf Association

January brought cold temps but it didn't turn our ladies away from the game we all love! The cold weather may not be over yet but we are a resilient group and will look forward to even more play this month. With this being said, we invite ladies of all levels of play to join us each week for our standing tee times. Ladies play days at the club are held each Tuesday at 9:00am and Thursday at 10:00am. If you would like to join us, contact the Golf Shop at (803) 957-3355 by 3:00pm on the proceeding day to reserve your spot.

We held our first meeting of the new year last month and it set the path for lots of fun and excitement to come in 2022. Items of interest that you should note include: **2022 Awards** - Awards this year will include Most Improved & Hole-N-One Club. **Ladies Chip & Chatter** - The Chip & Chatter will be held on April 12, 19 & 26. **Couples Tournaments** - March 20; April 10, May 15, June 19, September 18, October 16 & November 13. All tournaments will begin at 10:00am. **Sandlapper Tournaments** - March 22 @ Ft. Jackson, April 26 @ Star Fort, May 24 @ Cobblestone, June 28 @ Lakeside, July 26 @ Pine Ridge, August 23 @ Golden Hills, October 25 @ Woodlands. **Ladies Handicap Match Play League (LHML)** - Trish Simmons will captain the GH team this year. 6 ladies will play in each event. If you would like to play, contact Trish or Annemarie. **Fun Tournament** - Make plans for a fun round and day with us on May 7. **LGA Trips** - Our spring trip will be held on March 28-March 30. The fall trip will be held on October 21-23. **Summer Party** - The summer party will be held on July 9, with an option to play 9 holes at 10:30am. **LGA Championship** - Test your skills with us on October 8 to be our next champion. **Christmas Party** - The Christmas Party will be held on December 3 @ Golden Hills. WOW, what fun we are going to have. Mark your calendar and make plans to join us for all that's in store this year.

Serving on the 2022 LGA Board are: Pres - Annemarie Keene, VP - Trish Proctor, Sec/Treas - Carolyn Brooks, Co-Event Coordinators - Milly Kester & Karen Waterfield, Sandlapper Rep - Tia Davis, Sunshine Committee - Karen Lipinski

If you would like to join in the fun or learn more about the LGA, contact Annemarie Keene at (803) 318-3107 or email her at: snauzers@yahoo.com

Senior Men's Golf Association

The winter weather wasn't kind to us last month as we were only able to get in one SMGA play day. February will likely bring more cold weather but hopefully it will be more tolerable and conducive to play! If you are new to the club or are looking for more playing opportunities, consider joining us this month. 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 play, you can register by calling the Golf Shop by 3:00 pm on the Monday preceding each Tuesday match at (803) 957-3355.

We are glad to announce that the Midlands Senior Ryder Cup will return this year with a full season of matches. There will be 2 divisions that will include: Division 1: Newberry, Woodlands, Santee, Cobblestone & Oak Hills; Division 2: Mid Carolina, Lexington, Golden Hills, Camden & Lancaster. We will play each club in our division twice, one at home and one away. Season winners will be based solely on the number of points accrued during the season, not the number of wins. At the end of the season the 2 top teams in each division will enter the playoffs. The top team in each division will host the 2nd place team in that division. The winners from each division will play for the championship at a neutral course. Any ties will be dealt with on a head to head basis. Schedules and additional information will be finalized soon. The first match is usually held in March and each club will have a bye week. If we are going to chase the championship this year we need players willing to travel as well as play at home. Anyone with a current GHIN handicap is eligible to play. In the last 5 years we have taken the championship twice; with your commitment we can bring it home again this year! If you would like to participate, please contact Ray Chiellini.

Results from our SMGA events are as follows:

Jan 25: 1st - Doug Stanard (+11); 2nd (tie) Del Crawshaw, Bill Lorenzen, Dan Sass & Jessie Snipes (+6)

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

Valentines "Sweetheart" Special

2 New Options: Prints will be printed on professional photo paper & include a mat & wooden frame, "ready to hang": Sizes available 12x24 \$159 or 16x20 \$199

This exclusive offer is available to all Golden Hills Golf & Country Club members, community homeowners and golf patrons

You may also choose (1) 24x36 inch Giclee Canvas Gallery Wrap for \$299 (on display at the Golf Shop)

Please contact local Artist/Photographer
Edward J. Van Lierop @ 803-673-4141
for ordering details and delivery timeframe.

