



Upcoming Events:

8/13: MGA 1~2~3 8:30am

8/23: Sandlappers 9:30am

8/29: Al's Palmetto Golfers 9:00am

Weekly Member Play:

Ladies Day: Tues @ 8:15am & Thurs @ 8:30am

SMGA: Tuesday @ 9:00am

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

Saturday @ 9:00; Sunday @ 12:00

Local Knowledge:

• Golden Hills Gators

The Golden Hills Gators completed another successful swim season last month. We had an outstanding team. We're proud of the commitment and performance shown by each team member. Special thanks to all the coaches and parents their time and support!

• Men's Golf Association

Mark your calendar for the MGA's remaining 2022 schedule: August 13: 1-2-3 Tournament; September 10: (3) 6's Tournament (2 man teams); October 8: No Alibi Tournament; November 5 & 6: MGA Championship.

• Hole In One

We've added a lot of new (and a few returning) members to our Hole In One Archive this year. Be sure to let us know if/when you score your perfect ace!

• Care for the Course

Taking divots is a normal part of golf. Making our best effort to repair divots should also be a routine part of the game. Spending a little time to properly repair divots makes a big difference in how the course plays & sets a positive example for others. Repairing divots is an easy way to care for the course, while helping other to enjoy their round!

• Tee Times

Be sure to secure your desired tee times by calling the Golf Shop. Members can make tee times up to one week in advance. We also ask that you let us know if you need to cancel your tee time as soon as possible. Thank You!

• Special Occasions

The clubhouse makes the perfect setting for any special event. Whether a party, shower or business meeting, contact our Food & Bev. Manager, Laurice Mears, for assistance at (803) 957-3355

• Tennis Lessons

Sean 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 Sean at (803) 719-1104 or snkoch5@gmail.com

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News from the Golf Shop

Summer time in South Carolina! July was a typical summer month here at Golden Hills with long, hot, sun filled days and afternoon thundershowers. With all the showers in June & July, your golf course is in fantastic shape. The typical dog days of August should bring more of the same with plenty of daylight to get those late afternoon rounds in. Be sure to plan some time the rest of the summer for a round of golf at the golf course voted #1 in the Midlands, your course, Golden Hills!

With all the afternoon showers in July, competitors in the Club Championship were treated to a true championship test of golf. The fairways and greens were perfect, as usual, and the rough was lush and thick. There were 5 divisions in the Club Championship this year: Ladies, Ladies Net, Senior, Super Senior and Men's. In the Ladies division, Caitlyn Gaines, a rising sophomore at River Bluff High, bested the field with scores of 74-83 to be our 2022 Ladies Club Champion. Jean Burns won the Ladies Net division with scores of 73-77. Congratulations ladies! The Super Senior division has a new champion this year, Bob Cave. Bob shot rounds of 74-79 to capture the Super Senior division. For the first time in 5 years, we have a new Senior Club Champion. Alan Rhodes shot rounds of 73-73 to defeat 4-time defending champion Mike Calkins. Congratulations Alan. In the Men's division birdies were flying in round 1 with 3 competitors shooting scores of par or better. Jason Cochcroft and Darryl Phelps shot 1 under 70's and Barry McLarnon shot even par 71. The second round proved to be a battle of nerves with Darryl Phelps shooting a 74 for a total of 144 to hold off Jason who shot 76. Congrats to Darryl and all of our 2022 Club Champions.

Next on the tournament schedule for 2022 is the Golden Hills Match Play. Sign-ups will begin on August 15th and close on August 31st. The Match Play tournament is played throughout the fall with 2 weeks to complete each match. Pairings will be done on September 1st with the first round to be complet-

ed by Sunday, September 25th. This is a handicapped event and is open to all members of Golden Hills. Just call or stop by the Golf Shop to sign up after August 15th.

The Men's Golf Association will return to action on Saturday, August 13th with the 1,2,3 tournament. This will be a 3-man team event. In this format 1 net best ball is used on holes 1,4,7,10,13,16; 2 net best balls are counted on holes 2,5,8,11,14,17 and all 3 scores are counted on holes 3,6,9,12,15,18. Tee times will begin at 8:30am, so grab some friends, sign up and come join in the fun and fellowship with the Men's Golf Association this month.

Our Senior Men's Golf Association will continue to meet on Tuesday mornings at 9am in August. This is a great group of guys who are always glad to welcome to new players! If you would like to join in the fun on Tuesday mornings, simply call or stop by the Golf Shop by 3pm on the Monday before to sign up.

Ladies Play Days will continue in August each Tuesday and Thursday. Tuesday's tee times begin around 8:15 and Thursday at 8:30. Our Ladies group continues to grow it seems on a monthly basis. If you have not played with the ladies, what are you waiting for? Whether you are a beginner or scratch golfer, walk or ride, play 9 or 18 all are invited to come and join in the fun! There are a couple of ways to sign up but if you are new just call the Golf Shop by 12pm on Monday or Wednesday to put your name on the list.

As always, the staff at Golden Hills would like to thank all of you for your diligence in helping maintain the high standard of care on the golf course and range at Golden Hills. It only takes a few seconds to do your part by filling your divots with sand, repairing ball marks or just obeying cart rules like keeping the cart on the path around tees and greens. Thanks again for helping keep Golden Hills in great shape.

Your Golf Shop Staff,
Steve Larick

Ladies Golf Association

The summer is sizzling and so is our Ladies Golf Association. Between tournaments, weekly play and other association events, we've kept active throughout the summer. We're taking on the heat and every opportunity to enjoy the game and a great time together. Ladies Play Days at the club are held each Tuesday at 8:15am and Thursday at 8:30am. If you would like to play, call the Golf Shop by 12pm on the preceding day. Come out and join us, you'll be glad you did!

We would like to thank everyone that participated in our summer party last month. It proved to be a great time of golf, fun and fellowship!

On July 26th five of our ladies traveled to Pine Ridge, in Edgefield, to participate in the Sandlapper Tournament. Congratulations are in order for Kathy Shillaber who finished in 3rd place in the First Flight. We will be hosting the Sandlapper Tournament this month on August 23. We need our ladies to sign up to both help with the event and play. If you are willing, your support would be greatly appreciated. Our goal is to impress all the ladies participating with both our hospitality and amazing golf course! Please contact Tia Davis at (803) 920-9506 or cmdavis0725@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer or play.

Our next Couples Tournament will be held on September 18. The format will be a "3 Clubs + a Putter" where everyone will play all 18 holes with just 3 clubs and a putter (choose your clubs wisely!). The final two Couples Tournaments of the season will be held on October 16 and November 13.

The Ladies Handicap Match Play League took the month of July off. The remaining dates, venues and opponents for 2022 are: August 25 at Mid Carolina vs. Timberlake; September 6 at Timberlake vs. Ponderosa and October 6 at Lexington vs. Mid Carolina. If you would like to play on the Golden Hills team in one of the remaining events please contact Annemarie Keene.

It was so much fun, we're doing it again! Our second FUN DAY of 2022 will be held on September 8, at 10:00am. We're even increasing the budget for the event so the FUN factor will only get bigger this time around!

Although August will probably bring more heat, believe it or not, fall will be here before you know it. With that in mind, you will want to mark your calendars for two great events in October. First up, we will hold our LGA Championship on October 8. You will have the option to either play in the championship or in a captain's choice tournament that day. Our highly anticipated fall trip will take place on October 21 - 23. We will be going to the Richard B. Russell State Park and play the Arrowhead Pointe golf course.

Our next LGA Membership Meeting will be held on October 13 at 1:30 (or following play). Please mark your calendars to attend, learn more about our LGA and give us feedback on ladies golf at Golden Hills.

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



The pool is the perfect escape from the "famously hot" summer we have been experiencing! We hope you and your family will find the time to enjoy an escape playing, lounging and making the most of each sun filled day at the pool throughout the upcoming month.

The pool is open from 12:00pm until 8:00pm weekdays and 11:00am until 8:00pm on weekends. Lifeguards will be on duty daily from open until 8:00 pm. Our snack bar is stocked with all your favorite ice cream treats, chips, candy & drinks for your enjoyment. For more information, visit the 'swim' page at www.goldenhillsgolf.com. While there, please be sure to view a copy of the 2022 Pool Newsletter.

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Senior Men's Golf Association

The warm weather hasn't prevented our senior men from posting some great scores in our weekly matches. Don't let the heat keep you "off course" this month; be sure to join us for an outstanding round of golf at Golden Hills anytime. Any male member of Golden Hills, age 55 or older, is invited to participate in our matches held each Tuesday at 9:00am. The format changes each week and is fun for all ability levels. To be included on the roster, simply call the Golf Shop at (803) 957-3355 by 3:00pm on the proceeding Monday.

Results from our SMGA events are as follows:

July 5: 1st (tie) Chuck Dunlap & Joe Ecker (+8); 3rd (tie) Knut Brockmann & Bill Lorenzen (+6); 5th (tie) Ray Chiellini, Lonnie Griffin & Gary Maynard (+5)

July 12: 1st - Del Crawshaw (63); 2nd (tie) Joe Ecker & Butch Hale (66); 4th (tie) Knut Brockmann, Jim Davis & Frank Jansen (67); 7th - (tie) Chuck Dunlap & Lonnie Griffin (68)

July 19 - 18 Hole Blind Draw: 1st - Chuck Dunlap & Al Prudhomme (121); 2nd - Frank Jansen & Joe Ecker (126); 3rd - Jody Young & Lynn Griffin (131); 4th - Jim Anderson & Mark Wiggins (133); 5th - Bill Lorenzen & Keith Morgan (137)

July 26: 1st (tie) Chuck Dunlap & Don Elliott (+9); 3rd (tie) Bruce Liles, Steve Lyman & Gary Maynard (+8); 6th - Knut Brockmann (+7); 7th - Randy Miller (+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

National Golf Month

August is National Golf Month. Like we need a reason to celebrate the game we love?! We have a few suggestions to help you with the celebration:

- * Hit the range, brush up on the fundamentals .
- * Get out & play 1x/wk (at least!) at Golden Hills!
- * Try getting friends or family members who have never tried to join you on the course.
- * Play with your kids! Create great memories & who knows maybe a life long love of the game.
 - * Take a lesson.
- * Play 36! Get out early, have lunch, & get back at it!

However you plan on celebrating, the most important part is to HAVE FUN!