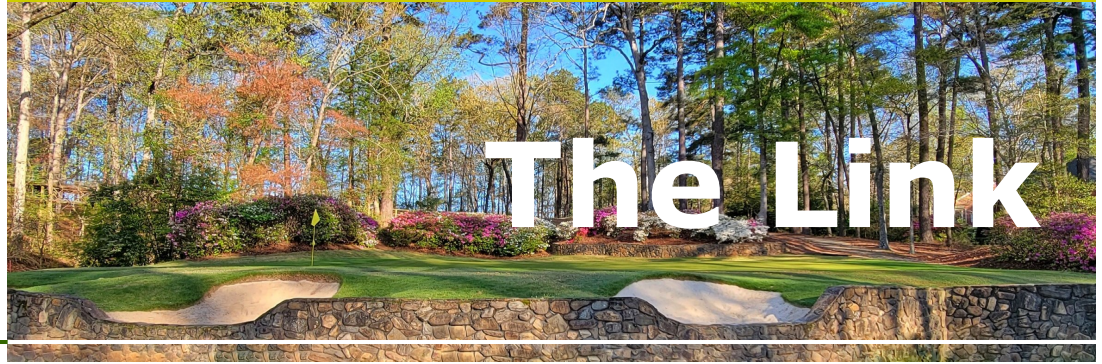


July 2024



Golden Hills Golf & Country Club



Upcoming Events:

7/13: MGA Pick 6

7/20: LGA Summer Party

7/22: Aerification - Course Closed

8/2: MGA 1-2-3

8/10: Parent/Child

News from the Golf Shop

Just when it looked like summer was not going to get here, it made its presence known. Early June felt like spring time at Golden Hills but by the end of the month we were reminded just how hot summer in the Midlands can be. Summer means warmer temperatures, longer days, and a golf course that is in tour quality condition! With many going on vacation during the summer months, we hope you will be able to carve out some time to enjoy all the amenities that Golden Hills has to offer in July.

On Saturday and Sunday, June 24th & 25th, the 2024 Golden Hills Club Championship was played with 74 contestants starting the weekend with the hopes of calling themselves a Club Champion. In the Women's division, Kathy Shillaber had 2 steady days of play to capture the Gross division of the tournament edging out Carole Stone who won the Net division. Bob Cave was victorious for the second year in a row in the Super Senior Division. The Men's Senior division was so close they had to play extra holes to determine the champion. Alan Gibson and Mike Calkins tied after 36 holes with scores of 146 for 2 days and played 2 playoff holes before Alan was victorious. The Men's division saw nine contenders on day one within 4 shots of the lead. However on day two, David Gibson shot an even par 71 to total 144 for 2 days and captured the Men's division. Congratulations to all our champions!!

New to the tournament schedule for 2024 will be the Parent/Child on Saturday, August 10th. The format will be 2 person Captains Choice with tee times beginning at 9:30. There will be 2 divisions: Adult and Adult/Junior. If you would like to sign up or need more information, simply call the Golf Shop at 803-957-3355.

You won't find a better way to prepare your child than to have them attend the Golden Hills summer Junior Golf Camps on July 10th, 17th & 24th. Session one will meet at the driving range, session 2 will meet at the short game area and session 3 will be on the course. The cost will be \$60 for all 3 sessions or \$25 for each individual session. Call the Golf Shop at 803-957-3355 to sign your child up.

The Senior Men's Golf Association will continue to meet at 9:00 on Tuesday mornings throughout July. As always, if you would like to join this great group of guys just call the Golf Shop by 2pm on Monday to sign up for Tuesdays play.

Ladies' day is also on Tuesday mornings with tee times beginning at 8:15. Our Ladies also meet on Thursday mornings at 8:15. For more information on signing up to play with these ladies just call the Golf Shop and we will point you in the right direction. It doesn't matter if you are a beginner or scratch golfer, play 9 or 18, walk or ride, all are invited to come and join in the fun.

Over the past few months we have made an effort to help provide the membership with a better conditioned driving range. For those of you that may not know, we have established a set of rules that we would like each member to adhere to as well as hold your fellow members accountable. 1-when the range is closed - the range is closed. 2-Do not shag balls off the range. 3-Please hit from the designated area. When that area is full please be patient and wait until a spot in the designated area opens. 4-DO NOT HIT BALLS OVER THE NET! 5-Please fill your divots with sand. We really appreciate those who have been doing their part by following these rules and helping to accommodate all who wish to use the range facilities. For those who have not we will endeavor to educate you during the months ahead.

Thanks again for choosing Golden Hills as your home club!

Your Golf Shop Staff,

Steve Larick, Justin Fowler

Local Knowledge:

- **COOL OFF** at the Golden Hills pool! The pool is open from 12pm-8pm Mon-Fri & from 11am-8pm Sat & Sun. Be sure to visit our website to get your copy of the 2024 Pool Newsletter.
- **Junior Golf:** Our Pro, Justin Fowler, will hold Jr Clinics on July 10, 17 & 24 from 5:00-6:00pm. Call Justin to register at 803-957-3355.
- If you haven't been able to login to your member account or our t- time portal please let us know. Email: info@goldenhillsgolf.com for assistance.
- **Advantage Tennis** at Golden Hills is led by Coach Whit Moorman. Lessons are offered for all ages & ability levels but focuses heavily on Jr. tennis enthusiasts. Call (912) 381-1584 for more info.

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Ladies Golf Association

If you are new to the club, just picking up the game or looking for more playing opportunities, we invite you to join us for one of the club's Ladies Play Days. Tee times are set aside for ladies at the club each Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15am and each Wednesday afternoon at 1:15pm. Whether you prefer 18 or 9 holes, walk or ride, all are welcome to participate.

We are really looking forward our Summer Party on July 20th. Everyone has the option to play a 9-hole Captains Choice round at 10:30am. The party will follow golf at the Golden Hills clubhouse. There is a charge of \$10/person for the event. If you would like to join in the fun, contact Regena Sellers at: regena.sellers@yahoo.com

There were 7 couples that played in the June Couples tournament. 1st place went to Regena

& Ralph Sellers, 2nd place was Debbie & Ed Siggelko & 3rd place Dawn & Neal Clark. The next couples tournament will be August 18 with a Stableford format.

We had 4 of our amazing LGA ladies represent Golden Hills at Forest Lake last month against Columbia Country Club in the Non-Handicap Match Play Tournament. Kathy S., Janet, Jean and Cheri made our LGA proud and took home 24 ½ points to our competitor's 11 ½ points. Way to ladies! Y'all rock!

Six of our ladies endured the heat, the un-level lies and the stiff competition at Oak Hills last month for the LHML tournament. We played against Ft. Jackson and they were definitely out to get some points. Thanks to our ladies, we took home 7 ½ pts. Team A (Janet Hoffmann

& Kathy Shillaber) took 3 points; Team B (Jean Burns & Annemarie Keene) took 1 ½ points & Team C (Regena Sellers & Sue Styles) took 3 points. There is no LHML Tournament in July. The next LHML tournament be held at our course on August 5th.

Golden Hills was well represented at The Fort Golf Club in Ninety Six for the June Sandlapper Tournament. We had 8 ladies playing. Congrats to Stacey Hewson who took 2nd place in the 2nd Flight and Carole Stone who was Closest to the Pin on hole #7. There is no Sandlapper tournament in July but we will be hosting the tournament in August.

If you would like more information on ladies golf at Golden Hills or our LGA, contact Trish Proctor at: proctrish@gmail.com

Senior Men's Golf Association

The heat is on but our hardy group of merry men will carry on with our weekly Tuesday morning matches at 9:00am throughout July. Any male member of Golden Hills, age 55 or older, is welcome to participate. The format changes each week and is fun for all ability levels. To be included on the roster, simply call the Golf Shop by 2:00pm on the proceeding Monday.

Our next major tournament will be the SMGA Championship in late September or October. For future planning please mark your calendar for our Christmas Party on December 12.

Results from June:

June 4: Handicap - 1st - Gary Liles & Dale Mamele (62); 3rd - Rick Green & Hardy Youmans (63); 5th - Howard Werner (64); 6th - Dan Sass (66); 7th - Jim Anderson, Randy Book, Dick Howe, Mark Lipinski, Dave Lunka, Mark Wiggins (67); 13th - Don Elliott, Butch Hale, Frank Jansen, Keith Morgan (68)

June 11: 4 Man Best Ball: 1st - Bruce & Gary Liles, Ed Siggelko, Johnny Williams (108); 2nd - John Moore, Al Prudhome, Chris Gianni, Dave Weidner (109); 3rd - Rick Green, Dale Shelhorse, Kirk Wiley, Larry Harding (111); 4th -

Rick Hubbard, John Sumbera, Wallace Chavis, Dave Lunka (112)

June 18: Points - 1st - Mark Wiggins (+8); 2nd - Jim Anderson (+5); 3rd - Randy Miller (+4); 4th - Frank Jansen (+3); 5th - Don Elliott & Ed Siggelko (+2); 7th - Joe Ecker (+1); 8th - Gary Liles, Kirk Wiley, Al Prudhome, Al Rodriguez (0)

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: dober2plus1@gmail.com

Men's Golf Association

On July 13th, we will be hosting a Pick 6 tournament. The Pick 6 is about picking which holes you want to play different tees. 3 sets of 6, one set from your normal tees, one set from the next tees up and one set from the next tees back. Choose whatever you think will help you make the best score for 18 holes, but in the end, you have to play 6 of each. Example: If you play the Blue tees, you will need to pick 6 green, 6 blue, and 6 gold to complete your round. It is your choice on which holes to play what tees but must play 6 tees up, 6 tees regular, and 6 tees back. Make a strategy and have fun. Registration is available in the Golf Shop.

MGA Notices:

Rules & Playing Conditions:

We will have 2 playing conditions (PC) depending on weather & course conditions. PC1 & PC2. We will try to have a laminated card dictating the Playing Condition (Rules condition)

for each tournament. If it is not clear to you which Playing Condition is in effect, please ask at the desk or, as a backup, the pro shop. Both conditions will include the following:

1. One ball off of your 1st tee of the round. No breakfast balls.
2. Must putt out each scoring hole unless otherwise specified.
3. Observe Golden Hills rock rule - currently allowing to move the ball away from the rock area (no closer to hole).
4. No free relief from roots.

PC1: Moderate & Good Weather: Roll ball up to one (unfolded) scorecard length in your own fairway (includes shortly cut fringe – reminder that there is no fringe on #17). Play ball as it lies in all other areas of the course.

PC2: Poor/Wet conditions: Roll ball up to one (unfolded) scorecard length through the green (includes rough and sand traps).

Closest to the Pin Markers: When you mark the closest to the pin with your distance to the

pin, please include feet & inches on each, EVEN IF YOU ARE INSIDE OF 1FT. EVEN IF YOU ARE measurable in less than 100 inches, please use the feet AND inches notation. For a shot that is closer than all the most recent measurements on the CTP marker, See the following examples of how to write it down.

8 inches: 0' 8" - Or if there is room to write it out: 0 feet 8 inches; 39 inches: 3' 3" - Or if there is room to write it out: 3 feet 3 inches; 5 feet: 5' 0" - 5 feet and 0 inches

Writing just the number of feet or inches without spelling it out DOES BECOME CONFUSING and can cost you or other winners money.

HANDICAPS: We continue to manage handicaps for every player. Please exercise patience, common sense and honesty to help us refine and 'perfect' the process.