October 2024



Upcoming Events:

10/3: United Way 10:00

10/4: LGA Championship 9:30

10/6: Gator Nation 10:30

10/10: Cancer of Many Colors 10:00

10/12: MGA No Alibi 9:00 t-times

10/14: DCAC 12:00

10/17: SC United 1:00

10/20: Couples Tournament 10:00

10/21: MCEC 12:30

10/24: Lex. Education Foundation 10:00

10/28: Lexington Chamber 12:00

10/30: LGA Member-Guest 10:00

10/31: Liam's 1 Up 12:00

Local Knowledge:

- Hole In One Archive: Congrats Anthony Windt on your ace made on 9/7, hole #3 from 158yds, using a 5 iron.
- Couples Tournament: Don't miss out on our Couples Tourn on Oct. 20. The format will be Play it Forward. Play will begin at 10am & lunch will follow in the Clubhouse.
- 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
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Golden Hills Golf & Country Club



News from the Golf Shop

Wow. What a great summer! We hope each of you were able to enjoy some time at Golden hills this summer. Whether lounging around the pool, serving up a few aces, or playing a round with friends and family, we were here to serve you. As we move into fall there is still plenty of beautiful weather to come out and play your golf course, voted #1 in Lexington by the readers of the Chronicle. That's right #1 again! Come out and see why!

Fall is also when the Golden Hills Match play tournament takes place. The tournament is played over the fall months with 2 weeks allowed to play each match. 32 competitors have teed it up this fall and the first round matches were completed on September 22nd. There were some fantastic matches in the first round including three that took more than 18 holes to decide a winner. Only 16 remain in the fight and the round of 16 and quarterfinals will all be completed by the end of October. Congratulations to those who won their first-round matches and good luck the rest of the way.

Speaking of Match Play, the 2024 Golden Hills Ryder Cup team made its way over to the Ponderosa on September 7th & 8th to compete in the annual Ryder Cup matches against the Poderosa team. The Ryder Cup consist of three 18 hole formats played over 2 days. On day 1 the teams play a 4 ball format in the morning followed by alternate shot in the afternoon. The Golden Hills team got off to a great start on Saturday morning and held a 4.5-3.5 lead going into the afternoon alternate shot format. Unfortunately, as sometimes happens in golf, one side (Ponderosa) got all the breaks in the afternoon format and they held an 11-5 lead going into the Sunday singles matches. What seemed like a mountain too high to climb proved to be just that. The Ponderosa team held on to win by a final score of 20.5-11.5. We will get'em next year when they have to play on our home turf!

The Men's Golf Association will hold the No Alibi tournament on Saturday, October 12th. Normally when playing a handicap event you play your round and your handicap is applied where it falls on the card or subtracted from your final score. In the No Alibi format you receive mulligans equal to your handicap. For example: if you are a 12 handicap, you receive 12 mulligans to use any where on the course. Hence you have no alibi! Sign up in the Golf Shop by calling 957-3355

The Ladies Golf Association will be hosting a Couples Tournament on October 20th. This months format is Play It Forward. All ladies will be playing the forward tees and all men will be playing the black tees in a net best ball format. If you are new to the club and have not joined this great group of folks yet, this is fun tournament to participate in. Come on out and join in the fun. To sign up call the Golf Shop at 957-3355.

Our Senior Ryder Cup team had a tremendous summer and are currently in first place in the Midlands Senior Ryder Cup standings at 5-1. They are guaranteed a spot in the playoffs this year! Our Senior Men's Golf Association, which the Ryder Cup is made up of, plays on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 in October. If you are 55+ years old and would like to join in with this great group of guys, simply call the Golf Shop by the proceeding Monday afternoon at 2:00.

Our Ladies Play Days continue to be a hit on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Play begins both days at 8:15. If you are new to the club or apprehensive about playing with new people, don't be. This is a great group of ladies that are welcoming to all golfers. 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. If you are interested, just simply call the Golf Shop and we will help you get in touch with the ladies golf association.

Your Golf Shop staff,

Steve Larick, Justin Fowler, Trustin Wadford

Ladies Golf Association

Fall is here and we have already been enjoying the season and its beautiful backdrop on the golf course. We hope you will join us for golf and friendly fellowship on the course this fall. Ladies Play Days are held at the club each Tuesday and Thursday at 8:15am and each Wednesday at 1:15pm. Whether you prefer 18 or 9 holes, are new to the game or an old pro, walk or ride all are welcome to participate. If you would like to play, call the Golf Shop by 2pm on the preceding day. Come out and join us, you'll be glad you did!

Our LGA Championship and Captain's Choice tournaments are set for October 4th. There will be no ladies golf on 10/3 due to a tournament, so our Ladies Day will be on the 4th, beginning with a 9:30 start. You can sign up for Low Gross/Low Net (you don't pick one or the other — the score you turn in after the round will indicate which part you did better in) and prizes will be awarded accordingly — first place for both Low Gross and Low Net (and red tees will be used here). If you'd rather play in a more fun and less stressful tourney, please sign up for the Captain's Choice (prizes will be awarded to the first place team) — forward tees will be used. Everyone will have a chance to earn

Closest to the Pin awards on #3 and 17. A lite lunch will be served following golf and the total cost for the tournaments will be \$10. If you have questions or want to sign up, contact Kathy Shillaber 803-369–1907.

Quite a few of our ladies play in the SCSWGA Tournament last month. The format was 1, 2, 3. It was a beautiful day for golf and our ladies took advantage of it! Congratulations Annemarie Keene, Regena Sellers, Janet Hoffmann and Stacey Hewson for winning 1st place net in the Senior division.

Last months Team Match (Non-HCP) Tournament was played at Ponderosa. Our ladies came through again bringing home points against another fierce team on their home course. Janet Hoffmann and Jean Burns took 3 ½ points against their competitors and Kathy Shillaber and Cheri Toerck took 8 points from their competitors. Way to go ladies!

The September LHML tournament was held at Timberlake. All 3 of our teams seemed to have a good first 9 holes but struggled on the 2nd 9 or maybe it was just that luck wasn't on our side! In one group, our opponents ball literally

hit a tree then hit another tree then bounced off a rock and landed right in front of the green. We just couldn't outplay their luck but we are still in 1st place for the season.

We had 10 couples participate in the Couples Tournament for September. 1st place went to Sandra & Larry Jackson, 2nd place went to Regena & Ralph Sellers and 3rd place was Dawn & Neal Clark. Mark your calendar for the next Couples Tournament on October 20th. The format will be Play it Forward.

The LGA will host a Member/Guest on Oct. 30th. We'll start the event with a very special putting contest with unique prizes followed by a 10:00 a.m. shotgun start. Lunch and prizes will follow the round of golf. Members should contact Annemarie Keene or Regena Sellers to sign up. It's the perfect way to show off our course and wonderful ladies in our LGA. Maybe your guest will be our 50th LGA member this year.

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

We are looking forward to great weather this Fall to accompany the great golf course conditions we have been enjoying. If you are new to the club or just looking for more playing opportunities, we welcome your participation. Any male member of Golden Hills, age 55 or older, can join us each Tuesday at 9:00 am for a little friendly competition. To be included on the roster, simply call the Golf Shop by 2:00pm on the proceeding Monday at (803) 957-3355 Results from September:

Sept 3: Blind Draw - 1st - Chuck Dunlap &

Kirk Wiley (137); 2nd - Al Beard/Rick Hubbard & Larry Harding/Dale Shelhorse (140); 4th - Randy Miller/John Moore & Doc Griffin/Mike Ruddy (142); 6th - Mark DiMaggio/Bob Waterfield & Randy Laney/Barry Mears (143)

<u>Sept 10:</u> Points - 1st - Jim Davis (+9); 2nd - Howard Werner & Mark DiMaggio (+5); 4th - Rich Turgeon (+4); 5th - Don Elliott (+3); 6th - James Cavanaugh, Mike Kammer & Dick Howe (+1)

Sept 17: Handicap - 1st - Rick Hubbard (65); 2nd - Kirk Wiley (67); 3rd - Rich Turgeon (68); 4th -

Dale Mamele (69); 5th - Jim Anderson, Al Beard, Chuck Felkel (70); 8th - Mike Kammer, Dale Shelhorse, John Sullivan (71)

Sept 24: Points - 1st - Al Beard (+7); 2nd - Butch Hale & Mike Kammer (+5); 4th - Mike Ruddy, Jody Young (+4); 6th - Gary Liles, Dale Mamele, Al Prudhome, Hardy Youmans (+3) 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 October 12, we will host our annual No Alibi tournament. This is an individual stroke play event with full handicap but...instead of shooting your score and subtracting your handicap, each player will be given a mulligan for every handicap stroke. For example, if you are a 10 handicap you will get 10 mulligans. To sign up simply call the Golf Shop at 957-3355.

Make plans to play in the No Alibi and get in all the practice rounds you can this month in order to be ready for our MGA Championship next month. The MGA Championship will be played over 2 days, November 9th & 10th. We hope you will be able to join us for these last two exciting tournaments of the year.

Club Tournaments 2024:

October 4 - LGA Championship

October 12 - MGA No Alibi Tournament

October 20 - Couples Tournament

October 30 - LGA Member-Guest

November 9-10 - MGA Championship

November 17 - Couples Tournament