



THE
WALKER COURSE
AT CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Upcoming Events

September

- 04 Home Football Friday
- 05 Middle Tennessee State (6pm)
- 07 Open Monday, Labor Day
(Holiday Rates Apply)
- 08 8:00am Starts
- 10 Clemson At Georgia Tech
- 12 Super Saturday #6
- 14 Open at 11am
- 18 Home Football Friday
- 19 Boston College (12pm)
- 21 Closed for Greens Aerification
- 22 9 Holes Open, Greens Aerification
- 25 Home Football Friday
- 26 TCU Game
- 28 Open at 11am

October

- 01 CAFLS Tournament (10am)
- 05 Open at 11am
- 06 Clemson Coaches for Cancer (am)
- 07 LGA Member Guest Day
- 09 Clemson Classified Staff Tourn.
- 10-11 Couples Weekend Trip
- 15 National Healthcare Tourn. (pm)
- 16 Home Football Friday
- 17 Wake Forest game
- 19 Open at 11am
- 20 Carolina Auto Auction Tourn.
- 21 LGA Championship Round 1
- 22 LGA Championship Round 2
- 23 Clemson Mechanical Engi. Tourn.
- 24 Super Saturday #7
- 26 PGA Playing Ability Test
- 29 Oconee Medical Center Tourn.
- 30 Home Football Friday
- 31 Coastal Carolina game

BRENT JESSUP

PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

Football Weekends

Football season starts this weekend! Clemson's first home game is Saturday, September 5 against Middle Tennessee State University. Kickoff is scheduled for 6 pm. That means you will have plenty of time to play golf Saturday and still tailgate before kickoff.

As usual, our practice range will be utilized for public parking. This will necessitate our closing of the range "three hours" before kickoff, allowing us time to clear the range and be ready for parking "two hours" before game time. We will continue to follow the "three hour rule" for the range throughout the home game schedule. Most of the home game kickoff times are not determined until 10 days prior because of television game rights, so watch the kickoff time announcements to see when the range will be closing.

Also, remember your most valuable benefit of membership during football season is the **two week tee time reservations** for Walker Course MEMBERS ONLY. You get first crack at game day tee times seven days before the general public has access to our tee sheets! We do ask that you limit your reservations to no more than two tee time slots. That allows more members to entertain guests on football weekends. If you have any questions, concerns, or comments about our operations during football season, contact **Brent Jessup** for assistance.

By the way, for some strange reason we have plenty of available tee times DURING the game. If you are not going to the game, come play 18 holes and still beat the post-game traffic delays!

Open Mondays

Labor Day Monday, September 7th begins our fall run of "golf on Mondays." We will be open Mondays during September and October. The golf shop will open at 10:30 and the first tee time will be at 11:00am each Monday. The practice range will be closed until 12 noon each Monday so that we can mow and maintain the range.

Please note there are TWO exceptions:

1. We will open on September 7th at 8:00am for the Labor Day holiday.
2. We will be CLOSED on Monday, September 21st for greens aerification.

Busy Times Ahead

Combine football season with cooler temperatures and you have the formula for a busy golf course. September and October are both "prime time" months for golf course access and outings. As you can see from our calendar of events, October is jam packed! As you plan your golf schedule for the weeks ahead, be sure to consult the calendar to be sure The Walker Course is available. We have six shotgun start events that will limit your access to the course.

As our "thank you" for allowing your fellow members and University groups to host their events at The Walker Course, we honor your "golf receipt" from other area courses you play while an event is going on at The Walker Course. Just present your "tournament date receipt" at our golf shop the next time you play here to receive a complimentary cart fee. Our golf professional staff is also ready to assist you in securing tee times at other courses during those events. Just call and we'll do our best to help! Thanks so much for your understanding and cooperation.

Match Play Results

The 2009 Match Play Championship is now in the record books. All flight championship matches have been completed and our grand champions for this year are: **Mickey Plyler** and **Kim Rector**. Congratulations to every flight winner listed below. Thanks for participating and be ready for revenge in 2010.

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| Men's Championship Flight Winner | Mickey Plyler | defeated Raymond Wooten |
| Men's "A" Flight Winner | Ron Thomas | defeated Al Evans |
| Men's "B" Flight Winner | Spencer Thompson | defeated Quinn Magee |
| Men's "C" Flight Winner | Mike Wallace | defeated Jim Payne |
| Women's Championship Winner | Kim Rector | defeated Nancy Payne |
| Women's "A" Flight Winner | Kandace Schatz | defeated Jane Flattery |

Super Saturday

Super Saturday # 6 will take place on Saturday, September 12th. As we approach the final three rounds of the season, be sure you have at least FOUR scores to post. For every round over four you play, you get to drop off a higher score. The final three rounds will allow scores to drop lower each month. Entry deadline for # 6 is Thursday, September 10th. Sign up now.

Super Saturday Division Leaders after Round 5

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| White Tees | Gross Division | Dwight Vines & Carl Ford | 314 |
| White Tees | Net Division | Dwight Vines | 262 |
| Purple Tees | Gross Division | Spencer Thompson | 323 |
| Purple Tees | Net Division | Spencer Thompson | 284 |
| Red Tees | Gross Division | Nancy Payne | 345 |
| Red Tees | Net Division | Nancy Payne | 274 |

Practice Chipping Green

Your new chipping and short game area opened on Saturday, August 15th. Quite a few folks came out to test the new addition. Our opening day Chip In Challenge had 15 participants take three different shots and tally the total inches from the hole. The contest was won by **Frankie Horner** with a total of 148 inches for the three shots. **Ted Brandt** was runner up with 173 inches and **Quinn Magee** was third at 176 inches.

We are seeing several people each day use the multi-hybrid Bermuda green to improve their short games. We will continue to host weekly chipping challenges on Saturday mornings. Come out and enjoy!

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Greens

The greens appear to have made it through August in pretty good shape. The wet weather during the last two weeks of August combined with the heavy play we experience as the students return has caused the greens to look beaten up. The frequent rain has kept the greens soft and the traffic has taken a toll. We have been spiking and needle tining to keep the surface open to allow the greens to dry out and for air to reach the roots. All in all though, they are holding up fairly well. What we really need is some nice cool nights which will really perk up the bentgrass. The forecast for the first week of September shows a cooling trend.

Towards the end of August we will begin to push the greens with extra fertilizer to grow a little more as the weather becomes more favorable for recovery. In addition, we will be lightly spiking and topdressing.

Greens Aerification

Please note that the fall greens aerification has been rescheduled for Monday and Tuesday September 21th and 22th. This was necessary due to some scheduling and staffing conflicts. At this time, we plan to use 1/2th inch coring tines and will topdress to fill the holes.

Tees & Fairways

A course wide fall fertilizer application was made on August 17. Combined with the aforementioned rain, the course is as green as it has been in 2 years. We made the final growth regulator application in late August and this should keep the turf tight right through fall. During the first week of September, we will raise the height of cut on the tees and fairways slightly to allow for some extra cushion prior to the onset of winter dormancy. Once again this year, we will be overseeding the practice tees and Par 3's only.

Chipping Green

The chipping green opened for use on Saturday, August 15. Hopefully you have had a chance to check it out. The surface is not as smooth as we would like it and we will continue to work on smoothing it through vertical mowing, topdressing and rolling during the remaining warm weather into the fall.

Large Oak on #5 Removed

One of the large oak trees on the 5th hole had to be removed last month as two certified arborists determined that it was in very bad condition and posed a serious safety risk. The tree lost a large limb a while back that exposed a large cavity in the trunk. While it is disappointing to lose this magnificent tree, the good news is that the arborists determined that the two remaining large oaks on #5 appear to be in good shape, especially considering their age. We will have the tree crews returning this winter to do some light pruning that will further improve the health of these two trees.

We are also looking at the possibility of planting a couple of large oaks to replace this tree and the other large oak that was lost in the same area several years ago.

Pro News Continued.....

Hole-In-One!

Congratulations to **Karen Maertens** for scoring her first career hole-in-one on August 11th while playing in the SCGA One-Day State Tournament at *Carolina Country Club* in Spartanburg. The perfect shot occurred on the 116 yard, par three, fifteenth hole. Playing partner witnesses were: **Sandy Wallace** and **Arlene Whitley**. Great shot!

That also serves as a reminder that we have gone nearly 11 months since one of our Walker Course members have scored an ace at The Walker Course and captured the Hole-In-One jackpot. Currently, the jackpot stands at \$ 130.00. Time is obviously getting closer for someone to hit the jackpot. Drop by the golf shop to make sure you are in our Hole-In-One Club.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pro Shop

Operating Hours:

Tuesday - Sunday

7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Practice Range

Hours:

Tuesday - Sunday

7:15 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

(Weather Permitting)

Brent Jessup

Head Golf

Professional

656-7516

Don Garrett

Course

Superintendent

656-1814

Nancy Porter

Accounting

656-0595

Golf Pro Shop

656-0236

ClubHouse Grill

656-7518

Joe's Place

656-7517

Seasons Restaurant

656-7444

The Martin Inn

654-9020

The Madren Center

656-7155

Pool Season Ends

Labor Day Monday, September 7th will be the final day to use the Walker Course swimming pool for this season. We hope you have enjoyed the facility upgrades this season. Many thanks are in order for a safe season to our pool manager, Rebecca Craig and her staff of lifeguards. A safe season is our goal each year. Well done, "Bekah!"

Baby Makes Three!

Congratulations to assistant golf professional, **Scott Allen**, and his wife **Megan** on the arrival of their first child: **Haley Elizabeth Allen**. **Haley** did not want to miss the arrival of football season in Clemson so she came about six weeks early! Born August 17th, she checked in at four pounds, five ounces, and 18 inches. Mom and dad are doing fine and **Haley** is spending her first few weeks at the Greenville Memorial Hospital, but she promises to be home in time for the first game! Welcome **Haley!**

Welcome New Members

Danny & Kathleen Aderholt

Jeff Chee



Resigned Members

Putt & Almeda Jacks

Dale Reynolds

Terry Ivester



Membership by the Numbers:

Individuals: 93 Family: 146

Non-Resident: 38 Young Alumni: 22

Inactive: 8 Life: 37

Total Membership: 344

September, 2009

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

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| Seasons Gift Certificate Winner Jason & Amy Pruitt | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 Home Football Friday | 5 CU vs. Middle Tennessee State (6pm) |
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NEW at Seasons by the Lake

Tuesday Nights - Grits & Suds

Salad Bar

A variety of grits and toppings

Entrée and vegetables

Dessert

Draft beer specials with buffet from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

For only \$14.95 per person



Thursday Nights - Jazz on the Patio*



Featuring the Clemson Jazz Trio 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Appetizer & Drink Specials

*Rain or Shine (inclement weather will move jazz inside)

Friday Nights - Prime Rib

Served with baked potato, salad
& vegetable of the day

Full dinner menu is also available

For only \$16.95 per person

Featured Lunch Buffet Specials

Monday - Friday 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Monday: Home-style meatloaf served with mashed potatoes and gravy

Tuesday: Tuscan Style Lasagna

Wednesday: Southern Fried Chicken

Thursday: Pot Roast and vegetables

Friday: Fish Fry

Includes soup and salad bar, entrees, sides and a dessert.

Two additional entrees offered each day, including a vegetarian option.

For only \$9.95 per person

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