Upcoming Events

September

01 Home Football Friday
02 Kent St vs Clemson 12pm
04 Labor Day Course Open (8am)
08 Home Football Friday
08 Clemson Alumni Acura Challenge
09 Auburn at Clemson 7pm
11 Open Monday 11am
16 Super Saturday #7
18 Open Monday 11am
22 Home Football Friday
23 Boston College at Clemson (TBA)
25 Open Monday 11am
27 LGA Member Guest

October

02 Playing Ability Test
05 NHC Tournament PM
06 Home Football Friday
07 Wake Forest at Clemson
09 Regional High School Tournament
09 Overseed Tee Maintenance
14 Super Saturday #8
16 Open Monday 11am
20 Clinkscales Scholarship Outing
20 NBC Upstate Am Tour PM
23 Open Monday 11am
27 Home Football Friday
28 Georgia Tech at Clemson
30 Open Monday 11am

BRENT JESSUP
PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

Senior Club Championship

Later this month (September 28 & 29) your annual Men’s Senior Club Championship will be held on a Thursday and Friday. This 2-day competition will be over 36 holes of stroke play. There will be two divisions: 55-69 (white tees), and 70+ (gold tees). Entry fee is only $10 and the winner of each division will receive golf shop credits for their efforts. You may only compete in one division, even if you are eligible to play in both. If we have enough players to divide, we will flight accordingly. Call the golf shop to sign up before the September 26th deadline. Eddie Brown is the defending champion.

Football Parking Reminder

Just a friendly reminder, our practice range will be closed for home game day parking on Saturdays. Plan your practice accordingly. The golf course will be open for play during all home games. Come on out and play on your own “private course” during the game!

August Super Saturday Report

Congratulations to Lonnie Durbin for posting a net (64) to win the “low net field” prize for our August competition. There are only two more competition dates for this year (September 16 and October 14). Please be sure to sign up for these dates if you do not have your three scores in for season. Deadline for entry this month is Thursday, September 14.

Leaders through August:

Red Tee Gross Division: Cherryl Meadows 266
Red Tee Net Division: Janet Santora 199
White Tee Gross Division: Eddie Brown 230
White Tee Net Division: Ray Johnson 204
Purple Tee Gross Division: Carl Sitter 234
Purple Tee Net Division: Lonnie Durbin 217
Frank Lamson Scribner 217
Golf Pro News Continued:

Couples Twilight Report

The final couples’ event of the season was held on Friday, August 16th and was won by Frank & Marti Duda with Rick & Lyn Hamilton. Highlighting their win was a hole-in-one by Marti Duda at hole 8! We also tested a new format: “Ladies First” for the first time and the couples seemed to enjoy the fast pace action. Thanks to all the couples that played in a twilight event this season. See you in 2018.

Ace at Eight!

Congratulations to Marti Duda for scoring her second career hole-in-one last month while competing in our Couple’s Friday Twilight event. Mrs. Duda aced number eight with her trusty Callaway 7 iron, from 118 yards. Witnesses included her husband; Frank Duda, and playing partners Rick & Lyn Hamilton. The ace was also good enough to give their team the “win” for the couple’s event.

In addition to winning the event, Mrs. Duda was also a member of the Walker Course Member’s Hole-In-One club and collected the jackpot of $315.00 that had been building since October of 2015 when her husband, Frank Duda collected that jackpot. Well, since the Duda family has now collected their share of those jackpots, it’s time for everyone to “re-up” to build the jackpot for the next winner! Congratulations Mrs. Duda for the great shot!

Pool Season Closing

Due to one more home football game on Saturday, September 9th (vs. Auburn), we made the decision to keep the swimming pool open an extra week (through Sunday, September 10th). This will allow you or any of your house guests to swim at the Walker Course pool that weekend. There will be NO LIFEGUARDS on duty after September 3rd. The pool will be closed for the season beginning on Monday, September 11th. Thanks to pool manager Brandon Cloer for another successful and safe season.

William (Billy) Hill, 1934-2017

The Walker Course mourns the loss of local golf legend, Billy Hill who passed on August 25th. Many of you will remember him as the little man with the straw hat, who walked, pushed his golf cart, and played golf six days a week and then hunted golf balls every afternoon. Mr. Hill holds the record for most number of rounds played in one year and most probably also holds the title for the most total rounds played at The Walker Course since we opened. Mr. Hill was a native of Tilden, Pennsylvania.

Several of his Walker Course golf friends are contributing to a memorial fund to be used to purchase a golf bench and plaque to be placed in his memory. If you would like to contribute, please contact either Bob Wall or Jackie Jackson. Rest in peace Mr. Hill!

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Superintendents Report, September 2017
Don Garrett, CGCS

August Status

August has gone well. The course made it through the Great Solar Eclipse without incident. The weather was a little dry for several weeks but we received some rain over the latter part of the month. The fairways bounced back from the scalp mowing and we applied a growth regulator once they were healed. They are now as good as ever. We have had some skunk activity again this year on several of the front nine fairways as they dig for grubs. This has been disappointing to see since we made an insecticide treatment this summer to control the grubs. We have been in touch with our supplier to determine why we didn’t get control. Our fall fertilizer application was made mid-month as scheduled.

The greens have done pretty well this month. As I mentioned last time, we have begun to plug and patch some of the worst scalped areas and will continue to do so to the areas that haven’t healed on their own. The greens were verticut on Mondays and we vented with 1/4 inch tines at the end of the month. Several beds have been re-mulched.

September Goals

Early in the month, we will be treating the course for fire ants which will be emerging with the cooler temps, treating the tees for insects, applying a pre-emergence herbicide around all of the tees that will be overseeded, edging bunkers and spraying for weeds.

We will continue to verticut and lightly topdress greens as long as the temperature stays warm. We will also be applying fungicides for brown patch and spring deadspot. Green speed should increase some as the nighttime temperatures begin to cool.

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. Overseeding of the practice tees and Par 3’s will occur in October.
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.—6:45 p.m.
(Weather Permitting)
Brent Jessup
Head Golf Professional
656-7516
Don Garrett
Course Superintendent
656-1814
Azenda Thompson
Accounting
656-0595
Golf Pro-Shop
656-0236
Club House Grill
656-7518
Sole On The Green
656-7444
The Martin Inn
654-9020
The Madren Center
656-7155

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Membership by the Numbers
Individuals: 128 Family: 100
Non-Resident: 33
Young Alumni: 13
Inactive: 10 Legacy Life: 10
Life: 26
Total Membership: 320

Resigned Members
Lee Ellen and Jeff Turnbull