September 2018

Upcoming Events

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Clemson Alumni Challenge
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17 Open Monday
24 Open Monday
28 Home Football Friday
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29 Syracuse at Clemson

September Super Saturday
Round seven will be played September 8th. Everyone that needs to “make a move”, now is the time, with only two rounds remaining in the season. Congratulations to Frank Duda for winning the low net field competition in August. Mr. Duda posted a net 65 to capture the prize.

Below are the current division leaders going into Round Seven:

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Match Play Championship Results
It took all summer, but we are finally able to announce all of the flight winners for this year’s match play championship.

Men’s Championship: Raymond Wooten defeated Dan Day (9&7)
Women’s Championship: Susan Hehir defeated Marti Duda (3 & 2)
Men’s “B” Flight: Frank Lamson Scribner defeated Andy Walker
Men’s 1st Flight: Lehmon Dekle defeated Randy Meadows
Men’s 2nd Flight: Clint Carlson defeated Rick Hamilton
Men’s 3rd Flight: Frankie Horner defeated Bob Ryerse

The winner and runner up of each flight received golf shop credits for their wins. The overall champions also received a trophy for their efforts. Thanks to everyone for participating in this year’s championship.

Member Invitational Results
We were finally able to get this year’s event in without rain, the second time! A total of twenty-four teams competed in our 27-hole invitational held the first weekend of August. A patio cookout kicked things off on Friday evening, followed by nine holes of best ball team competition. Then on Saturday morning, a shotgun start allowed everyone to start together and finish in time to compete in the skills challenge afterwards.

Dan Day & Rhett Keagon won the gross division by three strokes with a 27-hole total of (100).
Brian Johnson & Trey Woodard won the purple tee net flight. Jack Mansmann & Marc McIlwain won the second purple net flight.

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White tee flight winners were: Hack Trammell & Don Meyer, Scott Schoedel & Glenn Fleming, and Mike Wallace & Gary Gardner. Jim Hill & Bill Harley won the team skills challenge.

Winners of each flight received golf shop credits and everyone received a nice Tervis Tumbler and Walker Course custom golf towel. Thanks to everyone that participated. We will hope for better luck with the weather in 2019.

Football Parking Reminder
Don’t forget our practice range is used for football parking on game days and is therefore closed on game days. While the range is closed, you can still work on your short game shots at the chipping green and practice putting green. Thanks for your understanding.

Men’s Senior Club Championship October 25-26
The senior club championship will be held Thursday and Friday, October 25 & 26. Entry fee is $10 per player and we hope to have enough participation to have multiple flights. The championship is open to all Walker Course members age 55 or older. There will also be a Super Senior division for those age 70+.

Aces Wild!
This month we had three holes-in-one at The Walker Course. Two were scored on the same day, in the same event! Mendal Bouknight and Brian Pate were playing in the Kappa Sigma Alumni Reunion tournament and made aces. Mr. Bouknight aced hole # 4 and Mr. Pate aced hole # 17. Both won nice prizes from the hole-in-one insurance company that had insured the event.

Later that same week, PHIL MAIBERGER was playing with the Purple Haze group and scored his first career hole-in-one on hole # 17. Witnessing the ace were: Eddie Brown, Randy Meadows, and Raymond Wooten. The perfect 170 yard shot was made with his Cleveland 5 iron.

Pool Season Closing
With the coming of Labor Day comes the close of swimming pool season as well. The official closing date is Monday, September 3rd but we are keeping the pool open “ unofficially” for swimming through Sunday, September 16th with NO LIFEGUARDS on duty. Thanks to Brandon Cloer and his staff for another safe season.
August Status
Where did August go? It seems to have flown by. It was a good month for the maintenance staff, just very busy and a little dry at the end.

The scalp mowing that we perform on the fairways every mid-August was done but not as aggressively as we have done in the past. We felt like now that we have groomers on the fairway mowers that the fairways had not gotten as puffy as in past years. So they bounced back quickly and are now as good as ever. Our fall fertilizer application was made mid-month as scheduled and has provided excellent color.

The greens have done pretty well this month. We have switched from the standard steel groomer to a brush style groomer. This brush is very similar to the head on a home vacuum cleaner…a cylinder with small stiff brushes that rotates rapidly. The brush counter rotates to the direction of cut, standing the turf up for a better cut, resulting in smoother, quicker greens. Our equipment technician, Bobby Garrett, uses a prism gauge to assess the quality of cut and has noticed a significant difference between the two as far as the after cut appearance. The brush leaves a much cleaner cut and ball roll picked up by 9 inches in only 8 days once we made the switch. We continued to verticut weekly and topdress every 7-14 days as well.

Also in August, we made some good progress with post emergence weed control. While we still have some weeds here and there, I feel the course is the cleanest it has been in several years.

In addition, all of the bunkers were edged and then the edges sprayed with Roundup to inhibit runners. Mulch was spread in several beds as well.

The little wetland that was installed near #6 tee last month continues to do well. Some of the species did not survive (no surprise), but the pickerel weed (my favorite, with the purple flower), the thalia, and the iris are all doing well.

By months end the “natural” areas that were sprayed with Roundup earlier in the month are really standing out. As I mentioned last month, our plan was to spray out the bermudagrass and convert these areas to a more natural fescue/broom sedge mix. This will add some contrast while also holding down maintenance costs. We have begun to mow these areas down and will be creating a seedbed and seeding in early to mid-September.

September Goals
During September, we will be treating the course for fire ants which will be emerging with the (hopefully) cooler temperatures, and applying a pre-emergence herbicide around all of the tees that will be overseeded.

We will continue to verticut and lightly topdress greens as long as the temperature stays warm. September is also an important month for applying fungicides to the greens for both brown patch and spring dead spot control. Around mid-month, we will be applying a growth regulator to inhibit the seed heads that Diamond Zoysia can have in the fall in response to the cooler nights and shorter days. And green speed should increase some as the nighttime temperatures begin to cool and the growth rate slows.

During early September, we will slightly raise the height of cut on the tees and fairways to allow for some extra cushion prior to the onset of winter dormancy as we do each fall. We will watch the weather and adjust accordingly.

And as I mentioned above, we will be prepping and seeding the sprayed out natural areas during the first half of the month.
FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pro-Shop
Operating Hours:
Monday (Sep, Oct) 11:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
Tuesday—Sunday 8:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m.

Practice Range Hours:
Monday (Sept, Oct) 12:00 pm—6:30 pm
Tuesday—Sunday 8:45 a.m.—6:30 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

Membership by the Numbers
Individuals: 132  Family: 105
Non-Resident: 36  Young Alumni: 9
Inactive: 4 Legacy Life: 11  Life: 26
Total Membership: 323

Welcome New Members
Bob & Cindy Starnes
Roland (Lee) & Sissy Rayburn

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