Upcoming Events

July

18 Member-Member
20-21 Hurricane Junior Tour
23 Sr. Interclub Home vs. Cobbs Glenn
25 Super Saturday # 3
30 Sr. Interclub Home vs. The Patriot

August

1-2 Club Championship
8-9 Peggy Kirk Bell Tour
16 Elite Tour Amateur (AM)
17 Sharone Wright Benefit Tournament
22 Super Saturday # 4
29 Kappa Sigma (PM)

BRENT JESSUP
PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL

MEMBER-MEMBER CHAMPIONSHIP: July 18
Your postponed annual Member-Member championship will be contested this month on Saturday, July 18th. We will begin play with a 10am shotgun start and everyone will play 18 holes. The mixed format will consist of six holes alternate shot, six holes captain’s choice, and six holes team best ball.

Each six-hole division will have a “net” team winner, and we will have a “gross” and “net” overall 18-hole winner as well. There will be a maximum of six teams per flight. All flights will be based on tees played. Each team member must play from the same set of tees as your partner. (No split tee teams). Entry fee is $60 plus cart fees. Following play, we will have a socially distanced social on the Solé Patio with awards. Find your partner and sign up now! If you don’t have a partner, let us know and we will help recruit.

Hurricane Tour Volunteers
Our annual Hurricane Junior tour “blows” into town on Monday and Tuesday, July 20 & 21. As always, we will need adult shuttle driver volunteers to help move these future stars around The Walker Course. If you are able to volunteer a few hours either or both days, please call the golf shop and sign up for an assignment. Thanks for your continued support of junior golf and helping show Clemson in a good light to these potential students and players.

Super Saturday Report
After losing two dates (April & May) to COVID concerns, we resumed Super Saturday competition on June 13th with twenty-seven members getting back into the game. Sandy Minder posted a net (67) to capture the Low Net Field prize for the month.

Our July competition date is July 25th. Please call the golf shop to sign up before the Thursday deadline. If you have not posted a round yet this year, this month will be your last chance to get started and still post three scores in for the season due to the season reduction to five rounds rather than the seven planned. Hope to see your name on the list to play!

Eagle Report
Hole # 1 Terry Kozma, June 2nd.

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Hole-In-One: Dwight Vines

Congratulations to Dwight Vines for his recent hole-in-one on Sunday, June 14th. Mr. Vines’ ace was scored on hole #4, from 102 yards, using a Cobra pitching wedge. Greg Vaughn, Frank Eskridge, and Matt Richardson witnessed the shot. Despite the perfect shot, Mr. Vines was NOT in the current hole-in-one club jackpot. So, the current $200 jackpot remains available for the next club member ace. Who will win the next jackpot? Enter today!

Senior Interclub Team Report

Our senior interclub team is off to a slow start. We dropped the first two matches (home and away) against a strong Links at Stoney Point team. Our first match at home was dropped by only two points, 39-41. Then we were blitzed later in the month AT Stoney Point, 53.5-26.5.

Captain Jim Kenworthy needs some “horses with game” (and handicap) to step up and get this team on the road to the play-offs! There are two matches in July; at Cobbs Glen on July 9th and home against Cobbs Glenn on July 23rd. If you are available to play either match, please contact Mr. Kenworthy. He is waiting for your call.

Michael Newton “Moving On Up”

As many of you may not know, golf shop attendant, Michael Newton, will be leaving us for a full time career position. His last day with us is Saturday, July 4th. Michael began with us in April of 2016 as a cart attendant, but quickly showed his skills in the golf shop and we moved him inside quickly to take advantage of his talents. Please join us in thanking Michael for a job well done and wishing him the best life has to offer!
June Status

June was a very busy month for the maintenance staff. Our biggest project of course was the aerification of greens, collars approaches and fairways. This is a week we like hot dry weather. Unfortunately, the weather was not very cooperative as we had rain nearly every day. This makes the cleanup process difficult if not almost impossible. While we did complete all of the greens (albeit on Wednesday rather than Monday as planned), we were unable to get all of the fairways punched and verticut and had to complete some on Monday June 29th. Even then, we lacked a couple. We hope to do them on a Monday around other events here very soon.

As you know, full recovery for the greens takes about 28 days. We tried a couple of new strategies this year to help accelerate the recovery process. We will see how they pan out but two weeks in, I would say they are looking to be an improvement over what we have done in the past. Hopefully soon we will be lowering the mowing height back down, begin brushing and grooming daily, applying growth regulator and verticutting every 7-14 days. All of these processes with help to smooth the greens and increase ball roll.

Normally during the week of aerification, we take advantage of the course being closed and bring in a contractor to do a few projects. This year we were only able to tackle one, that being a runoff issue on #4. Ever since we did some clearing of the woods between 4 & 5 a few years ago, water from 5 is able to flow quickly down on #4. In addition, the trees left of the path from the forward tee up to the green had grown so much over the years that they were shading the turf in this area so much that it had thinned to the point where we were getting a pretty bad erosion issue. After doing some tree thinning this winter and adding a sprinkler head, a berm was created to hold the water back and direct it into 2 catch basins. Now the water dumps down into the bowl in one point, eliminating the washing issue. We sodded the areas with Zoysia which is more shade tolerant as well. Eventually we plan to add some catch basins up on #5 to catch the runoff and pipe it down to #4.

July

Doing all this aerification and project work has us a little bit behind on some of our trim work and such, but we will be working hard to catch up on this in early July to prepare for several events at the end of the month including the Club Championship on August 1 & 2. Spraying mulch beds and weeds in the rough will be a priority. Fence lines, creeks and ponds will be trimmed back as well.

Also, toward the end of the month we will be cutting the natural areas back. The “Turnip” patches on holes 2, 5 & 6 have pretty much done their thing. We will cut them back and then get them ready to reseed about September 1st. The fescue areas will be cut back, sprayed for weeds and fertilized. In addition, we are planning to convert the high cut areas between 8 & 9 and to the left of 9 tees to tall fescue this fall also. Not only do these areas help keep operating costs down and add a nice aesthetic appearance to the course, but they harbor a lot of wildlife. In fact, I have seen two hen turkeys on the course in these areas and suspect they may have a nest.

What is That Thing on the Bridge on #6???

Many of you have asked what that odd looking device is mounted to the bridge on #6. That is a sensor used to monitor stream flow and velocity. A group of Clemson researchers received a grant to study water runoff and stream flows and the impact of rainfall in the campus watershed on the rapid rise of the creek flowing through the course. As you know this is an important issue to the golf course with the flooding issue we deal with so I was happy to accommodate their request and to participate.

And speaking of the flooding issues, the first phase of the Hunnycutt creek refurbishment project is nearly complete. Hopefully as other sections of the creek are done, we will see some relief.

In addition, I met with the engineers and consultants designing the Perimeter road widening project last week. I’m happy to report that they are aware of our flooding issues and are looking at ways to mitigate any negative impacts this project may have as far as additional runoff.

Cart Traffic Issues

Since the Covid pandemic and the move toward single rider golf carts, I have noticed cart etiquette has been an issue. At first I thought it was just because there were that many more carts on the course, but I can say that I have seen more issues of carts pulling up right next to greens and tees, driving around ropes and signs and just basically ignoring the proper use of a cart than I ever have. Please help us out by following proper cart etiquette which includes following the 90 degree rule as it was intended. The 90 degree does not mean to drive wherever you please, but 90 degrees from the path to your ball, and then back to the path.

Thanks.
### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

#### Pro-Shop
**Operating Hours:**
Tuesday—Sunday
7:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m.

#### Practice Range Hours:
Tuesday—Sunday
7:45 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

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#### Welcome New Members
- Frank & Stephanie Beacham
- Justin & Lani Hendrix
- Brandon & Kristy Lockhart
- Lance & Amanda Foster Plumblee
- Justin & Lisa Surratt

#### Member Resignations
- Daniel Duston
- Thomas Goggins
- Ed Strom
- Bob Wall

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