



THE
WALKER COURSE
AT CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

Upcoming Events

August

- 4 CGA Ladies Playday
- 13 Amateur Players Tour
- 13-14 Clemson Women's Golf Camp
- 20 Super Saturday #4
- 24 Fall Semester Begins
- 27 Kappa Sigma Reunion (2:00PM)

September

- 5 Labor Day (Open)
- 9 Home Football Friday
- 8 Closed Monday
- 10 Furman at Clemson (3:30PM)
- 12 Open (11:30AM)
- 16 Home Football Friday
- 17 La Tech at Clemson
- 19 CLOSED: Course Maintenance
- 24 Super Saturday #5
- 26 Mountain Mini-Tour (AM)
- 30 Jim White Memorial (PM)

BRENT JESSUP

PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL



Max Vischer and Mary Brock Win 27th Annual Club Championship Titles

Congratulations to eighteen-year-old **Max Vischer** for capturing his first stroke play club championship at the Walker Course last month. **Mr. Vischer** posted scores of 71-79=150 to win the overall championship by a comfortable margin of eleven shots.

First-year member **Mary Brock** won the women's club championship title by a single stroke over last year's defending champion, **Alyson Dildine**.

The hybrid flight was won by **Duke Craft** as he outdueled **Jason Sharpe** by one shot as well. **Jack Mansmann** won the white tee division, and **Frank Duda** was the men's gold division winner.

Twenty-two members competed in the 27th Annual Stroke Play Championship. A big thank you goes out to everyone that competed. Hopefully, we will have more competitors in 2023.

Match Play Update

As we move into the final stretch of the 2022 match play championship, all of the August 2nd matches have been played, and we will now move to the next round. Please call your next opponent and schedule your match before the September 13th deadline. Thanks for keeping the championship moving along and on track. Good luck to those still in the running!

Senior Interclub Update

Our **Walker Course** senior interclub team is heading back to the playoffs! Team Walker won their final regular season match at home against **The Patriot Golf Club at Grand Harbor** by a score of 49.5 to 30.5. We finished the season with a 4 and 2 record, more than enough team points to qualify for the playoffs. Once the other PODS across North and South Carolina finish their regular season, the playoffs will start. Thanks to Captain **Jack Mansmann** for his leadership and commitment to this team. Best of luck!

*Late note: The Walker Course team received a bye for the first round of the playoffs. They will face the winner of Daniel Island versus Pawley's Plantation. Stay tuned for the results.

Member Portal Tee Times

Last month we transitioned to the EZ Links golf platform. This system allows our Walker Course members to make online tee times up to two weeks in advance through the password-accessed portal. Members can see any available tee times within the two-week window. Member group blocks, **Martin Inn** hotel, and **Madren Conference Center** bookings are still prebooked by our group sales team. The system tracks how many tee times you make and use, so please only make reservations for the exact number of players you plan to have. If you need to reduce or cancel a tee time, you will still need to call the golf shop. The member booking page is located at: <https://walkerclermson.mb.ezlinksgolf.com/>. If you have not tried it yet, follow the link and see just how easy it is!

As the students return for the fall semester, it's a good idea to make your tee time well in advance!

Ace Report

Congratulations to **Robert (Bob) Fulmer** for his recent hole-in-one on July 21st on the fourth hole on the Walker Course. **Mr. Fulmer's** perfect shot was scored from 103 yards out with his trusty Ping 9 iron. Witnessing his second career ace was his wife **Barbara**, **Nick Wimpey**, and **Larry A. Mann**.

Mr. Fulmer was not a member of the Walker Course Hole-In-One Club at that time. He has since joined, so the jackpot is still climbing at \$250 for the next member ace. Great shot, **Mr. Fulmer!**

On-Course Practice Reminder

Recently, we have been made aware by several members that individual golfers are going onto the golf course to practice multiple shots from the same location, leaving bunkers unraked, divots unreplaced, and ball marks unrepaired on the greens. Please remember, practice on the course is not allowed. Do not go out on the course to practice. We have an excellent practice area for you to practice all kinds of shots.

Steve Huffman (1955-2022)

We are sad to share the unexpected passing of **Steve Huffman** on July 1st. **Mr. Huffman** was a charter member (#53) of the Walker Course, joining back in 1993 as construction of the golf course was beginning. He was an active member playing with the weekly Tuesday/Thursday morning senior group. Always pleasant and smiling. Please keep his wife, **Carole**, in your thoughts and prayers.

July Status

July has been fairly dry, and some dry areas are appearing around the course's edge. One good rain and the turf will bounce right back.

The greens recovered as we expected, and we began getting aggressive with our light verticutting late in the month. We have been double cutting regularly to get the speed back up.

The fairways healed up nicely as well. We made a growth regulator treatment the second week of July to tighten them up.

We have been spot spraying the rough for weeds for anything that escaped our pre-emerge application. This work will continue through August.

The bunker work on 14 and 15 has turned out well. We have also added sand to some bunkers that were shy. All bunkers were edged in late July.

August Goals

During August, we will continue to focus on grooming the greens for smoothness and ball roll. We will be lightly topdressing on Mondays, lightly verticutting 1-2 times a week, applying growth regulator, and grooming and double cutting daily. Around mid-month, we will also vent the greens with small tines, which will have little, if any, negative effect on putting.

The tees will be verticut in early August. I feel the verticutting we have done so far, along with the new cutting units with down pressure and groomer attachments, has really firmed up the turf on the tees.

The fairways will be brushed and mowed closely to remove excess growth and grain this month as well. This keeps the fairways from becoming so puffy later in the fall. They will have a scalped appearance but will recover in 5-7 days. Once they have healed, a final application of growth regulator will be applied.

We will be applying our fall feed fertilizer to the course on August 22nd. This fertilizer includes significant potassium to help the turf harden off before dormancy. All of the nitrogen in this product is slow release, so it will feed the turf slowly and consistently through the remainder of the summer and fall until dormancy without any flush of growth.

The natural areas will be cut back early in the month. They will be prepped for reseeding at the end of the month.

New Flagsticks

In August, we will be putting out new flagsticks to replace the current ones that are so worn. You will notice a little difference. They are solid white and do not have orange stripes on them. This is due to difficulty in getting the striped type since orange is a custom color. In addition, by going with solid white, we have some savings and, because they are not custom, they are readily available. We can replace them one at a time if needed, rather than having to order a minimum of 18.

Construction Update

The sidewalk project along Old Stadium road is coming along slowly. This sidewalk will extend from Perimeter Road down Old Stadium and enter the complex, terminating at the crossing from the chipping green to the practice tees. Around mid-month, expect delays entering and exiting the complex as the work enters the front entrance areas.

As far as Perimeter road goes, there is nothing more impacting us right now other than a slight adjustment in the construction fencing along #5.

Finally, we have been told that construction on the new Alumni Center coming to our property is likely to start in December. We will share more details as we have them.

Summer Staff

Once again, we have been blessed with an excellent crew this summer. We are so fortunate to have a dedicated group that takes pride in their work. Finding people to get up early to be at work by 6 am can be tough, not to mention working in all of the elements and having to work mornings every other weekend.

If you are out playing over the next couple of weeks and run into one of our staff, I encourage you to say hello and thank them for their effort this summer. They deserve it!

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pro-Shop
Operating Hours:
 Monday
 Closed
 Tuesday—Sunday
 7:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
Practice Range Hours:
 Monday
 Closed
 Tuesday—Sunday
 7:45 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

Membership by the Numbers

Individuals: 177
Family: 103 Life: 28
Non-Resident: 55
Young Alumni: 9
Inactive: 3 Legacy Life: 7
Total Membership: 383

New Members

Jeffrey & Missy Hill
Joel & Lisa Stephens
Tim Stockall
Charles & Kelley Allison
Neal & Heather Barrow

August 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Course Closed	2	3	4 CGA Ladies Playday	5	6
7	8 Course Closed	9	10	11	12	13 Amateur Players Tour (PM) Clemson Women's Golf Camp
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