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Roger Watson — Owner

Are we really sure that winter is gone? I sure hope so! We are all ready for some great golf weather and some fun events. Rick Durham has completed the greens aerification and has begun course clean up from so many winter storms. Jeff Sgroi is fired up with new selections in the Grill and the upcoming special events. Jeff Engelhaupt has an outstanding schedule of member golf events so be sure to stay updated on all the events. We have a special membership drive going on right now that can earn you FREE dues for 2015. There is no better place to play golf in the Raleigh area. So come out and enjoy the course and great service. Thank you for being a member!



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Rick Durham - Superintendent

The last winter storm of the season has delayed agronomic schedules and projects throughout the golf course. The heavy wet snow took its toll on limbs and the focus was immediately on clearing cart paths and areas that are in play. Due to wet conditions and the inability to move equipment onto the course cleanup extended into the later part of March. The wet conditions have allowed the maintenance team to complete the ladies tee entrance on #6 and we added railroad ties to #12. A solid tine aerification was completed March 16th and 17th. Our core aerification is scheduled to be completed April 13th and 14th. It is important to relieve greens of compaction to promote root growth and allow water and air to penetrate into the soil profile. Other items of improvement to be on the lookout for the month of April are adding sand to bunkers, trimming of limbs and landscape improvement. I would like to thank everyone for the positive comments and encourage everyone to fill out comment cards. Comment cards are an excellent way for us to hear your comments and continue to improve important areas. As always 1 can be reached via e-mail at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com.



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Jeff Engelhaupt - General Manager

Dear Members,

With the new golfing season we have started a new membership drive, Drive Fore 125, where we are looking for 125 new memberships to reach our ongoing goal of 500 memberships total. Once we reach our goal we can begin to restrict weekend and holiday morning play to members and sponsored guests only. This is a great time to sponsor a friend or colleague to join Wildwood Green! Not only will the new member receive a monthly dues credits but the sponsoring member will as well! If you sponsor enough new memberships to reach \$0 monthly dues we will give you a \$500 gift certificate as another incentive!

As a reminder we have started a new range rotation at the driving range. Mondays and Tuesdays will be on the grass, where irons only will be allowed. Wednesday through Sunday will allow for the use of drivers with Wednesday and Thursday being on the grass. The restrictions of mats on the weekend is to help keep the turf quality higher throughout the year. We will also sell range balls until 7:00 PM starting April 1st and look to keep it that way until we reach the October time frame.

Our 2015 Event Schedule has been posted to the website. Please review the events and formats and sign up early for the events you plan to attend! We will also continue dinner and social events throughout the season and look to utilize the outside pavilion area more once the weather warms up! A big thanks to Jeff Sgroi for his efforts thus far!

As a reminder, be sure to review our weekly eblast that lists upcoming events and happenings here at the club. This is a great way to stay in tune with Wildwood Green and what is going on at your club! If you have any questions please feel free to see a member of the golf shop or grill as soon as you can!

See you at the club soon!

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, April 4th

Skins Game

Bogey's After Dark

Sunday, April 5th

Golf Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 11th

Masters Pool Closes

Monday/Tuesday, April 13/14th
Aerification

Thursday, April 16th

Thirsty 3rd Thursday

Sunday, April 19th

Couples Golf

Thursday, April 23rd

WildOats Spring Outing

Saturday, April 25th

Package Event #2

2015 MGA Information

June 1st – August 31st, 2015

Email Jeff@wildwoodgreen.com to sign up today!

Match Schedule

Matches will take place each Monday evening and tee times will begin at 5:00 pm and will run through 5:45 pm. The season will start on June 1 and finish on August 31. If there is a week that is rained out we will use the month of September for makeup dates. The season will run for a total of 14 weeks. Please email jeff@wildwoodgreen.com with any tee time requests and days you will be unable to play from week to week. In the event that your opponent will be unable to play you will be paired with someone in your flight whenever possible to avoid playing par. We will cycle through the pairings rotation and stay in order through week 14. We will have a year-end skins event on October 3 which is included in the \$30 entry (\$10 of which goes to the skins game per person, \$12 of which goes towards prizes weekly and \$8 of which goes towards lunch on the year-end event).

Flighting Information and Prizes

Flights will be determined by the number of people signed up and then divided by handicap index to create as even as possible flights. The flights will then be loaded into a round robin generator and the matches will be set. The same rotation will be followed throughout the season, however if someone is unable to attend a week, competitors will be paired together to avoid playing "par". Each week closest to the pin competitions will be held on each par 3. Prizes will vary from week to week.

Format and Scoring

The league is a match play format and there are a possible ten points each week. One point is awarded for winning a hole and one point is also awarded for winning the match. If the match is halved the extra point is also halved. A running total will be kept throughout the year and the winner of each flight will be determined by the point totals. **Your best nine point totals will count in the final scoring**.

Flight Results

Flight results will be kept in the weekly member email that is sent out each Sunday morning (depending on our event schedule). Please return all scorecards to the Golf Shop following play so that accurate records can be kept. The last group is asked to please pick up the closest to the pin markers so that prizes can be handed out each evening following play.



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John Budwine — Director of Instruction

Pam Rogers has joined the JBGA staff. She graduated from Methodist College with a degree in Bachelor of Science/Business Administration with a concentration in Professional Golf Management. She played 2 years on the women's golf team before turning professional.

Pamela went on to earn both her LPGA and PGA cards. At the time she accomplished these personal goals, she was only 1 of 100 women in the country that had acquired both LPGA & PGA cards. She is an accomplished and well respected Golf Professional who has been teaching individuals at all skill levels since 1990.

Pamela has had experience with teaching golfers at all skill levels and in a variety of settings. She is experienced in club fitting, on course instruction, video analysis, and knowledgeable about the rules of golf. Whether you are a child, woman, or man, Pamela is waiting to raise your golf game to a new level. Her main goal is for every individual to have fun during their instruction and for them to witness their true potential.

Please help us welcome her to the staff by saying hello when you see her!



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Mindy Glatfelter - Golf Shop Manager

It has been great to see everyone out of hibernation and playing at Wildwood Green this month. We are finally seeing better weather and longer hours of light. It is pretty amazing, that this month has been the month of Hole in One's! We had three in one week and another Hole in One concluding the month of March. Visit the Member Accomplishments slide to see all of the members who had a Hole in One this month. We are still running the Acers Club so please do not forget to sign up and pay the \$5 fee to become an Acer. You will then have a chance to win the Acer money when you have a Hole in One. Feel free to ask anyone in the golf shop for more details about the Acers Club.

Thank you to all the members who came out and participated in Bingo this winter season. I really enjoyed being the new Bingo caller and getting to know everyone better! I hope we continue to increase the number of members participating in our upcoming golf events. If you have any suggestions on making our events more successful please feel free fill out a comment card.

We have started to get in our new spring merchandise! This week we currently stocked the golf shop with brand new Cutter and Buck Ladies Apparel. Please be sure to continue to stop by throughout the spring to see our new apparel.

Feel free to email me at mindy@wildwoodgreen.com with any of your questions or concerns!



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Thomas LaDew - Operations Manager

After such a cold winter, it has been great to finally see some nice weather in March! We are looking forward to April and hope you can join us for some golf and good times! Now that the days are longer, we are extending the operation hours for our driving range. Now you will be able to purchase baskets until 7 PM!

In addition to our increased hours, you may have noticed that we have now opened up the grass tee boxes on the range. You can hit irons from the grass on Monday and Tuesday and drivers and fairway woods on Wednesdays and Thursdays. By only having the grass available on Monday through Thursday, our goal is to preserve as much premiere driving range turf for our members since we have such a high influx of public players on weekends.

We hope that Wildwood Green meets all of your golfing needs and if you have any suggestions to make your experience better please let us know!



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Jeff Sgroi — Food and Beverage Manager

It's starting to pick up here at Bogey's. Our Thirsty 3rd Thursday was a great time. I think we had too much food... April's theme will switch back to beer and we will have beer pairings with "skewers....." This will certainly be another fun event. It will be outside in the pavilion if Mother Nature agrees... If you do not get "Evites" for Thirsty 3rd Thursday events and would like to be on the mailing list, email me and I will gladly add you!

Bogey's is starting a "Wine Club" this month. We are fine tuning the details and should have it ready to go soon! Your membership will include 2 free Thirsty 3rd Thursday events, \$1 off glasses of wine anytime (non-events) and \$3 off bottles of wine anytime (non-events). Twice a month we will have a featured wine for you to order at a significant savings. We will add a couple of club membership wine tastings also.

Our After Dark dinner this month will be another fun time. There are still some seats left so make sure you call and reserve yours!

This month we will start using the outdoor grill up at Bogey's. Look for some tasty daily BBQ specials. The beverage cart will make its debut soon! The cart will have plenty of soft drinks, beer, snacks, sandwiches, Bloody Mary's and Margaritas.

Keep the suggestions and comment cards coming! They are very much appreciated. I can be reached at sgroi@wildwoodgreen. Bogey's is looking forward to serve you!



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Golf & Grapes

Every Thursday

Join PGA Professional, Jimmy Hamilton, for a weekly golf clinic and a playing lesson. **Thursday, April 2nd** the focus will be on greenside situations.



Itinerary: Clinic begins at 1:30PM Tee Times start at 2:15PM Wine at Bogey's after play



\$20 includes the Clinic and the Wine 9 Hole Member Cart Rates Apply Public 9 Hole Special: \$13 to Walk/\$20 to Ride Call Jimmy Hamilton at (919) 906-1290 for any questions.

Golf Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 5th

Join Wildwood Green for a Golfing Easter Egg hunt! In each Easter Egg there will be special discounts for either the golf shop, driving range or Bogey's Grill and of course if you're lucky there will be a sweet candy surprise inside!



Be sure to make an early tee time before all the Easter Eggs are found!



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Masters Pool Last Day to Enter is April 11th by 12:00PM

A Member's 18 Hole Net score is paired with a Professional Golfer's third and fourth round scores!

\$5 per Entry, No limit on Entries

Winners will receive Gift Certificates

"An Established USGA Recognized Handicap is Required"

A Few Things You May Not Know About the Masters....

1. In the Beginning

The Masters as we know it would never have been, if the USGA hadn't turned down Bobby Jones' request to host the 1934 US Open. Angry at the rebuff, Jones and Clifford Roberts decided to stage their own event.

2. The Language

You should never hear the word "championship" on the telecast. The U.S. Open, British Open, and PGA are championships held by the major ruling and organizing bodies of the sport (or a vestige thereof in the case of the PGA). The Masters is an invitational tournament held at a very pretty golf course, given prestige by the involvement of Bobby Jones. The winner is not the champion of anything.

3. The Template

The Masters invented the template for what we know as tournament golf. It was the first 72-hole four day event and the first to use the over/under par system. The Masters also saw the first grandstands for viewers.

4. Strict But Polite

There is no need for marshals to hold "Quiet Please" signs because everyone respects the tournament so much. Patrons who show up early and place their chairs and leave will find their chairs waiting for them when they return. Try that at any other PGA event and let me know what happens.



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Thirsty 3rd Thursday

Thursday, April 23rd - 6:00PM

BEER AND SKEWER NIGHT

Another unique and fun Thirsty 3rd Thursday has been planned! We will be pairing four types of beer with four different skewers!

Only \$10 per person



Call Bogey's to sign up for a great night!





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Bogey's After Dark

Saturday, April 4th - 7:00PM Limited Seating

Join Wildwood Green for another fabulous Italian Dinner! We will have a special Italian wine to pair with the three course meal.

Only \$17.95 per person







Menu Includes:

Fresh Caprese Salad and Rolls Chicken Penne ala Vodka Erin's Famous Dessert

Call Bogey's Grill at (919) 390-0347 for a Reservation



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Couples Golf

Sunday, April 19th — 5:00PM Shotgun







Format: Captain's Choice, Four Person Team

Entry Fee: \$30 per Member Couple plus \$20 Cart Fees

\$70 per Accompanied Guest Couple

Entry Fee Includes: Range balls before play, on-course contests, gift certificates to the winners

and dinner will be provided by Bogey's Grill!



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Package Event #2 Saturday, April 25th



Format: 2 Net of 4

(You may only choose 1 other person to put on your four person team)

Entry Fee: \$30 per person plus Cart Fees \$55 Accompanied Guest Fee

Entry Includes: Range balls before play, oncourse contests, gift certificates to the winners and lunch after play provided by Bogey's!

Sign up for the Skins Game too!

An Established USGA Handicap is Required



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Skins Game

Saturday, April 4th & 25th

Join Wildwood Green for an all day skins game!



Members MUST have an established USGA Handicap. Members must enter before beginning their round.

Entry: \$10 (\$5 Gross / \$5 Net)

2015 Match Play Championship

Sign up in the golf shop for the Match Play Championship today! Matches will be held from April until the end of October



Open to the first 32 members to register by April 14th, 2015. Only a few spots left!

Cost per Member: \$10

An established USGA recognized handicap is required!



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VIP Merchandise Plan - "Members Only" \$\$\$ SAVE BIG \$\$\$



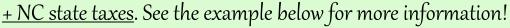
Becoming a member of the merchandise VIP plan is easy! Simply pay the \$99.00 annual fee and any person listed as "Active" on your Wildwood Green membership can enjoy the savings!



Make sure you sign up soon to SAVE on the new Merchandise that was ordered!



Any in-stock merchandise can be purchased at <u>regular wholesale + 12% (of the wholesale cost) + NC</u> state taxes. Any special orders can be purchased for the invoice amount + 10% (of the wholesale cost)



For more information see an employee in the Golf Shop



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Free Golf For A Year!!!

4 Free Memberships Up for Grabs!





Stop by the Golf Shop for more information!

Buy a Gift Certificate for yourself or a Loved One and be entered automatically to win a Free Membership at Wildwood Green Golf Club



Once all Gift Certificates are sold, the Drawing will be held



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PGA Junior Golf League

Sign up now is under way for the Wildwood Green PGA Junior League team. This is a fun, non-intimidating way for juniors to be exposed to competitive golf. This is for ages 7-13 and must not be 14 before July 1, 2015. Cost for the season is \$199 and includes all practice sessions with the coach and all league play. Players receive a numbered shirt and hat, golf balls and a bag tag as well as PGA instruction in practice sessions. The first practice will be April 11 at 5:30PM at Wildwood Green. The matches will start in mid May and run until late June with about 1 match per week usually on a Wednesday or a Saturday late afternoon. Call Jimmy Hamilton at (919) 906-1290 or email at hamgolf4u@aol.com to sign up your player. Spots are filling up fast so get in touch ASAP.



If your youngster can drive, chip or putt... there's a spot for them on our PGA JLG team!



April 2015 Events Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
First Tee Time is 7:30AM starting April 7 th First Tee Time on Mondays is 8:30AM going through November Due to school matches we have times blocked for these events. Member only times are booked during the event. Members must call the golf shop to book these times. Last Bucket of Range Balls is Sold at 7:00PM			1 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	2 WildOats – 9:00 AM SG	3 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	Skins Game Bogey's After Dark 7:00PM Limited Seating
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Tips to Remember at Wildwood Green this Season....

- Place rakes in the bunkers when finished raking the sand
- Fill your divots with the sand provided for you on your cart
- When walking with a push cart please respect the roped off areas around the green. Keep your push cart off the green and fringe.
- When using your driver at the range please hit from the last four stations closest to the road and angle your shots to the back left corner of the range.
- Keep up with the Pace of Play and the group in front of you. Follow the on in one out rule (drive to the next tee to put your putter away), play a more forward set of tees that suits your skill level and plan your shot before reaching your ball by playing ready golf.
 - Do not discard your cigarette butts on the ground. Don't cause fires! Pick up your butts and discard them in the trash.
- When hitting range balls off the grass, please hit the balls close together and create long patches of divots or squares to preserve the grass for others



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Member Accomplishments & Holes In One

Congratulations to

Dennis Duprey on his first Hole in One ever on Hole #17 while playing with Mike Stanley on March 9^{th}

Dave King on his first Hole in One in 63 years on Hole #12 while playing with Bob McMillan, Jim Butts and Kenneth Ray on March 10th

Hyun Joo on his Hole in One on Hole #12 while playing with Mike Gearing on March 13th

Jon Crowder on his Hole in One on Hole #4 while playing with two of his accompanied guests on March 25th

Bryan Copeland on winning a Free Year membership from purchasing a \$250 Gift Certificate in the Gift Certificate drawing



Rule of the Month

Rule: Playing the Ball (Rule 12, 13, 14 and 15)

Question: Am I allowed to break branches that are in the way of my swing or move leaves off of my ball?

Answer:

A) If you think a ball is yours but can't see your identification mark, after notifying your marker or opponent, you may mark the position of the ball and lift it to identify it (Rule 12-2).

B) Play the ball as it lies. Don't improve your lie, the area of your intended stance or swing, or your line of play by moving, bending or breaking anything fixed or growing The only exception in taking your stance or making your swing (Rule 13-2)

C) If your ball is in a bunker or a water hazard, don't: touch the ground (or the water in a hazard) with your hand or club before your downswing, or move loose impediments (Rule 13-4).







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Study: U.S. Opens Had \$238M Statewide Impact Contributed | Posted: Monday, March 9, 2015 11:30 am Open Daily Kaymer Wie Collage

Martin Kaymer and Michelle Wie claimed titles at the U.S. Open and U.S. Women's Open played back-to-back weeks at Pinehurst No. 2. Gov. Pat McCrory announced Monday that the unprecedented back-to-back U.S. Opens last June at Pinehurst No. 2 generated more than \$140 million in visitor spending and had an overall economic impact that topped \$238 million across North Carolina.

"The state of North Carolina helped deliver a world-class event and the economic impact of the ... championships reflects the outstanding success of this collaborative effort," McCrory said in a statement. "We are already looking forward to the next major USGA event in our great state."

The study concludes that the Sandhills and the state experienced significant economic boost as a result of the pre-event staging activities and visitor spending over the two weeks of the U.S. Open and U.S. Women's Open.

Overall, 26 counties benefited from spending on lodging, food, beverage, shopping, retail, construction, ground transportation and recreation activities.

The study was researched and completed by Gene Brothers, associate professor of equitable and sustainable tourism at North Carolina State University, with assistance from the United States Golf Association (USGA) and the Pinehurst-Southern Pines-Aberdeen Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB).

"Pinehurst Resort and the USGA, along with community and state supporters, left attendees with a new appreciation of how a world-class event should be staged," CVB President and CEO Caleb Miles said. "This strong visitor approval registered loud and clear at cash registers across the state and demonstrated the strength of the tourism brand in the state/region."

Data was collected from a variety of sources, including on-site electronic kiosks that surveyed more than 10,000 spectators on spending habits during the championship weeks.



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The average attendee spent 3.13 days at the U.S. Open and 2.14 days at the U.S. Women's Open. The study found that about 40 percent of respondents attended both championships at least one day.

The study measured direct spending among three groups: The USGA prior to and during the championships, vendors who contracted with the USGA, and spectators.

Spending by visitors on site and for tickets to the championships were not included due to double counting in the first instance and lack of impact for the second.

The \$140 million spent in Moore and 25 other counties included about \$39.3 million for lodging, \$20.5 million for shopping retail, \$18.1 million for recreation activities, \$18 million for food and liquor stores, \$17.5 million for restaurants, \$15.8 million for ground transportation, \$10.6 million for services and \$328,626 for construction materials.

The study then added indirect effects of \$42.7 million and induced effects of \$55.6 million to determine the overall impact of \$238 million. That total created 2,898 job equivalents with a total labor income of about \$98.9 million, and generated a combined \$32 million in local, state and federal taxes.

"The 2014 U.S. Open Championships was a collaborative effort between the USGA, state, county and local officials, especially in the areas of tourism, transportation and law enforcement," said Mike Butz, USGA senior managing director for Open Championships and Association Relations. "This review validates the success of the championship and the importance of our long-standing relationship with Pinehurst Resort to the local Sandhills region."

Last year marked the first time the USGA had conducted the championships in consecutive weeks at the same venue.

The USGA will return to Pinehurst in May 2017 for the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship.



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