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Thank you to all of you for being a member. We operate the club for your enjoyment. Our plans are centered around your comments and suggestions and therefore depend on your comment cards reports and suggestions. Please complete and return comment cards often! Beginning August 1 we will be updating our improvement plans and hopefully (weather dependent) the cart path repairs will be underway. We start prepaid dues for 2016 beginning August 1 at a 10% discount, plus you can discount cart club, range club and the first 50 that prepay will receive a free locker or club storage for 2016.



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#### Rick Durham - Superintendent

Summer has arrived along with the heat and humidity. Over the next several months you will notice our maintenance team out syringing greens. Syringing involves lightly watering either by hand hosing or operating the sprinklers. This practice can cool the turf canopy by ten degrees and is most effective when temperatures are 90 degrees or higher. When this occurs we will be practicing this several times a day. Fans on numbers three and nine are also operational and help with temperature and air movement. Currently our water supply is optimal. Our goal is to water fairways at least once a week and tees generally are watered twice a week. We have an older irrigation system so occasionally you will encounter sprinklers operating during your round. I would like to apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. I would like thank everyone for your comments and as always I can be reached via e-mail at <a href="mailto:rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com">rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com</a>



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#### Jeff Engelhaupt — General Manager

Dear Member — Prepaid Time for 2016 will begin August 1st! Mark Your Calendars today!!!!

We have recently crowned or newest Club Champions and I want to give them a big congratulations! Representing the women over the next year will be Denice Short. Denice played great over the weekend and claimed the crown in what was the closest event in recent history. Representing the men for the next year is Quinn Riley. Quinn faced Lennie Barton in a sudden death playoff and won on the first hole. Congratulations to both players and thank you to everyone who played this year. We still have two more major events left this season; the Fall Member-Member and the Battle at Ballybunion Member-Guest. This year's Member-Guest event will be open to both men and women participants!

The heat has arrived and summer is in full swing! When the temperature rises like has been for the past two weeks maintenance will need to be on the course more frequently syringing the greens to help keep the temperatures down. A quick application with water will help keep the green temperature down and hopefully the burn areas to a minimum. Myself and our maintenance team thanks you for your patience as we try to keep the greens in best shape possible for you to play on.

I encourage everyone to bring out accompanied guests this month as one of the member benefits is that your accompanied guest will receive a 5 play pass where they pay to play 5 times and the 6<sup>th</sup> round is free! We also have discounts on draught beer in Bogey's and will be selling the large bucket range pass for \$50 instead of the usual \$70 (members only for range pass).

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>**British Open Pool Begins

**Saturday, July 4**<sup>th</sup> Flag Tournament

**Sunday, July 12**<sup>th</sup>
Couples Golf

**Thursday, July 16**<sup>th</sup>
Thirsty 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

**Saturday, July 25**<sup>th</sup>
Skins Game

**Tuesday, July 28th**Wildflowers Member-Member

Thursday, July 30th

PGA Championship Pool Begins



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#### John Budwine — Director of Instruction

Congratulations to Carter Jenkins on winning the North Carolina Amateur. He eagled the 17<sup>th</sup> hole to take the lead and held on for a come-from-behind victory in the 2015 North Carolina Amateur Golf Championship played at the Country Club of Landfall's Jack Nicklaus Course.

Jenkins finished the four-day event at 11-under 277, one shot ahead of Guilford College head coach Justin Tereshko. The win was Jenkins' seventh Carolinas Golf Association title. Jenkins entered Sunday's fourth and final round in second place, trailing Tereshko by three shots. Jenkins fired a 4-under 68 today, the second-best round of the day and one of only 12 rounds Sunday played below par. Jenkins won the event by dominating the par 5s all week, including Sunday. He played the par 5s in 10-under par for the four days, including -5 in the final round.

Jenkins entered the fourth round at -7, but eagled the par 5 opening hole and birdied the par 5 seventh to get to 10 under, two back of the leader. Tereshko had bogeys at eight and 11 to fall back into a tie with Jenkins at -10.

Jenkins then bogeyed the 13<sup>th</sup> hole to move a shot back, but took the lead by dropping an eagle at the 505-yard 17<sup>th</sup>. The eagle three sent Jenkins a shot ahead of Tereshko and two clear of Thomas Eldridge of Raleigh, who finished third.

Jenkins hit a 6-iron from 191 yards out on the 17<sup>th</sup> hole that stopped 12 feet from the hole. However, he says the 16<sup>th</sup> hole was really the key to his winning the title. On the 18<sup>th</sup> hole, Jenkins struck a wedge to within 12 feet, and two putted for par and the title. Jenkins played in seven events for the Tar Heels this spring after transferring mid-year from UNCG.



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#### Mindy Glatfelter - Golf Shop Manager

We have a lot of fun events scheduled for the month of July. There are event calendars on the golf shop counter to reference the dates and times of all the events. Also please look at the restricted tee times on the calendar due to some of the CGA events scheduled this month. The July  $4^{th}$  Flag tournament is coming up this weekend, so don't forget to sign up before Saturday! Some other events planned for this month are Couples Golf, a Package Event, a Skins Game, Thirsty  $3^{rd}$  Thursday and two different PGA pools.

I want to congratulate Quinn Riley for being the Men's Overall Club Champion and Denice Short for being the Women's Overall Club Champion. Quinn Riley, only 15 years old, won over Lennie Barton in a sudden death play-off on Sunday. The Club Championship went very well and I appreciate all the participants who came out and played this past weekend. It is nice to see more participation this year in the summer events. If you have any questions about the event details please see an employee in the Golf Shop.

Ladies, if you haven't noticed yet we have new women's merchandise in the golf shop. There are a variety of styles, colors and sizes from Cutter and Buck. Don't forget to bring your gift certificate winnings from all the previous events this year to use on the exciting new clothing.

If you have any questions feel free to email me at mindy@wildwoodgreen.com.



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#### Thomas LaDew - Operations Manager

I hope you are all having a great start to your summer! Luckily that the course is remaining in great shape even with the high heat and we really appreciate everyone who has been out to take advantage of the warm weather and blue skies. Even though there is plenty of sun, it seems that severe thunderstorms are almost the norm most evenings! Because of this, we ask that you report any damage (fallen trees, limbs, flooding) or thunder/lightning sighting when on the course. Even more importantly, be smart! Please do not take a risk by playing during severe weather. Let's all be aware of course safety!

As a reminder, on the days we allow drivers and fairway woods please remain on any of the four spots located closest to Strickland Road. Even if you are confident in your skills or do not believe you are a long hitter, we prefer everyone to adhere to this rule regardless of skill level. This helps us reduce the number of range balls hit over the barrier net tremendously and the rule is in place to keep the range available and safe to everyone. Monday through Thursday are our grass tee days and Friday through Sunday are our mat tee days. Everyone using the range should pay attention to this schedule. The only time there is an exception to the rule is if you are receiving a lesson from a JBGA instructor.

Again, this is for your own safety and helps us to keep our grass tees in good shape throughout the year!



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#### <u>Jeff Sgroi – Food and Beverage Manager</u>

We are certainly in full swing here at Bogey's. The new sign on the 9<sup>th</sup> tee is really helping getting orders out in a timely manner. Calling your order in certainly helps! We have another new hire! Her name is Gabby. She comes highly recommended from Kristie. Be sure to introduce yourself and say hello. She too will work out just fine.

Bogey's is going to offer smoothies!!! We will be serving "Naked" smoothies starting this month. We will offer three different flavors. Make sure you come in and try one!

Our Thirsty 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday last month had surprisingly interesting results. Of the five light beers you had to identify, one person got three correct, a few got two correct, a few got one correct and the majority of them went "o for 5!" It was fun! July's Thirsty 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday will switch back to wine tasting. Should be another great time.

Last month Bogey's has hosted a couple of private parties at the Pavilion. They both went really well. If you would like to have a private function at the Pavilion, give us a call and we can set up an appointment with you.

Keep the suggestions and comment cards coming! They are very much appreciated. I can be reached at <a href="mailto:sgroi@wildwoodgreen.com">sgroi@wildwoodgreen.com</a> Bogey's is looking forward to serve you!



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#### Flag Tournament

#### Saturday, July 4th

Join Wildwood Green for an all day Flag Event! Members MUST have an established USGA Handicap. Sign up in the golf shop before July 3<sup>rd</sup>!



#### \$15 per Person

Entry Fee Includes: Food voucher, proximity games, gift certificates for the winners and range balls.

#### Skins Game

#### Sunday, July 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)



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#### British Open Pool

Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> — Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon

\$5 per Entry, No Limit on Entries



Can Jordan Spieth win another Major this year?



Members must have an established USGA Handicap and players must enter before their round. We will take the members net score and pair it with professional's Saturday and Sunday round playing in the U.S. Open.

Winners will be paid out in Gift Certificates!!



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#### Package Event #4

Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup> — 9:00AM Shotgun

Format: 3 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, on-course contests, gift certificates to the winners and

lunch after play provided by Bogey's!



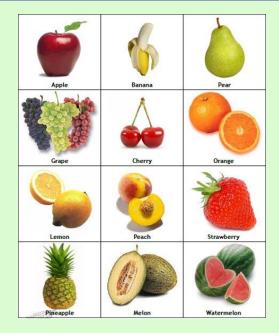




All participants are allowed to enjoy Bogey's Breakfast Buffett for only \$3.99



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#### Thirsty 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup> - 6:00PM

#### COME OUT AND ENJOY WINE

#### AND FRUIT NIGHT!

We will have our wine rep on site for questions and orders. This Thirsty 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday will consist different wines paired with a variety of fruit and wraps. Don't miss out!

Only \$10 per person

Call Bogey's Grill at (919)390-0347 to sign up!



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#### Couples Golf

Sunday, July 12th - 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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#### Comment Cards



Wildwood Green is dedicated to providing quality professional golf service to every customer. Please help us by giving your suggestions so that we may continue to improve. When completing a comment card, please fully complete every section! For each completed comment card you may receive a free fountain soda, coffee or hot chocolate from Bogey's Grill. We really appreciate your feedback and we look forward to better serving you in the future!

#### July Member Specials

- 1. Buy a Large Bucket range pass for only\$50 (Savings of \$20)
- 2. Accompanied Guests: Play 5 times with a member in the month of July and play your 6th time for Free
- 3. \$3.50 Gizmo Draft Beer Special



#### **July 2015 Events Calendar**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
First Tee Time is at 7:00AM, excluding Monday's with the First Tee Time at 8:30AM  Walking is Restricted until after 11:00AM on the Weekends for Members and  2:00PM for the Public  Last Bucket of Range Balls is Sold at 8:00PM			First Tee Time 9:00AM Due to Wolfpack Camp Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	First Tee Time 9:00AM Due to Wolpack Camp WildOats 10:00AM TT Restricted to 24 British Open Pool Begins	3 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	Flag Tournament All Day Tee Times
It's SUMMER!	6 First Tee Time 8:30AM WildOats 9:00AM TT  MGA – 5:00PM TT	7 Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG	8 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	9 WildOats 8:30 AM SG	10 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	11 Walking Allowed Anytime! Package Event #4 9:00AM SG Restricted Tee Times 9:00AM – 11:30AM Interclub Home- 11:00AMTT
Couples Golf 5:00PM SG Restricted Tee Times 2:40PM – 5:15PM	First Tee Time 8:30AM WildOats – 9:00 AM TT MGA – 5:00PM TT	14 Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG	15 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	16 WildOats 8:30AM SG Thirsty 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday 5:00PM	17 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	British Open Pool Closes at Noon
CGA Event Restricted Tee Times 11:00AM — 1:45PM  Members May Walk at Anytime this day Only!	20 First Tee Time 3:00PM WildOats Off Today  Jack Ratz 8:00AM SG Tee Times Restricted until 3:00PM  MGA – 5:00PM TT	21 Wildflowers and WildOats -8:30 AM SG	22 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	23 WildOats – 8:30 AM SG	24 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	Skins Game All Day
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#### Member Accomplishments & Holes In One

#### Congratulations to .....

Gary Strawbridge on his first Hole in One on Hole #4.

**Diane LaVersa** on her first Hole in One on Hole #17. She also claimed the Closest to the Pin with this Hole in One during Package Event #3.

Kelley Taylor shot her lowest round ever with a 71 on 18 holes.

**Rob Welch** shot his lowest 9 hole score ever with a 37.

**Denice Short** shot her lowest 9 hole score on the front nine with a 35.

**Martin Mulholland** won a free full membership for a year for entering in the Gift Certificate drawing.

Quinn Riley for winning the Overall Men's Club Championship.



#### Rule of the Month

Rule: 15-3 Wrong Ball

**Question:** What happens if 1 hit the wrong ball during a tournament?

Answer:

A. If a competitor makes a stroke or strokes at a wrong ball, he incurs a penalty of two strokes.

**B.** The competitor must correct his mistake by playing the correct ball or by proceeding under the Rules. If he fails to correct his mistake before making a stroke on the next teeing ground or, in the case of the last hole of the round, fails to declare his intention to correct his mistake before leaving the putting green, he is disqualified.

C. Strokes made by a competitor with a wrong ball do not count in his score but a penalty is added on.







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#### Is This Tournament Too Open to Change?

Newport, John Paul. Wall Street Journal, Eastern edition [New York, N.Y] 20 June 2015: A.14.

University Place, Wash. -- About the only way a golf time traveler from the last century -- or even from the last decade -- would recognize the tournament going on here at Chambers Bay as a U.S. Open would be the U.S. Golf Association logos plastered on the grandstands and tee signs. Or possibly the handful of blue USGA blazers in circulation. Particularly disorienting would be the acres and acres of brown, close-cropped fescue and greens so mottled they look like Army camouflage.

In a 30 minute span Friday morning, out on the course, I witnessed three things I'd never seen in a U.S. Open before. First, Rickie Fowler hacking out of greenside rough on No. 16 with his back to the cup, to bank his shot off a steeply-pitched slope of the green.

Second, the threesome of Jordan Spieth, Justin Rose and Jason Day on the 18th hole marching 100 yards past the spot where they had teed off Thursday, when the hole played as a par five, to a new spot from which the hole played as a par four. (Spieth would double-bogey the hole, but the Masters winner would go on to shoot a 67, for a 5-under-par total, and enter the clubhouse with a share of the lead. On the group's final hole of the round, Day, at 2 under par, suffered a bout of vertigo and had to be helped off the course. Branden Grace, who matched Spieth's 67, stood one shot behind him at four under par. Two players among the early starters, J.B. Holmes and Louis Oosthuizen, shot 66s.)

And third, Bo Van Pelt playing a 60-yard recovery shot on No 1, just yards from the 18th tee, that looked for all the world like a British Open moment. The shot ascended the bare slope to the green but returned almost to his feet.

No, the USGA has not lost its senses. Everything about bringing the 115th U.S. Open to Chambers Bay, an eight-year-old course in a part of the country that has never hosted an Open, was deeply considered. Still, this year's Open is an experiment that begs a question: How far can a major stray from its traditions before it risks losing stature?



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Golf's majors are odd institutions, in that no official body designates them as such. Their prestige accrues only over time and by general consensus. The U.S. Open, in addition to being the national championship of the country with the world's biggest golf population, is respected as the game's toughest challenge. Anything that threatens that history and reputation is serious business, which is why the untraditional choice of Chambers Bay has been so controversial.

Players are not the best ones to ask about this since their overwhelming concern is how Chambers Bay could foil their chances for playing well. In the wake of Thursday's first round, that meant dissing the greens.

"The greens are as bad as they look on TV," Sergio Garcia tweeted after his even-par opening round. "I think a championship of the caliber of @usopengolf deserves better quality green surfaces," he followed up.

Dustin Johnson, one of the first-round co-leaders at five under par, acknowledged the greens were "a little bumpy." His co-leader, Henrik Stenson, agreed that "a few of them are struggling a little bit." Phil Mickelson praised the course overall, but noted that downhill putts, with the ball rolling slowly, tended to be a little "wobbly."

The cause of the greens' imperfections is no mystery. It's the poa annua grass that has infiltrated the primary fescue on the greens. Poa and fescue have different growing rates and color tones, which creates the visible blotches and bobbles. The greens were also an issue at the 2010 U.S. Open at Pebble Beach, where poa dominates. But Pebble Beach is Pebble Beach. It didn't have to prove its merits to doubters.



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The other issues are what take getting used to: the look and feel of the course, the firm fairways and topsy-turvy links-golf style of play, the daily switches in par on the first and 18th holes. The extreme flexibility of the course architecture allows Mike Davis, the chief set-up man and also the USGA's executive director, to throw surprises at the players on almost every hole.

"The USGA can make this place as hard as they want to, especially if you get a bit of wind and start tucking those pins away and play it longer. That could be a real monster," Stenson said. Many expect Davis to turn up the dial on the weekend. "I think we'll see it teeter on the edge come Saturday, Sunday," said Matt Kuchar.

U.S. Opens have always been a bit of a battle between the contestants and the setup staff, as the USGA strives to maintain the tournament as the toughest in golf. Even par or higher is frequently the winning score. But a course like Chambers Bay gives even more power than normal to the USGA. One legitimate concern going forward is that courses like Chambers Bay could make Opens more about the setup than about shot execution, more about the course than the players. "We are going to remain true to really what a U.S. Open is and what's it's been, which is a great comprehensive test of shot-making skills, course management skills, ability to handle your nerves," Davis said earlier this week.

Robert Trent Jones Jr., whose firm designed Chambers Bay, called this Open a "paradigm shift." That's not entirely accurate, since the championship returns next year to Oakmont, among the most traditional of venues and an eight-time previous Open host. Among future sites are longtime Open venues Winged Foot, Shinnecock Hills and Pebble Beach.

This year's event is a test, part of a general push by the USGA to think about golf in fresh ways, especially on issues relating to the game's sustainability in the years ahead. The results of the experiment will take years to assess.



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