

June 2015 Newsletter

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We thank you for your patronage and look forward to seeing you at the club soon!



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<u>Rick Durham – Superintendent</u>

The second core aerification of the season will take place June 1st and 2nd. Aerifications are vital to the survival of turf with the summer months approaching. Benefits are reduced compaction which in turn allows water and air to penetrate deeper into the soil profile. With the greens being in such good shape this year we will be using a much smaller tine that will be less disruptive. There will be no heavy topdressing applied at the time of aerification but we will be following up with light frequent topdressings in the weeks to follow. Topdressing will improve speed, smoothness and help with the repair of ball marks. Cultural practices will continue to be implemented on fairways, tees and roughs throughout June. Forms of aerification along with fertility applications and some warm weather will improve these surfaces quickly. There still will be some areas that will need sod and they will be completed by July. Thank you all for comment s and suggestions. Over the past month we have received many that have been beneficial and 1 would encourage all of you to continue filling out comment cards. As always I can be reached via e-mail at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com.



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<u> Jeff Engelhaupt – General Manager</u>

Dear Member,

The weather is starting to steam up and summer is right around the corner! The greens are still in great shape even though many area courses struggled with their Bermuda grass over the winter. The bent grass greens like cool temperatures and drier weather which is why they have been rolling well lately. As you have noticed, the fairways are a bit tight as the Bermuda grass has not filled in. This is expected with the cool and dry start to the season as the Bermuda grass thrives in warm and wet conditions.

Our batch of new scorecards have just arrived and the new scorecards reflect the change in yardages as well as the changes in tee ratings and slope. If you had Wildwood Green saved as a favorite in your mobile app please remove and re-download the course to your favorites. This will ensure you are posting accurately with the new ratings.

We will have a busy month of June ahead of us. The Wolfpack Junior camp is celebrating it's 27th year and will be out here three weeks during the month. This will restrict the driving range as well as course use so be sure to grab a monthly events calendar from the golf shop counter and make sure you stay update via emails, newsletter, text club and counter handouts.

Our second major event of the season, the Club Championships, are set for Saturday and Sunday June 27th and 28th. The club championships are flighted by age and then by handicap. We will have a net division and players must have a USGA recognized handicap to compete in this division. The other flights will not be handicapped but will be individual stroke play. Sign up with the golf shop early as the event is limited to the first 88 golfers! We hope to see you at the course soon whether it be for golf or a social event! <u>Upcoming Events:</u>

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Monday/Tuesday June 1st & 2nd Aerification

> **Thursday, June 4th** U.S. Open Pool Begins

Friday, June 5th Bogey's After Dark

Saturday, June 13th Package Event #3

Sunday, June 14th Couples Golf

Thursday, June 18th Thirsty 3rd Thursday

Sunday, June 21st Skins Game

Saturday/Sunday June 27th & 28 Club Championship

2015 MGA Information *June 1st – August 31st, 2015*

Email <u>Jeff@wildwoodgreen.com</u> 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

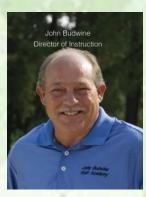
Flights will be determined by the number of people signed up and then divided by handicap index to create as even as possible flights. The flights will then be loaded into a round robin generator and the matches will be set. The same rotation will be followed throughout the season, however if someone 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.



John Budwine — Director of Instruction

Congratulations to Holly McCann on her third place finish with a total of 239 at the IJGT Bridgestone Tournament of Champions at the Grand Cypress Resort in Orlando, Florida. Holly closed with a 3 over par 75 which was the second best score of the day. She even played in very difficult, windy conditions that did not allow a par or better score for the entire 3 day event by anyone in the field of highly ranked junior girl golfers. Holly has recently been named the IJGT Player of the Week. Well Done Holly McCann and keep up the hard work!



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<u>Mindy Glatfelter – Golf Shop Manager</u>

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The golf course keeps improving as the weather gets nicer which is just in time for another major member event. We have our Club Championship coming up on Saturday, June 27th and Sunday, June 28th. Be sure to sign up in the golf shop before all the spots are taken, only 88 players are allowed to enter! We have many more events planned in the month of June so stop by and pick up an events calendar on the golf shop counter to make sure you don't miss any of your favorite events.

I know many of our members have been waiting for the cart pass special to start up again! The week is finally here, we will be selling the cart passes from June 1st to June 7th as an added member special. Buy 10 cart passes and get 4 free. You will be able to choose between 18 hole passes or 9 hole passes but as a reminder the 18 hole passes may not be split into two different 9 hole cart fees. Hurry in to stock up on the passes before time runs out!

We have recently hired two new employees to help out in the golf shop and around the golf course. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Joey Davisson and Austin Doerr if you haven't already. Let's see who can memorize all the member names first?

I look forward to seeing everyone at the golf course and if you ever have any questions feel free to email me at mindy@wildwoodgreen.com.



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<u>Thomas LaDew – Operations Manager</u>

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It looks like the summer is here to stay! Now that we have plenty of warm weather we look forward to seeing all of you enjoying our facilities. I'd like to point out just a few small additions you may notice for the month of June.

First, we are bringing back our Pace of Play program which some of you may have already noticed. With this program, we hope to track and manage slow play more effectively. With handing out Pace of Play slips to groups at check in and/or the first tee, we encourage everyone to participate and believe that this will help to keep your golf rounds closer to four hours and certainly under five hours. As an added incentive, feel free to redeem your filled out Pace of Play card in Bogey's Grill for a free fountain drink!

You may also notice that we have once again switched the tee box marker colors. Now we have red for forward tees, green for super senior tees, gold for senior tees, white for men's tees, and blue for championship tees. All of the tees are officially rated and you are able to effectively post your score from any tee you choose.



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Jeff Sgroi — Food and Beverage Manager

As we end the month of May we look like we are in full swing for the summer. And we are ready for the busy season as we have a few of our girls from last year back. We added another server, her name is Emily Williams. Be sure to introduce yourself and say hello. I think she is going to work out just fine.

We have an interesting Thirsty 3rd Thursday coming up this month. If you ever wondered which light beer you like and which one you do not like this will be the time to figure it out. We will be doing a blind taste test of five light beers. Taste them, see if you can pick your favorite and enjoy a nice grilled hotdog to go with it. I think this one will be really fun!

We had our health inspection a few days ago and we did really well. We gained three points from last year!

We put up our call ahead menu sign on the ninth tee box. What a difference it makes. Our phone is ringing off the hook! If you have not seen it yet check it out!

Keep the suggestions and comment cards coming! They are very much appreciated. I can be reached at sgroi@wildwoodgreen.com 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.

<u>ltinerary:</u>



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.

<u>Skins Game</u>

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Sunday, June 21st 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)**



Bogey's After Dark Friday, June 5th — 7:00PM

Let's christen Bogey's new smoker! Join Wildwood Green for another great evening After Dark in the pavilion for only <u>\$17.95 per person!</u> We will have a special cocktail drink available.



<u>Menu:</u> Maine Broccoli Salad Fresh Rolls Chicken Leg Quarters Garden Fresh Vegetables Sweet Potato Erin's Famous Dessert





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Sign up by calling Bogey's Grill at (919) 390-0347



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U.S. Open Pool

AN PALMER Thursday, June 4th — Saturday, June 20th at Noon

\$5 per Entry, No Limit on Entries

Rory McIlroy

Tiger Woods



Jordan Spieth

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Rickie Fowler

Bubba Watson

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 #3 Saturday, June 13th — 9:00AM Shotgun





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Format: Texas Scramble

(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







Thirsty 3rd Thursday Thursday, June 18th — 5:00PM





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Only \$10 per person It's Light Night!

Could you pick out your favorite light beer if it didn't have a label on it? We are going to test you to see if you can figure out which one is which. Come out to the pavilion at Wildwood Green and enjoy grilled hot dogs with your favorite light beer. Choose between Natural Light, Miller Light, Bud Light, Coors Light and Michelob Ultra.

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





Couples Golf Sunday, June 14th — 5:00PM Shotgun





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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!



Sign up today, limited to the first 88 players!

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Club Championship Saturday, June 27th & Sunday, June 28th 8:00AM Double Tee Time

> Format: Individual Stroke Play Entry Fee: \$25 per Player



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Entry Fee Includes: Range balls before play, gift certificates to the winners, drink specials and a box lunch will be available on Sunday

The club championships will be flighted by age and then by handicap. Flight size is solely dependent on how many people sign up in the age division. No handicap will be used in competition. There will be a net division for the club championships and anyone who has a USGA certified handicap is allowed to compete in the net division. The net division will not be broken down but will be one big flight and everyone will use a percentage of their course handicap. The difference in tee ratings will be factored in.





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

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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!







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



<u>+ NC state taxes</u>. See the example below for more information!



For more information see an employee in the Golf Shop



June 2015 Events Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SUMMER June 21st	1 WildOats – 8:00 AM TT 9 Holes Open Restricted Tee Times: 8:45AM-10:45/12:50-4:00 MGA – 5:00PM TT	2 Wildflowers and WildOats - 8:00 AM (Limited Spots) Aerification 9 Holes Open Restricted Tee Times: 8:45AM-10:45/12:50-4:00	3 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	4 WildOats 8:30AM SG U.S. Open Pool Begins	5 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT Bogey's After Dark 7:00PM in Pavilion	6
7 Interclub: The Crossings Away at 1:00PM	8 First Tee Time 8:30AM WildOats 9:00AM TT MGA – 5:00PM TT	9 Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG	10 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	11 WildOats 8:30 AM SG	12 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	13 Package Event #3 9:00AM SG Restricted Tee Times: 9:00AM – 11:00AM
14 Couples Golf 5:00PM SG Restricted Tee Times: 2:45PM – 5:15PM	15 First Tee Time 8:30AM WildOats – 9:00 AM TT Range Closed 8:30AM – 12:30PM MGA – 5:00PM TT	16 Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG Range Closed 8:30AM – 12:30PM	17 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT Wolfpack Golf Camp Restricted Tee Times: 7:00AM – 8:57AM	18 Open Arms Event 9:00AM SG Restricted Tee Times: 7:00AM – 12:00PM Thirsty 3rd Thursday 5:00PM	19 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	20 U.S. Open Pool Closes at 12:00PM Noon Interclub: Falls Village Away at 11:00AM
21 Skins Game: All Day	22 First Tee Time 8:30AM WildOats – 9:00 AM TT Range Closed 8:30AM – 12:30PM MGA – 5:00PM TT	23 Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG Range Closed 8:30AM – 12:30PM	24 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT Wolfpack Golf Camp Restricted Tee Times: 7:00AM – 8:57AM	25 WildOats – 10:00 AM SG (Limit 24 Players) Wolfpack Golf Camp Restricted Tee Times: 7:00AM – 8:57AM	26 Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT	27 Club Championship Restricted Tee Times Until 2:48PM
28 Club Championship Restricted Tee Times Until 2:48PM	29 First Tee Time 8:30AM WildOats – 9:00 AM TT Range Closed 8:30AM – 12:30PM MGA – 5:00PM TT	30 Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG Range Closed 8:30AM – 12:30PM	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 Wildwood Green is hosting the Wolfpack Golf Camp for three sessions. June 15 th – June 18 th , June 22 nd – June 25 th and June 29 th – July 2 nd			



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Member Accomplishments & Holes In One

Congratulations to

Denise Kane and Kelley Taylor for being overall champions of the Spring Member-Member!

Taylor Britt and Andy Crain, Mark Nordin and Bill Striegel, Sally Stoehr and Chris Butler for being champions of their flight in the Spring Member-Member.

Bea Spence, Jack Spence, Becky Hiller and Carl Hiller for winning this month's Couples Event!



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Rule: 18-2 Ball Moving After Address

Question: What happens if I accidentally move my ball when I go to address it?

Answer:

A. There is a 1 stroke penalty for accidentally moving your ball and it must be replaced in its original position before hitting the ball.

B. The ball must be replaced, unless the movement of the ball occurs after the player has begun the stroke or the backward movement of the club for the stroke.

C. If a ball at rest is moved by an outside agency there is no penalty stroke but the ball must be replaced from its original position from where the ball was before it moved.

Correction to last months rule of the month: You may use a towel or cap to clear off your line of putt.





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The Handicap May Finally Go Global

Newport, John Paul. Wall Street Journal, Eastern edition [New York, N.Y] 16 May 2015: A.12.

Say you meet a 12-handicap golfer from Australia on the first tee at St. Andrews in Scotland. If your U.S. handicap index also happens to be 12, you might suggest a friendly little money game, with no strokes given. Bad move.

That's because Golf Australia, the sport's governing body there, doesn't calculate handicaps the way that the U.S. Golf Association does. Handicap formulas also vary in Great Britain and Ireland, continental Europe, South Africa and Argentina. Similarly handicapped golfers from those regions won't necessarily be better players than their U.S. counterparts, but they might be. There's no way to know based simply on their index.

In three or four years, things could be different. The USGA is leading an effort to get the world's six handicapping authorities on the same page. The U.S. handicap system, including the USGA's course rating and Slope system, would be the basis for the proposed World Handicap System, but it would incorporate the best elements from the other handicapping schemes. Among the likely changes U.S. golfers would notice: daily adjustments to the handicap formula to reflect playing conditions. A 92 posted on a cold rainy day with howling wind would count for more than a 92 shot in benign conditions.

This initiative is the final piece in a long-term push for unified golf governance around the world. In the last decade or so, the USGA and its governing partner, the R&A (which oversees the game everywhere but in the U.S. and Mexico) have pretty much consolidated the game in three other areas: the playing rules of golf, equipment regulations and most recently the code of amateur status. "The handicap system is effectively a fourth set of rules," said John Bodenhamer, the USGA's point man for the initiative. Not all golfers keep a handicap, of course, but for those who do the score-posting requirements enforce a rules-like discipline. Yet those rules deviate from country to country. "We feel it would benefit the game enormously, and add to its enjoyment, if golfers everywhere had a single, portable handicap number that worked the same wherever they traveled," Bodenhamer said.



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Simultaneously, the USGA and the R&A are working on a rules simplification project that would have a similarly unifying impact. "Shorter, simpler and less legalistic is the goal," Bodenhamer said. If successfully completed, the new rules code would roll out in the same time frame as the World Handicap System and make extensive use of pictures, graphics and new modes of presentation using modern technology. The underlying principles would remain fundamentally the same, but the rules themselves would look and feel entirely different. Also on the horizon are clear new translations of the existing rules in multiple languages.

The USGA has overseen handicapping in the U.S. for more than a century and its system is by far the most sophisticated in the world. In recent years, the roll call of countries outside the USGA's jurisdiction that have voluntarily adopted its handicap system has grown to more than 30, including Brazil, Japan, and China. The system's underlying course rating methodology, necessary to fairly adjust scores shot on courses of diverse difficulty, is used in more than 60 countries.

Unlike the USGA, the R&A doesn't function as a day-to-day national governing body and hasn't been involved with handicapping. Its primary functions are to administer the rules of golf on behalf of roughly 150 organizations in 138 countries and to run the British Open. The R&A long ago ceded handicapping to the various regional authorities that sprang up. Over time, those systems evolved to reflect local cultures.

In Argentina, for example, the vast majority of play takes place in club-sponsored competitions with strictly enforced rules. "No mulligans, no gimmes," said Mark Lawrie, until recently the executive director of the Argentine Golf Association. (He is now director for Latin America at the R&A.) Another difference is the absence of equitable stroke control, which the USGA system includes. In Argentina, if you hit two drives out of bounds and score a 12 on a hole, all 12 strokes count in calculating your handicap. In the U.S., the worst you can do on a hole for handicap purposes is limited on a sliding scale based on your index.



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"It's a pretty harsh system," Lawrie said. You might reasonably expect a 10 handicap Argentine to be a more consistent player than a 10 handicap American.

In Great Britain and Ireland, usually only competitive tournament rounds are used for handicaps. For many golfers, that may only be a handful of rounds per year. Indexes can be woefully out of date. In Australia, the predominate form of play, mostly in competitions, is in the Stableford format. Points are awarded for par, birdie, bogey and so forth. That system creates more incentive to take risks and less incentive to play out bad holes, since any net score above double bogey earns zero points.

All these cultural preferences impact the handicap index that individual golfers carry.

"We're a long way down the road on the new system technologically," Bodenhamer said. An international team of mathematicians and computer geeks has been working on it for more than two years, under the radar. But it's still a work in progress. Ongoing discussions with the regional handicap authorities will try to accommodate how golf is played in different places, but the objective is for everyone eventually to handicap with the same system.

Bodenhamer is optimistic this will happen, in part because the USGA and the R&A will jointly bear the costs for maintaining and updating the new system. Local golf organizations would still supervise handicaps and remain connected to their members. But it's likely to take some selling. That phase of the game is beginning now.



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