



# WILDWOOD GREEN GOLF CLUB

## September & October 2016

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### Roger Watson – Owner

First, let me thank you for your continued support! We have just experienced the worst summer of weather for maintaining bentgrass greens ever! The combination of 90-100 degree days, soil temperatures above 80 degrees, high humidity and thunderstorms have played havoc on bentgrass throughout the southeast. Numerous golf courses have closed and are waiting to reseed their greens or convert to bermudagrass.

Fortunately, our golf course Superintendent Rick Durham was able to identify the problem early on and installed temporary greens so you would still be able to enjoy the course and all the improvements he and his staff made earlier this year. Bottom line...we went from the, "best shape the course has ever been in" to a loss of 50% of greens in less than two weeks. Thank goodness this is a temporary situation and the greens should be back in good shape by mid-September!

Many questions have been raised regarding dues and conversion to Bermuda grass greens. We have spent the down time exploring whether to convert the greens and if we can credit some dues. Unfortunately, we cannot afford to credit dues. However we did postpone a much needed dues increase that was scheduled to go into effect on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. This will now go into effect on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, thus **lowering your dues for the remainder of 2016**. The idea of converting to bermudagrass greens is ongoing and **it currently looks like it will be a \$310,000 cost** and the course would be closed 8-10 weeks during the May 15<sup>th</sup>-September 15<sup>th</sup> time frame next year (or any year of conversion).

Another concern with Bermudagrass greens will be closing the course during the winter when soil temperatures fall below 29 degrees for an extended period of time. **This could be up to 30 days from December 20<sup>th</sup> through February 20<sup>th</sup> or 50% of the time during those months.** Since we have made more than \$285,000.00 in improvements over the last 9 months, the owners cannot financially bear another \$310,000.00 on top of this \$285,000.00 already invested (unless alternate funding can be secured). **We will continue to research and study the bermudagrass to see if it would make sense for us here at Wildwood Green.**



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### Roger Watson – Owner : Continued

During the past few weeks the staff at Wildwood Green have made every effort to keep your time at Wildwood fun and worry free. As a result of your comments and suggestions, we have decided to add a few more member benefits (in addition to the ones we already have) while the temporary greens remain in effect. We are now lifting the walking restriction of being allowed only after 11:00am on weekends and holidays until we get back on to our regular greens. Members may now walk at anytime, any day. We are also offering a free club storage spot and a free locker spot to any member until all of the spaces are filled. These storage spots will be free of charge from now until 01/01/2018. Please review the member benefits we have put in place below.

- Reduced cart fees during the temporary green situation
- Free clinics to members paid for by Wildwood Green Golf Club
- Free glow ball golf event
- Drawings for free gifts such as video cameras and personal computer
- Texas Hold 'Em poker night
- Free snacks in Bogey's Grill
- Free food and beverage event on Sunday, September 4th
- Major discounts on apparel, golf shoes and golf clubs
- Free club storage or locker storage until 01/01/2018 (Space available basis)
- The rule on walking before 11:00am on weekends for members has been lifted
- Save MORE than one month of dues by prepaying for 2017 before October 1st, 2016

During this time Rick Durham and his staff, along with other staff members, are **not ignoring the other parts of the course**. A special thanks to Jeff, Mindy, Dan Roberts and Rick. **They have continued to improve the non-play areas of the course and the clubhouse grounds, such as hole #6 and #7 roadsides, #12 and #13 landscaping/walking path and removal of some of the dead trees throughout the entire operation.** Rick also has plans for planting fescue in areas and other improvements which he will cover in his newsletter article.



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### Rick Durham – Superintendent

Extreme weather conditions have warranted a greens aerification and reseeding. This tactical practice was completed August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Numerous cultural activities have been completed such as fertilizer, fungicide applications and topdressings. Despite a minor set back after a second heat wave, I am excited and optimistic about the progress that has been made to restore the greens. The maintenance team at Wildwood Green has all hands on deck to provide a high quality putting surface as quickly as possible. Thank you for your continued support and understanding of the restoration process. Additionally, several projects have moved forward such as improving natural areas and walk paths, adding sand to bunkers and we have been able to improve our irrigation system. Over seeding high traffic tees and adding fescue along roadsides and bare areas are planned in the coming months. Thank you for all your comments and as always I can be reached via e-mail at [rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com).





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### Jeff Engelhaupt – General Manager

Even though the past month was a little rough on us, we are excited for what the future at Wildwood Green holds. We have made a lot of progress during the spring and summer and continue to do things daily to get the course and conditions up to your expectations. Please be patient as we complete these projects and understand that we have your best intentions in mind along with the financial stability of the club. We will continue to make improvements and changes based on your comments and suggestions as we can. Please keep filling out comment cards to let us know where to focus our efforts!

I know you are as excited as I am for the upcoming months. We will be back to our regular greens in just a couple of weeks and the course will be in great shape to enjoy heading into the fall and winter! With that said, we have an exciting next two months planned that you will surely want to be a part of. Mindy has created a revised member event schedule which can be found on our website and I encourage everyone to sign up for the always anticipated, Fall Member-Member. We will play five, 9 hole matches over the course of two days and have a fun weekend planned for you! Be sure to pick up an information packet from the golf shop counter as soon as you can.

Along with the member-member, we also have a package event, couples event and FREE member cookout and homemade ice cream challenge during September! Be sure to register yourself with the golf shop for the cookout as tickets will be needed for entry. In October we will host our final major event of the year, the Battle at Ballybunion Member-Guest. This will surely be an event you will not want to miss as we are currently planning the most fun and exciting event in history of Wildwood Green!

As you make your way to the course you will notice we have hired an old friend, Zack Goldberg. Zack joins us after a few years away and he is excited to jump back into things here at the club as our First Assistant Professional. Next time you are in the golf shop, stop and welcome Zack back to the club! We hope you know how much we appreciate your loyalty to us as a member and we thank you for your patronage! I will see you at the club soon.

### Upcoming Events:

Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>

Labor Day Party

Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

Temp. Green Course Record Day

Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>

Package Event

Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>

Couples Golf

Saturday & Sunday,  
September 24<sup>th</sup> & September 25<sup>th</sup>

2016 Fall Member-Member

Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

Skins Game

Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

Package Event

Saturday & Sunday October 15<sup>th</sup>  
& October 16<sup>th</sup>

2016 Battle at Ballybunion

Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Couples Member-Guest



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### Mindy Glatfelter – Golf Shop Manager

We have had a tough couple months with the extreme heat but it finally looks like the temperatures are dropping. It should be a beautiful Fall especially with the nicely healed greens to play on. We greatly appreciate everyone's patience during the difficult time! Now that we will be opening the greens in a couple of weeks, we have a lot of fun events to finish off this busy year. We have three more Package Events, a Labor Day Picnic, our Fall Member-Member, Member-Guest, Couples Member Guest, Couples Golf and so much more. Be sure to grab a printed revised schedule of all these events found at the golf shop counter. You will also find more details about events throughout this Newsletter.

Get ready for our best Fall Member-Member and Member Guest yet! We will be revealing all the information on the Battle at Ballybunion here soon. Just a few details to get you excited, a Lexus Hole in One Prize, gift bags for all participants, one player will have the opportunity to win a cash prize, club storage, breakfast, lunch and dinner ...just to name a few. We look forward to seeing all the teams and participants for our major events coming up.

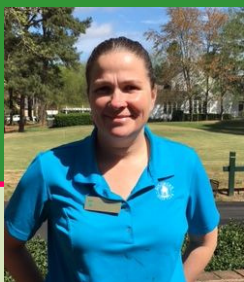
I would like to welcome Zack Goldberg back to Wildwood Green. For our new members who haven't met him yet, please feel free to stop by the golf shop to introduce yourself. Zack has worked here in previous years and we are all happy to have him back. He is now our Assistant Professional here at Wildwood Green Golf Club.

As always, please feel free to email me at [mindy@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:mindy@wildwoodgreen.com) with any questions.



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### Jennifer McLendon— Food & Beverage Manager

I don't know about anyone else but I for one am glad that fall is right around the corner, I am ready for some cooler weather. August has been a tough month for everyone, now that it is behind us we have a busy fall to look forward to.

Now that August is gone and the greens are well on their way to being back to par, we are getting ready to make some menu changes. We have increased the size of our hamburgers already, we will be increasing our hotdogs to a quarter pound hotdog and also adding a 4 oz Ribeye steak sandwich to the menu later this month. We are also trying with the idea of adding a chicken/steak quesadilla to the menu. I will be running these new menu options on specials throughout the month to try to get feedback from you, which will help decide which items will make it on the menu and which won't.

Don't forget to sign up for the events in September, Labor Day Social. Package Event, Couples Golf, and the Member/Member.

The Labor Day Social will be a blast! Don't miss out on this fun and free celebration with hotdogs, baked beans, potato salad, ice cream and beer. We are all looking forward to celebrating with you and your families.



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### Jimmy Hamilton – Director of Instruction

We are all eagerly anticipating the reopening of the greens and seeing all the members and guests enjoying their rounds of golf in the crisp North Carolina fall air. The Academy staff is here to help you enjoy your game to the highest level. We enjoyed providing the free clinics while the greens were closed. On Sunday afternoon, September 25, Jimmy Hamilton will be offering, to members only, a short game clinic covering chipping and putting fundamentals starting at 2:00pm. The clinic will also focus on proper practice techniques to sharpen your short game skills. The cost will be \$15.00 which will include the instruction as well as beverages and light snacks from Bogey's Grill. To participate, please call Jimmy at 919-906-1290. We will accommodate up to 16 participants so this is a time to come out, get some short game tips and enjoy some beverages with your friends. Payment may be made to Jimmy by credit card, check or cash. We are also starting the fall semester of the Operation 36 long term junior development program, planning other adult clinics for everyone, as well as providing our experience in private lessons to improve your game. We are excited to work with Kjersten Marlow, the TPI Level 3 certified trainer and therapist, to provide a team approach to your golf development and improvement. If you want to play better golf in 2017, NOW is the time to put that improvement plan in place! Watch for our holiday special offers for gift certificates coming in the next newsletter!!

Fairways and Greens! - Jimmy, Greg, Pam, Ronnie, and Dave





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Now what you all have been waiting for! ....

The Regular Greens will  
Reopen on Tuesday,  
September 13<sup>th</sup>!



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## Save during the 2017 Prepay Program

Membership Category	Monthly Dues	Annual Dues	10% Deadline: August 31st	8% Deadline: September 30th	6% Deadline: October 31st	4% Deadline: November 30th	2% Deadline: December 31st
Junior	\$65	\$780	<del>\$702</del>	\$718	\$733	\$749	\$764
Weekday/PM - Individual	\$131	\$1572	<del>\$1415</del>	\$1446	\$1478	\$1509	\$1541
Weekday/PM - Family of 2	\$150	\$1800	<del>\$1620</del>	\$1656	\$1692	\$1728	\$1764
Weekday/PM Family of 3+	\$173	\$2076	<del>\$1868</del>	\$1910	\$1951	\$1993	\$2034
Regular - Individual	\$194	\$2328	<del>\$2095</del>	\$2142	\$2188	\$2235	\$2281
Regular - Family of 2	\$225	\$2700	<del>\$2430</del>	\$2484	\$2538	\$2592	\$2646
Regular - Family of 3+	\$253	\$3036	<del>\$2732</del>	\$2793	\$2854	\$2915	\$2975



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Professional Service	Annual Fee	10% Deadline: <del>August 31st</del>	8% Deadline: September 30th	6% Deadline: October 31st	4% Deadline: November 30th	2% Deadline: December 31st
Cart Plan 1 Person	\$1380	<del>\$1242</del>	\$1270	\$1297	\$1325	\$1352
Cart Plan 2 People	\$2070	<del>\$1863</del>	\$1904	\$1946	\$1987	\$2029
Range Plan 1 Person	\$320	<del>\$288</del>	\$294	\$301	\$307	\$314
Range Plan 2 People	\$474	<del>\$427</del>	\$436	\$446	\$455	\$465
Range Plan 3 People	\$567	<del>\$510</del>	\$522	\$533	\$544	\$556
Golf Locker	\$48	<del>\$43</del>	\$44	\$45	\$46	\$47
Club Storage	\$96	<del>\$86</del>	\$88	\$90	\$92	\$94



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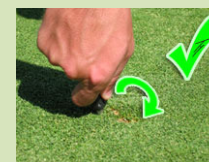
These are the sign ups to date for the Adopt-A-Hole Program!

Hole 1 – Sue Edwards & Dean Edwards	Hole 11 – Joel Silverman
Hole 2 – Don Allen & Tom Stocum	Hole 12 – Don Allen & Kim Waterhouse
Hole 3 – Marshall Family & Andrew Reynolds	Hole 13 – Mindy Glatfelter
Hole 4 – Joe Brennan	Hole 14 – Roger Watson
Hole 5 – Pratto League	Hole 15 – Laura Ross & Bowen Ross, Dale Denny & Judy Denny
Hole 6 – John & Timmy McDonald	Hole 16 – Tom Stocum & Nate Stocum
Hole 7 – Bob Hounsell & Ann Ryan	Hole 17 – Gary Strawbridge & Cathie Strawbridge
Hole 8 – Denise Kane & Kelley Taylor	Hole 18 – Mike Stanley & Dennis Duprey
Hole 9 – Denice Short, Sherry Davis & Charlene Harry	Driving Range – Ranger Rick Hofshier
Hole 10 – Jake Perry & Mike Hinton	Putting & Chipping Area – Maryse Koster & Linda Hanks

## Adopt-A-Hole

The purpose of the Adopt-A-Hole program is to help keep each hole and the practice areas in good condition and then reward the teams that maintain them the best. We need 20 two person teams in order to have an outstanding program. The most important areas to concentrate on are ball mark repair, sanding divots, raking bunkers, trash, etc.

Thank you to all who have signed up to help keep Wildwood Green looking better than ever!



## Next Quarter Grading is October 1<sup>st</sup>





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## Attention All Members

- First Tee Time is at 8:00 AM  
(9/1-9/11 & 9/26 – 10/5)
- First Tee Time is at 7:30 AM  
(9/13 – 9/25)
- First Tee Time will be at 11:00 AM on Mondays  
unless there is an event or a holiday
- Last bucket of range balls is sold at 7:30 PM
- Public may not walk until after 2:00 PM on  
Saturday and Sunday

### Member Monthly Specials:

1. Prepay before September 30<sup>th</sup> and receive 8% off your 2017 membership dues & services
2. Members receive 40% off all in-stock footwear
3. Members may walk anytime on the weekends until the greens reopen.
4. Sign up for a free locker or club storage while spots are available. These spots will be free of charge until 01/01/2018.



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### Interclub Update:

Our Senior Interclub team has been assigned their opponent in the playoff bracket. They will be playing against Anderson Creek Golf Club at Pine Hollow Golf Club on Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. We wish the Wildwood Green Senior Interclub luck as they advance to the first round of playoffs!



The Regular Interclub team has been assigned their opponent in the playoff bracket as well. They will be playing against Maple Chase who are from Winston Salem. The teams will be playing their match at a neutral location at Willow Creek on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Good luck to the interclub team as they advance to the first round of playoffs!



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### Labor Day Party & Homemade Ice Cream Contest

Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>; 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

We are hosting a free event for all Wildwood Green members. Members who attend will be treated to free hot dogs, baked beans and potato salad. We will also have free sodas, waters and a keg on hand for the members.

- Members will be given 1 ticket for each person listed on their membership

- All other tickets for family members or guests must be purchased

- Tickets are required to attend the event. No ticket=No Entry!

- Tickets purchased on or before September 2<sup>nd</sup> will be \$7 per person

- Tickets purchased the day of the event will be \$10 per person

- Tickets will be available to pick up on Friday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>

- All members and guests must be signed up by September 2<sup>nd</sup> to ensure we can prepare properly

- Your tickets will be available to pick up on September 3<sup>rd</sup>



We will also be hosting an Ice Cream contest. Members may sign up to compete in the contest to make their own ice cream. Taste tests will be given to the attendees and they will vote on whose ice cream was the best! Gift certificates will be given to the top 3 homemade ice cream.