

# Newsletter

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"Carolinas Golf Group Facility"



<u>Board of Advisors:</u> Bob Hounsell Dale Denny Lennie Barton Carol Smith Bryan Copeland Jim Davis Carolyn Lyman

Co-Chairman: Jeff Hall Denice Short

Thank you for all your ideas and support to improve the club. After hearing from a number of members during these trying times, I think we should give our thanks to a great staff that makes every effort to keep a safe place for you to come and enjoy your golf. I believe we owe a debt of gratitude to each of our staff, especially Jeff Engelhaupt and Rick Durham for leading their teams who have and are working so hard.

Those of us who remember the days when the greens were not so good, we had the gas golf carts, no grass on the range tee, and no practice green at the range can appreciate not only the current effort to improve the entire club and services. They have all stepped up and we should be thankful they are here at Wildwood Green.

And to those members who have participated in every way to make Wildwood Green the most friendly and fun golf course to enjoy, we thank you for hanging in there with us. These trying times will be over and you will be able to enjoy all the great activities planned for you.

Thank you for being and member and thanks to all the new members who have joined the club even during these unusual times!

Stay Safe, Roger Watson



#### Wildwood Green Golf Club COVID-19 Facility Procedures

• The golf shop will remain CLOSED. All range balls and check-in for golf will be done over the phone. Please **Call (919) 846-8376 (ext 2)**. Range balls will handed out at the range by the Range Attendant. When weather permits **the range attendant will be on site from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM.** 



• Only walking will be allowed after 5:30 pm and you must call to check-in before 5:30pm.

• Champions Grille will be OPEN **9:00 am – 5:00 pm for take-out/delivery ONLY** and the **clubhouse bathroom access will close at 5:30 pm** 

•Walking is still allowed at any time, and we encourage golfers to walk. If walking is not an option, we will allow the use of a golf cart **(one per person)** unless you live in the SAME household.

•Carts will be given out on a **FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS** •Gatherings of any kind is **PROHIBITED** 

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### WILDWOOD GREEN GOLF CLUB May 2020

### Wildwood Green is looking for a Handicap Committee for 2020

We are still looking for 2-3 people for our handicap committee. We have 3 people committed so far! Dave Vilushis, Barry Johnson, and Tim Nicholson. Thank you for donating your time!

An ideal handicap chair is a dedicated volunteer looking to pass on their knowledge to others and ensure that everyone's handicap index represents their true potential ability.



The Volunteer Handicap Committee will work with the golf shop professionals in adjusting scores, posting scores and making sure the player's handicap index is current for tournaments.

If you are interested in being involved with the handicap committee contact Jeff in the golf shop. 919-846-8376 ext. 2



### Member Accomplishments

On April 10<sup>th</sup> Gary Strawbridge made a Hole-In-One with his 6 iron on hole #6! The hole was playing 160 yards.
On April 16<sup>th</sup> Jeff Hall hit his season low of 72!
On April 16<sup>th</sup> Bob Hounsell made 6 birdies in his round!
On April 17<sup>th</sup> Bill Hanks made a Hole-In-One with his 9 iron on hole #17! The hole was playing at 110 yards.
On April 29<sup>th</sup> Bob Butler shot a 75! This was his best round EVER! Have something awesome happen to you this month?
Report it to the golf shop and let us feature your news in next month's newsletter!







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### Acers Club at Wildwood Green







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#### On April 17th, Bill Hanks shot a Hole-In-One on #17 and won the Acer's pot!

With the pot now cleared, everyone must re-enter for their chance to win. For only \$5 you can join the Acers club and if you make a hole in one during the season you will win the pot in the form of a gift certificate to the club....which may help cover all of the drinks you will have to buy! The first hole in one made by someone that is in the Acers Pool will win the pot. Once the pot is cleared you will need to repay your \$5 to be eligible for the next round of winnings.

To enter the Acers Pool just call or stop by the golf shop and let us know you want to get in, pay your \$5 , and go play golf.

The only catch is that your hole in one will have to be contested by your playing partner.

#### Call the golf shop at (919) 846-8376 ext 2 with any questions!





Dear Members,

SPONSOR YOUR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES TO JOIN WILDWOOD GREEN AND GET 25% OF THEIR MEMBER DUES AS A CREDIT TO YOUR ACCOUNT!

It has been a fairly busy past two months for rightfully so as **golf is just about the only thing you can do right now**! The trend appears to be continuing that way for the foreseeable future. Now is a great time to take advantage of our **"Better Than The Rest"** membership offer and **receive monthly dues credits simply by referring your friends to join Wildwood Green.** Make sure you turn in a sponsorship certificate with the new member's application to get credit for the sponsorship. <u>More information on our current membership drive can be found here!</u>

We hope to continue our event schedule once the state allows larger gatherings. As of now **all golf events have been cancelled for the month of May** with the exception of Guest Day. On **Wednesday**, **May 6**<sup>th</sup> you can bring or sponsor up to 7 guests to play Wildwood Green for only \$35! We simply need the name and email address of the person you are sponsoring.

In case you haven't heard, **you can book tee times up to 15 days in advance.** With the tee times going fast, it is a great thing to do to ensure you have a time to play! Simply **let us know as far in advance as you can** that you will not be filling the tee time. We have people on the wait list daily! Stay safe! Upcoming Events:

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**Guest Day** Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> - All Day Tee Times -



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#### <u>Rick Durham – Superintendent</u>

Inconsistent weather and traffic has slowed some areas from becoming green. We expect conditions to improve as weather becomes warmer. To assist changes we will begin aerifications, apply fertilizers, and setup watering schedules. These types of cultural practices can be done during our normal operating hours. Greens can be difficult. Time is needed to top-dress, verticut and drag in for play that day. We have scheduled Maintenance Mondays so this can be achieved. The course will open for play at 11:00 am to provide the maintenance time to complete these cultural practices. These cultural practices are important to control thatch, speed and firmness. Combined with weekly fertility applications our greens will continue to improve.

Lastly I know you have all noticed the work that has been taking place on #5. A drain pipe had to be replaced and we have plans to sod that area. Several other areas will also be sodded to prepare for the summer during this time. The forward tee will be on the top of that list. I would like to thank all of you for your comments and suggestions and as always I can be reached at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com





Tyler Bass — Assistant Golf Professional

What an April we have had. I know COVID-19 has been a bit overwhelming but us here at Wildwood Green have been trying to make the best of the situation, and we could not have asked for a better response from you all as well as feedback you give us everyday to better our operation, so we thank you.

Despite not having access to the shop, we are still selling merchandise, including hand sanitizer! If you would like to pick up a shirt, balls, gloves, tees, or anything at all, we will be happy to bring those items out to you.

We have also started our "Quarantine Squares". Call into the golf shop at (919) 846 – 8376 ext. 2 to purchase them. We are selling the squares for \$10 per square. This is your chance to win over \$1200 in prizes including a Taylormade SiM Max driver. So don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity.

In May, we have our guest day regularly scheduled so be sure to mark May 6th on your calendars!

May is going to be fantastic and I hope to see you here!

Best,

Tyler.

### Dan Alton - Head Teaching Professional

Distance is what we all want. We can change your launch angle and reduce the spin on the golf ball to get you hitting farther drives. You don't even have to apply any more effort to make this happen, let's go make this game a little more enjoyable...and a little easier for you!



New Feature from the Pro: We are now offering swing analysis with our NEW FlightScope Launch Monitor during your golf lessons. You can now see all of your swing numbers in real time; swing speed, ball speed, carry distance, launch angle, smash factor, & spin rate....Here is a sample shot above...



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### Brad Martin — Champions Grille

#### Hello friends,

We have a new face in Champions Grille, I would like everyone to come in and say hi to Sarah Vorhees! She is currently training, but once she is ready you will be seeing her riding around on the Beverage cart serving your favorite cold beverages and snacks.

If you haven't tried them yet, I highly recommend our Chicken Wings. Try them dry or tossed in our Buffalo sauce, BBQ sauce or my favorite, our Sweet & Spicy BBQ sauce.



I really appreciate everyone following COVID-19 protocol I know it is a huge inconvenience. Hopefully we are doing our part in flattening the curve! Please continue to call in your orders at (919) 390 – 0347. Thank you everyone and stay healthy out there. Most of all have fun playing at Wildwood Green Golf Club!





May 2020 The Golf Academy Update



The great weather has golfers out playing the game we love! Are you looking to improve your game, have more fun playing, or win that wager with your buddy? The Golf Academy at Wildwood Green has a staff of Professionals that each have at least 20 years and up to 55 years of teaching and coaching experience. Jimmy Hamilton has over 40 years experience and was recently recognized by Golf Digest Magazine as the number 8 ranked instructor in North Carolina. Our current promotion of buying a package of four lessons and getting a fifth lesson FREE continues through May! This is a great gift for Mom for Mothers Day! See all our lesson rates and our staff profiles at our webpage, raleighgolflessons.com. Check out the Programs/Junior Programs page for information about upcoming adult and junior golf programs including the Operation 36 Golfer Development Program for adults and juniors. The Covid-19 has caused us to alter some dates for spring and summer and our basic information is on that page. We are practicing social distancing and sanitizing carts and training aids, so get outside in the fresh air and have fun with golf! Set your appointment today and Jimmy, Greg, Jeff, Pam, John, Ronnie and Dave are looking forward to helping you.



### **Voted One of The BEST Teachers In Our State**

Jimmy Hamilton was recently voted one of the best teachers in our state through Golf Digest's annual ranking. Number 8 to be exact. What a fabulous honor to be among the best! We are so very excited for Jimmy and also his leadership of the absolute best golf academy in our area.

Wildwood Green: Where champions play <u>Where champions teach!</u>



Please congratulate Jimmy as you see him around the club.



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**Kjersten – Sports Performance and Physical Therapy** 

Greetings Golfers!

Spring has sprung! Let's get you on your way to achieving your best swing!

Are your frustrated with putting in numerous hours at the range and yet you see no improvements in your distance or control?? Have you recently made a horrible swing and thought "how do I make sure that that never happens again"? Or made an effortless, perfect shot and thought "how do I do that every time"?

One attribute that good golfers have in common is a consistent golf warm-up and practice routine. When low handicappers get to the driving range, they don't just aimlessly hit a bucket of balls....They follow a process...every time! This routine improves how their mind and body work together in their golf swing ...to increase their "Mind-Body-Swing" connection. This "connection" and routine are the key to making lasting improvements in your game!

JOIN US ON MAY 14 AT 2 PM TO LEARN

TherExcel's PRE-ROUND WARM UP AND RANGE ROUTINE... Reserve your spot today!



If you're not able to join us on May 14th, but are still interested in learning TherExcel's proven Pre-Round Warm Up, email me at Kmarlow@TherExcel.com to receive your complimentary copy.

Kjersten Marlow, MPT, TPI, SFMA, CPN, DN-1 at (919) 812-1717 or www.TherExcel.com

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## **Hours of Operation**

<u>Day of the</u> <u>Week</u>	<u>Golf Shop</u> <u>Hours</u>	<u>First</u> <u>Tee</u> <u>Time</u>	<u>Last Range</u> <u>Bucket</u> <u>Sold</u>	
Monday	10:30 AM - 5:00 PM Call In Only: (919) 846-8376 ext 2	11:00 AM	5:00 PM	
Tuesday – Sunday	6:30 AM – 5:30 PM Call In Only: (919) 846-8376 ext 2	7:00 AM	5:00 PM	

Champions Grille Hours – Monday - Sunday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM To Go/Delivery Only - Please Call Ahead (919) 390-0347

New Hours of Operation starting Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

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### **Monday Morning Maintenance**



Beginning Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> we will begin our weekly top-dressing program which will take place each Monday during the growing season. Top-dressing is an important maintenance program that lays sand across the green and then that sand is worked into the grass to create a smooth and firm putting surface.

During this maintenance period our first tee time on Mondays will be 11:00 AM. The golf shop and driving range will open at 10:30 AM



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### <u>Guest Day</u>

Wednesday, May 6th - All Day Tee Times

Bring up to 3 accompanied guests or sponsor a foursome if you can't play. All accompanied or sponsored guests may play 18 holes including a cart for \$35.00 per person. Fee includes range balls before play!



A valid email address and name is needed for each guest taking advantage of the special. The name and email can be provided at time of check in. Call the Golf Shop at (919) 846 – 8376 ext 2 to book your tee time.

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### WILDWOOD GREEN GOLF CLUB May 2020

**Clubster - Your Member's Only Communication Tool** 



GET IT ON Google Play

# Download on the App Store

Clubster is a great tool that we use on a daily basis to inform you of food specials, events & results, happenings around the club, and much more!

Your email address should already be associated with Clubster however, if you do not receive emails through this communication tool, email info@wildwoodgreen.com and we will be sure to set you up. You can also download the app through your smart phone's market place.



#### May 2020 Events Calendar

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