



# **Wildwood Green;**

## **Where Champions Play!**

A wide-angle photograph of a golf course. In the foreground, a lush green fairway slopes down towards a green. A small sand trap is visible on the right side of the green. In the background, a large, multi-story clubhouse with a blue roof and white walls is nestled among a dense forest of tall pine trees. The sky is a clear, pale blue.

**February 2022  
Newsletter**



# Upcoming Events:

2/7

Poker Night

2/19

One Day  
Member  
Member

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Poker Night

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Skins Day

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**General Manager — Jeff Engelhaupt, PGA**

**Members,**

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season and **a few weeks of fun in the snow!** We were able to uncover the greens on January 31st and the extended forecast has us not covering again for the foreseeable future. Good news for you winter golfers!

**Nathan has published our 2022 events calendar.** Some of the dates from September-November are dependent on the release of the college football schedule. We try not to schedule events when there is a home State of UNC game. Once the schedule is made public, we can double check our schedule and adjust as needed.

Wildwood Green has always been a place to welcome junior golfers. We are excited that we will have been selected to be a host facility for the 2023 qualifying for Drive, Chip, and Putt. Registration is now open and we are a local qualifier. Hopefully one (or more) skilled junior golfers can come through Wildwood Green and make it all the way to Augusta in April, 2023. The Drive, Chip, and Putt qualifier will be hosted on Friday, June 24th. Registration is open now at: **<https://www.drivechipandputt.com/>** - Hurry! Registration typically fills up fast and unfortunately, they do not offer a waiting list.

As a reminder, we will plan to host our 10:00 AM shotgun start Friday-Sunday up until the spring time change. If there is EVER a time you cannot get or see a tee time, be sure to get on our waiting list. We receive many changes day to day and do not leave many members on that list without a time. You are also more than welcome to come and fill in at the first tee!





## Superintendent — Rick Durham

After a mild December, winter has decided to show up in January. Ground temperatures are lower and for this reason we have covered greens for eleven days in January. The covers are not permeable. In between the eleven days we removed covers to apply water to keep moisture levels adequate. During this time, the maintenance team has not been idle.

Irrigation wires have been installed on 11 and 16. With holes 10 and 18 remaining we will make a push to complete this project in February. Tree removal has also been ongoing. This project will improve turf conditions, playability, and safety. Matthews tree service has removed over fifteen trees with ten remaining. I am looking forward to wrapping up these two projects and moving forward with continued improvement of our facilities.

Thank you for your comments and suggestions and as always, I can be contacted at [rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com)



## 1st Assistant — Nathan Feibes

Hello all! Our full 2022 Member Events schedule & 2022 Member Events booklet have both been published on our website, so go check it out!

As we swing into February, weather looks to hopefully be making a turn from the better. The last couple weeks have sure been cold; I hope that everyone has stayed safe and warm. Keep in mind hours may be adjusted in the mornings due to frost this time of year. Please check your email and/or Clubster in the mornings, especially when overnight temperatures have been low! You are welcome to call the golf shop at (919) 846-8376 ext. 1 for updated course conditions as well.

I can be reached at [Nathan@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:Nathan@wildwoodgreen.com) with any questions or comments.





## Head Teaching Professional — Dan Alton



[^Click Video to Watch^](#)

Quick Pro tip—DON'T pull the handle to hit down on the ball. Click the video to watch.

"By making a few simple changes we can hit the ball higher, straighter, & further than before. Speed alone won't work unless you hit the correct angle into the ball. It's a lot easier than you think!"

- Dan Alton Head Teaching Professional Wildwood Green Golf Club

Book Your Lesson Today! See the schedule, pick your time, and book your lesson - Right at your finger tips!

[www.danaltongolf.com](http://www.danaltongolf.com)

## Golf Shop Manager — Tommy Himebaugh



Hello everyone! If you have been inside the Pro-Shop recently, you will have notice changes. We continue to have new clubs and apparel arrive daily! We have moved some things around in the Shop to better organize our items, so if you have any feedback on how else we can improve the Pro-Shop/ Clubhouse, please let us know. As always, feel free to reach out to me with any special-order requests you have, and I will be happy to assist. I look forward to seeing you at the course!

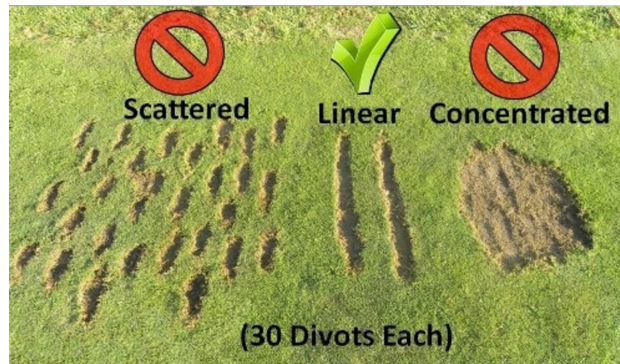
If you ever have any questions about placing a special order with us, please reach out to me directly at [Tommy@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:Tommy@wildwoodgreen.com)





## Operations Manager — Carter Gerwitz

As our club continues to grow, so does the use of the course. **With the volume of play we have been experiencing, we need your help maintaining the course!** Please remember to fill your divots at all times. There has also been an increase in use of the golf carts. As a reminder we are back to 2 carts per playing group. Help us maintain the lifespan of the cart batteries



Please reach out with any questions at [carter@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:carter@wildwoodgreen.com)



## Grille Manager — Sunshine Stogner

This month we will do Friday night dinner on February 11th!!! This will be a take home & heat up dish. The menu will be as follows:

- Petite Garden Salad
- Homemade Meat Lasagna
- Roasted Vegetables
- Fresh Baked Rolls
- Chocolate Cherry Cake

**\$14.25 per person**

The new year brings a new grille menu and a new catering menu!! Check out the website, and if you have suggestions of what you would like to see, please let me know!

Also, please inquire about our Super Bowl Specials will be running for the BIG GAME on February 13th.

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## The Golf Academy at Wildwood Green

### February 2022 Newsletter

Registration is fully underway for our spring semester of Operation 36. Go to our Academy webpage, [raleighgolflessons.com](http://raleighgolflessons.com), go to the Programs/ Junior Programs page and scroll into the Operation 36 information. You will see our complete information on the program, a list of classes being offered through adult and all junior ability levels and a link to go to the Operation 36 platform, create a family page, a student page and then go to your family dashboard to select available classes. If a class mentioned in the information does not appear in the registration dashboard, that means it is full and you should select another class. We are offering 24 classes on different days and times and have close to 70 returning families already registered. We will do all we can to provide sufficient class space for our families. There are 3 classes for adults so get yourself and your juniors in on the FUN!

Our PGA Junior League program is still reaching the final stages of planning for late spring and early summer events. We will have registration information on the Academy webpage, [raleighgolflessons.com](http://raleighgolflessons.com), on the Programs/ Junior Programs page before February 15. We will be looking to offer a U13 and a U17 program again this spring with practice events on Thursdays beginning in mid April at 6:45pm and League matches on Saturday afternoons late from mid May into the end of June with starting times being in the 4:30-5:00pm range of time for 9 hole events.

As we head out of winter towards the warmer spring conditions, your golf game may need a refresher. The short game chipping and putting is the quickest way to get your scores on track. A good stretching and range of motion exercise plan can get your muscles back in tune to get your swing moving fluently again. Kjersten Marlowe can help devise a plan for you and advise your individual needs. Contact her at 919-812-1717 or at [kjamarlow@yahoo.com](mailto:kjamarlow@yahoo.com). Any one of our highly experienced PGA Professionals can help you implement your spring training plan to get the season rolling. All of our instructor bios and contact information can be found on our webpage in the Instructors Page. LETS DO THIS!!!



## Employee Spotlight — Carter Gerwitz



Q: When were you hired at Wildwood?

A: July of 2020

Q: What do you do here at Wildwood?

A: Operations, club repair, work pro-shop etc.

Q: Where were you born?

A: Mooresville, NC

Q: How do you spend your spare time?

A: Schoolwork, & socializing with friends

Q: What is your favorite food?

A: Steak

Q: Where is your favorite place in the world?

A: Lake Norman, NC

Q: What is your favorite sport?

A: Soccer



## Member Accomplishments



### CONGRATULATIONS

To US! Wildwood Green Golf Club once again led the Carolinas section — FOUR YEARS IN A ROW — in hole-in-one's this year with 24! Nine (9) were made on hole #17, seven (7) on Hole #12, five (5) on Hole #6, and three (3) on Hole #4.

Of the five (5) golfers in the section to make two (2) hole-in-ones during 2021, THREE (3) of them are Wildwood Green Members; Matt Armistead, Dennis Leisten, and Mark Nordin.

A big shoutout to Justin Miller as well, for his incredible accomplishment of making THREE (3) separate hole-in-one's this year; all here at Wildwood Green. Not only that, all were made on the 12th of the month (March, April, & December). Looks like you found a new lucky number!

To read more, follow the link below.

<https://www.carolinascgolf.org/blog-post/home/homepage/year/2022/id/378795/cgacers-club>

If you have an accomplishment you'd like to share,  
please send it to [carter@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:carter@wildwoodgreen.com)!

### Member Accomplishments



### CONGRATULATIONS

To Ed Bitz! On January 12th, Ed made an Eagle 2 on hole #15 from 120 yards with an 8-iron.

Awesome shot!

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please send it to [carter@wildwoodgreen.com](mailto:carter@wildwoodgreen.com)!



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To Miraya Lurie! On January 16th, Miraya WON in the girls age 12 division of the 2022 U S Kids Copperhead Classic at the Innisbrook Resort in Tampa Florida by a whopping 7 strokes!

Coming off a shoulder injury which sidelined her for 6 months, she maintained her lead through rainy conditions on Day 1 and 45 mph gusts on Day 2. She credits her "totally awesome" coaches, Jimmy Hamilton and Greg Greksa for keeping her on track during her injury and subsequent return.

The following week Miraya also finished Tied for 5th with rounds of 79-77 in Sea Island, Georgia, at the PKBGT Sea Island Resort Girls Classic, in the Futures National Division the following week, on January 22nd & 23rd.

Great Job!

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## Upcoming Events

[Go Here to View the February Monthly Events Calendar](#)





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### Time:

10:00 AM Shotgun

### Format:

2 person teams, 1 net (net & gross in Flight A, net payout in all other flights)

### Cost:

\$15 for Regular/PM/Executive/Jr. Executive members

\$15 + \$20 Green Fee for Weekday members = \$35

\$10.25 for Optional Lunch

\$21.85 for cart fees

### Cost Includes:

Range Balls

On course contests

Gift certificates to winners

### Menu:

Hot lunch—Takeout!

Pulled pork BBQ

Boiled potatoes

Southern style green beans

Hushpuppies

Cookie

Fountain drink

\*Food available by 10:30 AM

Upcoming Events



**February Poker Night**

Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup>  
6:00 PM



**Skins Day!**

Saturday, February 26th

## No Smoking Under The Patio!

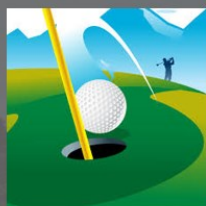


Smokers - we are asking that you **DO NOT** smoke underneath the back patio awning. Please step off of the patio and be sure to place your butts in the provided "Site Saver" located near the steps. **We have found too many cigarette butts thrown over the railing and do not want to see this going forward!**



## Acer's Club

### Acers Club at Wildwood Green



**On September 18<sup>th</sup>, Rick Beebe made a Hole-In-One on #4 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 are the first one to 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! 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 attested by your playing partner.**

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

## Golf Course Hours

### Hours of Operation

**Effective December 6<sup>th</sup>!**

<u>Day of the Week</u>	<u>Golf Shop Hours</u>	<u>First Tee Time</u>	<u>Range Hours</u>
<b>Monday-Thursday</b>	<b>8:30am - 5:00pm</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>8:30am - 4:30pm</b>
<b>Friday-Saturday</b>	<b>9:00am - 5:00pm</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>9:00am - 4:30pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9:00am - 5:00pm</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>9:00am - 2:30pm</b> <b>*RANGE CLOSES AT 3:00pm*</b>

**Champions Grille Hours: Monday - Sunday: 9:00am - 4:30pm**

## 13 Tips to Stay Warm on the Golf Course in Winter!



For some interesting tips on how to thrive during winter golf, follow the link below!

<https://thelefttrough.com/cold-weather-golf/#:~:text=To%20stay%20warm%20in%20winter,easier%20to%20find%20your%20ball.>



Monthly Events Calendar



[Or, click here to follow link](#)

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