

June 2023 Newsletter

Wildwood Green Golf Club

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Spring Member-Member **RESULTS**

Thank you for playing!!

**Your Spring Member-Member Overall Champions
Jim Volpe & Ed Lynch**



Flight 1

1st



Tony Herring
& Mark Nordin

2nd



Justin Miller
& Chris Moyer

3rd



Michael Widman
& John Dooley

Flight 2

1st



Bake Baker
& Dee Blankenhorn

2nd



Stephen Dawes
& Allan Gustafson

3rd



Brian Tarr
& Trevor Jones

Flight 3

1st



Kevin Cronin
& Garrett Ford

2nd



Kevin Bentley
& Jim Creagh

3rd



Rick Beebe
& Barry Johnson

Flight 4

1st



Al Makila
& Jerry Bitzenhofer

2nd



Bryan Copeland
& Donnie Knell

3rd



Michael Burnett
& John Salanger

Flight 5

1st



Ed Lynch
& Jim Volpe

2nd



Carlos Santiago
& Sonny Miller

3rd



Jiggs Fey
& Steve Paladino

Flight 6

1st



Phil Liuzzo
& Damien Romaine

2nd

Carolyn Lyman
& Carol Smith

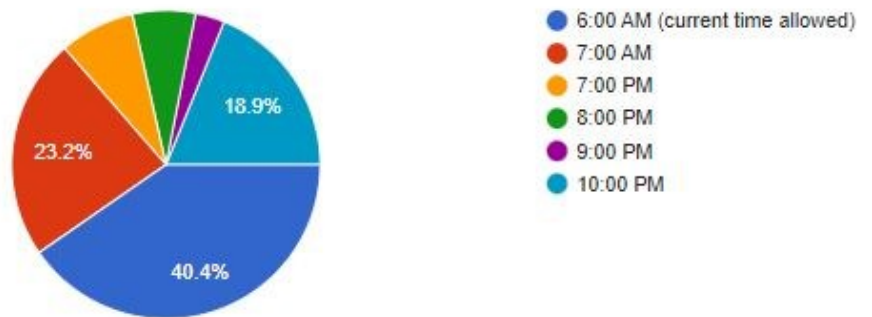


General Manager — Jeff Engelhaupt, PGA

Dear members,

Last month we ran a survey regarding the online tee time system and when it should open to allow you to begin booking online tee times. After the results were tallied, we will be staying with the current 6:00 AM time. A results graph is below. As you can see, we had over 220 responses and over 40% of those wanted to stick with the 6:00 AM time.

228 responses



We have finally finished cart path repair work! Of course, there is a lot of cleanup to do from where their large equipment came in and out of the property. Thank you for being patient with the maintenance team as we work to clean up these areas and work to maintain the regular play areas on a daily basis. Rick plans to lay sod in some areas in the next month and we will see considerable growth on the course as the overnight temperatures continue to rise.

Thank you to everyone who has entered one of Carter's member events! We have seen tremendous participation in these over the past year, averaging nearly 50% more participants than in years past! We have our second major event of the year coming in June, the Club Championship. This is open to all members of the club and we offer both net and gross format options. We are hoping to see record numbers this year so be sure to sign up early!

David Bunn, Outside Operations Manager, has recently put into program a cart cleaning and detailing program. We are trying a few new products on the carts which we are hoping will help keep the carts cleaner longer. As you know, our water pressure at the club is not the best, but the staff does try their best to maintain cleanliness for you. We are hoping the new program put in place makes these our best and cleanest carts to date!



Superintendent — Rick Durham

Spring weather in North Carolina can be a challenge. After a wet, warm winter we were trending for ideal conditions. The spring season is always unpredictable. Cooler temperatures have delayed growth on all warm season grasses. We have completed several agronomic and cultural practices in the month of May. The maintenance team has fertilized and aerified the golf course. This will promote more growth and aid in recovery for playing areas. The irrigation installed over the past two years has maximized these applications. Last year at this time we were in the process of sodding several tees and renovating hole 15 tee. The winter overseed on tee's has helped and we are waiting to see how the transition from rye to Bermuda will progress. So far, we are trending in the correct direction. However, I do see some minimum sod work on tee's to be completed in the coming months. There are also plans to continue renovating smaller high traffic tee's. Most of the sod work will be installed on the cart path areas that were disturbed during paving. The wet damp conditions have prevented us from moving forward with this. Once we begin to have more summer type weather the maintenance team will be able to complete this project. We have been aggressive this spring with vertical mowing and topdressing on greens. There has also been a solid tine aerification completed on greens. Our core aerification schedule is for June 19th and 20th. This agronomic practice is important to relieve compaction and to create pore space to allow water and air to penetrate the soil profile. The healing process should be quick, and the greens will be better than ever. Thank you for all your comments and suggestions and as always, I can be reach at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com



Head Golf Professional/Assistant GM — Carter Gerwitz

The US Open pool is open now! Be sure to pay your \$10 entry fee and get a shot at winning some prize money! As a reminder, your NET score from the day you enter into the pool will be combined with Saturday and Sunday's score for a professional who makes the cut. Have a bad round? Don't worry! You always have the chance of being paired with the leader / winner of the tournament! Always remember: you can enter as many times as you like in the two-week window for \$10 per entry.

If you have been experiencing issues with receiving marketing (events, announcements, etc.) or Clubster emails (course conditions, open tee times) please reach out to me to get that resolved. We want to be sure all of our members are receiving important information about the course! If you have questions, please don't hesitate to email me at carter@wildwoodgreen.com.



Head Teaching Professional — Dan Alton



^Click to Watch Video^

Quick Pro tip—DON'T pull the . handle to hit down on the ball. Click the image above to find out why! "Most players try and 'Pull the Handle' through the ball or 'Roll their Hands' at release which actually adds spin & decreases distance.

Here's an example of the Tour Release via 'Folding the Club through the golf ball'. It's a lot easier than you think, take a look!"

- Dan Alton

**Head Teaching Professional
Wildwood Green Golf Club**

**Book Your Lesson Today! - Click here
www.danaltongolf.com**

Golf Shop Updates

**Summer apparel is here!
Come Shop and see what
you can save**



The Golf Academy at Wildwood Green

June 2023 Newsletter

Father's Day is only a couple of weeks away! Thank Dad for all he does with some help for his golf game. We have Gift Certificate Specials for Father's Day on our webpage, raleighgolflessons.com, on the Gift Certificate page noting the value added specials. The specials can then be purchased on the Shop page by purchasing the base package and we will add the value to the Certificate and either mail it to you, your recipient or place for pick up in the Golf Shop. You may also contact Jimmy Hamilton directly at hamgolf4u@gmail.com or by voice or text at 919-906-1290 to purchase by credit card, check or cash.

Our summer semester of the Adult and Junior Operation 36 program begins the week of June 12. There are a few remaining class positions open for both Adults and Juniors. Registration, class options and tuition and fee information is available on our webpage, raleighgolflessons.com, on the Adult and Junior Operation 36 page or by contacting Jimmy Hamilton at hamgolf4u@gmail.com or by voice or text at 919-906-1290. Fall semester information will be posted near the end of June and the fall registration dates are also on the webpage information.

Congrats to all the graduates of local high schools and colleges. You have had some extremely difficult situations to endure and all of us salute you for your determination in completing your education through these trying times.



Grille Manager — Sunshine Stogner



Hello members and happy start to our summer!!

This month starts with **Glow Golf** on the 3rd with a yummy dinner buffet before it gets dark!

We have several **Interclub matches** with a lunch buffet included.

The **Wildflowers** are having their **memorial** on the **6th** with a lovely lunch buffet.

Club Championship is the 10th and 11th with "can't beat" grille specials!

Couples on the **18th** and **Parent/Child** on the **25th**. I have several buffets and boxed lunches this month, if you have joined any groups and have special dietary needs, please let me know.

After this weekend we will be fully staffed again with the **beverage cart** being out on the course several times a week. Please let me know any suggestions of any item you would like to see on the cart and we can make it happen!

New employees are Anna, Veronica, Carly and returning for her 3rd summer our beloved Bridget! Please keep helping me in training and letting me know if something is different than normal.

My door is always open!

9 At Night
Member-Partner

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, June 3rd

2023 CLUB
CHAMPIONSHIP
JUNE 10TH & 11TH

Sign Ups Open on May 10th

JUNE COUPLES GOLF!
2x2 Scramble
Sunday, June 18th
5:00 PM Shotgun

June
Parent-Child
Sunday, Jun
25th
5:00 PM SG
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Member Accomplishments**Wildwood Green Member Ryan Gerard Article in Golfweek**

“His parents say he tried to sneak out of the house whenever he could to hit balls in the yard. Growing up at Wildwood Green GC in Raleigh, North Carolina, he and his friends, which included former U.S. Amateur champ and fellow Tour pro Doc Redman, took part in impossible chipping contests, where they intentionally gave each other the worst lies possible and then would see who could get the ball closest to the hole.”

Click [HERE](#) for Article

Wildwood Green Product Quinn Riley Article in USA Today

“I grew up in Raleigh,” he said. “Wildwood Green Golf Club was my course. I had a great time.”

He helped lead Ravenscroft School of Raleigh to the 2017 private school state championship, then played four years at Duke.”

Click [HERE](#) for Article

Wildwood Green Juniors Continue to Show Out!

Christian Tutino (10 y.o.) recently shot a personal best 81 (38-43) on May 29th here at Wildwood Green. A very impressive 18 holes from Mr. Tutino which included a birdie on the tough par 3 #6 here at Wildwood. An early fathers day surprise for his father who witnessed the career round. Congrats Christian!

Miraya Lurie (14 y.o.) has continued her stellar play and has a busy summer golf schedule on the horizon. Playing well with good finishes in her past three tournaments, she looks to capitalize on the good play. One to keep an eye on for sure as one of the best female golfers (class of 2027) in the entire state!

**If you have an accomplishment you'd like to share,
please send it to carter@wildwoodgreen.com!**

Member Accomplishments



Denise Kane Hole In One

Just Yesterday, whilst playing with the Wednesday ladies group, Denise Kane made an ace on the ever so challenging downhill #6 here at Wildwood Green. It was a 6 hybrid from 110 yards for Denise. Her THIRD hole in one here at Wildwood Green. Next time you Denise on property, be sure to congratulate her on her hole-in-one!

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Member Accomplishments



Carter Jenkins Hole In One

During the Spring Member-Member beat the pro event, Carter Jenkins made an ace on hole #6. Whilst he did have 25 chances, it's an impressive feat none the less. Going 1 for 25 from about 170 yards, he had the same make percentage as Carter Gerwitz who was doing the putting portion of the beat the pro! Now, we can all agree this says a lot more about Mr. Jenkins' ball striking than it does about Mr. Gerwitz's putting. All jokes aside, be sure to wish Mr. Jenkins luck as he will be playing in the UNC Health Korn Ferry Tour event the first week of June at Raleigh Country Club.

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Member Accomplishments



Super-Senior Interclub Victory

On May 2nd, Wildwood Green's Super-Senior Interclub team brought home a much needed victory vs Umstead Pines. Barry Johnson and Warren Mills dominated in a 14.5-5.5 win, supported by Ed Perry & Bill Striegel's 12.5-7.5 win. Jim Creagh & Mark Nordin fought their way to a 10-10 tie, then David Hart & Alan Lee obtained the last few points needed to give the team the win. They've got playoff aspirations and will need a solid push down the home stretch, the momentum is on their side!

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Upcoming Events

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



Hours of Operation

Effective June 1st

| <u>Day of the Week</u> | <u>Golf Shop Hours</u> | <u>First Tee Time</u> | <u>Range Hours</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Mondays | 11:30am - 8:00pm | 12:00pm | 11:30am - 7:30pm |
| Tuesday-Saturday | 6:30am - 8:00pm | 7:00am | 6:30am - 7:30pm |
| Sunday | 6:30am - 7:00pm | 7:00am | 6:30am - 5:30pm |

Champions Grille
Mondays: 12:00pm - 6:00pm
Tuesday-Sunday: 9:00am-6:00pm

Upcoming Events



**US Open Pool
Opens Thursday, June 1st**

Pool Payouts:

**Winner as Partner – 10%
Blind Draw Winner – 10%**

**The remaining purse will be
paid out as follows:**

1st Place – 40%

2nd Place – 30%

3rd Place – 20%

4th Place – 10%

**Pool Closes Saturday June 17th
at 12:00PM!**

9 At Night Member-Partner

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, June 3rd

Upcoming Events



2023 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP JUNE 10TH & 11TH

Sign Ups Open on May 10th

2023 Club Championship

Sign Ups Open on May 10th

The Club Championship is open to all members of Wildwood Green. We have several divisions to play in:

- Men's Overall Champion – Play comes from blue tees
- Men's Flight Champion – Play comes from white tees
- Women's Overall Champion – Play comes from red tees
- Women's Net Division – Play comes from red tees
- Senior (60+) Overall Champion – Play comes from gold tees
- Super Senior (75+) Overall Champion – Play comes from green tees

The Club Championship will be flighted by age and then by “handicap” e.g. what scores you shoot. You may opt into playing a higher flight if you would like (example: a Super Senior wants to play in the Senior division).

We also have a men's net division that will use a handicap however, players in this flight MUST have a GHIN handicap.

Upcoming Events



Wolfpack Golf Camp
Altered Range and Starting Times

| | June 12 th – June 15 th | June 19 th – June 22 nd | June 26 th – June 29 th |
|------------------|---|---|---|
| Monday | Range Closed 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Range Closed 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Range Closed 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM |
| Tuesday | Range Closed 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Range Closed 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM | Range Closed 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM |
| Wednesday | First Tee Time 9:40 AM | First Tee Time 9:40 AM | First Tee Time 9:40 AM |
| Thursday | First Tee Time 9:40 AM | First Tee Time 9:40 AM | First Tee Time 9:40 AM |

Skins Day!

Saturday, June 17th



Upcoming Events



JUNE COUPLES GOLF!
2x2 Scramble
Sunday, June 18th
5:00 PM Shotgun



**June
Parent-Child**
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Upcoming Events

Monday Morning Maintenance

As we get out of the colder months, 12:00pm will become the first tee time for Mondays. **Monday, April 3rd will be the first Monday with 12:00pm as the first tee time.**

Starting on Monday, April 3rd and moving forward, the first tee time on Mondays will be **12:00am** until we adjust our hours again due to daylight. **The range will open at 11:30am starting on Monday April 3rd.**

Aerification Scheduled

Monday June 19th & Tuesday June 20th

Only 9 Holes Open Each Day



On Monday, June 19th and Tuesday, June 20th we will have nine holes open each day for aerification. This necessary process will dethatch the green surface and pull the core of the root structure underneath the green's surface. By pulling the core we will allow air and water to penetrate the root structure and strengthen the green surfaces for the remainder of the year.

Upcoming Events

FITTING DAY



BOOK YOUR 45 MINUTE APPOINTMENT HERE

LOCATION

DATE

TIME



Upcoming Events

Wildflowers

JUNE EVENTS:

| | |
|----------------|---|
| June 1 | Wildflowers Thurs Play, first 8 to sign up |
| June 6: | MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT, sign up by 5/30 |
| June 8 | Wildflowers Thurs Play, first 8 to sign up |
| June 13 | Low Net- INDIVIDUAL |
| June 15 | OFF For Wolfpack Camp |
| June 20 | OFF For Aerification |
| June 22 | OFF For Wolfpack Camp |
| June 27 | NO WILDFLOWERS Due to WW Green EVENT |
| June 29 | OFF For Wolfpack Camp |

MEMORIAL DAY TOURNAMENT

June 6, 2023

BRIEF HISTORY

Denise Kane started the Memorial Tournament after her dear friend, Kay Mead passed away in 2009. Kay Mead was one of the original Wildflowers. Kay played WW Green when it was just a 9 Hole Course. Over the years, Carol Sepich and Joce Wall joined Kay in the Heavenly Wildflowers Realm. The Memorial Day Tournament expanded to honor them also.



Important Facts: Wear **Orange**, **Purple** and Pearls and if you see Harry the Heron. Your deduct strokes!



Pres: Kay Ralby

VP: Diana Rapanich

Sec: Cindy Brennan

Treas: Margo Madeen

P. Pres: Susan Dubois

Ringers: Donna Seligson

Birdies: Bonnie Lindstrom

Birthdays: Deb Vaughn

Facebook: Beverly Stenzel

Newsletter: Peg Hanna

STARTING TIME :

June: 8:30 am

Don't forget Wildflowers on Thursdays too!



Dorothy Ann McKinley

HOLE IN ONE # 12

Jack & Jill 5-9-23

Upcoming Events

Pres: Kay Reilly

VP: Diana Repanic

Sec: Cindy Brennan

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Kay Reilly

Congratulations to the Jack & Jill Winners



Wildflowers Ladies on the Circuit:

Beverly, Carolyn and Deb..1st place in 2nd Flight at Bentwinds CC Wake Cty "TAIL" Event

Susan, Carol, Kay and Peg..The Mad Hatter Tee Par Tee Tournament at Carolina Trace CC, Sanford, NC



REMINDER: We are on a 4 hour & 15 minute golf round. "Ready Golf" means all golfers should go to their balls as soon as safely possible and get ready to play their shots. While waiting to hit, players should survey their shot, select their club and stand at their ball ready to go when it is their turn.

Don't forget to enter your scores each week, to keep handicap current.

To sign up for weekly games on Tuesday and/or Thursday, either sign up on bulletin board in Pro Shop or email:

teetimes@wildwoodgreen.com and tell them day, **Wildflowers** league and your name.

Please send your weekly fun photos to Beverly Stenzel: bevgreg@nc.rr.com

Please copy me for monthly newsletter: pahanna49@gmail.com

To have access to the Wildflowers Facebook page;

Go to Wildflowers Facebook Site and request access from

Beverly Stenzel (Administrator).

Announcements

Member-Guest—August 5th-7th

War In The Woods



Wildwood Green Golf Club will host our Annual Member-Guest on August 5th, 6th, & 7th. Now referred to as the “War in the Woods”, this tournament saw a massive reconstruction in 2022 that brought raving reviews along with it! This is an incredibly popular event that is limited to a certain amount of participants (likely 96-108 players for 2023). Registration will open at 6:30 AM on Wednesday, July 5th; anyone attempting to sign up before that time will kindly be declined. At 6:30 AM on July 5th, you can sign up by emailing teetimes@wildwoodgreen.com or calling into the golf shop. The basic schedule will be listed below for those trying to bring out of town guest, schedule and details are subject to change.

The War In The Woods is a true golfers tournament that has everything imaginable to offer. Featuring skins games, beat the pro's, special contest/prizes, proximity prizes, and dozens of random raffles worth hundreds of dollars a piece, offering social-golf event unlike any other.

Format: Round Robin Match Play

(Net and Gross)

3 Matches on Saturday & 2 on Sunday

[What is a Member-Guest?](#)

[What is a Calcutta?](#)

Friday: (Included but Optional)

18-Hole Practice Round: Anytime (Booked With Carter Ahead of Time), Calcutta & Introductory Dinner Friday Evening

Saturday: (All Day)

Breakfast, Morning 18-Hole Round, Lunch, Putting Contest Qualifying, Afternoon 9-Hole Round, Putting Contest Finals (\$500 Prize and Chance at \$7,500), Evening Dinner & Live Music

Sunday: (Morning-4:00 PM)

Breakfast, Morning 18-Hole Round, Lunch, Flight Winner's Sudden Death Playoff, Closing Remarks

Announcements

Wildwood Green—Top 40!

The North Carolina Golf Panel (NCGP) was founded in 1995 and since 2005, the NCGP has operated as a freestanding entity. The NCGP has emerged as an authoritative statewide source of golf course rankings in a state that boasts some of the nation's best courses. Their approximate 175-member group has a unique composition: There are members of the golf media, an array of club professionals and general managers, accomplished amateur/professional players, and many others who take an enthusiastic and active role in promoting golf in North Carolina. Lastly, the panel has a significant number of business executives who share a common thread with each of the above – a passion and appreciation for golf in our great state. Membership is by invitation only. The members of the NCGP vote annually to determine up-to-date rankings of North Carolina's Top 100 Courses, in addition to the Top 50 Course You Can Play. Our rankings are first published each April in *Business North Carolina* magazine, plus are detailed on this website and distributed to media throughout the state.



TOP 50 COURSES YOU CAN PLAY (UPDATED APRIL 2023)

| | | | | |
|----|--|----|------|----------|
| 28 | Crystal Coast Country Club, Pine Knoll Shores | 70 | 6005 | 69.7/127 |
| 29 | Stoney Creek Golf Club, Whitsett | 71 | 7016 | 73.8/139 |
| 30 | Rumbling Bald Resort (Apple Valley), Lake Lure | 72 | 6625 | 73.2/144 |
| 31 | Wildwood Green Golf Club, Raleigh | 70 | 6473 | 70.3/131 |
| 32 | Pinehurst No. 6, Pinehurst | 72 | 7053 | 74.7/139 |
| 33 | Deep Springs Country Club, Stoneville | 72 | 6936 | 73.8/136 |
| 34 | Nags Head Golf Links, Nags Head | 71 | 6126 | 70.2/138 |

Wildwood Green Golf Club is #31 in the State!

We are pleased to announce that Wildwood Green Golf Club has been ranked the 31st best course you can play in North Carolina. Ranking ahead of Pinehurst #6, Tobacco Road, and Heritage Golf Club! An on going process of capital improvements and membership growth has brought Wildwood Green into the bright lights. The ownership, management, and staff of Wildwood Green are committed to keeping the positive trend going in the coming years. We continue to progress closer and closer to being one of the finest golf clubs in the entire state! None of this is possible without our incredible membership and a community dedicated to grow and improve!

Announcements

RANGE HOURS

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| January: 4:30 PM | July: 7:30 PM |
| February: 5:00 PM | August: 7:00 PM |
| March: 5:30 PM / 6:00 PM | September: 6:30 PM |
| April: 6:30 PM | October: 6:00 PM |
| May: 7:00 PM | November: 5:30 PM / 4:30 PM |
| June: 7:30 PM | December: 4:30 PM |

The last driving range bucket will be sold at the times below and the driving range will open 30 minutes prior to the first tee time. The driving range will have a hard closing 30 minutes after the last bucket is sold. We will follow a rotation between mats and grass, weather, and maintenance dependent. In March and November, there is a time noted before and after the time changes.

Statements to Your Inbox



We are now able to email you your monthly statement. If you would like to receive your statement via email, reach out to jeff@wildwoodgreen.com today and let him know!

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—POT CLEARED, RE-ENTER NOW!



Acers Club at Wildwood Green

Previous Winner: Matt Weidig (February 2023)

\$5 Entry

Get in Now!

Entire Pot to the Winner!



Monthly Events Calendar



June
2023

**EVENT
CALENDAR
OUT NOW**

click anywhere on
this image to view!

6/3

Glow Golf

6/10-6/11

Club Cham-
pionship

6/18

Couples Golf

6/25

Parent-Child
Event

