February 2024 Newsletter Wildwood Green Golf Club

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Director of Golf – Carter Gerwitz



Dear Members,

We have our first member event of the year this month on **February 24th**. There is room for 120 players so be sure to register early for it! The format is **trifecta**, where you and your partner will play **6 holes scramble**, **6 holes best ball**, **and 6 holes alternate shot**.

Be sure to sign up for the **monthly medalist game on February 18th**. Limited space remaining. Cost is \$15 cash due on the day of play.

On **Tuesday, February 27th,** the CGA will return to do a **seminar** on the **rules of Golf**. Not only will they discuss some of the updated rules for 2024, but they will review some commonly asked rules questions that you may encounter when you play. See below for more details and to get signed up.

Friday-Sunday shotguns will continue until the time change in March which is at **2:00 AM on the morning of March 10th.** After that, we will switch back and host tee times each day of the week.

Our range hours will change this month. Our last bucket of balls will be sold at 5:00 PM Monday-Saturday and at 3:00 PM on Sunday. The driving range will have a hard closing time of 30 minutes AFTER the last bucket is sold. Sundays we perform a clean pick of the range so we appreciate your understanding of the earlier closing time.

As you all know very well, tee times can be competitive and tough to get for some. Myself and my staff work diligently to keep the tee sheet as clean as possible and ensure everyone who desires a tee time get's one. We continue to have openings available in our shotguns and no one on the waitlist to call. If you look online 15-7 days out and don't see anything, don't give up! Call or email the golf shop to get your name on the waitlist, you have a really good chance of getting your desired tee time. Many times when people tell me they are NEVER able to get a tee time, I ask them "Do you ever call or do you just look online?". The common response is "Oh I just looked online 10 days before and didn't see anything". **GET ON THE WAITLIST**, we cannot book you a tee time if we do not know you are looking for it.

Please email me at carter@wildwoodgreen.com with any questions, comments, or concerns.

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Superintendent – Rick Durham

January reminded us of how winter could be. Temperatures dipped into the mid-teens and there were a couple of days where the highs barley made it above freezing. The maintenance team deployed tarps for 7 days to protect against harsh temperatures. A week later we have unseasonably warm temperatures. Unfortunately, the worst part of our winter so far has been the amount of rainfall. Wet conditions have delayed several projects and slowed daily maintenance. Currently we stand at 23 bunkers renovated with seven more underway. We hope to have these seven completed by early to mid-February. From there only five bunkers remain to be renovated. There are also plans to expand many tees to help compensate for traffic they are having. To have a quicker recovery we will begin this project mid to late spring. After two projects of this nature there will be time needed to fully recover from construction traffic. Thank all of you for your patience during this time. With spring and summer right around the corner we have several agronomic applications in the coming months that will impact course play. We plan to close February 12th for one of these applications. Thank all of you for your continued support and as always, I can be contacted at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com

Golf Shop Updates

Golf Balls 40% off Sale Includes:

- All Mizuno Golf Balls in Stock
- All Srixon Golf Balls in Stock
 - Titleist 2023 Tour Speed
 - Titleist 2023 Velocity
 - Titleist 2023 AVX
 - Titleist 2023 Tour Soft
 - Titleist 2023 Tru Feel
 - Callaway Supersoft
 - Callaway Chrome Soft/X

ALL GOLF SHOES 40% OFF!!

Golf Shoes in Stock:

PUMA Ignite

FootJoy Traditions

FootJoy Fuel

Footjoy Flex

Next time you are in the golf shop... make sure to check out our new \$20 clearance rack!!!!



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The Golf Academy at Wildwood Green

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Registrations are underway for our spring programming for Adults and Juniors. The Operation 36 for Adults and Juniors has registration information for our returning families and new families on our Academy webpage, raleighgolflessons.com and linked to from wildwoodgreen.com on the Adult and Junior Operation 36 page and drop down box. PGA Junior League information for 2024 and registration information is on that same page. Contact Jimmy Hamilton,

PGA Director of Instruction with any questions at hamgolf4u@gmail.com or by voice or text at 919-906-1290. Get Golf Ready classes for Adults are beginning to form. That information is on the drop down box associated with the Operation 36 information page. Jeff Glatfelter, PGA has registration for the Get Golf Ready classes at jgpro@outlook.com or 717-683-9196.

The Teaching Tee is getting busier as the winter rust is being

scraped off the golf games. Book your lessons now by contacting the coach of your choice from the Instructors page on the Academy website noted above. We are planning numerous one day clinics and some multi day golf schools. Information will be sent out soon. The new golf equipment is arriving for our fitting carts. Zach and Jeff Robinson have extensive club fitting experience to help golfers of all ages and abilities for the major manufacturers to U S Kids equipment for juniors. We are excited to be able to help you have the best equipment for your golf game.



Grille Manager – Sunshine Stogner

Happy February!

It's the month of LOVE ya'll! Let Champions Grille help celebrate!

Stop on by the clubhouse and pick up your Valentines here!

Valentines Specials

<u>Mini Charcuterie board for two!</u> With cheese, meats, fruit and chocolate dip, and you can add a champagne split and two glasses!

For the guys, what better rose to give, than a Candied Bacon Rose!

Buy one or by 12! <u>Take and baked Brie</u>, puff pastry wrapped with apples compote and walnuts served with crackers.

Pick up Tuesday the 13th thru Friday the 16th.

Friday Night Dinners are the 9th and the 23rd. We will be having:

9th- Pulled Pork BBQ or BBQ Chicken Quarter served with Boiled Potatoes, Green beans, slaw and hushpuppies.

23rd- Beef Grillades or Shrimp and Grits served with stone ground grits,

a petite salad and yeast roll.

Come join us for Valentines BINGO on the 16th. We will be serving lots of heart shaped foods and open doors @ 5:30 so you have more time with your sweety!

Superbowl Sunday Specials!! (fingers crossed my niners make it!)

Want to have a big spread but you don't have a lot of time? Want to make it look like you did all the work? Let us help you!

These are all take and heat for the big day meals!

Chili Frito Pie

Nacho Bar

Jalapeno Poppers

BBQ slider bar

Chicken Wings





February Poker Nights Wednesday, February 7th - 6:00 PM & Wednesday, February 21st - 6:00 PM





Saturday, February 24th 10:00 AM Shotgun Trifecta (6-6-6)

Member Accomplishments



On January 7th, something special happened at Wildwood Green. The setting, Hole #6, the club 7 iron. The score, 1. With a pure shot from 140 yards out Greg Rimmer recorded a hole-in one. Be sure to congratulate him when you see him next!

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

Member Accomplishments



Trent Rhyne Hole In One

January 4th, a day that Trent Rhyne will remember forever. Hole 17, playing a 133 yards that day was the stage for Trent's 3rd ever hole-in one. His 9 iron was true as he hit it to within 10 feet and the slope took care of the rest. If you see him around the club be sure to congratulate him.

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

Member Accomplishments



Grayson Murray Wins the Sony Open!!!

Wildwoods very own Grayson Murray won the Sony Open in Hawaii this month at 17 under par. Grayson grew up playing at Wildwood Green everyday and was a member until the day he went off to college! He played high school golf at Leesville Road who used Wildwood Green as their home golf course. Grayson received an honorary membership upon turning pro, he now constantly travels while playing but always comes to visit when he's in town. Check out his signage that's hanging in Champions Grille to learn more. Wildwood proudly boast our history of professional success and we are delighted to add another trophy to the cabinet. Way to go Grayson!

<u>Click Here</u> to see Grayson tee off #18 during his prime Wildwood days

<u>Click Here</u> to learn more about Grayson Murray and Wildwoods other touring pro's

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Employee Spotlight- Grayson Martin



Q: When were you hired at Wildwood?

A: May of 2023

Q: What do you do here at Wildwood?

A: Golf Shop Assistant
Q: Where were you born?
A: Lake Wales, FL

Q: When did you start playing golf?

A: He started playing about 4 years ago, TBD as to when I will start playing well

Q: How do you spend your free time?
A: I work full time at NC State overseeing the Intramural and Club Sports programs, additionally I also officiate high school football in the area.

Grayson grew up in Florida and attended Florida Southern College. After completing his undergraduate degree he worked as a Graduate Assistant at East Carolina University in the Campus Recreation Department there. After attending ECU, Grayson decided to stay in North Carolina and begin working as Coordinator of Sports Programs at NC State University in their Wellness and Recreation Department. Grayson began working at Wildwood in May of 2023 to learn more about the game and business of golf. " I am so excited to work at Wildwood and meet and learn from the members, at a club this size you are able to meet a member with their own unique story every day." Be sure to introduce yourself to him next time you see him! **Upcoming Events**

<u>Go Here to View the</u> <u>2024 Member</u> <u>Events Booklet</u>

2024 Events Schedule (Click to View!)



Upcoming Events

Go Here to View the February Monthly Events Calendar



<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>Range Hours</u>
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Champions Grille Monday-Sunday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

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February Poker Nights

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Upcoming Events



This seminar addresses some of the rules changes in 2024 as well as discussing common rules questions you may experience during play.

Click the image above to register today.

Upcoming Events



One Day Member-Member Saturday, February 24th

10:00 AM Shotgun Trifecta (6-6-6)

Scramble, Best Ball, Greensomes (Modified Alt Shot)



Monthly Medalist Game

February 18th , 10:00am Shotgun Blue & Gold Tee Divisions

WildFlowers Newsletter



February 1:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
February 6 :	Wildflowers, Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
February 8:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
February 13:	Wildflowers, Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
February 15:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
February 20:	Wildflowers, Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
February 22:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
February 27:	Annual Meeting at 9:00 am (Pavilion)
	Wildflowers, Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
February 29:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am

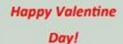
SAVE the DATE, February 27, 2024 and plan to attend the Wildflowers Ladies Golf Association Annual meeting!

Current, Former and Interested Golfers, please come to the Wildflowers Annual Meeting , at the Wildwood Greens Golf Club Pavilion at 9:00 am. We will be discussing USGA, & Local Rules, Events for 2024 & Dues for Membership, Ringers and Hole In One.

Sign up to play at 11:00 am afterwards? Coffee and a few goodies will be offered at 9:00 AM. Looking forward to seeing our 2024 Wildflowers!







2024 Board of Directors President: **Diane Repanich** Vice President: **Carol Hauser** Pam Peroutky Secretary: Treasurer: Margo Madsen **Birdie Chair:** Facebook Chair: **Beverly Stenzel** Newsletter Chair: Peg Hanna Ringer Chair: **Donna Seligson**



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WildFlowers Newsletter

After Wildwood Green took the tarps off on January 23, they found seven (7) Wildflowers ! They even grew a new player Linda Vicini



Diana, Linda V, Teresa, Mickie, Linda, Kay and Laura!



Who says its too cold to play, not Beverly, Donna, and Susan ! Brrrr Don't forget Thursday is also Wildflower Day each week, first 8 players to sign up. Shotgun start at 11:00 am.



" WATER HAZARDS ARE NO PROBLEM IF YOU PLAY IN THE WINTER."



Health Benefits for Playing Golf

Helps Heart Health
 Mentally, Less stress and depression
 Increased social interaction
 Builds confidence
 Practice patience

Get your clubs ready to play!

Anyone can play

2024 February Birthdays:

Denise Short	2/5
Ann Curti	2/11
Teresa Kazaglis	2/15
Peg Hanna	2/27



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Upcoming Events



For Boys and Girls ages 6-18, all skill levels Click <u>Here</u> to Register & Find Out More

2024 Dates are as Follows;

Week 1: June 17th-June 20th at Wildwood Green Golf Club

Week 2: June 24th-June 27th at Wildwood Green Golf Club

Week 3: July 1st-July 4th at Wildwood Green Golf Club



Sessions Will Include the Following

Individual Swing Analysis	Group Swing Instruction with All Clubs	Individual Swing Instruction with Irons	Course Strategy and Management
Psychology of the Game	Sportsmanship and Attitude	Trouble Shots and Trick Shots	Tournament Preparation
Pitching and Chipping	Rules and Etiquette	Putting	Sand Play
Club Fitting	Skills Competition	Clinics by PGA Professionals	Video Analysis

Welcome to the Wolfpack Golf School

Featuring North Carolina State University coaches and players (current and former), the Wolfpack Golf School is entering its 36th year with the continuing purpose of promoting Junior golf and helping develop the talent of young golfers. An outstanding curriculum of practice, play and fun is planned.

Students will participate in different kinds of competition according to skill level and age with each student completing rotations which cover every phase of the game. The full week of golf will include individual and group instruction, video analysis, course strategy and management, rules, psychology, club fitting and tournament preparation.

An outstanding staff of PGA professionals, college coaches, and college golfers has been assembled. Their expert instruction is matched only by their dedication to junior golf.

Skill Level and Accommodations

All skill levels (beginner, intermediate, and advanced) are welcome at any golf school week. The student's skill level and age are taken into consideration when making groups. The teacher - student ratio is 5:1 which enables the staff to assist students of all skill levels improve their golf fame. We also understand that siblings and friends are in golf school weeks together and every effort is made to accommodate group requests during group instruction time. We expect every student to improve and to have a fun time doing it!

For questions or any other information contact Chip Watson, Director of School Services, at chip@lonniepoolegolfcourse.com

Announcements

Hello Members,

The Wildwood Green Handicap Committee would like to share important changes to posting of scores in 2024; New guidelines within the 2024 New USGA rules of Handicapping. All <u>9 hole or more</u> rounds are to be posted. If you play 10-17 holes you are required to post hole-by hole. With that in mind we'd recommend posting all your scores hole by hole.

Treatment of 9 hole scores; **Beginning in January 2024**, when a player posts a 9-hole score, it will be combined with their expected Score Differential over 9 holes to create an 18-hole score. With the expected score based on the player's Handicap Index at the time the round is played as well as the course's standard difficulty.

To simplify the above explanation, post your 9-hole score - the handicap (GHIN) system will calculate the round and post it as an 18-hole round. You no longer need to wait to post a second 9-hole round for the round to apply to your handicap. (Note: any 9 hole pending posted before January 1, 2024 will be discarded.)

An updated approach for holes not played; At present when a hole isn't played (due to darkness, for example), the score recorded is a net par. Beginning January 2024, when 10-17 holes are played, an 18-hole Score Differential will be determined by adding the player's Score Differential from the holes played to an expected Score Differential for the number of holes not played.

To simplify the above, post your hole-by-hole score when playing 10-17 holes and the handicap (GHIN) system will calculate the round and post it as an 18 hole round.

For further detail and explanation as to the above changes please refer to <u>https://</u><u>www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/handicapping.html</u>Or email <u>handicaps@wildwoodgreen.com</u> for further explanation if needed.

Here is an example of how an 18-hole Score Differential is calculated after a player stopped play after 14 holes:



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A player with a Handicap Index of 10.0 plays 14 holes before stopping play due to severe weather. Through 14 holes, the player had an adjusted gross score of 64. After posting the 14-hole score hole-by-hole, a Score Differential will be calculated based on the score of 64 and the Course Rating information for the 14 holes played, and that result will be added to the expected Score Differential over 4 hole for a 10.0 Handicap Index player to determine an 18-hole Score Differential.

As we enter in to 2024 the Handicap Committee would like to remind members that in order to be eligible to play events at Wildwood you must **post regularly** and have **at least 3-18 hole rounds posted within the past 6 months** To play in Wildwood Green events, we require your handicap to be held in a GHIN compatible system (regardless of where you keep the handicap or what your "home" club is listed as).

IMPORTANT FOR 2024 Rounds of 9 thru 17 holes plays must be posted! Post your 9 hole score in GHIN, it will be adjusted to an 18 hole score based on the GHIN system differential calculation. If you intended to play 18 and only finished 13 holes you should again post HOLE by HOLE the actual holes you played, the GHIN system will calculate a differential and adjust it to an 18 hole score. If you would like further explanation on this change refer to <u>https://www.usga.org/content/usga/homepage/handicapping.html</u>

Also email <u>handicaps@wildwoodgreen.com</u> for further explanation if needed.

Please keep in mind to **post the day you play**. Did you realize that on some days there can actually be a weather adjustment (PCC) in GHIN? This is based on scores posted on a given day that may reflect adverse conditions of play that day.

If you are playing your own ball in a format that asks you to pick up if you are out of the hole- you should post the likely score you would have shot on that hole. You should only be posting your max allowable score on a particular hole. *(The max allowable score for any golfer is par + 2 + handicap strokes allocated to you on the hole)*. Scores should be posted in the GHIN system or GHIN compatible system. Scores can be posted through the GHIN app on your phone, from a home computer, or at the posting station in the golf shop.

Please reach out to the handicap committee if you have any posting questions or issues. <u>handicaps@wildwoodgreen.com</u>

Thanks again for your commitment to this!

The Wildwood Green Handicap Committee

Announcements

COURSE CLOSED February 12th



On Monday, February 12th we will have the course CLOSED as we will be spraying the course. The Driving Range and Champions Grille will be open, limited menu. Driving range hours will be 12pm-5pm that day.

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HOURS
July: 7:30 PM
August: 7:00 PM
September: 6:30 PM
October: 6:00 PM
November: 5:30 PM / 4:30 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.

Hours of Operation

Effective February 1st

<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>Range Hours</u>
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Champions Grille			

Monday-Sunday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

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No Smoking Under The Patio!



Wildwood Green Frost Delay Policy:

When the overnight temperature drops below freezing, there is a potential for a frost delay. If there is frost on the course the Superintendent will let the Golf Shop know what the revised starting time for the day will be as quickly as

possible, and we will inform you of any updates via E-Communication.

Once the Superintendent gives the Golf Shop the "all clear" to begin play, we will implement a forward shotgun for all play at and before the new starting time. We have a 45-minute minimum notification time, so if we get the goahead to open the course at 9:00am, the shotgun will begin at 9:45am to allow golfers time to get to the course.

Things to Keep in Mind:

• If frost on the course is ignored and regular play commences it will cause damage to the playing surface and make the grass susceptible to disease and weeds.

• Frost Delays also apply to the practice greens. We don't want to damage those!

Acer's Club-POT GETTING BIG!



Acers Club at Wildwood Green Previous Winner: Matt Weidig (February 2023) \$5 Entry Get in Now! Entire Pot to the Winner!





Monthly Events Calendar