January 2024 Newsletter Wildwood Green Golf Club

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Director of Golf – Carter Gerwitz



Dear Members,

2024 is upon us and some adjustments are to come with it. The next few pages will focus on some of the changes and what to expect.

New Scorecards: Wildwood recently was re-rated by the CGA/USGA and new slopes & ratings were provided. We have also adjusted the handicap stroke indexes according to the CGA/USGA recommendations. The short story is we were rated a little harder across the board than in the past. The slope/ratings are final but the stroke indexes are under a trial period and could see minor changes before the summer. To reflect these changes, we have overhauled our scorecard to a brand new look. <u>CLICK HERE see the new cards which we plan to implement sometime this month.</u>

League Changes: In 2024 we will be adjusting some of our long standing leagues like the Gaggle, WildFlowers, and WildOats. These leagues start times will now be two hours after the first tee time or as a part of the 10:00 AM shotguns if applicable. Additionally, the WildOats & WildFlowers will see a slight decrease in player allotment from previous years, the Gaggle will not. The goal of these adjustments is to alleviate some of the tee time stress on non-league playing members, where there will now be more tee times available before league play and a few more times on the back end as well. Spring & Fall times for non-league members become very difficult due to the large block of league times and shorter daylight. The time change is not drastic, 30 minutes-1 hour later on average. Player limitations are based of average players over the course of the last year and a half and we do not expect many golfers to be turned down due to numbers.

Advisory Committee: Beginning in 2024, WWG will have an advisory committee consisting of 8-10 members covering all types of memberships/ demographics within the Club. This committee will act as an official avenue for communication between members, ownership, and management. This IS NOT a board, it is an advisory committee with advisors tasked to represent their peers and voice input on important matters that come from the membership, management, or ownership. Committee advisors can expect a small time commitment of 2 hours per quarter, 8 hours a year. Advisors will serve a 2 year term before being subject to re-election. The committee will be made up of 8-10 advisors who cover all demographics of the Wildwood Green membership base. CLICK HERE to see Wildwood Greens 2024-2025 Advisory Committee.

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Membership Changes: As many of you have hopefully seen, we will be implementing a slight dues & services increase effective January 1st, 2024. To accompany these changes, Wildwood Green will no longer run a membership offer with discounts on initiation fees and dues. Our membership has grown to a staggering number and must be monitored to maintain the enjoyability and convenience of having a membership. Effective immediately, the Weekday Category is capped at 175 memberships, and PM memberships will be capped at 100 memberships. Current members are allowed to switch between categories regardless of the numbers, but prospective members will not be allowed to join these category's initiation fee to be placed on it. Prospective members are still allowed to join Wildwood Green into one of the categories that are not capped, but they will not receive any discounts off initiation fees or dues. Sponsorship credits still apply to current members if they sponsor a new member. The only discounts available to new members and current members will be the prepayment discounts we have always run. <u>CLICK HERE to see current membership information</u>.

Restrictions to Non-Members: Effective January 1st; When we have a tournament or shotgun start, the range and practice facilities are closed to non-members until the tournament/shotgun has cleared. We hope to implement another restriction in the early summer by not allowing guest play in the mornings all seven days of the week instead of just the weekends as we are now. In addition to the restrictions, non members will see an increase in cart fees and green fees. Member cart fees are not being increased and we are providing a better structure for accompanied guest (when a member brings a non-member to play with them). <u>CLICK HERE FOR 2024 Green Fees & Cart Fees for Non-Members.</u>

No-Show Penalty: 2024 will likely see the implementation of a no-show penalty for members and nonmembers. This is likely to come sometime in the early summer and is another effort at alleviating tee time stress for members. Most members do a wonderful job of tracking their tee times and cancelling any spots they do not use. We have some members who show no regard for the Club or others on the waitlist by not showing up for a prime time tee time. The penalty is dependent on amount of spots not used and people left on the waitlist.

90-Club: In 2024, the 90 Club will be grandfathered in and only be available to current members as of 1/1/2024. Those who are currently part of the 90 Club will not be affected and current members are still eligible to become a 90 Club member.

Dress Code: We have restructured and modernized our dress code to not only adhere to changes in current golf fashion, but address some current bad habits as well. Wildwood Green always has and always will have a focus on growing the game and exposing the sport of golf to everyone possible. Golf is a game built upon traditions, some good and some bad. A sport that once required a button up and tie to participate, now allows hoodies and joggers to compete. Wildwood must stay with the times too, offering a dress code that promotes modesty as well as comfortability concerns to match our golf course and our membership. <u>CLICK HERE to see our updated dress code</u> which addresses the changes in modern golf fashion whilst maintaining a connection to traditional golf clothing.

If you have any issues/questions/concerns/comments, please email/text/ or call Carter Gerwitz—Director of Golf carter@wildwoodgreen.com 704-662-5635

Superintendent – Rick Durham

You may have noticed that the covers for greens have been placed out on the course. We will be unfolding and marking edges so when the time comes to cover, we will be prepared. A perfect winter for us would be not to cover at all and so far for 2023 we have not covered. The last time covers we deployed was a year ago in December for five days. Many factors are considered when we decide whether to cover greens. Low temperatures are obviously one of the main factors, but you also must consider how long will the temperatures be that low. One or two hours of low temperatures would not be a big concern if the elevated temperature for the day reached the midforties. Moisture levels need to be monitored also. A cold wet event is much better than a cold dry event. We will keep you informed when a weather event is on the way as regards covering. By the end of December there will be twenty-three bunkers that we will have renovated. Weather has cooperated and allowed us to move quicker than expected. A newly renovated bunker will need time to settle and there will be scars of equipment moving. Once we are back in the growing season, I expect a full recovery. As always, I can be reached at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com for questions and concerns.

Golf Shop Updates

<u>Clearance Rack in the Golf Shop</u> <u>If you missed a gift for someone</u> <u>over the holiday season, come see</u> <u>our clearance rack in the golf shop.</u> <u>Items are priced as low as \$20.</u>





The Golf Academy at Wildwood Green

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Happy New Year from all of us at The Golf Academy at Wildwood Green. Our New Year begins with familiar faces joining

our Academy group. Zach Seabolt and Joe Mullen will be providing instruction and club fitting services. Zach has a great resume as a player and has jumped in to the club fitting position with a lot of product knowledge and ability to help you find the equipment right for you. Zach and Joe will be able to guide you in club repair needs from the Golf Shop. Our Academy, led by 2021 Carolinas PGA Teacher of the Year and Golf Digest Best Teachers in North Carolina for 2024-25, Jimmy Hamilton along with Greg Greksa with over 30 years of experience, Jeff Glatfelter with over 30 years of experience, Pamela Rogers with over 30 years of experience and Jeff Robinson with over 40 years of experience, will continue to provide you with the best instruction and coaching geared to helping you have the most enjoyment and success with your golf game. We will provide clinics, pri-

vate instruction and on course game management coaching along with club fitting services using TrackMan technology with Zach and Joe. Our Operation 36 Adult and Junior Development Program enters the 7th year in providing the finest Golf Skill Development program to the members and public golfers in our area. We were the 9th program in existence in 2018 and there are now over 700 programs around the world. Our webpage, raleighgolflessons.com can be linked through wildwoodgreen.com under Instruction to contact any of us to help you with your game. We look forward to seeing you on our coaching tee in the near future!







Grille Manager – Sunshine Stogner



I hope everyone has a GREAT new year!! January will start us off with a bang now that we have the pavilion.

Poker is on the 3rd and 17th, come play and get 1/2 off appetizers and drink specials!

By demand, we will have Friday Night Dinners more this month and see how it goes.

12th Porcupine Meat Balls (my nana's recipe) or Chicken Cor Don Blue with a cream sauce

Mashed Potatoes, green bean casserole and a yeast roll

19th- Homemade Meatloaf or Caprese Chicken Breast

Herb Rice, Roasted Broccoli, and a yeast roll.

26th- White Chicken lasagna or Chicken Parmesan

A petite Salad with balsamic vinaigrette and garlic bread



BINGO is BACK!!! Every 3rd Friday!!

19th, 6:00 – 8:00 (doors open at 5:45) Reservations required \$20 includes heavy hors d oeuvres, two game cards and entry for the door raffle. Cash Bar

27th- Sock Hop Party



Come dressed and ready to twist it up! 5:30 – 8:00 \$20 includes heavy hors d oeuvres, dance contest and lots of prizes! Reservations required, cash bar.

sunshine@wildwoodgreen.com or 919.390.0347









Member Accomplishments



Mark Nordin Hole-In One!

On December 26th, Mark recorded a Hole-In-One here at Wildwood Green on everyone's favorite Par 3, hole #4! He fired an absolute seed with a 7 hybrid from 147 yards that had reservations for one at the bottom of the cup. Be sure to congratulate him next time you see him out and about.

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

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 January Monthly Events Calendar



Upcoming Events



WildFlowers Newsletter

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Wildflowers Ladies Golf Association Newsletter

January 2:	Wildflowers Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
January 4:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
January 9:	Wildflowers Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
January 11:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
January 16:	Wildflowers, Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
January 18:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
January 23:	Wildflowers, Tuesday Play, 11:00 am
January 25:	Wildflowers Thursday Play,
	first 8 to sign up 11:00 am
January 30:	Wildflowers, Tuesday Play, 11:00 am

2024 Opening Date for Wildflowers League Play is March 5, 2024... Save the Date!

Congratulations to our *Wildflowers* Members; *Carol Hauser and Denise Short*, who were asked to serve on the first Wildwood Green Golf Club Advisory Committee.

Big thank you to Margo Madsen for hosting the 2023 Wildflowers Holiday Party in her home. Great time by all!

Congratulations to Margo for the most Birdies in 2023!





2024 Board of Directors

President:	Diane Repanich
Vice President:	Carol Hauser
Secretary:	Pam Peroutky
Treasurer:	Margo Madsen
Birdie Chair:	Bonnie Lindstrom
Facebook Chair:	Beverly Stenzel
Newsletter:	Peg Hanna
Ringer:	Donna Seligson
Invitational:	Donna Strickland

The Wildflowers BODs are meeting on Wednesday, January 31, to review 2023 & create 2024 events. Any suggestions prior to that, please respond to Wildflowers Survey that will be sent out by Carol Hauser.



WildFlowers Newsletter







THANK YOU!!

SUNSHINE STOGNER, Wildwood Green Golf Club Food and Banquet MGR. for catering our Holiday party, the food was fantastic!

Flight I Winners:

1 Carol Hauser, # 2 Beverly Stenzel (Sub Laura Ross) and # 3 Linda Hensenne (sub Margo Madsen)

Flight II Winners:

1 Nancy Barba, # 2 Ericka Draffin (Sub Bonnie Linstrom) and # 3 Kathy Eaton.

Flight III Winners:

1 Pam Peroutky, # 2 Teresa Kazaglis, and # 3 Cheryl Ouimet (Sub Susan Cook),



Our 2023 Hole-in-One Recipient , Dorthy Ann McKinley, finally received her winnings of \$710.00.

2023 Member Member was won by Pam Peroutky and Beverly Stenzel. Due to a very wonderful vacation in Porta Vallarta, Mexico, Beverly could not be at our party.

Don't forget Thursday is also Wildflower Day each week, first 8 players to sign up. Shotgun start at 10:00 am.



2024 January Birthdays:

Susan Cook 1/12

Maryse Koster 1/17

Diana Repanich 1/22



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

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	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.

Hours of Operation

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<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>
Monday- Thursday	8:30am - 5:00pm	9:00AM	8:30am - 4:30pm
Friday-Saturday	9:00am - 5:00pm	10:00am SG	9:00am - 4:30pm
Sunday	9:00am - 5:00pm	10:00am SG	9:00am - 2:30pm
Champions Grille Monday-Sunday: 9:00am - 4:00pm			

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!

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



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Monthly Events Calendar

