SMITHFIELDS COUNTRY CLUB JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

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AROUND THE CLUB

We hope everyone is having a great summer so far. With summer vacations in full swing, we normally expect things to slow down around the club. However, with membership at capacity, the club is in a constant state of activity...which is a great thing. As always, we have several exciting events planned for July so check your calendars and make plans to take advantage of your membership.

As always, stay connected by checking out our website facebook page as well as by downloading our club app, "Smithfields Country Club" (ask the pro shop for help getting connected)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nine and Dine: Our Weekly couple's events start each Friday @ 5:30. Come out and join the fun!!
- July 1st Independence Wing-Ding
- July 4th- Don't miss out on the annual fireworks show (9:30pm) and celebration.
- July 4th- Pool-side cookout (\$10.99/adults and \$6.99/kids 12 & Under)
- July 10th Senior 4-Club 9:30sg (limited affect on play)
- July 10th-12th Junior Golf Camp. Call Tim in the pro shop to get your child signed up.
- July 15th Elite Amateur Tour 2:00SG (limited affect on play)
- July 17th- 19th Aerification

FIREWORKS ON THE 4TH!

-Schedule of Events for July 4th 12:00am-2:00pm: Pool Party with games and activities for the kids

-2:00-3:00: Golf Cart Parade!

-Cookout: Hamburger/Hotdog buffet @ the pool. (baked beans, potato salad, watermelon) \$10.99/Adult and \$6.99/Children (12 and under)

-Live Entertainment: 7:00-8:45: Trey Stephens Band

-9:30pm: Let the fireworks begin. Invite your friends to come out and enjoy the fun and fellowship!



LADIES' GOLF ASSOC. NEWS

What more can we say about our SCC Ladies' Golf Association....they are awesome.

The 2023 Ladies' Member/Guest was incredible, and all the credit goes to this wonderful group of ladies for all the hard work they put into this event. Without a doubt, every member and guest who participated, had a wonderful time.

This year's event was "Safari" themed, which added to the fun and festivities.

<u>Overall Gross Champions:</u> Nancy Holcombe, Pam Prescott, Linda Nix, Lynn Williams

<u>Overall Net Champions:</u> Melinda Oliva, Justina Oliva, Amy Lee Henderson, MaryAnn Martin

<u>"Safari Hunt" Winners:</u> Judy Petersen, Wendy VanOoteghen, Candy Yound, Janis Wiggans

Closest to the Pin #6: Linda Nix Closest to the Pin #8: Janis Wiggins Closest to the Pin #11: Pam Prescott Closest to the Pin #15: Justina Oliva



TURF TALK

Summer has finally arrived and looks like it is going to stick around for a little while. Now that the temperatures are back to normal the golf course has really taken off. This is a great opportunity for us to continue to push our weaker tees. Just over the last month the tees have gone from about 50% coverage to around 80% coverage. Some practices you will see us do are aerifying and topdressing along with added fertility.

We are continuing our focus on maintaining the turf and providing firm and fast conditions. One area we have put a lot of emphasis on is improving the approaches of the greens to allow golfers to be able to play a more bump and run style of golf.

Aerification is coming up this month. Our goal is to aerify all the greens, tees, and approaches. Aerification is a very important cultural practice, even though the golf course is in great shape now it is imperative we do these practices. Aerifying relieves compaction, allows oxygen to get down to the roots, and helps release gases that build up in the soil. I know it negatively impacts play for a short period however, the positive benefits outweigh the short-term negative impacts. As always, I welcome any feedback and look forward to seeing you on the course.



Travis

SOCIAL NEWS

Every Monday: PickleBall- Join our ladies' pickleball group every Monday morning at 9:00 am

July 4th- Don't miss out on the annual fireworks show (9:30pm) and celebration.

July 4th- We will also have a pool-side cookout and party. (\$10.99/adults and \$9.99/kids 12 & Under)



TOURNAMENT RESULTS

No official tournament scores to post, but our weekly Ladies', Senior's, and Men's groups are very active, so make plans to join one of these great groups.

Thanks again for everyone's continued efforts as it relates to our social distancing efforts!



GOLF TIP OF THE MONTH!

SOFTEN YOUR HANDS FOR CHIP SHOTS

- A common mistake most novice golfers make is having too tight a grip. But the truth is that your grip can make or break your round-especially your short game.
- When it comes to chipping, you've got to keep your hands soft. On a scale of 1-10 (with 10 being the lightest) aim for a grip around 4-5.
- This will ease the tension in your arms and wrists. Then you can focus on a basic chipping stance, which includes keeping your chin high and your back straight.

