SMITHFIELDS COUNTRY CLUB FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

SHOP HOURS: MON- 12:00-6:00 TUES.-FRI- 7:30-5:30 SAT.-SUN.- 7:30-5:30 PRO SHOP #- 864-859-9545 OFFICE #- 864-855-3543 WEBSITE- WWW.SMITHFIELDS.CC EMAIL- INFO@SMITHFIELDS.CC

AROUND THE CLUB

It has been an exceptionally rainy month of January, but let's maintain some optimism and look forward to February bringing sunnier days and warmer temperatures. On a positive note, we're gaining a minute of daylight each day, and by the end of February, sunset will be close to 6:30....spring is just around the corner!

Our tournament schedule is filled with opportunities for participation, and the social calendar is starting to take shape. Feel free to share any ideas for events you'd like to see at our club; we're always open to considering new and exciting suggestions.

A couple of important points deserve everyone's attention:

- 1. Yearly Handicap Fees: Your February statement includes the annual handicap fee charge of \$32.00. While you have the option to opt out of the handicap service, please note that members without a USGA handicap are ineligible to participate in club golf tournaments.
- 2. Annual Range Club Members: If you are currently on the range plan, you will be automatically billed for the 2024 period (running from March through February) on March 1st. If you do not plan to participate this year, kindly inform the pro shop staff. Due to an increase in the cost of range balls, there is a modest increase in the range plan fee.

For those interested in becoming a range club member, please notify the staff, and we'll gladly add you to the roster. The Range Club Fee is \$225.00 for individuals and \$125.00 for each additional family member.



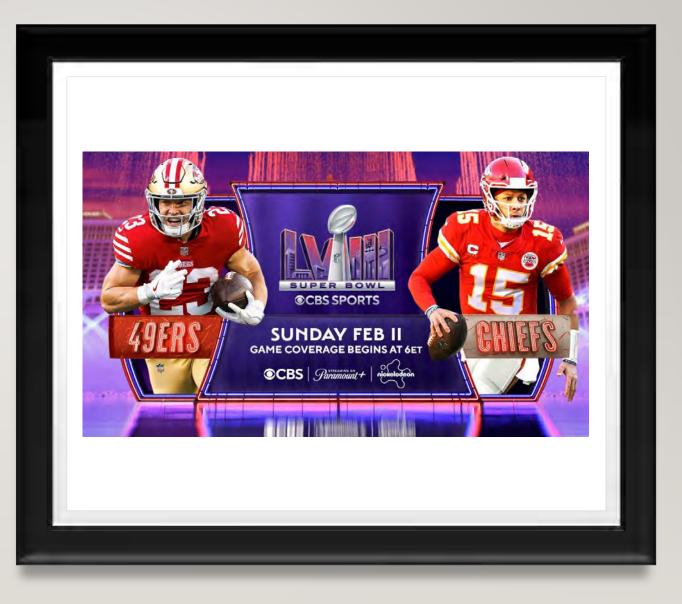
UPCOMING EVENTS

Super Bowl Viewing Party!

Make plans to join friends and fellow members for the BIG GAME!

Date: Sunday, February 11th

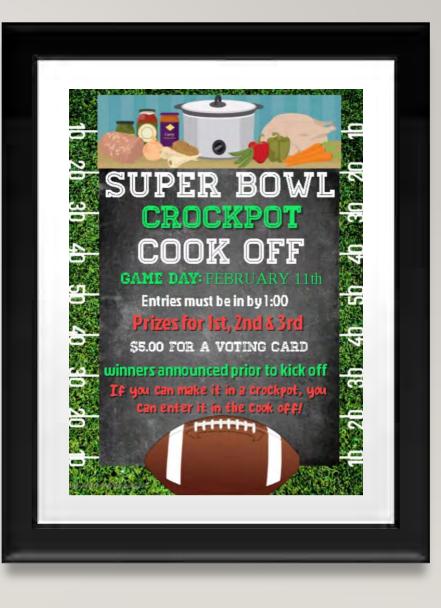
Time: 6:30 Kickoff



UPCOMING EVENTS CONT.

Join the excitement at the Crockpot COOK
OFF! S S Mark your calendars for Super Bowl
Sunday, February 11th. The annual crockpot cook-off
(formerly Chili cook-off) is guaranteed to be a blast!
Whether you're showcasing your favorite recipe or just
eager to savor all the fantastic dishes, you definitely
don't want to miss out! Call the club to secure
your spot! < S

Admission is \$5.00 for those who aren't entering a crockpot dish.



MONTHLY CALENDAR

- <u>Feb. 1 st -</u> High School Golf Begins
- <u>Feb. 11th -</u> Super Bowl Viewing Party
- Feb. 11th- Crockpot Cook Off
- <u>Feb. I 4th -</u> Valentine's Day Dinner
 @ the club
- <u>Feb. 16th-</u> Mini Member/Member or Member/Guest
- <u>Feb. 22nd-</u> Foothills 2 Senior Group 10:00SG

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TURF TALK

We finally received some much-needed rain this month. However, we did not need to get it all in one day. January was a record setting month with Smithfields receiving over 10" of rain with 6" coming in one day. The golf course is a little wet. Nevertheless, a little rain hasn't slowed down the golf course maintenance team.

This month we brought in all the tee markers from the course and reconditioned them. We have started creating mulch beds around the golf course in areas where the turf was weak or areas of exposed tree roots. Another project we started is cleaning up the woody plant material growing along the creek banks. I hope to have that finished by mid-February.

This month we will be applying our spring pre-emergent treatment to protect us from summer weeds. We will continue to clean the creek banks of woody material. Let's hope the weather in February continues to stay mild. As always please feel free to offer any feedback, and I look forward to seeing you on the course.



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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

X X Except for our yearly Tough
 Days event, January tends to be a quiet
 month for golf tournaments.
 Unfortunately, Mother Nature had
 other plans, forcing us to reschedule the
 championship for February.

Nevertheless, we are eager to kickstart our competitive golf schedule in the coming weeks. $\tilde{\uparrow}$ $\tilde{\uparrow}$



SOCIAL NEWS

- <u>Thursday(s)-</u> Card Night
- Monday & Thursday (s)- Ladies
 Pickleball Club
- Feb. I I th- Super Bowl Viewing
- Feb. 11th- Crockpot Cook Off
- Feb. 14th- Valentine's Day Dinner



GOLF TIP OF THE MONTH!

Repeat Tip: Consider the Shorter Tees!

Playing from the forward tees, especially as you age, is nothing to be ashamed of. Moving up a tee can be a challenging decision for any golfer. Whether it's pride or good-natured teasing from friends, making this change is not easy.

However, playing your chosen golf course at a shorter yardage can make your round more manageable and, consequently, more enjoyable. So, why not give it a try?

