

# SMITHFIELDS COUNTRY CLUB MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER

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# AROUND THE CLUB

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We're thrilled to start a new month after enduring the cold and wet weather of the past few weeks, which slowed down activities at the club. With the arrival of early spring, everyone is eager to get outdoors, and we anticipate a lot of golf being played. Here are some important updates:

1. Daylight Saving Time Begins: Remember to set your clocks forward 1 hour on Sunday, March 10th.
2. Late Fee Assessment: Just a friendly reminder that late fees will be applied to accounts not paid in full by the 25th of each month.
3. Tee Times: As we head into our club's busiest season, we're pleased to offer tee time bookings up to 2 weeks in advance.
4. Facebook: If you're not already following us on Facebook, please take a moment to like our page and help spread the word about all the great offerings at our club. Reminder: For those who haven't yet downloaded the Smithfields App, you're missing out on valuable information and special offers. Simply visit your phone's app store and search for "Smithfields Country Club" to get started.



# UPCOMING “MAJOR” EVENTS

- **Attention lady golfers!** The Smithfields Ladies Golf Association is gearing up for their 2024 season and extends a warm invitation to new members. Our official league, offering both 9-hole and 18-hole games, convenes every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 10:00 starting in March (9:00 beginning April). Our kickoff is scheduled for Thursday, March 7th.
- If you're eager to join in the camaraderie and excitement or seek further details, feel free to reach out to either Connie Truesdail at 864.350.2099 or [ctruesdail@msn.com](mailto:ctruesdail@msn.com), or Judy Petersen at 864.770.5786 or [wjcpetersen@gmail.com](mailto:wjcpetersen@gmail.com).
- Save the date for our Men's Night Kick-Off on March 14th. Kickstart the season with us at 5:30 for a great evening featuring dinner, cash prizes, and a fee of \$30.00 plus cart fees.
- Mark your calendars for April 5<sup>th</sup> (Pick'em Party), 6th, and 7th for our annual Mini Masters event. Don't miss out on one of the year's most enjoyable tournaments! Keep an eye out for forthcoming emails and messages on the SCC app for further details.



# MONTHLY CALENDAR

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- **Mar. 7th**- Ladies' Day Kickoff
- **Mar. 10th** - Daylight Savings Time
- **Mar. 14th** - Men's Night Kick-Off
- **Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>** -Golf For Greenville  
Charity Event- 9:00SG
- **Mar. 24th**- Ping Demo Day (11:00-  
3:00)
- **Mar. 28th** - Easley Police Dept.  
Fundraiser- 9:00SG



# TURF TALK CONT.

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In February, the saying "if you don't like the weather, give it a minute, it will change" proved particularly true. We experienced fluctuating temperatures, ranging from 70-degree days to 40-degree days. Fortunately, we were spared from excessive rainfall this month, which is a relief. Our maintenance team has been hard at work, establishing new mulch beds around holes 18 and behind the 8th green. Additionally, we completed our spring pre-emergent application and dedicated considerable time to pruning trees to enhance both the visual appeal and playability of the course.

Looking ahead to this month, we have several significant projects on the agenda. Our primary focus will be addressing the greenside bunkers on holes 10 and 11. This involves removing accumulated mud, replacing damaged liners, and replenishing the sand. We'll also continue our tree pruning efforts and refine existing mulch beds. Lastly, we'll devote attention to clearing away gumballs from the sweet gum trees.

With the recent warmer weather, we're seeing a surge in green grass growth. Please be patient with us as this may slightly impact greens speeds in the coming weeks. As the greens awaken from their winter dormancy, maintaining consistent speeds becomes more challenging. Rest assured, we're working diligently to fine-tune them. As always, I value any feedback you may have and eagerly anticipate welcoming you back to the course.

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# SOCIAL NEWS

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- **Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>** – Family Game Night (sponsored by HOA)
- **Mar. 14<sup>th</sup>**- Men's Night Dinner
- **Mar. 15<sup>th</sup>**- Italian Night with live music
- **Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>**- St. Patrick's Day
- **Mar. 16<sup>th</sup>**- Bloody Mary's and Mimosa's
- **Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>**- Dart Night



# ITALIAN NIGHT!

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Experience an exquisite Italian Feast on Friday, March 15th, accompanied by live entertainment from Twin Sons, led by our very own member, Steve Ballard.

Reserve your seat now for an evening of culinary delights and captivating music!

**Join us for an Italian Feast and some great LIVE MUSIC with Twin Sons**

**Menu:**

- Homemade Chicken Alfredo & Lasagna
- Loaded Salad Bar
- Fresh Italian Rolls
- Dessert

**\*\*\*Reservations Required\*\*\*  
Call the grill 442-5590 or Pro Shop  
859-9545 to get signed up!  
Time: 6:00-9:00  
Date: Fri., March 15th**

**\$75.00/per couple (plus tax and gratuity)**



# BLOODY MARYS AND MIMOSAS

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BEGINNING MARCH 16TH, JOIN US EVERY  
SUNDAY FROM 10:00-2:00  
FOR OUR BLOODY MARY & MIMOSA BAR.





# TOURNAMENT RESULTS CONT.

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We couldn't have chosen a better day to tee off our first "Mini" Member/Member or Member/Guest tournament of the season! 🏌️ With a 100-player field, the course was buzzing with excitement! 🏆 The temperatures soared past 60 degrees, and not a clout in site 🌞

## **Flight Champions:**

### **First Flight:**

1st Place Gross- Jeff Hawkins/Jonathan Niemela  
1st Place Net- Timmy Bolding/Michael Jordan  
2nd Place Net- Tim Pickel/Jacob Burgess  
3rd Place Net- Mike Rogers/Todd Garrett

### **Second Flight:**

1st Place Gross- Ryan Wells/Matthew Carden  
1st Place Net- John Calabria/David Vanderput  
2nd Place Net- Cole Garrison/Jeremy McCaulley  
3rd Place Net- Garry Renner/Tim Winkler

### **Third Flight:**

1st Place Gross- Sonny Huffman/John Bolt  
1st Place Net- Scott Phillips/Jerry Brown  
2nd Place Net- Justin Coleman/Haden Hall  
3rd Place Net- Brian Stone/Erik Moyer

### **Fourth Flight:**

1st Place Gross- Brian Bolding/Jonah Smith  
1st Place Net- Jim Connor/Mitch Reese  
2nd Place Net- Matt Infanti/Bryson Thomas  
3rd Place Net- Derrick Thompson

### **Fifth Flight:**

1st Place Gross- Steve Smale/Shukri El Khayyat  
1st Place Net- Trey Stephens/Loyal Piker  
2nd Place Net- Michael Horn/David Hule  
3rd Place Net- Brandon McCarson/Brooks Davis

# GOLF TIP OF THE MONTH!

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## Avoid Three Putts

Putting seems like it should be one of the easiest parts of the game, but it's not. Three putts are something that can plague a golfer of any skill level and if you can get through an entire round without one, you've done something right. When it comes to putting, speed is far more important than direction and if you learn how to control your pace, you won't have any of those testy 4-footers coming back for par.

If you've been struggling with your putting, throw down a few balls on the practice green before your next round. Aim at a hole 3 or 4 feet away and don't stop until you make 10 in a row. If you miss one, start over. After a while, those short little knee knockers will be much easier to make.

