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Golf News

Welcome New Members

Ethan Elm
Dalton Burts
Derick Heitkamp
Jay Manley
Tina Choi

Twilight Rate

Starting April 1, the rate for guests that play after 3pm on weekdays will be only \$45!

Hole in One Club

If you are not already a member, you are missing out! Become a member of the Hole in One Club today and the next time you make a hole in one, you receive \$5 from each member of the club to be used in the golf shop as credit. You can't win unless you play! Sign up in the golf shop today.

Summer Junior Camps

Summer is almost here and with the hot, long days come Junior Golf Camps! At camp kids will learn the basic fundamentals of the golf swing, play fun games with their friends, and learn proper golf and club etiquette as well. The kids will learn and play in the morning and early afternoon and then finally cool off down at the pool afterwards. Dates and times can be found below. Sign up today in the Golf Shop!

Tennis/Golf/Swim Camp – June 9th, 10th, 11th

Golf/Swim Camp – June 16th, 17th, 18th

Golf/Swim Camp – June 30th, 1st, 2nd

Spring Rules Reminders

As the golfing season gets underway what better time to remind our members of a few Club rules.

- Pace of play at Berkeley Hills is 4 hours or less.
- Walkers may hop on a cart only from 14 green to 15 tee. Any other time walkers will be charged a "hop on" fee.
- Children are able to use the clubs as members until the age of 24 or at the time they graduate college, whichever is first. After that time, they are considered guests and may only use the Club as your accompanied guest.
- The dress code for the course and practice facility requires shirts to be tucked in and caps to be on forward.
- Pull carts and electric pull carts are not allowed across any putting greens.
- At no time should your bag be placed on the green.
- All scores are required to be posted. The Handicap Committee will be reviewing score posting this Spring and will adjust handicaps as necessary.

Reminder

For the month of May, the Mixed Grill and workout facility will remain closed. Mother's Day Brunch and all other food and beverage events for the month of May will be cancelled and or postponed.

Lightning Policy

Lightning/Dangerous Weather Policy: Berkeley Hills Country Club does not offer guaranteed protection against lightning and/or dangerous weather (i.e. sudden lightning strikes). The Club uses an automated lightning detection system that will notify golfers, in most cases, that dangerous weather is approaching. The siren will sound one long blast. At this point, it is the Club's recommendation that all golfers stop play, return to the Club House immediately and await the all clear signal (three short blasts). However, the ultimate decision to continue or resume play will be left to the adult golfer's discretion. Junior golfers must come in from the course or seek shelter in the rest room area on hole seven. Golfers who elect to continue or resume play on their own will do so at their own risk. Golfers who abide by the Club's recommendation will be given priority positions when play officially resumes.





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BERKELEY SENIOR CORNER

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www.bhcc-senior-mens-golf.org

More and more golfers are showing up at Berkeley Hills, the parking lot is full and all the driving carts are out on the course with one person per cart. Berkeley encourages walking and more than 60 of our members have battery operated carts being charged in the cart barn. Awareness of the pandemic is quite evident with golfers and staff doing their part, practicing social distancing, avoiding touching anything that would leave or transmit the virus, sanitizing all surfaces in common use, frequent hand washing and so much more. With all these measures, everyone is enjoying the experience of our beautiful course and participating in the sport we love. We must continue personal responsibility. If you are not feeling well, don't come to play golf. If you come to play golf, and you become ill within two weeks after, please let Berkeley know. Information is crucial to halt the spread of the disease.

It is your personal decision to come out to play. Those of us that have been playing regularly for the past month are doing just fine (as far as we know). Recent studies indicate that seniors playing golf can reduce stress and provide needed exercise which results in a better survival rate by nearly 10% according to the new research presented by the American Stroke Association. If you decide not to play golf, please consider walking and exercise so you are fit when you start up the game again.

The Berkeley Senior Men's Golf Association is looking forward to starting up tournaments, match play, buddies' trips, socials and so much more. The first Senior Partner's Tournament originally scheduled for April 8 was cancelled and will be rescheduled for the Fall. The next event at Berkeley Stableford Points Tournament set for June 17. Sign up at the Pro Shop at the end of May.

Membership in BSMGA includes automatic membership in the North Atlanta Senior Men's Golf Association. Half of our \$40 membership fee is paid to the NASMGA to operate the official web site. All members of the Berkeley Seniors will have individual accounts with NASMGA to enter tournaments and follow the results. Berkeley is a member club with 16 other country clubs in the North Atlanta area. Eight of the clubs will host a tournament in 2020, one each month during the golfing season March to October. As of now, the first three tournaments have been cancelled. The full schedule is as follows:

Rivermont	3/24/20	ABCD 2 Low Net	CANCELLED
Woodmont	4/22/20	Shamble	CANCELLED
St. Ives	5/19/20	Step Aside	CANCELLED
Fairways of Canton	6/26/20	ABCD 1 Gr – 1 Net	
Indian Hills	7/27/20	ABCD	
Crooked Creek	8/20/20	Shamble	
Country Club of Roswell	9/24/20	2 Man Best Ball	
Windermere	10/20/20	Championship	



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Match Play:

The NASMGA Match Play schedule for 2020 is detailed on the www.nasmg.com website. Eighteen clubs will participate in 3 divisions of 6 teams each. Berkeley is in the Masters Division with Polo, Brookfield, Olde Atlanta, Fairways of Canton and Indian Hills. Berkeley was scheduled to play its first match against Polo Golf and Country Club on April 15. That match has been cancelled and rescheduled for a date in September. The next match in May against Olde Atlanta has been cancelled. NASMGA is now working out a schedule with fewer preliminary matches. Once the reduced schedule has been completed, 8 teams will qualify for the playoffs. Teams finishing first and second in the three divisions qualify and two third place teams scoring the most points will qualify as wildcards. Barry Lakas and Ed Odmark are Match Play Co-Captain. All correspondence regarding match play should be directed to Barry at brlakas@aol.com. New members please let Barry know if you would like to join the team.

For more information about the Berkeley Senior Men's Golf Association please direct your inquiry to Jim Andersen at ajimandersen@gmail.com.

Superintendent News May 2020

This is the month each year, we do our annual needle-tine aerification and scalping project of the greens. We were scheduled to do this on May 11th; but with the rescheduling of an outing, we are now going to begin on May 4th. Depending on the weather, this can take up to a couple of days. Sorry for the inconvenience, but it will make for a better Big Pig tournament on May 23rd.

I am sure everyone has noticed the thin areas throughout the golf course. These areas are from drought last summer into the fall. These are the areas that got hit the hardest and never recovered going into the winter. If you were here 4 years ago, we had the summer long drought. That next April, I was thinking we had around 90 acres of dead grass. We have 110 acres of turf from tee to green. You can imagine what that looked like versus today. I hopped on our little tractor and began fertilizing. Along with the Spring rains and a nice warm-up, by June 1st, you had never known anything had happened to the course the prior year. This is what we are doing this year. If you look in these thin areas, you will see shoots of grass coming out. We need warm weather and predictable rain, along with fertilizer, to get it going. I applied 7,000 pounds of quicker release fertilizer in April. I feel confident that by June 1st, that we will have minimized any sod replacement.

Any questions, please stop me and ask,

Chris Purvis

Upcoming Golf Schedule

May 4th	Green Scalping/Aerification
May 23rd	Big Pig
May 25th	Memorial Day Club OPEN
May 26th	Club CLOSED
May 30st	WGA Opening Day
June 5th	Couples Golf
June 13th	WGA Member-Member
June 15th	Atlanta Junior Golf
June 17th	Berkeley Senior Tournament (Individual Stableford Format)
June 19st	Couples Golf
June 27 - 28	Berkeley Classic





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Dining News

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Due to the Coronavirus, Member Events & Daily Restaurant Service will continue to be suspended for the safety of our Members & Staff

The Mother's Day Brunch has been canceled. The reopening of the Restaurant is yet to be determined at this time. As always, the health of everyone is of paramount concern to the Club. We will continue to provide additional updates as new information becomes available. The Turn Grill will continue to be open at this time.

Turn Grill Open for Service

The Turn Grill will be open daily for Member Service
Grab a burger, dog or cold canned beer before or after heading on course!

Hours of Operation

Beverage/Snack Service

Tue - Fri 9am - 6pm

Sat - Sun 8am - 7pm

Kitchen Service

Tue & Wed 11a - 3pm

Thu - Sun 11a - 5pm

The Menu includes:

Hamburgers or Cheeseburgers

Hot Dog

Deli Sandwiches - Turkey or Ham

Chips / Candy / Crackers

Bottled Soda / Power Ade

Canned Beer

Tennis News

All Tennis leagues are delayed. Recreational play is permitted.



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May 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	2 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm
3 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am-5:00pm	4 Club Closed	5 Clubhouse 7:00 am- 8:00 pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 3:00pm <i>Cinco De Mayo</i>	6 Clubhouse 7:00 am- 8:00 pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 3:00pm	7 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	8 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	9 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm
10 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am-5:00pm	11 Club Closed	12 Clubhouse 7:00 am- 8:00 pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 3:00pm	13 Clubhouse 7:00 am- 8:00 pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 3:00pm	14 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	15 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	16 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm
17 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am-5:00pm	18 Club Closed	19 Clubhouse 7:00 am- 8:00 pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 3:00pm	20 Clubhouse 7:00 am- 8:00 pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 3:00pm	21 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	22 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	23 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm BIG PIG
24 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am-5:00pm	25 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm <i>Memorial Day</i>	26 Club Closed	27 Clubhouse 7:00 am- 8:00 pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 3:00pm	28 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	29 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm	30 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am- 5:00pm WGA OPENING DAY
31 Clubhouse 7:00 am-8:00pm Turn Grill Service 11:00 am-5:00pm						