



Wildwood Green Golf Club

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Roger Watson – Owner

As you are already aware we have started the 2016 prepayment plan. The prepayments are another way to make your golf more affordable. August is the time we also establish the annual improvements list. Please turn in your suggestions on one of our comment cards.

Pace of play, pairings, use of golf carts and no shows have become a serious problem at Wildwood. We need your help! Effective immediately we can no longer allow use of more than two carts per group. The golf shop and starters will make every effort to pair groups to complete foursomes. In order to prevent no shows we may have to require a credit card to make a tee time and charge you for no shows. We are making every effort to make your hours worry free at Wildwood Green and you can help! Thank you for your membership!

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Rick Durham – Superintendent

As the heat and humidity continue this summer a few adjustments have been made to compensate. Mowing heights on greens have been raised and on extreme heat days greens are only rolled. Some form of aerification (venting) has been completed bi-weekly to open up the soil profile to allow water and air to move into it. This will continue right up until the September core aerification. Light top-dressings will be added in between venting to help improve ball roll, thin areas and ball mark repair. In the heat that we have been having, a properly repaired ball mark can take a week or more to heal. When repaired incorrectly a ball mark can take almost a month to heal. Always go to the edge and pull inward all the way around the mark. There are several Youtube videos demonstrating this and I would encourage everyone to Google the proper way to repair a ball mark. As always thank you for all your comments and suggestions. I can be reach via e-mail at rdurham@wildwoodgreen.com

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Jeff Engelhaupt – General Manager

Dear Members,

I want to thank you for your loyalty to Wildwood Green! We have started our 2016 prepayment plan and I encourage you to take advantage of the 10% discount by prepaying for 2016 during the month of August. If you are unable to prepay before the end of August you can still save money off your dues all the way through the end of December. See a golf shop employee immediately for your prepayment number!

We have recently received a new fleet of 70 golf carts. They are slightly different from the previous models and with a few different add-ons. We no longer have coolers on the side of the carts but you can still receive a bag of ice from Bogey's counter so your drinks can stay nice and cold!

Along with the new fleet of carts we have recently completed some cart path repair work and we hope you take notice! I plan to glue the Family Tee Golf Markers onto the cart path to help you better identify the locations of these tees. Again, the Family Golf Tees are rated by the CGA and any person can play a legitimate round and post the score to their handicap. I encourage you all to give them a try even if you don't have kids!

The last note I want to touch on is the slight dues increase we will have effective August 1st. For those of you who had prepaid for 2015 you will not be affected until January 1st of 2016. The dues increase is about 3% across the board. The cart fees will also be raised beginning August 1st. An 18 hole cart will be \$18 and a 9 hole cart will be \$12. A large bucket of balls will go for \$8 and a small will be \$5. We will still offer the buy 10 get 2 free range ball passes and look to promote cart fees in 2016 under a different program than what we did in 2015. Check your email frequently for upcoming promotions and feel free to grab a prepayment sheet at the golf shop counter. The sheets will reflect all new rate amounts as of August 1st!

Thanks and I look forward to seeing you at the club soon!

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, August 1st
Membership Prepay Begins

Saturday, August 8th
Skins Game

Sunday, August 9th
Couples Golf

Saturday, August 15th
PGA Championship Pool Closes

Thursday, August 20th
Thirsty 3rd Thursday

Saturday, August 22nd
Package Event #5

Sunday, August 23rd
Budwine Bash

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Mindy Glatfelter – Golf Shop Manager

The staff are looking forward to the upcoming events as we move into August and we are hoping the extreme heat will leave us for the month of August. Thank you to all the members for being patient this passed Monday as we closed down for a day so our maintenance team were able fix the greens. It allowed the greens to heal from the hot summer we have had.

As most of you have heard John Budwine has accepted the General Manager position at another golf course. We are sad to see him leave but excited for this new opportunity for him. We are inviting all the members and their families to come out Sunday, August 23rd to wish John luck in his future endeavors and to say farewell. Do not miss it, there will be food, drinks, music and fun.

We are kicking off the month with our PGA Championship pool which you can enter until August 11 at noon. We were happy to have enough entries to have two pools for the British Open! Congratulations to all the winners! A strong finish would be fun for the last major of the year so sign up before your next round!

A couple important dates and events to mark on your calendar would be the Fall Member-Member that is being held Saturday, September 26th and Sunday, September 27th and the Member-Guest that is scheduled for Saturday, October 10th and Sunday, October 11th. More details will be announced as we get closer to the events.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at mindy@wildwoodgreen.com.



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Jeff Sgroi – Food and Beverage Manager

As we head into August we are as busy as we are going to be all year. water, and cold beer are flying out of here.

Every weekend in August we will be outside grilling and/or smoking on the deck. Check out the daily special!

Our Thirsty 3rd Thursday this month is going to be another fun time. We will feature Caribbean drinks including piña colada, Bahama Mamas, and Rum Runners paired with our best effort to create Caribbean cuisine. Yes, Jamaican Jerk Chicken will be one of them...

Most of our staff will be heading back to school by the end of this month. This creates some opportunities at Bogey's. If you know anybody that would like to join the team, send them in!

We will be implementing a new wine policy starting this month. Come on in and I will explain it to you. I think it will work out for everybody.

Keep the suggestions and comment cards coming! They are very much appreciated. I can be reached at sgroi@wildwoodgreen.com Bogey's is looking forward to serve you!



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Key to Saving is by Prepaying your 2016 Membership Dues

Save up to \$551 by
Prepaying in August!

Prepay Begins Saturday, August 1st

Ask the golf shop for a
member dues chart!



Save up to 10% off your monthly dues by prepaying for you 2016 Membership!



If you prepay your monthly dues for 2016 you can prepay for your cart and range plan and save the same 10% on those services.

Prepaying your membership dues will guarantee your rates through 2016! If you have any prepayment questions please see a member of the Golf Shop as soon as possible!



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Comment Cards



Wildwood Green is dedicated to providing quality professional golf service to every customer. Please help us by giving your suggestions so that we may continue to improve. **When completing a comment card, please fully complete every section!** For each completed comment card you may receive a free fountain soda, coffee or hot chocolate from Bogey's Grill. We really appreciate your feedback and we look forward to better serving you in the future!

Skins Game

Saturday, August 8th – All Day

Join Wildwood Green for an all day skins game!



Members **MUST** have an established USGA Handicap. Members must enter before beginning their round.

Entry: \$10 (\$5 Gross / \$5 Net)



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Couples Golf

Sunday, August 9th – 5:00PM Shotgun



Format: Captain's Choice, Four Person Team

Entry Fee: \$30 per Member Couple plus \$20 Cart Fees
\$70 per Accompanied Guest Couple

Entry Fee Includes: Range balls before play, on-course contests, gift certificates to the winners and dinner will be provided by Bogey's Grill!



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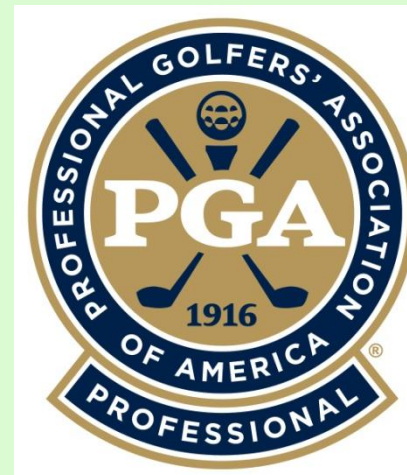
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PGA Championship Pool

Thursday, July 30th – Saturday, August 15th at Noon



\$5 per Entry,
No Limit on Entries



Members must have an established USGA Handicap and players must enter before their round. We will take the members net score and pair it with professional's Saturday and Sunday round playing in the U.S. Open.

Winners will be paid out in Gift Certificates!!



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Package Event #5

Saturday, August 22nd – 9:00AM Shotgun



Format: 3 Net on Even Holes/ 2 Net on Odd Holes

(You may only choose 1 other person to put on your four person team)

Entry Fee: \$30 per person plus Cart Fees

\$55 Accompanied Guest Fee

Entry Includes: Range balls before play, on-course contests, gift certificates to the winners and lunch after play provided by Bogey's!



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Thirsty 3rd Thursday

Thursday, August 20th – 6:00PM

\$12 per Person

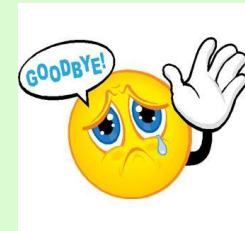


Join us for another exciting Thirsty 3rd Thursday! We will feature Caribbean drinks such as Pina Coladas, Rum Runners, and Bahama Mamas. We will also have Caribbean cuisine available to be paired with the fun drinks. Please sign up with Bogey's Grill by calling (919) 390-0347.

Bye-Bye Budwine Bash

Sunday, August 23rd

3:00PM -6:30PM



Join us for a fun celebration as we say goodbye to John and Nancy Budwine! There will be food, drinks, games and contests held at the outdoor pavilion. Please RSVP to the Golf Shop so we can get an accurate number for the food count. There will be an envelope located in the clubhouse to drop off cards and best wishes to the Budwine's throughout the month!



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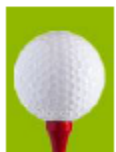

August Member Appreciation Month:

1. 3 Guests play for the price of 2 Guests
2. Fill out a Comment Card completely and be entered to win Free month of dues
3. Buy 5 Combos at Bogey's Grill and Get 1 Free
4. Bring a Junior on Saturday or Sunday after 2:00pm and pay only \$25. Monday – Friday Juniors can ride for \$20
5. Members may walk anytime beginning at 9:30 AM Saturday and Sunday

**Thank you for being Members at
Wildwood Green Golf Club!**



August 2015 Events Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>First Tee Time is at 7:00AM, excluding Monday's with the First Tee Time at 8:30AM</p> <p>Walking is Restricted until after 9:30AM on the Weekends for Members and 2:00PM for the Public</p> <p>Last Bucket of Range Balls is Sold at 8:00PM</p>						<p>1</p> <p>Member Prepay Begins! Save 10% until Aug. 31st</p> 
2	<p>3</p> <p>First Tee Time 8:30AM</p> <p>WildOats 9:00AM TT</p> <p>MGA – 5:00PM TT</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT</p>	<p>6</p> <p>WildOats 8:30 AM SG</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Skins Game</p> <p>All Day Tee Times</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Couples Golf</p> <p>5:00PM Shotgun</p> <p>Tee Time Restriction</p> <p>2:40PM – 5:15PM</p>	<p>10</p> <p>First Tee Time 8:30AM</p> <p>WildOats – 9:00 AM TT</p> <p>MGA – 5:00PM TT</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT</p>	<p>13</p> <p>WildOats 8:30AM SG</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT</p>	<p>15</p> <p>PGA Championship Pool</p> <p>Closes at Noon</p>
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<p>Budwine Bash</p> <p>3:00PM – 6:30PM</p> <p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>First Tee Time 8:30AM</p> <p>WildOats – 9:00 AM TT</p> <p>MGA – 5:00PM TT</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Wildflowers and WildOats –8:30 AM SG</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT</p> <p>Cardinal Gibbons Match</p> <p>3:30PM SG</p> <p>Tee Time Restrictions</p> <p>1:30PM – 4:00PM</p>	<p>27</p> <p>WildOats – 8:30 AM SG</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Gaggle – 10:00 AM TT</p>	<p>29</p>  <p>AUGUST</p>
<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>First Tee Time 8:30AM</p> <p>WildOats – 9:00 AM TT</p> <p>MGA – 5:00PM TT</p>					



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Member Accomplishments & Holes In One

Congratulations to

Jack Gorman shot one of his lowest rounds with an 80!

Sally Stoehr eagled #13 playing with Kim Waterhouse.

Sara Stuckey shot her best round ever with an 88!

Kenneth Ray had his first hole in one on #17 playing with Bob McMillan, Bernie Andrews and Nick Szews!

Dale Denny shot his age on July 3rd with a 78!

Rich Bradley had a Hole in One on #12. He cleared the Aces Pool with his Hole in One.



Rule of the Month

Rule: 22-2 Ball interfering with play

Question: What do I do if my opponents ball interferes with my lie?

Answer:

- A. Except when a ball is in motion, if a player considers that another ball might interfere with his play, he may have it lifted.
- B. A ball lifted under this rule must be replaced. The ball may not be cleaned unless it lies on the putting green.
- C. In stroke play, a player required to lift his ball may play first rather than lift his ball.
- D. When another ball is in motion, a ball that might influence the movement of the ball in motion must not be lifted.



Rules provided by:





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A Matter of Golf and Death --- By: John Paul

In 1937, the cremated remains of Charles Beach, the founder of Olympia Fields Country Club south of Chicago, were spread from a biplane above the club's then-four golf courses. Beach happened to be a bit of a kook. After identifying the excellent terrain for golf on which the club was built, he lost his focus a bit and essentially became a ward of the club, living for years on a small stipend in an upstairs room. "He was the crazy uncle in the attic," said club historian Robert Topel, who is also a [University of Chicago](#) economics professor.

Be that as it may, Beach seems to have started a tradition at Olympia Fields. During my first visit to the club in advance of the 2003 U.S. Open, our early-morning dew sweeper group discovered ashy remains strewn on the 3rd green. "Yes, a lot of our members are out there," Topel confirmed. Brian Morrison, the director of golf at Olympia Fields, told me during a visit last month, in advance of the U.S. Amateur in August, that he has instructed his family to spread his remains in the upper left corner of the 14th green. "It's my favorite place on earth," Morrison said.

Olympia Fields is far from the only golf course honored by the remains of avid golfers. In 1998, the ashes of Alan Shepard, the astronaut who hit two golf balls on the moon, were spread along with those of his wife from a Navy helicopter over Stillwater Cove in front of their home in Pebble Beach, Calif. Some of those ashes certainly drifted onto Shepard's beloved Pebble Beach golf course, according to Adam Clayman, an eyewitness.

The spreading of ashes, or "wildcat scattering" as it's known in the cremation industry, is of questionable legality when done on private property without permission. But that stops hardly anyone. Phil Young, author of the definitive history of Bethpage Black on Long Island, N.Y., said that hundreds of golfers' remains have been spread over the years on the Black and its four sibling courses at Bethpage State Park. "It's not permitted, but the park does nothing to impede the practice," said Young. (Reached for comment, a spokesman for the park said, "The official policy is that we don't allow it and I can only comment on that policy.")



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Cremation is on the rise in the U.S., approaching 50% nationwide, according to the Cremation Association of North America. However much non-golfers may snigger, it's as natural for the families of dedicated players to seek a favorite hole or golf course for ash spreading as it is for the families of sailors a bay.

Author James Patterson, an avid golfer himself, includes an ash-spreading scene in his recent novel, "Miracle at Augusta," co-written with Peter de Jonge. "I thought that scene was nicely emotional," Patterson said in a phone interview. "It's all of us. I've lost a couple of golf buddies."

For the more traditionally minded, however, there are other options. About five years ago a cemetery executive in Bellevue, Wash., named Arne Swanson played golf behind a family that stopped mid-round to spread the ashes of a loved one. Recognizing a possible new market niche, he created a dedicated golf section at Sunset Hills Memorial Park and Funeral Home in Bellevue. The centerpiece is a golf green with bunker, surrounded by small plots where golfers' remains can be inurned. The golf section includes a water hazard, a "leaderboard" with plaques to memorialize the deceased, a ball washer and a putter with balls for the use of mourners. "Most golfers wish they could spend more time on the course . . . How does an eternity sound?" reads the Sunset Hills brochure. "Green fees start at \$800."

"Spreading ashes is a wonderful idea, but what do you do later when you want to console yourself? Where's the permanence?" said Steven Wetmore, a current executive at Sunset Hills.

Golf-themed memorial services are also an option. "Baby boomers are changing the dynamics of funerals. The trend is away from church hymns and more toward a celebration of life," said Michael Schoedinger, president of the multi-location Schoedinger Funeral and Cremation Services in Columbus, Ohio.



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One common practice, Schoedinger said, is to place a bowl of golf balls, suitably logo-ed to honor the deceased, near the registration book and encourage guests to take one. Golf caskets are also available, including one painted to look like a sleeve of golf balls and another, called "Fairway to Heaven," emblazoned with a bucolic golf course scene.

Schoedinger's most memorable memorial was for a nonagenarian. Nine artificial putting strips, one for each decade of his life, were placed throughout the funeral home. Guests were given a putter and ball and learned about the deceased's life, through artifacts and memorabilia on display, as they completed a nine-hole round. Even Donald Trump is getting into the game. Recently his Trump National Golf Club in Bedminster, N.J., received the permits necessary to build a cemetery near the 14th hole of its New Course. The plots will primarily be for members.

"I talked to some of the members. 'You guys are here all day long. You love the place. Wouldn't you want to be buried here?'" Trump told me on the phone this week. "At first they said it was a terrible idea, but later they came over and said, 'That's a great idea.'"

Does Trump himself want to be buried there? "Honestly I don't even know. I hate thinking about it. I'm in this dilemma, I have so many great places," he said, referring to the 20 golf clubs he owns worldwide. What about spreading his ashes on all the courses? "Maybe, but again, I hate to think about it. It's depressing," Trump said.



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