



September 2016
Lees Hill Newsflash
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Club Championship Results
Saturday and Sunday, August 13 & 14

Championship Flight (Men):

Gross:

Champion: Drew Sites 151

2nd Todd Pickering 153

3rd Matt King 158

Net:

1st Terry Luce 149

2nd Jim Kreger 150

3rd Butch Boutchyard 151

Championship Flight (Ladies):

Gross

Champion: Brenda Sites 160

2nd Place-Flo Shanahan 184

3rd Mary Helen Means 198

Net:

1st Kit Burns 149

2nd Barbara Gregory 162

Senior Flight:

Gross

Champion: Kerry Lundin 149

2nd Place-Gary Stefaniga 150

3rd Place-Paul Lindblad 155

Net

1st Place-Jeff Wholey 141

2nd Place-Ronnie Quayle 145

3rd Place-Steve Corbin 145

Super Senior Flight:

Gross

Champion: Ron Hake 152

2nd Place-Johnnie Dunkum 141

3rd Place-Jim Leahy 170

Net

1st Place-Rick Gray 141

2nd Place Bob Davis 145

3rd Place- Mike Hoopes 154

*Closest to Pin t #7)- Drew Sites 14'7"

*Closest to Pin (#14)- Mac Smith 10'6"

*Closest to Pin (#5)- Todd Pickering 4'11"

*Closest to Pin (#17)-Ron Hake 13'8"

Overall Net Champion: Jeff Wholey 141

Cameron Hills Closed . Events to be held here

As many of you are aware, Cameron Hills is now closed. In our efforts to assist displaced events; we may have a few extra events. We will send out emails and try our very best to communicate these events. **On Saturday, October 1st with a Noon Shotgun start, we will be hosting the Sgt Nicholas Conan Mason Memorial Tournament.** This event has exceeded 100 players.

****A 7:30 am Member/Public shotgun start for those wanting to play that day before the outing has been set up. Please contact the pro shop to sign up.**

Attention ALL Members

It is very important to us to keep our members updated on all events and activities. In order to do this we need current contact information. Please call or email the club if you have had any changes to your address, cell phone, home phone or email.

There are several convenient ways for you to contact any of us:

Cindi: csankey@leeshillgc.com

Jamie jloughan@leeshillgc.com.

Chuck or Pro shop: 540-891-0111

Fax: 540-891-5258.

Have you signed up for Member Guest?

We encourage all members to sign up for this premier event.

The signup sheet is located at the podium Flights will be established before the Friday night social, so everyone will know what flight they will be in on Friday night.

Member Guest Grand Prize



If we reach 30 teams the Member Guest will have a Grand Prize this year. One Lucky Member will receive a **Cart Plan for ONE YEAR.** So let's get signed up to play and reach that 30 team goal.

Charitee Tickets for Member Guest

Each player will receive a Charitee Ticket.

Hole in One!

Congratulations Brian Gaines, Hole in one on #5, August 22, 2016.

Jr. Golf Camp

This year 87 children participated in the Jr. Golf Camp programs in June, July and August. We were excited to see so many Jr Golfers learn from our team of pros. Thank you to all the parents and see you next year. Jr. Golf Camp flyer for 2017 will be available on line in January.

Players Pass 2017 – Available Now in the Pro Shop

Great for friends and family. Details are on line and in the foyer.

Glowball, Friday, October 28th



This is a favorite and maxes out early. Friday, October 28th at 7pm, shotgun start. Dinner is at 6pm. Regular fee plus \$30. Sign up is a must. Enjoy a nice dinner then play 9 holes in the dark. Bring your flashlight! Prizes at conclusion. Call or stop by the pro shop to sign up 540-891-0111.

Member Guest Sponsor Page:

Member Guest this year will be on September 23-25 with a social on the 23rd. A list of our current sponsors is being compiled and will be on the website soon. Go to the home page and click on the Member Guest Button and go to the Thank You to our sponsors. If you have any questions about Member Guest, call Jamie or Cindi in the clubhouse. We are only a few weeks away! **Get \$600 in sponsors & your Member Guest entry fee for you and your guest is Free.**

September & October

We would like to encourage you to review the enclosed calendar, review the on line calendar and become familiar with the events that are taking place in the busiest part of the season, September & October. As we move into these months, not only are golf outings taking place but groups from all parts of the country are coming to our wonderful area. If the date and time you want to play is not available, we encourage you to contact us directly. We would be glad to contact one of our neighboring golf courses and do our best to see what they have available for you. We are monitoring the tee sheet very closely and free up tee times as the information becomes available to us.

SPCA Donation Bin – One can at a time



Let's each just pick up one can of cat or dog food and put it into the bin in the Grill Room.

Many other items you have around your home that can be used: Newspapers, Old or new clean blankets, old towels, dog & kitty dishes, bottle of bleach or a roll of paper towels. So far this year we have donated over 1,500 lbs of dry dog food, numerous blankets, towels, leashes and dishes and newspapers, along with many cases of moist cat food, kitty toys and kitty accessories. Thank you everyone and let's remember our furry homeless friends in the upcoming holiday season.

TURF TALK



Please tell me Summer is over and that cooler temperatures have arrived to aid in the recovery of turf. Tropical –like weather patterns from mid July through August made it extremely difficult to manage the putting greens, and caused significant decline in health. Persistent rain, high humidity and night-time temperatures all contributed to a loss of control over the amount of soil moisture. Greens that are in more challenging environments (#4,5,11,15) suffered the most because they do not have the air movement to dry out and allow the turf to breathe. Once saturated, roots are compromised and the plant is more vulnerable to both mechanical and biological stress. Greens were spiked weekly, aerated twice with .25" tines, and wetting agent designed to push water through the soil profile was applied, all in attempt to provide oxygen and reduce moisture. While we have experienced some turf loss, these practices helped prevent us from losing greens completely.

Temperatures dropped briefly August 23rd and 24th, giving us the opportunity to aerate, seed and topdress greens. We will not mow for about a week as temperatures have returned to the mid 90's and we would like to give the turf a chance to recover and seed to germinate. Please be patient with the condition of greens. I expect much improvement in two weeks and hope for full recovery within a month. The second half of Summer produced the most difficult conditions I have experienced and most courses in the Mid-Atlantic have suffered. Quite a few courses have closed for several weeks to recover from the wet wilt and decline.

Weather was not our only challenge through the month. Nematodes (microscopic worm-like creatures) invaded our greens contributing to our root loss. These creatures historically are not a problem in our area, but this has not been a normal season. Greens were treated with insecticide and populations have been reduced to a level that will not cause more damage. We also had vandalism to #9 green, injury from geese and Cicada Killers, numerous irrigation breaks, and half my labor returned to college. Our mower that cuts the intermediate cut around fairways is no longer operable so that feature will now become rough until next season. I don't mean to complain so much but it has been difficult, and I would like to communicate why we are not at our best and what we are doing to return to great conditions.

The positives right now are that fairways and tees are in excellent shape and greens should improve with Autumn weather.

Thanks, Brian Roudabush, Superintendent

****Take Care****

**Fix ball marks, 90 degrees,
Trash in cans
Pick up used Tees**