



August 2018

Know Anyone Interested In Membership?

RiverTowne offers a variety of membership levels. From Full Golf to Social with Range privileges there are options for everyone! If you or someone you know is interested in learning more please have them contact Ally Doyle at ally.doyle@rivertownecountryclub.com

Around The Club

Yoga Classes

Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

YOGA Restore this class is designed to be gentle and restorative while at the same time increasing energy levels with deep breathing to rejuvenate and restore the mind. Gentle sun salutations and ample floor/mat work will focus on stretch and strength and will be gentle on the joints. This is the perfect class for a beginner but also for an advanced student who is interested in a more therapeutic and meditative practice.

Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

YOGA Invigorate this class is designed for students who desire to expand their practice in all areas and complexities. There will be a generous amount of flow and salutations with great stretch and strength. It will entail strength and cardio segments that will raise the heart rate and fire up muscles focusing on the mind and breath finishing with a well earned savasana! This class is for an active person that desires a physical challenge with a mantra of "Get strong/be calm"!



6 week sessions
beginning
July 10 and 11

Members: \$60 for one class and \$100 for a 2 class package deal

Public: \$75 for one class and \$130 for a 2 class package deal

To reserve your spot, contact Ally Doyle
843-849-2400 ext. 3 or
ally.doyle@rivertownecountryclub.com



RiverDogs Tickets

As a member of RTCC, you are also a season ticket holder for the Charleston RiverDogs!

We have four (4) season tickets for members of the Club to reserve and use at your leisure. Tickets may be reserved up to 30 days in advance. One game permitted per membership. You may view the complete 2018 RiverDogs schedule at www.riverdogs.com.

You may reserve your tickets by calling Jeff at 843-849-2400 ext 2 or email jhanclosky@rivertownecountryclub.com



Golf Shop Hours:

Monday
8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday
6:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Main Phone:
843-849-2400

Tee Times:
843-849-2400 ext 2

Membership:
843-849-2400 ext 3

Restaurant:
843-849-2400 ext 5

Club Website:
rivertownecountryclub.com

Member Website:
**[rivertowncountryclub.
memberstatements.com](http://rivertowncountryclub.memberstatements.com)**

Club Dining

Burgers and Brews

Each Thursday enjoy a special selection of Chef's burgers expertly paired with specially selected beer.



Additional entree specials will also be available!

PLUS enjoy half price bottles of wine at dinner on Thursdays!

Friday Happy Hour

Enjoy 50% off snack items, Chef's nightly specials and drink specials!



Take Out Menu

Takeout is available Tuesday through Saturday. Call in your order BEFORE NOON and dinner will be ready and waiting for you! Orders are available for pick up in Palmer's Grill at RiverTowne Country Club anytime between 3:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Check our lobby or website for the current takeout menu

delicious.

Lunch and Brunch

Palmer's Grill is open for lunch Tuesday-Saturday from 11:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m. and brunch on Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Make sure to grab a loyalty punch card and earn a free entree!

All Things Golf

*Note From The Pro:
Written by Pete Dunham, PGA
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The Movement.... Take 2 Fix 2

After last month's article on putting (remember: putt, putt, putt, putt.....), most of you should be putting better by now. Your frustration now should be BALL MARKS on the green! Seriously, we hear it on a regular basis. Everyone assumes that others are rudely NOT fixing their ball marks.

Truth is, where ever golf is played, there's a ball mark issue on the greens. While there are a few reasons why most of us (yes, I'm including myself in this) don't fix ball marks on every hole- I think that as a group, we can seriously reduce the issue of ball marks on our putting greens. Please read on!

Let's start with some common reasons for NOT fixing ball marks. As I paid close attention to the habits of both my playing partners and myself over the past few weeks, I noticed that even seasoned golfers don't consistently fix ball marks on every hole. Here's a list of 5 excuses for not fixing ball marks.

1. People are lazy. Yup- reality is, some people just won't fix ball marks... However, I do believe it's the exception for our members, not the rule.

2. Most golfers are in the habit of NOT fixing ball marks... That's right- think about it. The average golfer hits 3-5 greens per round. That means that 12-15 times a round, they are not thinking about fixing ball marks. While I'd love golfers to get into the habit of TAKING 2 AND FIXING 2 ball marks every time they step onto the green, reality is, people don't- and the few greens they do hit, they may forget altogether to fix their ball mark.

3. Golfers can't find their OWN ball mark. I've noticed this behavior in myself as well as other good players that I've watched over the past couple of weeks. We may be in the habit of fixing ball marks, but if we can't find our own.... We often simply don't fix any ball marks..... This is something I hope changes going forward! Find a ball mark, and fix a ball mark.

4. Low spin.... Ball hits front of green, finishes on back of green. I noticed another easy way to NOT fix a ball mark is if you hit the front of the green and your ball ends up on the back of the green. It's easy to drive your cart around the cart path towards the back of the green and simply never walk back up to the front of the green.... Wish it weren't true.... But it happens!

5. Ball hits green, and rolls off green. Same idea, and it's a habit that I am actively trying to break!!!! When a ball hits the green and then rolls or bounces off the green, our focus is (and should be) on the next chip/pitch shot we have. It's extremely easy to completely forget to fix your ball mark when this happens.

OK, so now let's change our habits! When you walk on a green, simply take a couple of seconds and fix a couple of ball marks.... It's that simple. My hope is to start a MOVEMENT. The TAKE 2 FIX 2 MOVEMENT...

If 50 members created the habit of taking 2 and fixing 2 every time they stepped on a green, it could have a huge impact on the putting surfaces. Think about it... Most golfers only hit 1/4 of the greens. We have around 100 golfers each day. There simply aren't that many ball marks on any given green in a single day. If we can get 25-50 golfers TAKING 2 AND FIXING 2 on EVERY green- we should be able to wipe out a large portion of the ball mark issues on our greens. Get it? I think that's pretty cool.

Be a part of the MOVEMENT. The TAKE 2 FIX 2 MOVEMENT. Thanks in advance for making your course better!

Want to learn more? Contact any of the pro's at RiverTowne Country Club!

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Upcoming Events

August 11th : Chapman Alternate Shot

September 8th - 9th : RiverTowne vs Dunes
West Challenge

September 2st - 23rd : Rivertowne Club
Championships

Summer Starting Times

Monday - 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday-Friday - 7:30 a.m.

Saturday-Sunday - 7:30 a.m.

Summer Range Hours:

Monday-Saturday
first tee time - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday
first tee time - 5:30 p.m.*
(the range closes earlier to
prepare for Monday maintenance)



2018 Tournament Calendar

• **August 11 (Sat)***
Chapman

• **September 8-9**
T/DW Challenge

• **September 21-23***
Club Championship

• **October 5 (Fri)***
MGA Event—1 Day Member Guest

• **October 21 (Sun)***
Ladies Member Guest

• **November 3-4***
Men's Member Member (MGA)

• **December 8 (Sat)**
Tough Day Scramble

* = palmer cup points awarded

2018 Palmer Cup Standings

Women's Division

1. Shawn Martini 450
2. Sue Jones 350
3. Karen Snyder 338
4. Lynda Bartemeyer 310
5. Robin Moyer 295
6. Marilyn Smith 258
7. Leigh Anne Cone 258
8. Judy Dekeukelaere 248
9. Lois Lewis 160
10. Christine Fuson 140
11. Patty Tykal 110



Men's Division

1. Brad Snyder 390
2. Haynes Johnson 380
3. Donald Martini 350
4. Greg Martin 310
5. Bryan Alfaro 270
6. Shuan Kent 265
7. Jason Ward 240
8. Louis Muir 230
9. Glenn Strovilas 230
10. Bruce Thompson 220
11. Blair Jennings 220
12. Jim Mears 220
13. John Saunders 220
14. Patrick Sherman 220
15. Michael Gregory 210
16. Mike Montgomery 200
17. Rob Rhoads 200
18. Peter Rosecrans 200
19. Rick Bartemeyer 200
20. Keith Fuson 195

Others News...

**Note From the Pro: USGA Test Site
for 2019 Penalty Zones**

The USGA has contacted RiverTowne Country Club to be a test site for one specific upcoming rules change in 2019.

From **July 9th thru August 19th**, RiverTowne members will be asked to post scores and play by the new PENALTY ZONE rules.

All our current water hazards will, for the testing period, be played as penalty zones. In addition, a few other areas will be **marked red** and considered penalty zones for the next 6 weeks. Areas to be deemed penalty zones will be the left waste area on #4 as well as the pampas grass mounds on holes #10 and 16.

During the test period we are asking that all members, even during Match Play and other events, play the penalty zones by the 2019 Rules of Golf.

In a penalty zone, you may:

- Ground your Club
- Take practice swings
- Move loose impediments

Taking relief from a penalty zone will be the same as relief from what we currently call a lateral water hazard.

Please note: NO OTHER RULES FOR 2019 WILL BE TESTED DURING THIS PERIOD. My hope is that my staff does not engage in discussions on any other new rulings during this test. We think it's best to keep this as simple as possible.

Let us know if you have any questions about the testing period, and we welcome any feedback on the new rules.

Thanks for your participation

Pete Dunham, PGA Professional

August 2018

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

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Burgers and
Brews

Friday Night
Happy Hour

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Monday
Maintenance

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Burgers and
Brews

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Friday Night
Happy Hour

11

Chapman

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Monday
Maintenance

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Burgers and
Brews

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Friday Night
Happy Hour

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Monday
Maintenance

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Trivia

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Burgers and
Brews

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Friday Night
Happy Hour

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Monday
Maintenance

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Burgers and
Brews

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Friday Night
Happy Hour