

Wolf Laurel Country Club Newsletter

September 2014

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2013-2014

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From the President ~ R.T. Davis

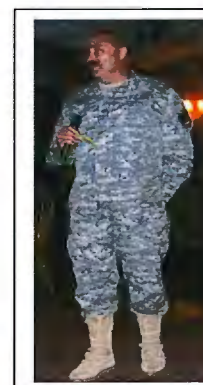


It is hard to believe that when you receive this newsletter we will be three quarters of the way through our season. We have 21 new members this year, the budget is tracking well, and member participation in our social events has been outstanding.

I would like to remind everyone that we will have our **Veterans Appreciation Dinner** on September 13, following the Special Operations Warrior Foundation (SOWF) golf tournament. I underline the "appreciation" because the dinner is not just for our WLCC Veterans, but a way for us to thank those members who have served. In 2010 our guest speaker was **Jerry and Jo Ann Isom's son Tom Isom**. *Colonel Isom* is back in the USA after his last assignment in South Korea and has agreed to come once again to be our guest speaker for the Veterans Appreciation Dinner. Lynn Matthews has the lead for our fourth annual SOWF golf tournament and already has two major sponsors. This is a wonderful foundation and only has a 5.1% overhead. The rest of the contribution goes to the education of those children who have lost a mother or father in action or training. Please call and make your reservations now at 828-680-9773.

The schedule of events:

8:30am - Registration & Breakfast
9:30am - Presentation of Colors
10:00am - Shotgun Start
3:30pm - Awards Presentation & Raffle
6:00pm - Veterans Appreciation Dinner



Colonel Isom

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Mac Miller will be at the Flyboys/Veterans dinner with his family who has come to celebrate his 100th birthday. I would like our dinner on Saturday, September 13th to be Wolf Laurel Country Club's acknowledgement and celebration of his 100th birthday and to thank him for his many missions in the Pacific Theater in WWII. **Colonel Mac Miller** has been an inspiration to the country club for many years.

I would like to thank **Roy and Crystal McMurray** and all their committee helpers for their time and effort in sponsoring the Duck Calls and Overalls Party on August 16th. I am sure there will be many pictures in this newsletter of the many members who dressed the part. As always, our chef, **Jeff Crowder**, stayed with the theme and the dinner was outstanding.



**Colonel Mac Miller
Celebrating his 100th Birthday!**



**Crystal & Roy
McMurray
at the
Duck Calls
and
Overalls Party
dancing the night
away.**

Once again, our Open Mike Night on August 13th was a display of extraordinary member talent. **John Ritchhart** on the mandolin, **Terry Deal** on the base and **Joe Capers** and **Bob Hicks** on the guitar. **Bob Hicks** was also a featured entertainer with a couple of songs that he has written. Well done to our WLCC talent!! Look for our next Open Mike Night and give our group your favorite tune and be prepared to sing along.



John Ritchhart – Terry Deal – Joe Capers and Bob Hicks playing at Open Mike Night

General Manager

Bobby Anglin

It does not seem possible that Fall is right around the corner, but it is. So far through August, the operational budget is still on track. The Food and Beverage departments along with Golf Course Maintenance are doing really well. Golf play is down so far this year so all you golfers get out on the course and invite some friends up to play along with you.

We have been receiving many inquiries about the club in the past month. I want to thank Cary Monroe for spearheading a program that has created many of the leads. The Membership Committee also continues to do a great job in generating leads on potential new members so hopefully we can pick up a few more before the end of the year.

We have the General Membership meeting coming up on September 20th, so be on the lookout for information pertaining to that meeting. Remember to keep an eye on the schedule of events and the weekly E-Blast to see what is happening next at the club. As always please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns at Banglin24@yahoo.com.

Turf Talk by Scott Sparks

Well it is that time of year again for that "mean ole" superintendent and those putting destroyers at the maintenance facility to tear up our perfectly fine putting greens. Why in the world would they do such a thing? Obviously I am talking about aerification and in this month's edition of turf talk I hope to answer some questions and add some more insight into the dreaded task that we will be doing the week of September 15th.

As much as you hate to see us tear the greens up in September, just remember we hate it pretty bad too. We dread to see them torn up as we usually just got them where we wanted them at this time of year, plus it takes a lot of extra tender care to bring them back from the aggressive nature of the practice. But I promise it is a necessary evil in this business. Most people think the reason for aerification is to reduce compaction from all the play and mowing done during the year. This is one reason we do it but it is at the bottom of the list. If this was the only reason, then Wolf Laurel could get away with one time a year of aerifying as we don't have a tremendous amount of play and are only open six months. The main reason we perform this practice is to remove organic material that has built up during the year. Organic matter is produced as long as the plant is growing, when new growth emerges on the grass plant the old dead leaves go into the ground, thus leading to organic matter build up. The USGA (United States Golf Association) recommends that about 20% organic matter should be removed during the year and every year. Organic matter that builds up above these levels leads to reduced pesticide and fertilizer effectiveness as these chemicals get tied up in this layer. This means more money spent on these products as you have to use more products and apply them more often to get satisfactory benefits. Also more water has to be used to get through this layer to wet the roots and keep the plant alive. Another reason we aerify is for gas exchange in the soil. Harmful gasses can build up in the soil throughout the year that can lead to root suffocation and plant death. Also roots need oxygen to grow and the more oxygen we can get to the root zone the better. Compaction is another reason we aerify, this is when the top layer of soil has hardened off to a point that it is hard to get any product (pesticide, fertilize or water) to penetrate the soil which can obviously lead to plant death. To sum up, the benefits of aerification far outweigh the negatives. It would be similar to a doctor telling you that you should get a medical practice performed and if you don't your health could decline although you feel fine at the present moment. We are going to be fertilizing them heavily before and after so that grow-in will be faster and less disruption to you. Sorry for the inconvenience and thanks in advance for your patience and if you have any questions about anything on the golf course feel free to contact me. (wolfsden20@gmail.com or 828-680-9775).

PUTTER PATTER by Cole Huskins

Greetings from the Pro Shop. September will bring with it more exciting golf events. First will be the Labor Day Scramble on Monday, September 1st. The event this year will be a shotgun start at 9:30am. This event is a four-person scramble and you can make your own foursome or the golf shop can pair you with a foursome. The entry fee for the tournament is \$10 per player.

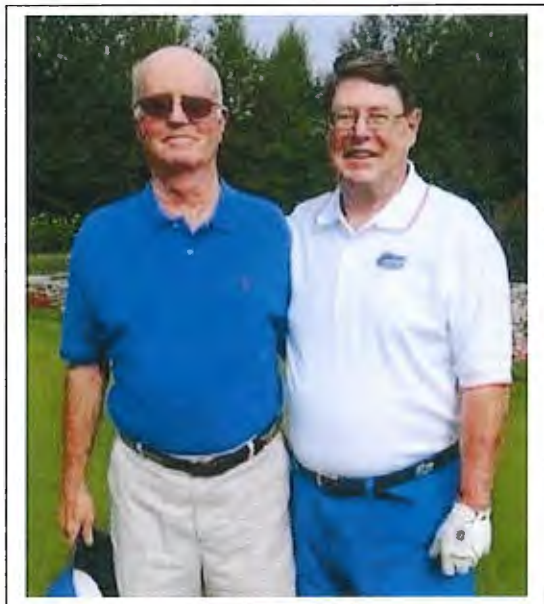
On Thursday and Friday September 4th and 5th we will have the sixth annual Men's Ryder Cup event. This is a team event with the formats changing each nine holes on both days. The captain for the Red Team will be John Meade and for the Blue Team Bobby Anglin. This is a great event so be sure to sign up on the board outside of the Pro Shop.

Next we will have the SOWF Fundraiser which will be Sept. 13th. This is a four person scramble event and you can make your own team for this event. Please contact the Pro Shop or Lynn Matthews for details.

I would like to congratulate the winners from the August tournaments, starting with the Club Championship. The Women's Club Championship was a close event this year in the Gross Division, with Cheryl Simmons edging out Karen Stormer in a playoff. Both ladies played very well the second day to take the lead, but after only one playoff hole Cheryl took the championship. In the Net Division, Judy Walker backed up her win from last year making her a repeat Net Champion. Congratulations to these ladies for their wonderful play.

The Men's Club Championship was full of drama and excitement this year. After cancelling the first day due to inclement weather, the Championship was played in one day. David Wiggins and new Member Bob Lahr both finished the round with a score of 81, barely edging out John Ford who carded an 82. Like the ladies, there was a sudden death playoff for the Men's Championship. This playoff also lasted only one hole with David Wiggins making Par and Bob Lahr making Bogey. In the net division Bob Lahr, won with a commanding lead by carding a 68 to claim the title. We also had a Blended Tee Division this year, and it was a close match like the others. John Steiger carded a Net 76 to win the Net Division by one stroke. Congratulations to these men.

Next, the Member/Member Tournament was a big success. In the Men's Division finishing first place was, Tom Graham and Wylie Hatcher, with a two day total of 123, bettering the reigning champions Warren Johnson/John Ritchhart, Ron Anselmo/Cecil Burnett, Chris Stec/Mike Gordon, and Tom Sivertsen/Bob Lahr by 10 strokes. In the Ladies' Division Minnette Sailors and Colleen West took the Championship with a score of 128. Finishing second was the team of Susan Ritchhart and Carol Krueger. Congratulations and thanks to all of these participants.



Wylie Hatcher and Tom Graham – First Place



Colleen West and Minnette Sailors- First Place

Cheryl Simmons is the 2014 Women's Club Champion by Cathy Johnson

In an exciting stroke play match, Cheryl Simmons and Karen Stormer tied for the 2014 Women's Club Championship. A playoff was held on Hole one and Cheryl emerged as the winner. Judy Walker was the net champion. We are hopeful that more women will sign up next year so that we can create flights for play, based on handicap.

The Member/Member Tournament was held on July 24th and 25th. Winners were: first place with a net score of 128, Minnette Sailors and Colleen West; second place with a net score of 147, Carol Krueger and Susan Ritchhart.

Several WGA'ers traveled to Mountain Air on July 29th for their annual invitational. Placing 2 net in their flights were Minnette Sailors and Susan Tygart. Five ladies traveled to High Vista on August 12th: Cathy Johnson, Cheryl Simmons, Karen Stormer, Judy Walker and Colleen West. Karen won 3rd place gross in her flight and Cathy tied for low net in her flight.

The Solheim Tourney will be held on August 27th and 28th. The Blue and Yellow teams compete in a Match Play format which creates lots of excitement and a competitive spirit. Captains this year will be Minnette Sailors, Blue Team, and Harriett Hill, Yellow Team.

Several women have shot their best EVER round at Wolf Laurel this season. Congratulations to: Deb Erickson, Sharon Foster, Harriett Hill, Mary Stec and Karen Stormer.

The final play day scramble, lunch and business meeting of this season will be held on September 24th. This will be an especially important meeting because officers for next year will be elected. Please plan to attend.

Play will continue on Wednesdays until the end of October when the club closes.



K. Stormer & C. Simmons Club Champ



L to R: Burnett-Tygart-Sailors-Walker-Krueger-West-Simmons-Stormer
Front L to R: Stec and Johnson "Women's Club Champion Participants"



C.Krueger-M. Sailors-B.Lahr-C.Johnson & S. Ritchhart

DUCK CALLS AND OVERALLS PARTY



L to R: Lisa Rutherford-Gidget Frese-Marcia Sawczyn and Crystal McMurray



L to R: Lisa Baldwin and Nat & Barb Pieper



Roy McMurray "The Toilet Toss Game"



Nancy and John Ionoff



Stephannie and Oscar Suarez





Labor Day Tournament

and

Cookout

September 1st

11am - 2pm

Come join us
for some great
food ...

BBQ - Hamburgs - Hot Dogs

Potato Salad - Cole Slaw

Chips - Cookies and Brownies



September 10th at 6pm

**The terms of four members of the present Board of Directors of Wolf Laurel Country Club will
expire on September 20, 2014.**

**You must vote for three (3) Golf Members and
one (1) Social Member on each ballot.**

See choices below:

Golf: Suzan Bergland - Time Berry - Bob Byrd - John Ionoff - John Shofi - Oscar Suarez

Social: Ann Fee - Carol Trousdale

Be watching for your voting packet in the mail soon.

*Honoring All
Who Served*



VETERANS DAY

September 13th

Veterans Appreciation Dinner 6pm at WLCC
Golf Tournament call Pro Shop for details 680-9772

Reservations 680-9773



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Dear WLCC Member,

As Chairman of the Special Operations Warrior Foundation (SOWF) golf tournament, I have been asked many times to describe the foundation and how we might support it.

For 34 years, the Special Operation Warriors foundation, a top rated 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization, has provided support and assistance to the families of fallen and wounded Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps Special Operators through its two programs: (1) full college educations for the children of fallen special operations warriors, and (2) immediate financial grants to the families of severely wounded Special Operators.

SOWF was recently awarded top rating from Charity Navigator for the EIGHTH consecutive year placing SOWF in the top 1% of all charities. Only 5% of monies donated go to administrative cost, the remaining 95% to the mission.

How can we help?

For golfers the tournament is September 13, 2014. It's a four person scramble and the entry fee is \$85.00 per person. The fee includes golf, breakfast, and lunch. Full details can be found in the sign-up tri-fold located in the pro shop.

For non-golfers there is a wide range of opportunities: We have three levels of major sponsorships. The Gold is at \$5000.00, Silver \$2000.00, and Bronze \$1000.00. All levels include golf participation and are primarily for companies.

For individuals, we have a Breakfast or Lunch sponsor for \$750.00, Closest-to-the-pin at \$250.00 and Hole Sponsor for \$100.00.

Also, we are having a silent auction. Please contact John Shofi at (828) 680-9041 or email jdshofi@gmail.com, if you have any items that you wish to donate to SOWF for the silent auction. A charitable deduction can be taken for this donation.

Finally, we have individual donations for any amount. Checks should be made payable to SOWF and placed in the collection boxes in the club foyer, the pro shop, and the lounge or mailed to: Joe Capers, 191 Marna Lane, Mars Hill NC 28754

For tax purposes the estimated fair market value of goods and services is \$51.00 per person. The remaining amount is tax deductible in accordance with applicable IRS rules and regulations. The Special Operations Warrior Foundation Tax ID# is 52-113585.

Any questions please call me at 828-689-9689 or send an email to lynnotto@gmail.com

Best Regards,

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Lynn Matthews

Pot Luck

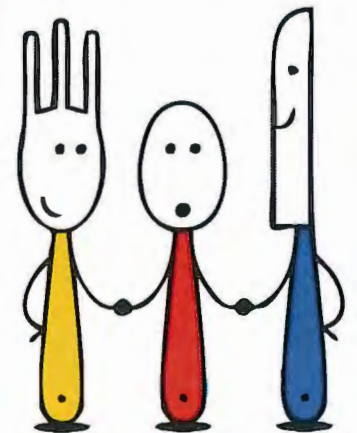
**Everyone Brings Something
to the Table.**

**September 14th
and
September 28th**

What: Pot Luck

Where: WLCC in the Lounge

When: 5:00 pm



We are having a gathering and your invited. Come, hang out, eat some grub, bring a dish to pass and enjoy some laughs. Golf if you like then come join us in the lounge at 5:00pm for a good time.

Annual Meeting & Election

Saturday, September 20, 2014

8:30 am Registration

9:00 am Meeting Begins

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!

Be sure to cast your vote.

*If you are not able to be here in person,
please be sure to submit your PROXY*



September 1st – Labor Day Tourney & BBQ
September 3rd – Town Hall Meeting
September 4th – Ryder Cup Tournament
September 5th – Ryder Cup Tournament & Apps
September 10th – Meet the Candidates
September 13th –SOWF Tournament & Dinner
September 14th – Sunday Potluck
September 15th – Board Meeting
September 20th – General Membership Meeting
September 20th – Meet and Mingle
September 24th – WGA Luncheon & Meeting
September 24th – Chef's Dinner
September 28th – Sunday Potluck

Eat, Drink
AND BE SCARY

if you dare...

JOIN US
October **11th**

*Dinner
and
Monster
Mash
Dancing*

6:00
in the evening

Costumes
recommended but not required

RSVP

680-9773

Town Hall Meeting
At
Wolf Laurel Country Club
Wednesday – September 3rd
3pm

Discussion Topics:

The Board will lead an informational meeting on the remodeling of the club and golf course and will be available to answer any questions.

This is a great opportunity to learn the facts

Come to our
“Tour of the States”

Chef's Dinner

September 24th at 7pm

**Chef Jeff Crowder once again will be putting
Together a fabulous 6 course meal to be
enjoyed by the first 24 people who make reservations.**



September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Reservations: 828-680-9773 Pro Shop: 828-680-9772	1 Labor Day Tournament & BBQ Cookout 11-2pm	2	3 Town Hall Meeting 3pm	4 Ryder Cup	5 Ryder Cup Appetizers in Lounge 2:30pm	6
7	8	9	10 Meet the Candidates 6pm Appetizers	11	12	13 SOWF Tournament Veterans Appreciation Dinner 6pm
14 Sunday Potluck 5pm in Lounge	15 Board Meeting 9am Mac Miller's 100th Birthday Party Aerifying Greens	16 Investment Seminar & Light Appetizers Aerifying Greens	17 Aerifying Greens	18 Aerifying Greens	19	20 General Membership Meeting 9am Meet & Mingle 6pm
21	22	23	24 WGA Luncheon Meeting Chef's Dinner 7pm	25 Aerifying Greens	26	27 Beat the Pro's PGA Scholarship Fundraiser Golf Tournament
28 Sunday Potluck 5pm in Lounge	29	30	Restaurant Hours: Sunday: 11:00-2:00pm Lunch: 11:00-2:00pm Dinner: 5:30-9:00pm Lounge Menu is available in Main Diningroom or Lounge:			

