

June 2007 Newsletter

Don't forget to call 660-646-6669 for tee-times!

Stroke-play tourney returns

Golf tournament play these days pretty much is centered on the "scramble" format. This type of event calls for team play where all golfers on each team hits from the same spot until they can get the ball to lie within a putter's grip when the common "gimmie" is awarded for their score. Oh yes, don't forget that most tournaments call for either a bogey or double-bogey maximum score on each hole.

The good ole "individual stroke-play" tournament is a very rare occurrence and pretty much non-existent around this part of the state. That is, until now.

Green Hills Golf Course is sponsoring what we hope becomes a HUGE annual event with this year's **GHGC Open Championship** (formerly know as the Chillicothe Open). It will be a two-day stroke-play event that is reminiscent of tournaments from years ago.

"We wanted to bring back the stroke-play format," says Asst. Dave Mapel. "You only see scrambles and brambles these days and lots of golfers missed the chance of shooting their own individual score. There used to be 2-day events all summer long, but they're just not around anymore. This tournament will bring back some of the old flavor of golf."

The GHGC Open Championship is scheduled for the Saturday-Sunday weekend of June 30-July 1. Registration needs to be made by calling the Pro Shop (646-6669) and reserving your tee-time between the hours of 7 a.m. and noon.

"We would like to have the last team tee-off by noon so we can calculate the scores, determine the flights, set the Sunday morning tee-times, and prepare for the evening's Calcutta," noted Mapel. "Golfers can arrange to play with friends on Saturday, but we would like to keep the groups in foursomes if possible."

Sunday's groups will be set based on the flights golfers find themselves in. The B-flight will tee-off first, followed by the A-flight and then the Championship flight.

The entry fee for the 2-day tournament will be \$100 with GHGC season pass-holders paying \$50 plus a 9-hole cart each day as some walk. Most of the entry fee will be returned to the top three places of the three flights in prize money. An evening meal will be served prior to the Calcutta.

So get signed-up and entered into this individual 2-day event and test your "real golf" ability. "This is an event for everyone!"

Your help is needed in replacing all divots on tees and fairways, and repairing ball marks on greens.

Course improvement tourney

Twenty-one teams participated in Saturday's 15th Annual GHGC Course Improvement Tournament that netted nearly \$7,000 which will be applied toward the golf course's new automatic watering system.

Taking top honors was Team Lowrey with a 19-under score of 53. That edged out Team Hughes' 54 and Team Blakemore's 55 in the Championship Flight. The A-flight winner was Team Mathews' score of 58, followed by Team Cranmer's 59 & Team Kepner's 61.

Team Mannese fought off Team Madison and Team Laprade to take the B-flight. All teams shot a 61 and needed the score card playoff to break the 3-way tie.

The GHGC Maintenance team also needed the score card playoff to take C-flight honors over Team Trenton Coke and Team Pryor.

All shot a 9-under 63. And the D-flight top dog was Team Jones / Bentley with a 7-under par score of 65. They edged out Team Rinehart's 66 and team Griffin's 67.

The GHGC staff would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to Trenton Coca-Cola and Mike Burchett for their generous donations and for sponsoring a team in the tournament.

In order to ensure that handicaps are fair & accurate, please make sure that first AND last names are on the scorecard prior to turning it in.

Junior golf clinic coming

The Green Hills Golf Course staff is preparing for their annual Junior Golf Clinic that will be held during the week of July 9th.

As always, the clinic will run Monday thru Thursday, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and concluding at 1:00 p.m. A lunch break will be taken daily that will allow clinic participants to buy lunch at the golf course. Campers may also bring their own lunch.

As in the past, campers will be divided into groups based on their age and ability. Basic fundamentals will be stressed in each group ranging from swing technique to club selection to golf course etiquette.

Registration can be made by calling the Pro Shop at 646-6669.

SUMMER EVENTS

Tournaments –

Wed, June 20 th	3-Ladies' Scramble	Shot-gun
Sat, June 23 rd	Premium Standard Farms	Shot-gun
Fri, June 29 th	Partners in Caring	Shot-gun
Sat-Sun, June 30-July 1	GHGC Open Chmp.	Tee-times
Sat, July 7 th	Knights of Columbus	Tee-times
Sat, July 14 th	2-Person Ryder Cup	Tee-times
Sat, July 21 st	Coke Couples	Shot-gun
Sat, July 28 th	Chillicothe Elks Tny	Shot-gun
Mon, Aug. 20 th	AYBF	Shot-gun
Tue, Sept. 11	Senior Championship	Shot-gun
Sat, Sept. 15 th	Modine 4-Per Scramble	Shot-gun
Mon, Sept. 15 th	Hi-65 Senior Scramble	Shot-gun
Sat, Sept. 22 nd	2-Person Ryder Cup	Tee-times

Leagues –

Mondays	Women's League	5:30 pm
Tuesdays	Seniors' League	9:00 am
Tuesdays	Match Play League	5:30 pm
Thursdays	Men's Scramble League	5:30 pm
Fridays	Couples' League	5:30 pm

Clinics –

Mon-Thu., July 9th-12th	GHGC Jr. Clinic	9 a.m.-1 p.m.
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Stuver king for a day

Green Hills Golf Course's own Hop Stuver carded a "hole-in-one" last week on hold #6 on the front side.

Stuver used an 8-iron from the blue tees on the 121-yard par-3 hole for his 2nd hole-in-one. And honoring the proper hole-in-one protocol, Hop bought drinks for those who witnessed the shot and others in the snack bar. Congrats Hop ole' boy!

A Message from Gerry Gabel, Golf Course Superintendent

The maintenance staff is pleased to announce that the new OCMAC irrigation satellite controllers have now all been installed. We are now able to get consistent watering to the course, especially #4 green. All of the greens have been over seeded and the new grass is up and growing. The new system will enable us to water tees and fairways at night which we have not been able to do for the last three years. Now the only irrigation that should be running during the day will be the greens on very hot days.

We have several projects that we will be working on throughout the summer. We are currently working on the ditch at the #9 tee. We are also going to continue working on the pond on #11 and build a bridge at the #7 tee. We have graded and seeded part of CMU's damage around the #6 red and blue tee boxes and will finish the grading on #7 after the completion of the bridge.

We have also removed the back bunker on #10 and will be seeding it and turning it into a grass bunker. The soil composition and location of the bunker are not conducive to leaving it as a sand bunker. All of the other bunkers have been edged at least once and we will continue to try and remove the grass and weeds out of the edges.

Our staff would appreciate all golfers repairing their ball marks, raking bunkers after play, and observing proper golf cart etiquette. This includes 1) keeping carts on the cart paths at all tees and greens, and when traveling to & from a shot; 2) NOT driving on the mounds; 3) staying out of the no-mow areas. In addition, with the high cost of fuel, we would appreciate staying with two people per cart rather than four golfers on three carts, etc.

**REGISTER NOW FOR THE GHGC OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP!
COMING SOON...**

OUR 2-PERSON RYDER CUP TOURNAMENT!



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