



THE WALKER COURSE
 ■ AT CLEMSON UNIVERSITY ■

Upcoming Events

June

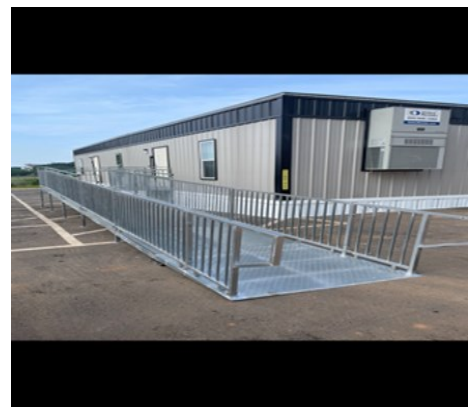
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- 03 Course Closed
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Opens
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Championship

July

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- 04 Open, Holiday Rates
- 8-12 Course Closed:
Aerification Week
- 13 Course Open
- 15 Course Closed
- 22 Course Closed
- 27 MEMBER-MEMBER
- 29 Course Closed
- 30-31 Junior Club
Championship

BRENT JESSUP

PGA HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL



Goodbye Clubhouse, Hello Trailer!

After 29 years of service, it’s finally time to say goodbye to the old golf clubhouse. We will be moving into our temporary trailer the week of June 3rd. We plan to be *operating* at full capacity from the trailer beginning Tuesday, June 4th. Lots of moving will take place on Monday, June 3rd. In addition to the golf shop operation moving to the trailer, our golf carts will also transition to the new cart barn and ALL golf parking will be at the trailer parking lot. Also, a food truck will be placed on the practice range to serve as a snack center until we move into the DAC building (January).

The new golf parking lot will be accessible from both Delta Street and Lake Drive. Please follow the new signs to “Golf Shop Parking.” All golf carts will be staged near the temporary trailer. Anyone coming to practice at the range will need to come to the trailer to purchase or pick up range balls. We will provide shuttle service from the trailer to the range tee throughout the day for those not playing. Golf carts will not be provided for range users only.

Golf Camps

It’s time again. Coach **Jordan Byrd’s** Clemson golf camp weeks are scheduled for June 8-12 and June 15-19. Golfer tee times will end at 3pm Saturday-Tuesday for course clearance both weeks and the golf course will be closed on those Wednesday mornings for the camp tournament finale. The Wednesday member group blocks will begin at 12 noon through 1:50pm. Open times will begin at 2pm each Wednesday.

Also, due to the range restrictions, the practice range and putting green will be closed on those Tuesdays from 12:30pm until 5pm for camp use only.

First Tee National Championship

The Walker Course will host our second *First Tee National Championship* this month: June 24-27. Juniors from across the USA will come to Clemson for three rounds of competition to determine their national champions. The golf course will be closed on Monday, June 24th for practice rounds and closed Tuesday-Thursday for the tournament rounds. We need 10-12 volunteers each day to help shuttle and move the golfers around the course. If you are able to help, please call the golf shop and we can give you an assignment that fits your schedule. Thanks in advance for your support of junior golf!

29th Annual Stroke Play Club Championship

Your annual stroke play club championship will be held June 29 & 30. The format is stroke play for two rounds. No handicap strokes are involved. Gross scores only. Each division will be flighted after the first round based on the scores and the total number of entries from each set of tees. All tee divisions will play both rounds from the same color tees each day, regardless of flight.

Sign up to play from the tee color of your choice. You will only compete against players from the same color tees. The number of flights will be determined by the number entries from each set of tees. Winners will receive golf shop credits and the overall champions (men and women) will receive a trophy. Entry fee is \$10 per member and the deadline for entry is Thursday, June 27th at 12 noon. Call the golf shop to sign up.

Member Invitational Rescheduled

Due to a bad weekend weather forecast, we postponed our annual Member Invitational and have rescheduled it for August 16-17. We will post a new sign-up sheet later in July for everyone to sign up again. Sorry about the weather!

Demo Day: Saturday, June 1st

Our annual Demo Day is scheduled for Saturday afternoon, June 1st from 12 noon until 4pm. Several of our regular vendors will be there to show their new stuff. Come on by!

Complex Pool Access Reminder

If you have a "single" Walker Course membership, single means single. Please remember your spouse does not have pool access privileges unless you are accompanying them; and they may only accompany you as a non-paying guest once per month. If they come more often than once a month, they do have to pay the standard guest fee. Otherwise, you should convert to a "family" membership.

Member Guest Pass Cards Expire

If you have not used your 23-24 Member Guest Pass Card benefit you have until June 30th to use or lose it. New cards will be issued in July with your monthly statement. Remember also, the course will be closed June 24-27 for the First Tee National Championship. Be sure to check for date and time restrictions listed on the reverse side of the card.

Pace of Play Reminder

Just a friendly reminder that our expected pace of play for nine holes is 2 hour and 6 minutes. The pace is 4 hours and 12 minutes for 18 holes. This is the expected pace of play regardless of the number of golfers in a tee time slot.

We continue to get calls about slow play from twosomes and threesomes playing behind foursomes.

When we investigate the call, we find the foursome is playing at the expected pace of play. Please remember we cannot regulate appropriate golfer course etiquette. It is up to the group in front to use good (etiquette) judgement as to whether they allow a faster (smaller number) group behind them to play through if they are on pace. Please check your pace time before calling us to assist.

Legacy Life Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Frankie Horner** who recently celebrated his 85th birthday and now qualifies for Legacy Life status at the Walker Course. Mr. Horner joined the Walker Course on September 24, 1993, original member (#56). To qualify for Legacy Life membership, a member must have been an active dues paying member for 20 years or more and be 85 years of age. Welcome to dues free living!

****Happy Birthday Joe Jones: (101) June 13th****

May Update

The first half of May was quite cool and wet, with many cloudy days. About mid-May the bermudagrass really grew. Some warmer nights and sunny days, as opposed to the cool, cloudy conditions in early May really got the grass to move.

The rain interrupted our scheduled aerification of tees on the 13th, so this work got spread out over the next 10 days. Thanks for your patience as we moved the tee markers around a bit to get it done.

Other work that we accomplished includes:

- Applied fire ant bait course wide.
- Mulched along the right side of holes 17 & 18.
- Finished the work to the left of 15 green where it had become overgrown, and the turf had thinned due to lack of sun.
- Divided and transplanted canna plants to fill in the flower bed on 2.
- Refreshed the sand in the greenside bunkers on #7.
- Made the first app of growth regulator to tees and fairways to improve turf density and for clipping control.
- On the greens, we have topdressed, applied lime, fixed several bad plugs utilizing grass from the chipping green, and made all scheduled spray apps of fungicide, wetting agent and growth regulator.
- Prepared and placed new sod in several worn areas throughout the course.
- Made our first of several sand topdressings to lower 9 fairway.

AMP paving was here the week of May 27 to repair and repaved cart paths on holes 8 & 18.

Finally, you will see some new faces on the course as we have hired 5 new employees for the summer. We are hard at work getting them trained and up to speed on what it is that we do.

June Plans

June is typically the month that we aerify the course. However, with hosting the First Tee National Championship June 24-27, we have had to delay this work until July 8-12, as noted in the March newsletter.

Therefore, June is going to be spent getting the course tournament ready. As is normal for this time of year, we will be lightly vertical mowing and grooming the greens, along with topdressing every 10 days or so. We will be sprucing up mulch beds, edging bunkers, continuing to make growth regulator apps and just do everything we can to spruce up the course. All the work this month will culminate in the Club Championship on June 29th & 30th.

18th Hole Update

The work on the pond on 18 continues to drag on. Unfortunately, we lost 8 working days to weather during May. I have requested that the contractor put another crew on the project to speed things along and this is supposed to occur the first week of June. We are hoping to at least wrap up at least the golf course side before the First Tee and Club Championship at months end.

Mr. Garrett Goes to Washington

May 8-10, I had the opportunity to travel to Washington, DC on an all-expense paid trip to participate in National Golf Day as part of the GCSAA delegation. GCSAA joined the National Golf Course Owners Association, the PGA of America, and the Club Managers Association of America to lobby on behalf of American Golf Industry Coalition. I participated in training on lobbying, heard a keynote address from the Golf Channel's Steve Sands, met with members of the Congressional Golf Caucus in the Senate briefing room, spent a day on Capitol Hill meeting with Representatives, Senators, and their staff, and attended a reception held by the GCSAA PAC with Rep. Sanford Bishop. The trip also included a community service project where the attendees assisted the National Parks Service with projects on the National Mall. My job was to mow the grounds at the Thomas Jefferson Memorial. Pretty cool to say the least.

It was a great trip, and next month I will share the three primary issues that the Golf Industry was pursuing.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pro-Shop
Operating Hours:
 Monday
 (Seasonal)
 Tuesday—Sunday
 8:30 am—5:00 pm
Practice Range Hours:
 Monday
 (Seasonal)
 Tuesday—Sunday
 8:45 am—4:45pm
 (Weather Permitting)
Brent Jessup
Head Golf Professional
 656-7516
Don Garrett
Course Superintendent
 656-1814
Azenda Thompson
Accounting
 656-0595
Golf Pro-Shop
 656-0236
Club House Grill
 656-7518
Sole On The Green
 656-7444
The Martin Inn
 654-9020
The Madren Center
 656-7155

Membership by the Numbers

Individuals: 189
Family: 92 Life: 27
Non-Resident: 78
Young Alumni: 20
Inactive: 5 Legacy Life: 13
Total Membership: 424

New Members

Samuel Mungo
 Nathan & Ginger Hriczo
 David Bendigo
 Brad & Danielle Hutto

Charles & Colleen Hicks
 Michael Hall
 William Cox
 Daniel & Jill O'Connor
 Tyler & Katie Miers

John Walter
 John & April Hart
 Terry & Diane Gallagher
 Caroline & William Gaddis

Member Resignations

Patrick Butcher

Jim Arrigo

Greg Cutt

June 2024

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