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NEWSLETTER

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GOLF HUMOR

Golf Shop Hours

August 2011

Weekdays first Tee Time 7:00 AM

Weekends first Tee Time 7:00 AM

Wildflowers start at 8:00 AM

Wildoats start at 8:30 AM

Gaggle starts at 10:00 AM

Golfing With An Older Man

A young man who was also an avid golfer found himself with a few hours to spare one afternoon. He figured if he hurried and played very fast, he could get in nine holes before he had to head home. Just as he was about to tee off an old gentleman shuffled onto the tee and asked if he could accompany the young man as he was golfing alone. Not being able to say no, he allowed the old gent to join him.

To his surprise the old man played fairly quickly. He didn't hit the ball far, but plodded along consistently and didn't waste much time. Finally, they reached the 9th fairway and the young man found himself with a tough shot. There was a large pine tree right in front of his ball - and directly between his ball and the green.

After several minutes of debating how to hit the shot the old man finally said, "You know, when I was your age I'd hit the ball right over that tree."

With that challenge placed before him, the youngster swung hard, hit the ball up, right smack into the top of the tree trunk and it thudded back on the ground not a foot from where it had originally lay.

The old man offered one more comment, "Of course, when I was your age that pine tree was only three feet tall."

A Moment of Silence

A man and a friend are playing golf one day at their local golf course. One of the guys is about to chip onto the green when he sees a long funeral procession on the road next to the course. He stops in mid-swing, takes off his golf cap, closes his eyes, and bows down in prayer.

His friend says: "Wow, that is the most thoughtful and touching thing I have ever seen. You truly are a kind man."

The man then replies: "Yeah, well we were married 35 years."

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T O U R N A M E N T S / E V E N T S

August will mark another busy month at Wildwood! It will kick off with the Annual **Jack Ratz Junior Memorial Tournament** on Monday **August 1st**. Juniors 18 years and younger are allowed to partake in this annual Triangle Classic!

Our August **Couples Event** will be held on Sunday **August 14th** starting at 5:00 PM. The format will be 4 person captain's choice with a delicious dinner from Bogey's following play. Thank you to all forty participants who came out in July!

On Monday **August 15th** we will be hosting our second monthly senior event for golfers who are 60 years and older. The format for this event will be Two-Person teams playing a Texas Scramble Format. Each golfer will tee off and then the team will select the best drive. From there each person will play their own ball in and the lowest net score for the hole will be recorded. You are allowed to make your own two-person team or let the Golf Shop pair you together. We had a great time last month and let's make it happen again this month! Remember this is open to both members as well as guests so be sure to tell your friends! Cost for this event is \$35 guests; \$30 members riding; \$15 members walking or members on the cart plan.

Our **3rd Package Event** will be held on Saturday **August 20th** starting as a 9:00 AM shotgun start. The format for the 3rd event is the Best Net Ball of the A&D player added with the Best Net Ball of the B&C player. Even if you missed out on prepaying for all four Package Events don't worry! You can still save money off your entry fee by paying before Saturday the 20th! Entry fee is \$20 if you pay before the 20th and \$25 if you pay on the 20th (not including your cart fee). Lunch is included after your round!

Our second **Parent-Child** event will be hosted on Sunday **August 21st** starting at 5:00 PM as a shotgun. Food will be served at the pavilion following play and we will also be handing out prizes and awards. Be sure to sign up for this great event in the Golf Shop!

Jeff Engelhaupt
Tournament Director



Bogey's Update

Let me start by saying a big thank you to all the members who have pulled me aside and complimented our staff and myself. You have kept me informed how the beverage cart girls are doing and how the member events are coming along with the food and staff. It makes us proud at Bogey's to know we're doing a good job pleasing our guests and members. Kindness and positive energy bring people back! Our member events in July were so much fun, and we look forward to August when we host Couples golf on Sunday the 14th, the Senior event on Monday the 15th, and the Men's/Women

Package event on the 20th. If you have any suggestions for a special meal, please pass them on in a comment card or to my email. On a sad note, dear Conley will be leaving us as she has taken on an internship. Good luck to her! Notice in the picture how she and my husband match! Also, Nikki is headed off to NC State and will only be available for special events. Finally, my daughter Marlie leaves us August 22nd to move home to Colorado and attend school. I love all these girls, they will be missed! You'll be seeing me on the beverage cart more often. See you on the course!



Leslie Roth
Food & Beverage Manager



MONTHLY UPDATE FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Greetings Wildwood Green golf club members. Due to the extreme heat and dryness in July several golf course setup adjustments are necessary. Heights on all cuts have been raised and mowing frequency reduced. Our main supply of water is a natural resource from holes 11 and 12 and as you may have noticed that supply is low. In an attempt to

conserve our water resources, the maintenance team will mainly water greens and troubled areas on the course. With the amount of stress the putting green is under I made the decision to aerify several months early to provide some relief. Our fall greens aerification has been moved to September 12th and 13th and will be less abrasive but will relieve stress on the

greens. Until then we will continue to run the Hydroject by-weekly. Cooler weather is on the way and I would like to thank all of you for your comments over the past month. I encourage all of you to fill out comment cards so we can continue to improve Wildwood Green. As always I can be reached via e-mail at rick@wildwoodgreen.com.



Sincerely,

Rick Durham
Golf Course
Superintendent

HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL NOTES

Even with the heat, July was a busy month at Wildwood Green. The new events that have been added had great participation and the staff is looking forward to the August events! Our Parent-Child, Couples and Senior events have especially been a hit. The Club Championship is also right around the corner in September followed by the Fall Member-Member in October. Be sure to mark your calendars for these events!

Rick and his maintenance staff have handled the extremely hot weather exceptionally well this month. Despite the lack of rain the golf course has held up very well this summer and their hard work late into the evenings watering the greens has paid off. The golf course will be in great shape for the upcoming events and we look forward to seeing everyone at the course soon!

The staff at Wildwood is always looking to improve. In order to do so we need your feedback and like to know what you have to say, whether it is good or bad. I encourage everyone to fill out a comment card once a month just to let us know how we are doing and what we can work on. We check the comment cards weekly and address any issues as they arise. Thank you to all the members who have helped this month report Items on Interest on the golf course.



Kevin Hamski
Head Golf Professional



Golf Shop News



Congratulations to these Members

Congratulations to **Jake Hutchinson** who recorded an ace on the challenging 12th hole. Jake was playing with his grandmother who was in from England visiting as well as his father. Jake used a 6 iron from 181 yards to make his great shot. Way to go!

Scott Dunton aced the downhill 17th using his 7 iron from about 160 yards. Scott was playing with **Rob Donnelly**, **Jason Smith** and **Bob Rudolph** when he aced #17. Great shot Scott and we are glad to have you back here at Wildwood!

Dennis Toothman recorded a 1 on the same 12th hole. Dennis used his 5 Hybrid from around 190 yards to make his ace. Dennis was playing with Mark Snyder and Roger Mott. Keep up the great shots Dennis!

Carol Sepich had a hole in one on the 4th hole. She recorded her ace using a 3 wood on the challenging uphill par 3. Witnessing Carol's shot were **Linda Hanks** and **Fran Betancourt**.

Gene Adesso shot his age of 78 for the first time ever on Wednesday July 27th. Gene was playing with **Chuck Beard**, **Maury Odell** and **John Henderson**. Congratulations to Gene and keep up the great scores!

On July 30th, **Donna Richmond** shot her career low round of 75. Donna was playing with her husband **Steve** and **Mike & Peggy Donilon**. Great playing Donna!

New Golf Shop Merchandise

The Golf Shop has new Ashworth and Adidas golf shirts available, check out these great looking shirts.

We still have a supply of Titleist collegiate hats with ECU, NC State and UNC logos on them.

New Nike golf shoes are in for both men and women!

Wildwood Green Water Bottles are on sale for \$10.00.

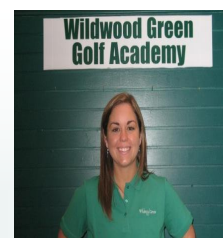
Try some of the newest golf balls from Nike, Callaway and Bridgestone now available in the golf shop!

Do not forget that our members get 15% off of all apparel. Be sure to take advantage of your discount! Special orders are available anytime.

John Budwine Golf Academy

Most of you know Erica Gonzalez, Wildwood Green's Golf Shop Manager. She has decided that as much as she enjoys working in the golf shop and helping the members out with whatever they need, she feels as though she would be more effective on the course with you all. Erica will now be spending the majority of her time instructing with the John Budwine Golf Academy. She will still be helping out in the shop a few days a week but she will be more available for her students throughout the week. Her true passion is being able to help out those who share her love of the game and she is ready to take on any challenge. Erica has seen success being brought to her students and she plans on creating weekly clinics for Men, Ladies and Juniors. She is currently teaching two of the top ranked juniors in the state of North Carolina. Jessica and Sarah Spicer, two 13 year old twins who have been with Erica for about 7 months now. When they first came to Erica their scores ranged from 80-85 and currently their scores range from 68-75. The Twins have taken first place in almost every tournament they have entered over the past 3 months. Sarah recently winning the North Carolina Junior Girls Tournament.

If you have any suggestions or questions for Erica please feel free to email her: egonzalez1313@gmail.com



Erica Gonzalez
PGA Apprentice
Teaching Professional



Sarah Spicer

What are Erica's Students saying?

"I wanted to give you some feedback from the driver / fairway wood clinic that I attended on June 30th. Kudos to Erica. She did an outstanding job. I was a tennis coach for many years and have run many clinics. Erica was right on target with how she handled the clinic. 1) She was able to quickly determine the one or two basic/key technical changes that would produce the most noticeable return on investment. 2) She explained those changes clearly. 3) She reinforced the improvement of each student and took a personal interest in their success. 4) She spent the right amount of time with each student, not getting bogged down or rushing through with any individual, but making sure that each encounter resulted in some element of success. I found the clinic to be of great value. Subjectively, I felt better about my swing when the clinic was over. Objectively, I have since shot consecutive rounds of 78, 81 and 80 (I have a 22 handicap). Thank you for making this learning opportunity available. I look forward to the long iron clinic this Wednesday".

Dan Baker

"I am writing to tell you what a great job Erica Gonzalez does. She has done wonders for my golf swing. Never having lessons before I was pretty apprehensive, but Erica has been wonderful to work with. She is so supportive and encouraging, along with being very good at explaining what was going wrong. She has also been very accommodating to my crazy schedule. She is a really neat person and I am very pleased with my experience, and the results".

Brian Naumuk

This letter is long overdue. You and the staff of Wildwood Green are to be complimented on the fine facility you run. The course is in great shape, the staff is friendly and helpfull and I have enjoyed my membership.

I particularly want to compliment Erica Gonzalez. As you may be aware both my grandson and I are taking lessons from her and she has been terrific. She is patient, knowledgeable and a damn good instructor. She is truly an asset to Wildwood. Keep hiring staff like her and Wildwood will continue to flourish.

Doug Wipperman

This is about Erica. I have been a student of hers this past summer and the results she produced were tremendous. I am hitting the ball further and with more accuracy. My hole in one is only the tip of the iceberg. In September I came from behind to beat two other low handicap players in the EMC Golf League to win the League Championship. My new swing, I refer to it as the "Gonzalez Technique" has been a real "game winner" for me. I will continue to promote the teaching efforts of the Club and Erica.

You should be extremely proud of this woman and her contributions to Wildwood Green Golf Course. I would consider her to be your TOP INSTRUCTOR!

Jeffrey Wehner

WILDWOOD GREEN GOLF CLUB - STAFF

Amazing feats by students of the John Budwine Golf Academy from the past month.

Jake Hutchinson fired his first hole in one last month on #12. This on its own is an amazing feat but Jake did one better when he was playing in a threesome with Director of Instruction, John Budwine and another student of John's **Zach Seabolt** last week. Jake fired a perfect shot on #13 using a 5iron from 185 yards to record the rarest of rare: a double eagle "2" on hole 13.

On the 22nd of July, **Denise Kane** made her second hole in one holing out from the tee box on #12. **Chris Butler** shot her career best round on Saturday the 23rd of July firing a wonderful 75!

If you have not made a hole in one, a double eagle or shot your personal best round, its time to take a lesson from one of the instructors with the John Budwine Golf Academy. While we can not guarantee you will make a hole in one or a double eagle, we can guarantee that if you work hard and practice what the instructors teach you, you too can achieve your personal best on the golf course!

John Budwine
Director of Instruction



Rule 1. Amateurism

1-1. General

An [amateur golfer](#) must play the game and conduct himself in accordance with the [Rules](#).

1-2. Amateur Status

Amateur Status is a universal condition of eligibility for playing in golf competitions as an [amateur golfer](#). A person who acts contrary to the [Rules](#) may forfeit his status as an [amateur golfer](#) and as a result will be ineligible to play in amateur competitions.

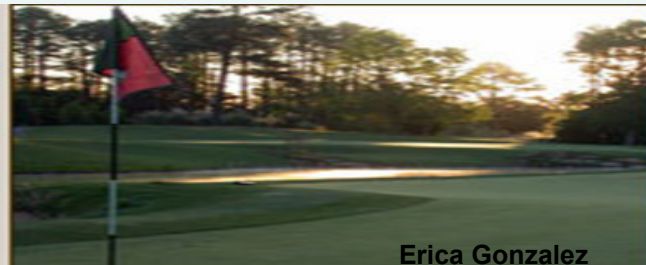
1-3. Purpose and Spirit of the Rules

The purpose and spirit of the [Rules](#) is to maintain the distinction between amateur golf and professional golf and to keep the amateur game as free as possible from the abuses that may follow from uncontrolled sponsorship and financial incentive. It is considered necessary to safeguard amateur golf, which is largely self-regulating with regard to the Rules of play and handicapping, so that it can be fully enjoyed by all [amateur golfers](#).

1-4. Doubt as to Rules

A person who wishes to be an [amateur golfer](#) and who is in doubt as to whether taking a proposed course of action is permitted under the [Rules](#) should consult the USGA.

An organizer or sponsor of an amateur golf competition or a competition involving [amateur golfers](#) who is in doubt as to whether a proposal is in accordance with the [Rules](#) should consult the USGA.



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Wildflowers

AUGUST SCHEDULE

TUESDAY - 8AM

AUGUST 2
TEXAS SCRAMBLE
2-some, 1 net

AUGUST 9
Cha Cha Cha

AUGUST 16
Individual Low Net

AUGUST 23
Driver, Putter & 3 Favorite Clubs
Individual Game

AUGUST 30
1 Gross 2 Net
(not same ball)

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Annual dues now prorated to \$15.
Pay at club desk.

PLUS: \$5.00 for ringer tournament and/or
\$5.00 for hole-in-one tournament

JULY TOURNAMENT WINNERS:

JULY 5 FLAG TOURNAMENT:

1-Janine Bruinenberg, 2-Diane Rupert,
3-Diana Turner

JULY 12 LOW NET:

1-Marti Ranney



JULY 19 INDIVIDUAL LOW PUTTS:

1-Kim Waterhouse (30), 2-Bev Stenzel
(35), 3-Carol Sepich & Mari Ranney (38)
Chip-in: Fran Sahaida

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Member-Member Tournament Tuesday, July 26!



2011 Winners of the
Wildflowers Member-Member.
TEZ CHARLTON and
GLENDA JENKINS
CONGRATULATIONS!
Fran Sahaida and Kim
Waterhouse had chip-ins!



Pot-Luck Luncheon
followed play! Yum, what luck!



LUNCH AFTER THE MEMBER-MEMBER. Top picture L-R: Tez Charlton,
Glenda Jenkins, Diane Rupert, Linda Hanks, Bev Stenzel. Bottom picture
L-R: Fran Sahaida, Joyce Wall, Denise Short, Lorraine Leahy and Kim
Waterhouse. Not pictured: Marti Ranney and Carol Smith.



Congratulations to CAROL SEPICH!!!

HOLE IN ONE – #4, FRIDAY, JULY 15

Her lucky day for sure, she collected the \$295 that has been
building up in the Wildflowers "hole-in-one" kitty.
Linda Hanks and Fran Betancourt witnessed it!
So we start again, it's \$5 to be included in the hole-in-one
tournament. Carol Smith collects the money!

- AND -

DENISE KANE had a HOLE-IN-ONE

#12, FRIDAY, JULY 22

She was not in the tournament, so no money ... but a great
accomplishment! Kim Waterhouse and Denise Short witnessed!