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MANAGER'S CORNER

By Brian Joyner

If you had a chance to get out on the course in April, you likely enjoyed some extra roll off the tee. With the dry conditions, fairways were firm and fast, helping drives travel a bit farther than usual. Now that we've received some much-needed rain, you'll begin to see the course green up nicely—and those drives may not get quite the same roll out.

As we move into May, we officially enter our busy season and begin to welcome more visitors to the area. With increased play, we encourage everyone to take advantage of the 14-day booking window, especially if you prefer morning tee times. Just as important this time of year is timely cancellations. If your plans change, please cancel your tee time at least one hour in advance. The more notice we have, the better opportunity we have to accommodate other players.

Here are a few updates from around the clubhouse...

MANAGER'S CORNER

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Beaufort Club Pool

The temps this past weekend dipped into the low 40s so the pool is still quite cold. We're putting the finishing touches on the pool before we open for the year. Some of the additions include all new umbrellas/stands, baby changing tables, coat racks, benches, and updated signage. The pool deck and furniture have been power washed. Tile work has been done to repair the broken tiles around the pool. Lastly, we're just waiting on an updated drain cover before we have it inspected. Once the pool is ready to open, I'll send out a member wide email.



MANAGER'S CORNER

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Pickleball/Tennis Courts

The new courts are scheduled to be completed by the end of May. Asphalt has been laid. We're just waiting on the nets and fences. The courts will be used on a first come, first serve basis.



Hole #13 Bathroom

The bathroom on #13 is close to being completed! The outside has been cleaned so it's not so much of an eyesore now. Power was installed this past week. We're just waiting on new doors to arrive along with the toilets.

FROM THE PRO

By Taylor Larson

As we head into May, the golf course is entering one of its busiest times of the year, with more visitors coming in to enjoy the course. Tee times—especially on weekends—will be in high demand, so we encourage everyone to plan ahead and book as early as possible within the 14-day window.

With increased play, you may notice slightly longer rounds on peak days. To help improve pace of play and open up more tee times for members, we'll be pairing groups more intentionally. Public players will be paired together whenever possible, particularly on weekends, and single-member bookings may also be grouped with other members.

Please note that we will not pair public players into existing member groups. These adjustments are designed to keep the course flowing smoothly and create more availability for everyone.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we navigate the busy season and work to provide the best possible experience for all golfers.



LGA Home and Home @ Taberna

FROM THE PRO

By Taylor Larson

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2026 Member-Guest (October 2nd - 4th)

Sign ups for the Beaufort Club's 2026 Member-Guest have now gone live!! PLEASE sign up through the event calendar on your member portal. We need answers to several questions before we can start setting up the event. There will be updates in the coming months for those who sign up for things like tee gifts, updates, and any changes that are made. Below is all the information you will need right now for the best event of the year!

Date: October 2nd - 4th (Friday-Sunday)

Sign Ups (and discounts):

- If you sign up by July 1st, Team Price :\$650 (\$325 per player)
- If you sign up AFTER July 1st, Team Price: \$700 (\$350 per player)
 - Sign ups will go through the middle of September, or until the maximum # of teams is reached.
- We will be starting out by taking 24 Mens teams, and 6 Ladies teams. Once those numbers have been reached, a waitlist will open for both groups until 6 more teams can be added.

Requirements:

- Must be a member to sign up.
- You and your guest must have a USGA GHIN # so flights can be made as accurately as possible.
- When playing golf, the handicaps will go off of the lowest in each matchup. Your handicap will be different each match, but it is accurate as the lowest handicap in the group determines the other players course/playing handicap.
- Must be willing to have so much fun playing 3 great days of golf.

FROM THE PRO

By Taylor Larson

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2026 Member-Guest (October 2nd - 4th)

Whats included?

- 18-Hole practice round (Cash Skins game)
- 45-Holes of tournament and flighted golf
- Tee gifts galore
- Contests w/ amazing prizes
- Food and Drink every day
- Trophies/Awards/Prizes
- All the fun you can imagine

Basic Itinerary (subject to change):

- Friday, October 2nd:
 - Morning practice round and skins game (make your own tee time)
 - 1st round of play will shotgun 9-holes at 4 PM
 - Member-Guest opening social to follow the first round (Food, Drinks, Contests)
- Saturday, October 3rd:
 - 9 AM Shotgun start (18-holes) will turn in scorecards after each 9-hole round
 - Boxed lunch
 - Beverage cart will be going around (included in playing)
- Sunday, October 4th:
 - 9 AM Shotgun start (18-holes) will turn in scorecards after each 9-hole round
 - Blue Heron Buffet Lunch following play (Significant others are welcome to join)
 - Awards and prize presentation

Tee gifts, prizes, contests will all be sponsored by various vendors including: Adidas, PING, Titleist, FootJoy. We look forward to another incredible Member-Guest and we can't thank you enough for your interest in playing in one of the best events of the year! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Pro Shop!

FROM THE PRO

By Taylor Larson

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2026 Match Play Tournament (Starts July 11th)

The Match Play tournament will kick off the weekend of July 11th. This event takes place over six to eight weeks, depending on the number of participants and how each flighted match finishes. Sign-ups for this event will open soon, so keep an eye on the member portal to register. Last year's winner, Robert Spizzo (who also was one of our Ryder Cup Captains) is eager to defend his title. Who will challenge????

We will host a bracket reveal party on the evening of Friday, July 10th. At the party, we will review the rules and regulations, reveal the matchups, and have some food to celebrate the tournament kickoff.

2026 Club Championship (Aug. 29-30)

There have been changes to this year's Club Championship dates. This two day event will now take place on Saturday and Sunday, August 29th and 30th. We have 4 of last year's champions who have enjoyed prime parking spots with their names on them. They will fight to keep those spots but I think we have some incredible competition for this year's championship.

Sign-ups for this culminating event will also open soon with more details to follow. You will be notified about each event with relevant details.

FROM THE PRO

By Taylor Larson
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Ladies Night Clinic: Thursday, May 21st from 5-7 PM.

We had a great turnout in our first ladies clinic of the year! If you'd like to join us, sign up in the Pro Shop! Here's what the evening entails...

- \$25 to participate, paid on the night of the event.
- Sign ups will be through the pro shop. Stop on in or call us to sign up.
- The \$\$\$ you spend will go towards a few different things.
 - 30-40 minutes of themed instruction. Clinic nights will cover different themes, such as putting, chipping, short irons, long irons, woods/hybrids, or drivers, and these themes will change each time.
 - With the remaining time after the instruction, we will play a few holes of golf to practice what we just worked on (anywhere from 3-6 holes depending on the time and how many participants we have).
 - **To close out an incredibly fun and instructional night, you're invited to stay afterwards for a glass of wine, which is also included in your fee.**



FROM THE PRO

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2026 Member-Member Results

The rain tried to spoil the Member-Member again this year, however we were determined to play it, even though it was just one day. The formats ended up being 9 holes of scramble, and 9 holes of best ball with handicaps involved. Chef Gus prepared fried chicken and BBQ with all the fixings for a delicious post-round meal.

Congratulations to all of our winners from the 2026 Member-Member!



Left to right: Steve Stroud, Mike Fisher

Men's Flight 1

- 1st Eli Hencker, Terry Kallam (68)
- 2nd Robert Spizzo, George Baracos (69)
- 3rd Joe Kreuser, Jeff Bell (69)
- 4th Tony Feathers, George Urban III (69)

Men's Flight 2

- Overall 1st Steve Stroud, Mike Fisher (62)
- 2nd Bill Pieton, Doug Mitchell (66)
- 3rd Frank Barnes, Marshall Beach (69)
- 4th Ronnie Fulcher, Bill Goodson (69)

Women's Flight

- 1st Quin Dionne, Maria Seijo (70)
- 2nd Ann Shaw, Camilla Cumberland (72)



Left to right: Quin Dionne, Maria Seijo

A NOTE FROM THE CHEF



Chef Gus Headington

Mother's Day is quickly approaching. If you'd like to dine with us, make sure to get your reservations early as we usually sell out on Mother's Day. This year, we'll be having live saxophone music that'll be playing some smooth jazz. Moms also get a complimentary mimosa! We'll be running a special brunch menu, so you won't want to miss it!

Old Age and Treachery will be playing live music on the back patio, Thursday, May 21st from 6-9pm! Sit out back and enjoy the sunset along with some great music.

As always, don't forget to like the Blue Heron on Facebook to keep up with weekly specials, along with any happenings!



BLUE HERON HOURS

MONDAY	11AM-3PM
TUESDAY	11AM-3PM
WEDNESDAY	11AM-9PM
THURSDAY	11AM-9PM
FRIDAY	11AM-9PM
SATURDAY	11AM-9PM
SUNDAY	11AM-3PM





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GOLF COURSE UPDATE



Superintendent
Jonathan Birkett

We'll be continuing course improvements with another round of fertilizer applications scheduled for Wednesday, May 13th. To allow our team time to complete the work, tee times will begin at 10:00am that morning. With warmer temperatures arriving, we expect to see the Bermuda grass really begin to thrive throughout the fairways and rough.

Around the clubhouse, fresh mulch has arrived and will soon be spread throughout the landscape beds to keep everything looking sharp for the busy season ahead. Our grounds team will also be completing another wall-to-wall herbicide application, and additional bunker sand has been added to select bunkers across the course.

The greens are rolling exceptionally well right now, making it a perfect time to get out and enjoy a round!



BEAUFORT CLUB LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION



April was a very busy month for golf and reminds us of some of the reasons we love to play, i.e. to be outdoors, viewing wildlife, baby goslings following their parents, trees budding and flowers blooming. Please see the May calendar if you are interested in joining the fun!

LGA members participated in 3 outside leagues once again in May as follows:

Home and Home League (Taberna Golf & Country Club): this team event is a great way to play other courses and get to know other lady golfers. For the first time, all our golfers (see picture) met their blitz point requirements, winning 3rd out of 10 teams.

Tar Heel League (Carolina Colours Golf Club): Peggy Ranthum and Susan McDonald won prizes in their flight at this event.

Crystal Coast Golf Association (Taberna Golf Club): Janet Upchurch and Susan McDonald won prizes in their flight at this event.

Member-Member Golf Tournament: we had 4 ladies' teams enter our club event. The winners were Quin Dionne and Maria Seijo and 2nd place was Camilla Cumberland and Ann Shaw. Congrats to both teams!

Ladies Golf Clinic: We had the opportunity to participate in the first Ladies Golf Clinic where Taylor and Brian taught us short game skills and also shared drills for us to practice. These clinics will be offered in the future so keep an eye out for announcements from Taylor and sign-up, if you are interested. This is not limited to LGA members.

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Weekend Play Date (Saturday, May 23): This will be an 18-hole scramble followed by a social. LGA members will receive an email to sign-up to allow Taylor to create teams and to finalize the social time afterwards.

Girlfriends' Fun Day Tournament (Monday, August 10th): please save the date for this Margaritaville-themed event. The committee meets again at the end of May to further refine the details.

Regular Play:

Game Day Tuesdays: sign-up via the events on the member website (not tee sheet).

Walking Wednesdays: check the tee sheet for LGA members to see when you can join them. The target time is 10am but it will fluctuate.

Play Day Thursdays: Susan McDonald will secure tee times (~9-9:20am) 2 weeks ahead of the dates. Please note that Susan may not be able to play so if you are the only person signed up, check in with her to make sure you will have a playing partner.

For additional information and if you would like to join the LGA, please contact one of the officers.

Officers

President: Susan McDonald (919-971-5930)

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MONDAY



BC LGA

SUNDAY		TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3 Member-Member (Club Tournament)	4	5 9:00 Game Day	6 9:30 Walk Wednesdays	7	8	9
10  Mother's Day	11	12 9:00 Game Day 9:30 Home & Home @ Emerald	13 9:30 Walk Wednesdays	14 9:00 Play Day 5:00-7:00 pm Golf Clinic w/Taylor	15	16
17	18 9:30 CCGA @ CrystalCoast	19 9:00 Game Day	20 9:30 Walk Wednesdays	21 9:00 Play Day	22	23 1:00 LGA Play Day Fun Scramble & Social
24	25  Memorial Day	26 9:00 Game Day	27 9:30 Walk Wednesdays	28 9:00 Play Day 9:30 TarHeel @ Emerald	29	30
31	1	NOTES: Game Day – fun game organized by Taylor; sign up online via Member Central - Golf Events Walk Wednesdays – walk front nine (optional); ride back nine; no game; play your own ball; sign up via online tee sheet (tee times may vary) Play Day – no game; play your own ball; sign up via online tee sheet (look for Susan or Janet's names)				

BEAUFORT CLUB MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION



The MGA is growing and we are having a blast. Every Monday at 9 AM, we play a team event where you will compete against others in the MGA. This year so far we have played games such as: a four-man scramble with a Golf Pro on each team, a Powerball cash game where one of our golfers won \$335 for winning a skin on #17 after a random draw, and we are getting ready to play games that we haven't even invented yet. It is a great group of guys and we would love to have more and more golfers join our MGA.



STAR PERFORMERS

David Spence had a HOLE-IN-ONE while playing on Tuesday, May 5th. His hole in one came on #13 from 181 yards out with a 6-iron.
Great shot David!

Steve Chisholm had a HOLE-IN-ONE while playing in the Wednesday night men's league on May 6th! He dunked it on #8 from 95 yards out!