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# **BEAUFORT**

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## **MANAGER'S CORNER**

By Brian Joyner

September was an exciting month at the Club! We crowned our Match Play Champion and celebrated our Member-Guest winners. A big thank you to everyone who participated and helped make both tournaments such a success.

I'll admit, when we first announced a Member-Guest tournament with a \$700 team entry fee, I got a few raised eyebrows. But having seen how much fun these events can be at other clubs, I knew it was something special we could bring to Beaufort Club. We originally hoped for 18 teams, but the response far exceeded our expectations—we ended up with 26 teams!

## **MANAGER'S CORNER**

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Our goal with this event was never about making money—it was about showcasing our beautiful Club and creating a memorable experience for our members and their guests. For those who played, even if you didn't walk away with prize money, I truly hope you felt the event was a great value and a weekend to remember.

There are still a few club events remaining on the 2025 calendar. If you haven't played, I highly encourage you to!

One thing I wanted to note is that the golf course will be closed for aerification October 14–15<sup>th</sup>. We do have reciprocals with most of the courses in the area. Just have myself or Taylor call to set you up with a time. Thank you again for being members!

Brian Joyner, PGA General Manager Beaufort Club

### FROM THE PRO

By Taylor Larson

Happy October Everyone! We're glad to have you with us here at the Beaufort Club. The fall season is a perfect time for great rounds, good company, and enjoying the course with cooler temperatures.

In the following pages, I'd like to briefly hit a few highlights from the past month and bring some light to upcoming events here at the club.

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#### **Match Play Results 2025**

Our winner for the 2025 Match Play tournament was Robert Spizzo. Winning every pod match, he collected enough points to be the #1 seed going into the elimination bracket. Won a close match in the semifinals against George Baracos, ultimately winning the tournament against Greg McGee in a playoff hole by sinking a clutch, downhill birdie putt.

By clinching the win, Robert walks away with a beautiful trophy, \$200 in club credit, and becomes one of our 2025 Ryder Cup Captains. More on the Ryder Cup can be found later in the newsletter. Congrats to Robert and thank you to everyone who played!



From Left to right: Taylor Larson, Robert Spizzo (Match Play Champion)



Pod Play Winners From Left to right: Keith Kronberg, George Baracos, Greg McGee, Robert Spizzo

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#### **Twilight Couple's Results:**

For those unaware, we have been hosting a Couple's Twilight Tournament on the last Thursday of every month. The tournament is all about fun with a partner — although it is encouraged, your teammate doesn't have to be your significant other. As long as you come as a 'couple' (friends, family, or partners), you are welcome to play and have a great time. The format will remain on theme of a scramble (best shot by the group) and will change from a 4–person game to a 2–person game periodically. Some quick items:

- · You can sign up for the event through the member portal, and please fill out the questions within the registration.
- · There are club credit prizes for the lowest gross and net scores, as well as closest to the pin prizes
- · We will continue to do the Twilight Tournament throughout the winter, weather permitting, and will have the shotgun start earlier. If we have people wanting to play, we will host it.

Results from last week, September 25th:

1st Gross: Angie Davis, Brooks Stephenson, Mark Childress, Lucia Childress (32) \$25 a person 1st Net: Steve Whitmyer, Theresa Whitmyer, Greg McGee, Nicole Buck (30) \$25 a person

CTP Women: Peggy Ramthun (Adidas Logo Shoe Bag)

CTP Men: Greg McGee (Adidas Logo Shoe Bag)

October Twilight Tournament will be held on Thursday, October 30th with a 4 PM Shotgun Start.

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#### **Member-Guest Results 2025**

I am a little biased, but I think we had a very memorable Member-Guest tournament. We had a wonderful turnout, great food, drinks, golf, gifts, prizes and more. It would take a long time to go over every single detail from the tournament, but here are some of the highlights:

On Friday, our members and their guests played a practice round, followed by an incredibly fun party with food, drinks and games.

Janet Upchurch won the Closest to the Pin Contest by hitting a shot to hole #9 green to 3' 3". She walked away with a brand-new Callaway Opus SP Wedge

Jeff Bell won the Putting Contest that was sponsored by L.A.B Golf. There was a 4-way tie, and the winner was determined by a single putt across the putting green, where the closest to the hole, won the tiebreaker. And Jeff sunk the putt. He walked away with a brand-new L.A.B putter.

Saturday, 27-holes, boxed lunch, and our Closest to the pin winners for actual tournament play.

Janet Upchurch won \$50 for being closest for the ladies on hole #13

Les Bernabi, Michael Fisher, Bill Hudson, and Tony Walsh each won \$100, then competed in a 115-yard shot into #18 green for a final closest to the pin challenge. Each getting two attempts, Les Bernabi was closest, and walked away with a brand-new Callaway Beaufort Club Golf Bag.

Sunday, 18-holes, boxed lunch, Flight Winners, Sunday Shoot-Out, amazing dinner w/spouses, award show.

- o Ladies Flight Winner: Janet Upchurch and Gina Lambert
- o Flight 1 Winner: George Baracos and Stephen Pearse
- o Flight 3 Winner: Brady Puckett and Tony Walsh
- o Flight 4 Winner: Steve Stroud and Rusty Cotton
- o Overall, Sunday Shoot-Out Winner: Gareth Davies and Avery Johnson

Prizes for the winners included Gift Certificates and trophies with variation depending on what place you took within your flight and overall, through the field.

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Men's Overall Winner: Gareth Davies & Avery Johnson



Men's Flight 1 Winner: George Baracos & Stephen Pearse



Men's Flight 2 Winner: Brady Puckett & Tony Walsh



Men's Flight 3 Winner: Steve Stroud & Rusty Cotten

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CTP Winner: Janet Upchurch



Brian Joyner & Gus Headington



CTP Contest: Brady Puckett



CTP Contest: Martha Troxler

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Warm Up Station on Range ft. Youngs PT



CTP Contest David Lewis



Men's Sunday Shootout



Friday Night Putting Contest

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### 2025 Member-Member:

\$60 per player for registration + any cart fees (those not on the car plan) We will charge your member account the total amount the day prior to the event. If you'd rather pay with cash or a different card, please do so in the shop by Thursday next week.

There is still time to sign up for our Member-Member tournament that will take place next week on Saturday and Sunday the 11th and 12th of October. All you need is a partner who is a member, a handicap index, and a desire to have a ton of fun!

We will play 18 holes Saturday, and 18 holes Sunday. Here are the important notes:

Men's and Women's flights

Tournament is broken up into 4 different 9-hole formats.

- o Best Ball (Both play your own ball and the best score between the two players is used)
- o Shamble (Both players tee off, the preferred tee shot is selected, then both players play their own ball through the rest of the hole, and the best score is used)
- o Scramble (Both players tee off, the preferred tee shot is selected, then both players hit from there, the best shot is selected, and this continues until the ball is in the hole)
- o Alternate shot/Chapman (Both players tee off, each player hits the other teammates tee shot, the preferred shot is then selected, and players will alternate from there, through the hole)

There will be a lady's winner, flight winners, and an overall winner. The overall winning team will be decided by the lowest overall NET score amongst the men's flights

· Boxed lunch on Saturday, Nice lunch following play on Sunday (Spouses are invited)

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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#### 2025 Club Championship:

Saturday and Sunday, November 1st and 2nd 8:30am Tee Times

- · Format 36 holes stroke play/Gross and Net Prizes
- Entry Fee \$60 includes trophy/prizes, box lunch Saturday, nicer lunch Sunday.
- · Men's Championship Flight (Open to All Men) Blue Tees
- Men's Senior Championship Flight (60-73) Gold Tees
- · Men's Super Senior Championship Flight (74 and Up) Green Tees
- · Women's Championship Flight (Open to All Ladies) Green Tees

The winner of the Club Championship will Join Robert Spizzo as a Ryder Cup Captain

### 2025 Ryder Cup:

Sunday, November 16th

- · Sign-ups for the Ryder Cup are open to Men and Women.
- · Format Three 9-hole matches (alternate shot, best ball, singles)
- · Price \$40/player includes tee gift, boxed lunch, and dinner afterwards
- · Teams will be picked Friday night (the 14th) by our captains and pairings will be sent out Saturday (the 15th). This will be a fun event you won't want to miss!



# A NOTE FROM THE CHEF



Chef Gus Headington

Live music on the patio this month will feature the popular band Boomerand on October 30<sup>th</sup> with showtime starting at 6:30pm.

We're also excited to bring back "Bingo at Blue Heron" which will be Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 6–8pm. Join us for good food, prizes, and fun! Bingo cards are \$5 each and bar service along with the Wedge Menu will be available.

Don't forget to like the "Blue Heron" on Facebook, as you'll see our daily specials and any information pertaining to our events. Thank you for supporting the Blue Heron restaurant!



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









# A NOTE FROM THE CHEF

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Join us for an evening of excitement, camaraderie, and the thrill of the win at Bingo! Mark your calendars for an evening filled with anticipation & Fun. Wedge Menu and Bar Service Available.

Open to the Public. Bingo Cards are \$5 Each.

### PRIZE | FOOD | FUN

Tuesday, October, 72025 at 6-8pm

300 Links Dr. Beaufort NC 28516



## GOLF COURSE UPDATE



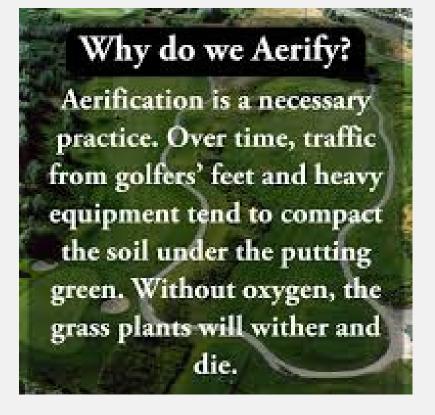
Superintendent Jonathan Birkett

Green speeds should continue to increase as we move into Fall. If you played in the Member-Guest you may have noticed the difference as we cut and rolled the greens. New cups also arrived in time to be used during the tournament.

Fall aerification has been set for Tuesday-Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. The golf course and putting green will be closed on these days, however the driving range will be open.

As always, if you can repair your ball marks and fill in your divots it'll go a long way into keeping the course in great shape. Thank you!





# BEAUFORT CLUB LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION

BEAUFORT CLUB LGA

The Beaufort Club LGA sponsored a hole and participated in the Beaufort Women's Club golf tournament fundraiser in September. We had a great time and there were fantastic prizes.

We have many activities this month including Tuesday and Thursday golf at 9:30 and 9:40. There is a 9-hole group that plays mid morning also.

Other activities include 10/7 Pretty in Pink cancer fundraiser at Carolina Colours, 10/22 Girlfriend's Day at Crystal Coast CC and 10/30 Tar Hills League Finals at the Beaufort Club. The Minnesott Solheim has been rescheduled to 10/13.

There is an LGA meeting at 12:15pm at the clubhouse on Oct. 29 to discuss future activities. Please join our fun group!

#### **LGA Officers**

President: Maureen Raymond (413-636-7310) Vice President: Susan McDonald (919-971-5930)

Secretary: Martha Troxler (336-380-3361) Treasurer: Keila Keadle (919-414-9923)

# BEAUFORT CLUB MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION



Our MGA plays every Monday for a 9 AM Shotgun start. The game is typically a team game, and we try to play a different game every time. Those interested in playing just need to let us know in the shop. We will get your email down, make sure you have a handicap index, and we can start including you in the weekly updates. Every Monday, it is only \$10 to play, plus any cart fees you may need to pay.

Next week, October 6<sup>th</sup>, the MGA will be playing a game called "Devil's Delight" or "666" Teams of two will play holes 1–6 as a scramble format, 7–12 as a shamble format (best drive, then own ball), 13–18 best ball.

There is also a cash game every week. Right now, it's a Poley game, where to win the pot, you must hit your shot on a par 3 within the length of the flag stick. Each par 3 has its own pot, and the amount carries over each week if a poley isn't won on that hole.

I want to thank you all for your continued welcome. Everyone has made this move for not only myself, but my family as well, enjoyable and so so worth it! I will continue to do my best to help each of you here at the club. We have a lot of amazing things coming and I am incredibly excited to be a part of it with each of you.



 Joe "The Pro" Kreuser recorded a SLAM DUNK eagle while playing this past month on hole #6.
 Great shot Joe!

