

July 2017

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club

Club News



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4th of July Weekend Lineup

Monday, July 3

Clubhouse and Golf Course normal hours.

Golf Shop 7:30am - 6:30pm

Signal Grill 11am - 8pm

Main Dining Room 5pm - 8pm

Main Bar/Deck 5pm - 8pm

Men's Card Room 8am - 9pm

Tuesday, July 4

Flag Day Tournament. Sign up on the First Tee. Shootout #4 starting at 2:30 p.m.

Tuesday, July 4

July 4th Pool Celebration with BBQ Chicken, Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Potato Salad, Corn on the Cob, Baked Beans, Watermelon, and more. Pool cookout served from 12p.m. til 7:30p.m. Only cookout menu available at pool for holiday celebration. \$15 adults and \$8 children. Pool closes at 9p.m.

Regular food service available in Grill from 11a.m. til 3p.m.
Clubhouse closes at 3p.m.

Card Room will be open til 8p.m.
No food service after 3p.m.

Wednesday, July 5

Clubhouse and Course Closed

Out of the Rough

With the exceptional weather of late the staff has been working very hard to keep the course in top shape. We've had above average rainfall and enough warmth to keep most of our turf growing at excessive rates. That is a pretty good problem to have considering our recent struggles with winter damage. I want to briefly update you on project work and show a couple pictures of how the excessive growth is managed by the staff.

Our goal is to cut approximately 27-36 holes of rough each week. That is not always possible depending on the weather, volume of golf rounds played and the timing of those rounds. When the rough is growing as fast as it is right now we are forced to blow many of the areas to disperse the clippings. This definitely makes the course play better and look more aesthetically pleasing but it takes valuable labor away from other assignments.



Blower is being used to disperse clippings in the rough.

With some very generous night time low temperatures our greens are growing at a good healthy clip as well. With a little more growth than desired or anticipated, it's important to topdress the greens with sand to keep them firm, dilute organic matter and keep ball roll as smooth as possible. Green speeds are lower than desired right now but I'll take healthy greens over fast greens any day of the year. We are cautiously applying plant growth regulator to get our speeds back up to where we like them.



Applying topdressing sand is critical for healthy greens.

In the next few days you'll notice that the greenside bunker on hole 14 is being converted to a grass surfaced bunker. While the bunker is in a good position for strategy, the decision has been made to fill it in. This will eliminate several construction flaws that have plagued that bunker for the last several years. Our course masterplan calls for a bunker in that location so I look forward to reestablishing a well-built hazard there in the years to come.

If you'd like to discuss any of these topics in greater detail feel free to contact me at prose@smgcc.org. I'm always happy to spend some time on the course with members to discuss any concerns you may have. Please follow the Department's Twitter account [@SMGCCTURF](https://twitter.com/SMGCCTURF) for updates on what the Team is doing to prep the course for play each day.

See you on the course!
Pat



Golf News

The Summer has arrived and I just hope that the weather remains as nice as it has been. The tournament has started off nicely and is beginning to really crank up. We hope to continue to see some great tournament participation in the future. With that in mind, the Member-Member has been rescheduled for August 12th-13th.

Driving Range

Please refrain from hitting balls over the net on the driving range. When balls clear the net, it creates a safety hazard for golfers on hole #7 as well as a major nuisance and hazard to the residents on the other side of #7. If you wish to hit drivers and are worried about flying them over the net, feel free to take some balls to the back side of the lowest tee and hit towards the right side of the driving range. The added length and elevation change should give most golfers adequate distance to hit their driver. First offenses will be given a verbal warning. Repeat violators are subject to loss of driving range privileges without a range fee refund, a fine, or both, at the Board's discretion.



PACE of PLAY: Top Ten Practices

- 1. Play Ready Golf** – NOT Honors especially when others are not ready on the course or tee
- 2. Play your shot** before assisting others in locating their ball
- 3. Play Provisional Ball** to prevent from returning to previous shot or tee
- 4. Read putts** when entering the green and while others are preparing to putt
- 5. Putt out** when ever possible to avoid re-reading the line again
- 6. Do Not be a spectator** – get your distance and be by your ball ready to play
- 7. Pre-shot Routine** – speed up process or begin routine sooner
- 8. Carts** – park closest to next tee and others should be preparing for their play
- 9. Pace between Shots** –quicken the pace between shots not the shot itself
- 10. Walkers** - yield to those in a cart; do not wait for a walker to get into position

NOTE: Pace of play is about what we do before and during the shot; NOT the score. Always be aware of where the group is in front of you NOT behind you. Play moves forward, not backwards.

SMLGA News

Remember that ladies play on Tuesday and Thursday will tee off at 9 AM in July. Remember to sign up in the ladies lounge no later than Sunday at 5 PM to participate in Tuesday play or Wednesday at 5 PM for Thursday play. When you sign up, if you just want to play 9 holes, please put 9 beside your name. Arrive early and be on the tee box ready to play at 9 AM.

This year's first Nine & Wine held on June 25th was a huge success with 19 ladies coming out to play in this fun event. Congratulations to the winning team of Deedee Raulston, Carol Floyd, Dennie Taylor & Joan Adcock! Second place went to Bonnie Hamilton, Chee Allen, Emily Godfrey & Lynne Marks. The Signal Mountain Ladies Golf Association 2017 Yearbooks are ready to pick up in the Ladies Lounge, if you have not yet picked up your copy.



Upcoming Events

Tuesday, July 11th, is the Women's City Amateur Tournament Team Play Day at Valleybrook. Our teams are as follows. A Team - Debbie Durham, Michele Purchase, Karen Burns & Anna Cunningham. B Team - Deedee Raulston, Bonnie Hamilton, Nancy Hora & Amy Russell. C Team - Sylvia Friedl, Jean Cates, Joanie Cooper & Jean St. Charles. Come on out to watch and support SMGCC's teams!

Tuesday, July 11th, will be the last Tuesday Night Ladies Clinic at 5:45.

Sunday, July 16th, is the second Nine and Wine Select Shot Tournament and all ladies of the club are invited to join us for a fun afternoon of golf. Call the Golf Shop by 1 PM to sign up with play to begin at 3 PM. The cost is \$15 per person. We will gather on the upstairs deck for hors d'oeuvres and a glass of wine after play! Come join us!

Monday-Wednesday, July 17-19, is the Chattanooga Women's City Amateur Tournament at Valleybrook Golf Club.

Saturday and Sunday, July 29th & 30th, is the Signal Mountain Ladies Club Championship sponsored by the golf shop. The tournament is open to all ladies of the club. Sign up in the golf shop to play in this event.

September 9th & 10th, is the St. Charles Cup and will be played this year at Chattanooga Golf & Country Club. Applications are available in the Ladies Lounge or contact Deedee Raulston.

Remember to check the bulletin board in the ladies lounge for sign-up sheets and other upcoming events in the Chattanooga area. Our golf course is looking beautiful, so get out and play some golf with the ladies and friends!



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Everything Social

Due to the recent changes in Food & Beverage, please contact the Business Office at ext. 225 or 240 to confirm any planned events you currently have on the Club's Calendar.

SMGCC Book Club

Tuesday, July 18 at 6 pm

President's Room

July Selection:

Hillbilly Elegy, A Memoir of Family and Culture in Crisis, by J.D. Vance

(Please note the date change due to the Mountaineer Member Guest Tournament party on Thursday, July 20th.)

Thursday, August 17 at 6 pm

President's Room

August Selection:

Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly

The Book Club meets on the third Thursday of every month in the President's Room, and all the ladies of the club are invited to join the group and stay for dinner afterwards. There are some months when special events are planned, and the information will be posted in the club newsletter.



The Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members and returning members for June 2017.

Welcome To:

Randy Cooper (Full), Orthodontist with McCamish, Cooper & Dyer, and wife Emily and children Clay (12), Bo (9), and Callie (7).

Patrick Cruise (Social), Attorney with The Hamilton Firm, and wife Robin and children Tucker (8) and Mason (6).

Robert Gardner (Junior), account representative with LMS/Logistics Made Simple, and wife Amber.

Daniel Goldberg (Social), Commercial Financial Advisor with Pinnacle Financial Partners, and wife Marsha and children Reese (11), and Brody (8).

Jim Harrison (Full), an Engineer with WJH Engineering, and wife Angie and children Ella (16), Charlotte (13), and Tate (10).

Carter Newbold (Full), Investments with Rutabaga Capital Management, and wife Beth and children Nathan (19), Lucy (17), and Stella (14).

James Ridenor (Full), retired, and wife Katie and daughter Ellie (19).

Dining Specials

Tuesday

Kids eat free in the dining room
with purchase of an adult entrée.

Friday

Chef's Specials

Saturday

Breakfast 8am - 11am

Sunday

Breakfast Buffet

9am - 2pm \$8.95

Specials



July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	3 Club Open	4 Flag Day Tournament BBQ at the Pool	5 Club Closed	6	7 Chef's Dinner Specials	8
9 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	10 Club Closed Golf Summer Camp	11 Family Night Kids Eat Free Golf Summer Camp	12 Golf Summer Camp	13	14 Chef's Dinner Specials	15
16 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	17 Club Closed	18 Family Night Kids Eat Free Book Club	19	20 Mountaineer Clubhouse and Pool close at 3pm	21 Chef's Dinner Specials Mountaineer Regular Club Hours	22 Mountaineer Clubhouse and Pool Closed
23/30 23rd Mountaineer Brunch Service from 11am – 2pm 30th Ladies Club Championship	24/31 Club Closed	25 Family Night Kids Eat Free	26	27	28 Chef's Dinner Specials	29 Ladies Club Championship

August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Brunch Buffet 9 AM – 2 PM \$8.95	7 Club Closed	8 Family Night Kids Eat Free	9	10	11 Chef's Dinner Specials	12
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Clubhouse Extensions:
(423) 886-5767

Pro Shop & Tee Times
Ext: 226

To-Go Orders & Reservations
Option: 3

Business Office
Ext: 225

Chef's Office
Ext: 242

Main Bar
Ext: 223

Men's Card Room
Ext: 227
Tuesday - Friday 10am - Dark
Saturday & Sunday 8am - Dark

Club Manager
Ext: 242

Administrative Fax
(423) 886-2879

Golf Shop Hours

Tuesday - Sunday
7:30 am - Dusk

Range

8am - Dusk

Clubhouse Hours

Signal Grill

Tue - Sat: 11am - 8pm
Sunday: Closed

Dining Room

Tue & Wed: 5pm - 8pm
Thu, Fri & Sat: 5pm - 9pm
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

Main Bar

Tue & Wed: 5pm - 8pm
Thu, Fri & Sat: 5pm - 9pm
Sunday: 9am - 8pm

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