

June 2022

Signal Mountain Golf and Country Club

Club News



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President's Message

SMGCC is busier than ever and we have a great team leading the way. I want to thank Paul Helle, his staff and the tournament committee for the work that went into the Invitational Tournament. Once again, we had a full field of players. Tyler Guy and the golf course crew had the course in great shape. My golf game would not have fared well in those difficult conditions!

Our leadership team is always striving to enhance member experiences, so please remember to send feedback, ideas, concerns or praise to our board at smgccfeedback@gmail.com. This email address is monitored by board members only, and all emails will be anonymously discussed.

Joe and Chef Jason will be rolling out our new menu around June 3rd. Our dining room is packed on a regular basis, so I encourage making reservations when planning to have dinner at the club. We will try to accommodate walk-ins the best we can. The first movie night on the fairway was a big success. Thank you to Joe, Tina and the entire Social Committee for pulling the night off. Our Social Committee will also be planning a few more live music nights coming up this summer. Please be on the lookout for updates on Clubster.

The pool is now officially open. Our goal is to create a pleasurable and safe environment for all of our members. Please keep your kids safe, be mindful of others and the pool rules. Joe, Macie and the pool staff are there to facilitate a great member experience and try to keep everyone safe. I cannot stress enough with the number of new members we have to keep your small ones close by and report any issues to the staff. Lastly, please be mindful of pool toys like balls, water guns and large floats. While all of these are still currently allowed, we have received some complaints about safety for little ones with large floats in the pool and balls flying through the air. We want our children to have fun, but these toys require special parental attention to make sure your children are using them in a safe and mindful manner for all pool attendees.

The club house renovation is in the final phase. The interior is pretty much at the punch out phase. The front porte-cochere, porch and main entrance are the last big steps in this project. The goal is to have everything wrapped up by the end of June. Once the construction is complete, the parking lot will be getting a fresh coat of pavement.

Our club has great momentum and the waiting list continues to grow. I personally want to thank our staff and all of the volunteers that dedicate the time to serve SMGCC.





From the Clubhouse

All of us at the Clubhouse hope you and yours had a wonderful Memorial Day. Our June Calendar is busy this year with several member events to enjoy

- Saturday June 11th Paul will host the annual Ladies Sip and Chip Golf Clinic at the Driving Range. Chef Jason will prepare snacks and wine for the Ladies to enjoy at the Clinic.
- Also on Saturday June 11th, Piano Night. Seating is limited so make plans early to guarantee a seat in the dining room.
- Wednesday June 15th it Poolside Bingo! Bring the gang out for fun and games with Macie at the Pool. A cookout buffet will be available and great prizes for all.
- Saturday June 25th it's Live Music Night at the Main Bar featuring the "Middle Creek Band"

Looking to July, the fun continues starting with our Annual 4th of July Poolside Cookout. This event is well attended so pack a camp chair or two to ensure having a seat.

- Saturday July 16th its Live Music Night featuring "Tanner Hillis"
- Friday July 22nd "Mountaineer Ladies Day at the Pool"

We look forward to seeing you all at the Pool and Dining Room real soon.

Joe Fidelibus, Clubhouse Manager

From the Clubhouse



Golf News

The 2022 Signal Mountain Invitational is in the books. The event was once again a great success thanks in part to a great field, wonderful staff, and plenty of outstanding volunteers and sponsors. We once again hosted an incredibly strong field of top amateurs from around the Southeast. Tyler Guy and his staff did a fantastic job of getting the golf course ready and producing an incredibly tough 6200 yard course. We once again received many great compliments on how good the course conditions were despite the rough winter and spring. The greens were absolutely perfect, even if 3-putts were plentiful. Friday's round produced a few rounds under par with Braedon Wear, Takafumi Shimoji, Miller Wick, and Mikey Feher each shooting a 67 in firm, fast conditions. Five other golfers finished the first round under par. Andy Mao of Georgia Tech got off to an incredibly hot start on Saturday. Mao was -7 through 8 holes on his way to shooting a 29 on the front. He had one hiccup with an out of bounds ball on 13 but still managed the low round of the tournament at 63. Mao's 63 put him in a tie with Trey Melvin of Lee College at -8 after Saturday, one shot ahead of Wear and 3 shots clear of Carson Johnson. Wear got out to a hot start on Sunday after a -5, 31 on the front 9. He used that momentum to cruise to a 5 shot victory over Mao and 6 shots ahead of Shimoji. Wear completed his back-to-back championship and hopes to become the only 3-peat champion of this event next year. A very special thank you to all of our volunteers and sponsors for once again making the event run so smoothly.

Below are all of the flight winners:

Championship A: Andy Mao
Championship B: Jack Morris
Championship C: Eric Rose

Senior Champion: Bob Rice
First Flight: Mike Craig
Second Flight: Kyle Kilpatrick

Upcoming Events:

June 18- Super Skins / Shootout #3
June 22- One Day Member-Member/Member-Guest
June 24-June 26- Men's Club Championship (Championship Flight)
June 25-June 26- Men's Club Championship / President's Cup
June 28-30- Junior Golf Camp #2
July 4- Flag Day / Shootout #4
July 9-10- Ladies Club Championship
July 5-7- Junior Golf Camp #2
July 22-24- Mountaineer

Save the Dates

July 9-10	Ladies Club Championship
July 11-13	Summer Golf Camp #3 (Full)
July 22-24	Mountaineer
August 13-14	Haskew Cup @ Black Creek Club
Sep 30-Oct 1	Malarkey Cup

Putts From The Fringe

Quickly approaching the halfway point, 2022 has had its share of curveballs. With our summer staff trickling in, I am looking forward to getting our people trained and into a rhythm.

Areas that have taken winter damage have improved nicely over the last month. A lot of the damaged areas are chronic problem areas and I want to address the underlying problem as much as possible before throwing sod at it every year. There are some growing pains involved in this strategy but I think it is the most economical and in the best interest of playing conditions long term. We have shade areas where the best option may be to incorporate some different cool season grasses this fall.

We have added sand to several of our bunkers, these bunkers should play much better after they have received enough rain to pack them through the profile. Many of our bunkers have enough sand in them but not in the right places. With our summer staff returning we will be able to take the time to do an audit on these areas and soften some of them up where needed.

Rising costs have caused us to pivot some this year and we have eliminated material purchases that are not returning a greater value back to the golf course. Despite the cooler and dry spring, less irrigation, and less fertilizer, the golf course is in better shape than it was this time last year.

Killing weeds in fairways in the winter also slows spring green up, the programs we put into place last year are working and I expect the spring transition to continue to get better. Our greens are as healthy as I have seen, investing in drainage restoration and drilling through to profile has allowed us to grow the deepest roots I have seen here which sets us up for good conditions through the summer.

Thank you for your continued support,
Tyler





SMLGA NEWS

Greetings!

I hope everyone had a safe and fun Memorial Day. Our course is responding to the warm weather and expertise of the grounds crew led by Tyler Guy. Let us continue to do our part to support their efforts with the following course maintenance measures:

- no carts on the par 3's
- heed the log markers placed to divert carts from heavily trafficked areas to reduce erosion
- keep carts 30 feet from the green to protect the collars
- do not roll carts across the greens
- be an example for proper divot and ball mark repairs

A big welcome to all our new members; exciting times are ahead! The Club House renovation should be completed in next few weeks and our Centennial celebration plans are in the works. For those of you who are interested in improving your swing skills, we have the first **Ladies Golf Clinic** of the season on **Saturday, June 11 at 3 pm**. The hour-long class will be held at the Practice Range and limited to the first 20 ladies to sign up with the Golf Shop. The cost will be \$20 and all skill levels are welcome. Paul Helle, Head Professional, and his staff can also help with private lessons, general course etiquette/protocols, and course layout. One of our goals is to grow the Ladies' game of golf and have fun doing it, so take dead aim and swing your swing! Hope to see you at the range or on the course soon.

Please contact me if you are interested in joining the Ladies Golf Association for Tuesday or Thursday play. The tee time for 18 holes is 9:30 and 11:30 for 9 holes. Lunch to follow if your schedule allows. Speaking of which, on behalf of all the LGAers, I want to thank Joe Fidelibus and his Staff for working with us on our biweekly post-game lunches. It is a large group and our lunch preorder process seems to be working well for all!

Lynne Marks, SMLGA President
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Happy Birthday to our Gemini & Cancer Swinging Sisters!



Rebecca Travis- Mon June 9
Vickie McPeters- Sat June 18
Jean Cates- Thurs June 30
Naomi Lindsey- Thurs June 30



<u>2022 SMLGA Events Schedule</u>	
June 13 (Mon)	CWGA Team Play Ooltewah
June 29 & 30 (Wed/Thurs)	CWGA Individual Play Ooltewah
July 9-10 (Sat & Sun)	Ladies Club Championship
August 2 & 4 (Tues & Thurs)	Laura Newbourne Best/Better Tournie
September 11 (Sun)	St. Charles Cup at SMGCC
September 20-23 (Tues/Thurs & Fri)	Kistler Cup & Awards Luncheon
October 27 (Thurs)	Closing Day 9-Hole Select Shot & Lunch
Date to be Announced	Shootout



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The Signal Mountain Golf & Country Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members and returning members for May 2022:

Welcome To:

Jon Lawrence (Junior), Director of Sales/Partner at Chattanooga Whiskey, and wife Ashlee (Real Estate) and son Jack (1 ½)

Kyle J. Wilson (Full), Assistant United States Attorney, and wife Rebecca (Senior Director at Kenco Corporation, and children Walker (7) and Wrenn (6)

SMGCC Book Club

Thursday June 16, 6:00 PM
What Happened to the Bennetts
by Lisa Scottoline

July 21, 6:00 PM
TBA

The “Lit Ladies” meet monthly on the 3rd Thursday at 6 PM to discuss & rate the current book. We have dinner afterward. All Ladies of the Club are welcome. Please text or email Treena Smith 423-785-7470 or squirtzer@aol.com.

Come join us for an evening of fun!



UPDATE TO PAYMENT TERMS Effective June 1, 2022

Payments for statement balances are due the 10th of each month following the statement date.

Effective June 1, 2022, a new 15 day “GRACE PERIOD” will go into effect.

Any payments received AFTER the 25th of each month will be considered LATE and be subject to late fees.

**Please call the Business Office at
423-886-5767 Ext. 225
to set up for automatic payment to avoid late fees.**

June 2022

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines Summer Golf Camp #1 (Full)	2 Summer Golf Camp #1 (Full)	3	4
5 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	6 Club Closed	7	8 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	9	10 Karaoke Night @ the Pool	11 Ladies Golf Clinic 3pm- \$20 (call Golf Shop to register) Piano Night
12 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	13 Club Closed	14	15 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines Poolside Bingo	16 Book Club	17	18 Summer Golf Camp #2 (Spots Remaining)
19 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free Summer Golf Camp #2 (Spots Remaining)	20 Club Closed Summer Golf Camp #2 (Spots Remaining)	21	22 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	23	24 Men's Club Championship	25 Men's Club Championship Live Music Night
26 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	27 Club Closed	28	29 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	30		

July 2022

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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3 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	4 Flag Day / Shootout #4	5 Club Closed Junior Golf Camp #2	6 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines Junior Golf Camp #2	7 Junior Golf Camp #2	8	9 Ladies Club Championship
10 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free Ladies Club Championship	11 Club Closed	12	13 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	14	15	16
17 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free	18 Club Closed	19	20 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	21 Book Club	22 Mountaineer	23 Mountaineer
24 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free Mountaineer	25 Club Closed	26	27 Wine Wednesday 50% off House Wines	28	29	30
31 Sunday Brunch 9am – 2pm Family Night Kids Eat Free						



Clubhouse Extensions:
(423) 886-5767

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Press: 0

Pro Shop & Tee Times
Press: 1

Head Golf Pro, Paul Helle
Press: 2

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Press: 3

Main Bar
Press: 4

Men's Card Room
Press: 5

Business Office
Press: 6

Controller & Office Manager
Press: 7

Course Superintendent, Tyler Guy
Press: 8

Club Manager, Joe Fidelibus
Press: 9

Administrative Fax
(423) 886-2879

Golf Shop Hours

Tuesday - Sunday
7:30am - 6:30pm
(shop will close at 5:30pm after
DST)

Range

Tuesday - Sunday
8am - Dusk

Main Dining Room & Bar

Tuesday - Saturday: 10am - 8pm
Sunday: 10am - 7pm

Men's Card Room

Tuesday - Saturday: 10am - 8pm
Sunday: 10am - 7pm

Pool (Memorial Day - Labor Day)

Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - 8pm
Friday & Saturday: 10am - 9pm
Sunday 12:30pm - 8pm

Reservations & Party Inquiries

jfidelibus@smgcc.org

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