

Rolling Hills Country Club

March 2023 Newsletter

Upcoming Events at Rolling Hills:

March 11th – Tiger Trivia (Pre-Registration required through Tiger Nation)

March 14th – Volunteer Day – Aerification – Course Closed all Day

March 15th – Wednesday Night Dinner & Poker – Pasta

A Note from Steve:

This has been a very busy winter. Usually, I have had several cold or snowy days to send out a newsletter or two during the winter. This year, not so much. January was definitely better than normal and February was simply crazy. It has been a wonderful to see so much golf being played this time of year. With that being said, the grass does not grow this time of year. Please keep carts out of the fairways (until April 3), keep carts away from low or wet areas, and please do not drive in areas where cart traffic is wearing the grass out. Paying attention now will make the course much better in 60 days.

This is a busy month for the course. Dustin and Valerie have been doing bit of irrigation work and will begin to spray fairways and tees in the next week. In addition, we will be fertilizing greens and preparing for aerification on March 14th. We are going to keep the course closed that day and have a volunteer work day. Steve Yoder is the chairman of our volunteers and will be organizing the work to be done that day. We always appreciate the work of our volunteers and appreciate the difference it makes.

The Board of Directors has made the decision to mow or burn the native grass areas twice per year. Once in the winter and once in the summer. In addition, we will keep areas in front of several tees and near cart paths trimmed on a more frequent basis. The cost of this additional maintenance will be tracked and will help determine plans for future years.

I am really looking forward to an exciting year and I hope to see everyone at the course soon.

Thank you for your support,

Steve

Pool

Everyone should be aware that we were investigating the future of our swimming pool. In looking at the survey results, financial considerations and members discussions we decided to move away from having a pool. We received several donations to assist in this process and we will be physically removing the pool soon. The area will remain as an additional outside patio space until we determine our best way forward. Our main goal in the immediate future is to clean up the area and have a usable space for outside activities. We are not going to invest considerable funds until we are certain of our direction. We hope that the additional space will be used in some fashion, will be more attractive and will allow us to move forward in a positive direction.

FROST

If there is frost on the course, the course is closed. Under no circumstances is anyone allowed to play, practice or be on the course while frost is present. Stay off all grass!!!

Platinum Membership 2023 – Reminder

NEW – 10% discount on Food, Beverage and Beer from Proshop – **NEW**

Not all of our staff can remember or recognize every single platinum member. Please remind them or do not be offended if you have to give them your name. The Food and Beverage discount is only applied once your name is in the system.

ANNUAL PASS 2023

The cost of the 2023 Annual Pass is \$309. The Annual Pass allows for unlimited golf, but you must rent a cart. You may not walk, lease or own a cart.

If you were a pass holder in 2022 and have not yet paid for 2023, this is a gentle reminder that your pass expires this month. Please stop by and pay your 2023 Annual Pass fee.

Where did it go.....

If you have not been to the proshop lately you may not be aware that we have removed the fountain soda machine. The board was provided with the financial data that between the cost of cups, lids, straws, ice, and the product itself the fountain soda machine was actually losing a substantial amount of money.

So, the machine has been removed. We have spruced up that area and brought back the hot dog spinner. Of course, many people only used the fountain soda for water. To address this, we will provide bottled water to our Platinum members at no cost and lowered the price to \$1 per bottle for Annual Pass members and the public.

Driving Range

Our driving range is so much busier than in the past that we need to make a few changes / improvements. In the near future we will install a row of artificial hitting areas to use when the conditions demand or when the turf needs a rest.

We also hope to make some improvements / changes to our targets. We are still looking at options and are excited to change the looks.

We do not want to be irons only. But we do need to apply some limits, especially when the hitting areas are moved all the way forward. These changes will be posted when finalized and we ask that you do your best to follow those limitations and help remind others to do so as well.

2023 Leagues

Men

Our men's leagues will begin Monday, April 3rd at 9:00 am for the 18-hole shotgun start.

Afternoon Men's league starts 1:00 or later on April 3rd.

Reminder the 1st week is \$15 per player and all other weeks are \$10, plus the appropriate cart or greens fees for that individual.

Women

Our 1st Women's mixer and luncheon meeting of the year is Tuesday, April 11th. Shotgun start at 9:30 with lunch to follow. We will have the meeting and lunch even if the weather does not allow for golf.

Wednesday Night Golf and Dinner

We will begin WNG&D on Wednesday, May 3rd. Shotguns start at 4:30, dinner to follow at approximately 7:00.

Callaway Fitting Day

Wednesday, May 10th

We will schedule fittings every 30 minutes from 1:00 to 5:00. Please watch future emails, newsletters and Facebook posts regarding the start of registration.

