

THE PINEWILD PERSPECTIVE

March...2024

PINEWILD AZALEA LEAGUE



It's almost here! The 2024 PAL season begins with a "Social Meeting" on Tuesday, March 19th, which will be held in the Clubhouse. This will include enjoying time re-acquainting with golfing friends, and learning about the plans for the upcoming year. For those PAL Members who might need technical help with Golf Genuis, members of the Golf Shop Staff will be on hand to assist.



The Opening Golf Tournament is scheduled for March 26th, and the Tournament Committee has been hard at work preparing for the Opener, which includes golf, lunch and fun surprises. The 2024 season will be focused on golf, friendship and having MUCH fun!

Join us on April 17th for our Annual Charity Even benefitting the Boys and Girls Club of the Sandhills...

The mission of the Boys and Girls Club of the Sandhills is to inspire, enable and educate young people from all backgrounds and circumstances to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens.



From games and athletics to drug prevention workshops, the Boys & Girls Club of the Sandhills offers young people a range of fun and productive activities. Three Clubs, two in Southern Pines and one in Aberdeen, are open each day after school from 2:30PM till 6:30PM – when research has shown children to be most vulnerable to gangs, violence and other risky behaviors. In the summer, Clubs and special summer-only sites open their doors all day to young people with nowhere else to go.

[Check-out additional Information and Sign-up.](#)

Sign-up is NOW ongoing for the "season opening Golf Event" [the two-person] [RINGER EVENT](#) on Friday and Saturday March 22nd and 23rd on the Holly Golf Course...

Check-out the [2024 Event Sign-up Portal](#) for ALL the Club Events...

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Michael and Teresa Cox

Brian and Nancy Peters

Alfred and Suzanne Keener

Tom and Nancy Hussey

We are glad you made our Pinewild Home!

PINEWILD MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

From your Executive Board: The PMGA looks forward to another GREAT year of Golf, with 194 members thus far, but it is not too late to join. The PMGA is open to all male members of Pinewild Country Club of Pinehurst. Some join just to support the PMGA, some join and play only in the Opener, Closer, the two Summer Bashes and some join and play almost every week. The PMGA is all about fellowship, meeting new members, playing different sorts of games and always having fun.

Tournaments: Electronic sign-ups are ongoing for the Medal Series, the Holly Challenge, the Blazer Tournament and the Armed Forces Cup (AFC). Sign-ups for all tournaments end soon. For additional information on the PMGA Tournaments, please refer to the [PMGA Portal](#).

PMGA Opener: Our "official" opening event is slated for March 14th. A 5-man Scramble will be played, sandwiched between breakfast, a membership meeting and lunch. Of course, the always favorite beverage carts will be available. Don't miss this great time!

Event Results and the Top Finishers this past Month:

Jan. 4th: Peer Play on Holly. White Tee Flt.: Gross: Brian MacConnachie [82], Net: Nick Weltmann [73]

Gold Tee Flight: 1st Gross: Nick Kelble [84], 1st Net: Steve Leggett [73]

Red & Green Tee Flight: 1st Gross: Steve Ross [84], 1st Net: Bob Behnke [74]

Closet to the Pin: #3 Walt Havenstein, #8 Brian MacConnachie, #12 Frank Bishop and #17 Nick Kelble

January 11th: ABCD on Magnolia. 1st [-16] Craig Gentry, Jim Pryor, Roy Register and Jim Young

Closest to the Pin: #3 Bob Watt, #7 Jim Young, #12 Tim Pittman and #15 Nick Kelble

January 25th: ABCD on Magnolia. 1st [-15] Walt Blackwell, Mike Apodaca, Ken Rife and Jim Young

Closest to the Pin: #3 Cameron Harjung, #7 Walt Blackwell, #12 Ken Rife and #15 Don Clark

February 1st: ABCD on Holly. 1st [-12] Don Clark, David Poore and Don Garratt

Closest to the Pin: #3 Mike Apodaca, #8 Jeff Moddle, #12 Bob Watt and #17 Dan Angus

Feb. 8th: Peer Play on Mag. White Tee Flight: Gross: Brian MacConnachie [83], Net: Jerry Rooney [76]

Gold Tee Flight: 1st Gross: Fred Gabarra [75], 1st Net: Andy Wurst [74]

Red Tee Flight: 1st Gross: Bob Behnke [84], 1st Net: Robert McCoy [75]

Green Tee Flight: 1st Gross: Gary Petersen [88], 1st Net: Ron Joseph [78]

CTP: #3 Jerry Rooney, #7 Tom Hussey, #12 David Poore and #15 Gary Petersen

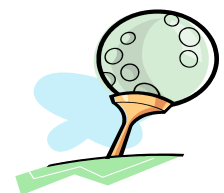
February 15th: Mini-Ringer on Azalea. [-2] Walt Havenstein and Bob Behnke

CTP: #2 Walt Havenstein, #4 Jack Lichtenberger, #6 Caird Vandersloot and #8 Mike Apodaca

February 22nd: ABCD on Holly. [-18] Nick Weltmann, Dave Devendorf, Ted Davison and Ron Joseph

Closest to the Pin: #3 and #8 Dave Devendorf, #12 Cameron Harjung and #17 Lee D'Onle

Hole-in-Ones: Jim Pryor carded his 3rd career ace January 3rd on the 17th hole of the Holly. Jim used his pitching wedge to cover the 129 yards from the tee in to the hole. The event was witnessed by Scott Sutherland, Tim Sykora and George Hall. Andy Wurst scored his 2nd career ace February 3rd on the 15th hole of the Magnolia course. Andy used his 7 iron to cover the 153 yards from the tee to the hole. The event was witnessed by Gene Medlock, Brian MacConnachie and Tom Nussbaum. Gene Medlock scored a hole-in-one February 20th on the 15th hole of the Magnolia course. Gene used his 9 iron for the 145 yards shot. The event was witnessed by Jim Slate, Rocco Simone and Chris Holland. This was Gene's 4th career ace. Jim Hemingway aced Magnolia 12 on February 21st. Jim used his 7 rescue to cover the 123 yards for his 5th career ace. Jim Wilson, Ken Rife and Jan Novak witnessed the stroke.



PINEWILD WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

The PWGA has already had the first recorded Hole-in-One of this new year. Sally Manich had a Hole-in-One on the 12th hole of the Holly course on the 20th of February. The 122 yard [5 hybrid] stroke was witnessed by Grace Hill, Soonyoung Spadola and Jean Lee. Congratulations to Sally.



The PWGA "opening" Breakfast Meeting and Golf will be held on March 5th on the Holly Golf Course. A scramble will follow breakfast and meeting, with Allan playing a hole with each foursome. We all look forward to another exciting 2024 Season.

News, News and More News...

Winter has come, and we hope gone, as we ready for another busy year at Pinewild. We look forward to a spectacular Spring in the Sandhills...always a great time of the year to be in central Carolina.

On Sunday the 10th of March we will be hosting the first [Par Chasers/Twilight Golf and Dinner](#) of the 2024 season. A great opportunity for 18 or 9 holes of "couples" golf competition with prizes and a dinner following play. We host these events every month through October. Sign-up is online through Golf Genius [at the link above].

The Course Maintenance Staff continues to work on various projects over the Winter. The root-pruning along the rough lines [to enhance the turf in the rough along the pine straw beds close to the tree roots] is almost complete, with the Holly and Challenge courses complete and most of the Azalea complete. While we have not had much in the way of Winter weeds to speak of, herbicide applications for winter weeds has been completed. Additionally, the pre-emerge herbicide applications for Spring weeds has been applied to all the courses and the practice facilities. Much has been done in the way of Holly course annual "wetland trimming", with only a few spots remaining. Some bunker reconstruction has taken place to correct some drainage issues. In addition most of the greenside bunkers on the Holly and the Magnolia courses have been receiving a new layer of bunker "top-sand", this will continue as we roll into March. While the new bunker surfaces will firm-up with time, staff will continue to "tamp" these areas to speed up this firming process. Lastly, some cart path work will be done in early March.



As the warmer Spring growing season approaches, the Staff will be refocusing on enhancing the turf conditions on the courses and readying the facilities for the busy golfing season.

Mark your Calendar...We will be hosting a [KidzWild Easter Egg Hunt](#) on Saturday the 30th of March. This will include an Easter Egg Hunt starting at 10AM, with a Buffet Lunch available thereafter. One must be registered for the FUN EVENT...see the link above or call Cindy or Michelle at 910.295.8904.

The staff continues to work hard to create more value and opportunities, as well as enhanced service, for all Members of our Club. I thank you so very much for your support of our Club, and what you do to make Pinewild the special place it is.

Have a safe and fantastic spring...

Christopher Little, PGA...General Manager

Join us on Friday the 8th of March, and the 22nd of March, for **Social Two-Hours...5.00 to 7.00PM...**
 No Reservations needed, Free Appetizers, Wine Tasting, Drink Specials and FUN with Friends...
AND a special SOCIAL TWO-HOURS with ART SHOW...5:00PM to 7:00PM...on Friday April 12th...
 Calling all Artists...if you are interested in exhibiting your paintings and/or drawings at this Social,
 please email Jude Winkley for entry details at jwinkley@nc.rr.com



St Paddy's Day Dinner...

Sunday the 17th of March...reservations required for this three-course Meal
 A Pinewild House Salad or Cream of Cauliflower Soup and Irish Soda Bread
 Entrée choices of Traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage or Traditional Irish Chicken
 all kinds of Veggies and Limoncello Mascarpone Dessert with Hot Tea/Coffee

We will be hosting Easter Sunday Lunch...Sunday, March 31st...11AM to 1PM...
 A Pinewild House Salad or Soup, with Entrée choices of Chicken Marsala, Chilean Seabass
 and Fillet of Beef with a Kiddo's Menu [under 12 years] available as well...
 Vegetable & Potato du Jour, for Dessert Chocolate Brownie Crust Cheesecake, and more...



Thursday Night Dining...

Chef Todd and his Team continue to serve great Menu Options on select Thursday evenings...
 Choice of Salad or Soup, choose from a three Entrée selection and Dessert...

Join us on Thursday, March 28th...entrée choices of Seafood Platter, Pork Osso Bucco or Roast Prime Rib

REMINDER...we will be hosting Trivia and Dinner on the Wednesday the 13th of March and Bingo and Dinner on the 19th of March...MUCH FUN, come and join us...

Please see a member of the wait staff to reserve a spot or QUESTIONS...910.295.5732 or dining@pinewildcc.com

News from the Professional Golf Staff...

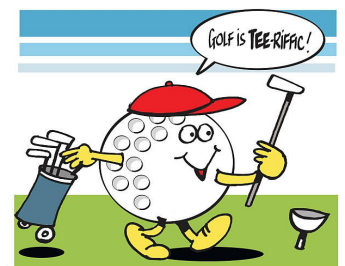
The new Spring Merchandise Product is starting to "flow" in to the Golf Shop. These include new products from Johnnie-O's, FootJoy, F&G, Callaway and XXIO. Information on the current fitting day schedule was made available last week. More dates will be added with additional vendors as we move into late Spring, but the appointments are filling up quickly. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Professional Staff.

Dates include...March 6th...[Titleist](#), March 13th...[Cleveland Srixon](#), March 27th...[Callaway](#), April 3rd and 25th...[XXIO](#) and April 24...Callaway.

If you have any questions regarding equipment, lessons, regripping, or apparel, please ask a member of the Golf Shop Team.

We have a busy Spring scheduled, with the Association "openers", the start of the 2024 Club Events schedule with the Ringer Event on March 22nd & 23rd and much more.

Have a great Spring out on the Links...Kyle Kirk, PGA Head Golf Professional



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