SUMMER AUGUST 2023 EDITION

Divot Digest

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COME OUT TO THE CLUB AND ENJOY THE GREENS! The Course is looking fabulous, the Pool is quite refreshing, the tennis courts are active, and the Grill Room is always hopping with good friends. So come on out this month and enjoy everything Bridgeport Country Club has to offer. Check with www.bccwv.com for all the latest happenings or click on our Facebook Page!

Save the Date!

2023 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

August 12th and 13th

36 Hole Stroke Play Event. Open to all ability levels. Event will be Flighted based on Handicap. Sign up in the Hallway

MEN'S Night August 10th 5:30pm

Call the golf shop by 4:00pm that day to sign up. Golf and dinner. Hope to see you here!

August Hours

August is underway and the club is busy. The Dress Code is Club proper attire. Please no jeans for golf and only quality denim, if at all, is preferred in the clubhouse. Collared Shirts/mock required for men – styled blouse/collared shirts for women. NO swim suits or bare feet in the Grill Room.

Grill Room Hours:

Monday – CLOSED

Tues, Wed, Th 11:00am – 8:00pm Friday 11:00am – 9:00pm Sat. 9:00am – 8:00pm Sun. 9:00am -- 7:00pm

Pro Shop Hours:

Monday - CLOSED

Tues – Sun 8:00am - 7:00pm

Driving Range:

Tues, Fri, Sat 8:00am-7:00pm Thurs. 10:00am-7:00pm Sunday, Wed 8:00am-6:00pm

Pool Hours:

Check Newsletter & Facebook for adjustments to hours in August.









FROM THE CLUBHOUSE: NEWS about CHEWS

Summer is going fast and will be gone before too long, be sure to soak up as much time as you can at the club!

We have a lot of events, parties and meetings planned for this month. Please call and enquire about availability if you'd like to book a social or personal gathering.

Be looking for new faces, soon to be apart of our restaurant and kitchen staff. Also, as the majority of our younger team members begin returning to school, we wish them good luck and hope to see them next summer!

Everyone is encouraged to consider making reservations prior coming out for dinner. Tables may be reserved for inside or outside dining experiences, allowing you the flexible advantage of all the club has to offer.

Kevin continues to confect savory, delicious, unique and exclusive cuisine that are available in limited quantities Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights. Stay tuned to your email or call the grill room for details!

August Hours:

Monday Closed Tuesday - Thursday 11:00 - 8:00 Friday 11:00 - 9:00 Saturday 9:00 - 8:00 Sunday 9:00 - 7:00

MENS GOLF JULY TOURNAMENT'S RECAP

Our Annual **Junior-Senior** tournament took place July 8th & 9th. The dynamic duo, **Greg Scalise & TR Stutler**, wouldn't be contained. Winning the title in a playoff over Charles Marsh and Jeff Hill. Team **Scalise/Stutler** finished the 2-day Stableford Event with a Score of 75 points! Thanks to all for participating.

Senior Club Championship Results

Congratulations Brian Aman, BCC's new Senior Club Champion! A well-played two days, secured the defeat over long time and respected champion, Jeff Estep.

Championship Flight Net Winner: *Mark Urso*First Flight Gross Winner: *Gino Abruzzino*First Flight Net Winner: *Brad Doyle*Super Senior Gross Winner: *Jerry Roberts*Super Senior Net Winner: *Jim Gilchrist*

Parent-Child Results

Mr. Aman, captured another first place finish during July too. This time with son **Matthew Aman**. The tandem clinched BCC's 2023 Parent-Child Scramble (18 Hole Division) Overall top spot!

Additional deserving congratulations to **Adam & Iley Dyer**. The Father/Daughter combo took the honor as BCC's 9-hole Division Champions of the Parent-Child tournament Thanks to all for a fun, full and spirited event!

UPCOMING TOURNAMENT AND EVENTS

2023 Battle at the Bridge

Formerly, Men's Invitational

The eagerly anticipated Battle at the Bridge will kick off Friday, August 25th. Competition rounds will take place August 26th and 27th. Sign-Up with entry form (Included in Newsletter) and fee turned in to the Golf Professional Staff. *Pairing Format:* Member & Guest or Member & Member

Playing Format: Better Ball of Pair 85% Handicap.

Club Championship

BCC's preeminent test of golfing proficiency will be contested Saturday, August 12th & Sunday, August 13th. The event will be flighted based on handicaps. Divisions included in the Championship are; Men's, Women's and Super Senior. Deadline to signup is August 11th at Noon. Please sign up in the Club Hallway or call the Golf Professional Staff

Junior Club Championship

The Junior Championship is slated for Sunday, August 12th. Tee time will follow the Club Championship.



Junior-Senior Champions: Greg Scalise and TR Stutler



Senior Club Champion: Brian Aman



Parent Child 9 Hole Division Winners Adam and Ilev Dver

MENS GOLF

<u>UPCOMING TOURNAMENT AND EVENTS</u> Continued

Drive, Chip and Putt/Junior Golf Party

Friday, August 11th at 6:00pm-8:00pm. All junior golfers of BCC are welcome. The evening will include fun events, including a challenging putting course, Golf Skee-Ball and a Drive, Chip and Putt Competition. Please sign up in the Hallway for Drive, Chip and Putt.

There is no charge for the party and all ability levels are welcome and encouraged to participate. Please sign up in the hallway ASAP!

Men's Night

Men's Night #5 will transpire, Thursday, August 10th at 5:30pm. *Please Call the Golf Professional Staff by 4:00pm that Thursday to be included in the pairings*

Congrats to Mark Michaelis, Steve Ludwig, Grae Setterstrom, Don Martin and Craig Howard for winning the previous Men's Night, during July.

Pick Your "4"

The Pick Your "4" will be held on Monday, September 4th. Pick your own Foursome, any combination of Members and Guests welcome. Signup will be in the hallway, as September approaches, be on the Lookout!!

Format: Shotgun Time: 9:00AM

Golf course will be closed to non-participants until after the event

Upcoming Outside & Fundraising Golf Outings:

West Virginia Italian Heritage Festival Tournament

Date: Wednesday, August 30st **Time:** 12:30pm Shotgun

Course Closed to Non-Participants



Parent Child 18 Hole Division Winners Brian and Matthew Aman



Senior Club Championship First Flight Gross Winner Gino Abruzzino



Super Senior Winner-Jerry Roberts



2023 BATTLE AT THE BRIDGE

Saturday, August 26th and Sunday, August 27th

FORMAT: 36 Holes Better Ball of Pair- 85% Handicap

Entry Fee: \$500 Per Team (Make Checks Payable to BCC-MGA)

Schedule of Events:

- Friday, August 25th Practice Round/Skins Game- Make your own Tee Times
- Friday Evening Steak Cookout- Putting Contest 6:00pm
- Saturday, August 26th Shotgun Start 9:00am- 18 Holes- Lunch Following Play
- Saturday, Afternoon- Optional 9-Hole Par 3 Contest- Cash Game
- Sunday, August 27th Shotgun Start 9:00am 18 Holes Lunch Following Play

Team Combinations can either be Member & Member or Member & Guest

All entries MUST have a handicap index for your Guest, or a current handicap from their home course

Field Size: Limited to the first 48 Paid Teams. Incomplete entry forms will not be accepted.

BCC BATTLE AT THE BRIDGE 2023

MEMBER	_EMAIL	
MEMBER/GUEST	_HDCP INDEX	_REQUIRED
GUEST'S CLUB/GHIN#		
GUEST'S EMAIL		
\$500 PER TEAM		

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Make Checks Payable to BCC-MGA

POOL NEWS

Summer is in full swing and lots of fun and exciting activities forthcoming at the pool!

To ALL that joined us during our 4th of July Celebration. You made it a much talked about success!

Thank You!

Join Us and Party with the "Sharks", August 5th at 6:00pm. Tickets are on sale now!

Proceeds will benefit BCC Swim Team and Pool.

SPARKS Permanent Jewelry was a such a smash sensation. We are bringing it back!

Sunday, August 13th from 1:00pm – 5:00pm at the pool paddock.

Anyone who needs adjustments to jewelry previously put on can be corrected during this time

With school starting earlier this year, some adjustments to our normal hours have been made.

The pool will be open as follows:

 Aug. 21st-24th
 3:30pm -8:00pm

 Aug. 25th
 12:00pm—8:00pm

 Aug. 26th, 27th
 11:00am—8:00pm

 Aug. 28th -31st
 3:30pm—8:00pm

 Sept. 1st
 12:00pm—8:00pm

 Sept. 2nd—4th
 11:00am—8:00pm

Pictures below from the splash contest July 4th!!









GOLF COURSE ETIQUETTE

The summer golf season is at full throttle and with such, our club golf course is producing record numbers of rounds played. This newsletter section on Golf Etiquette, is just a friendly reminder that touches on how to take care of your BCC Golf Course, fellow members and their guests. It by no means exhausts everything that would be considered appropriate or polite at the Club.

PRIOR TO PLAY: Please call the Golf Shop and book a Tee-Time. Even if you are on your way to the Club. This helps the staff with preparedness, allowing us to better serve you and your quests.

CHECK IN: Please check in with the Golf Shop prior to play or when utilizing the range.

PACE OF PLAY: BCC culture embodies a brisk pace of play. Everyone is expected to complete their round in four hours or less. Remember that your place on the course is immediately behind the group in front of you, not immediately in front of the group behind you. If a hole is open in front of you and a group behind you is playing faster, please invite them to play through.

CONSIDERATION FOR OTHER PLAYERS: No one should move, talk or stand close to or directly behind the ball or the hole, when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke. No player should play until the players in front are out of range (being hit by a golf ball is never fun).

GOLF CART RULES:

- Do not drive the cart within 30 yards of the green; never drive between a bunker and green.
- Avoid accumulated water or soft turf areas.
- No more than 2 players and 2 sets of clubs may be carried on a cart (unless approved by the Golf Professional staff).

PUSH CART RULES: Please do not pull or push carts close to the green or between greens and bunkers

BUNKER ETIQUETTE: Prior to entering the bunker, locate the low point which is where you should enter and exit. Never jump in or jump out using the grass face as a step. Sometimes taking the rake into the bunker with you, can help avoid creating extra work during the raking process. Once you've hit your shot, rake the sand in a manner to eliminate footprints, leaving the sand in a condition that you yourself would like to find it. Lastly, when placing the rakes, the handle should be placed on the bunker edge, with the remainder of the rake inside the bunker. This will prevent the golf ball from coming to rest against the rake.

DIVOT REPAIR: Repairing your divots is fundamental to maintaining good course conditions and good golf etiquette; you *always* want to do your best to leave the course better then you found it. Replacing your divots shows that you care about keeping the golf course in good shape and helps maintain the golf course.

BALL MARK REPAIR: Repairing ball marks is another cornerstone in golf etiquette. Always carry a repair tool and quickly fix ball marks on the green to be flat. Fixing any additional marks, is also encouraged, if applicable. If you have any questions on how to repair a ball mark, please connect with one of the BCC Golf Professional Staff members.

GOLF COURSE ETIQUETTE CONT.

PLAYING PRIORITY: Foursomes have priority. If you have a twosome, you do not have priority on the golf course; if it is possible for the foursome to let a twosome play through the foursome will follow proper etiquette. If you tee off the back nine, you do not have priority on the front nine. You must get in line behind the groups teeing off number one. All players must have one of the Golf Pro's permission to tee off #10.

5-somes are allowed at the Golf Pro's discretion

SAFETY: When playing a stroke or making a practice swing make sure no one is standing close by or in a position to be hit by the club. Always yell "fore" if your ball is hit toward another golfer, as this gives the person time to cover their head.

TEE SELECTION: Pick the tees that best match your playing skill level and yardages. Too many golfers feel they have to play the longest set of tees, even if they are not capable of playing easily and comfortably from those tees. If in doubt, pick the set of tees you would normally play and then play one set lower.

READY GOLF: Play ready golf throughout your entire round. The term "Ready golf" means that whoever in the group is ready to play, hits, even if it is not their turn to play. **Do not take an inordinate number of practice swings.**

PLAYING YOUR SHOT: Do not stand over your ball for a long period of time before making your shot: Walter Hagen, the famous golfer during the 1920's, coined the best phrase for this philosophy: "Miss it quick".

MOVING ON: Leave the green immediately upon completion of the hole: Mark the scores for the hole on the way to the next teeing area. Do not practice putt on the green if the next tee is open or a group is waiting behind you.

ON COURSE PRACTICE: Do not take practice shots OR mulligans during play.

These are simple reminders to help everyone's experience at Bridgeport Country Club, live up to its history of one of the premier private clubs in West Virginia.

JUNIOR GOLF

July was a busy month for our Junior Golfers with 3-day Junior Camp and 2 PGA Junior League Matches. Congratulations Audrey Kerr for winning the Girls 10-14 Callaway Tour at Canaan Valley Resort Golf Course.











WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

BCC's Women's Golf Team traveled to Moundsville Country Club on July 20 to participate in the statewide Women's Intra State Matches. Our ladies won the privilege to attend by taking top honors in the regional matches during the month of May. They competed against women's teams from other local clubs.

The Bridgeport women placed third overall behind teams from *The Club at Cress Creek* and *Stonehaven Country Club*. They captured first in the Platinum Division defeating teams from *Big Bend Golf Course* and *Edgewood Country Club*. Bridgeport's team consisted of Caroline Ramsey, Debbie Cherubino, Haeley Harman, and Robin Ward. Haeley's good play also placed her in a tie for top honors in the skins game. Congratulations to the team and thank you for doing such a great job representing Bridgeport Country Club!

Cindy Davis has posted the handicap tournament pairings in the women's locker room. Please check for your matches and set up a time to complete your matches. As of this writing, only one match has been played. Please check the sheet in the lady's locker room and make arrangements to play your match.

The Women's Golf Association will compete for the WV Pin on Saturday, September, 9th & Saturday, September 16th. This is a two-week tournament with the low net score winning the WV Pin. If you would like to play, contact Kathy George to sign up.

We will continue to play 9 and 18 holes each Tuesday morning at 9 a.m. through the end of September. Come out and enjoy the end of summer golf!



2023 Lawn Party Pictures!!











Grounds Committee

With the end of summer quickly approaching days seem to be getting hotter but at the same time shorter. If you notice us watering during the day it is to cool down the grass at surface temperature. During this hot spell we'll also be watering high areas that dry out quicker than others. With the rough drying out we are also cutting only what needs cut where the irrigation heads hit. We've also started to edge bunkers on the front 9 and rolling over to the back 9. Cleaning up the edges and pulling weeds in the process. Please think of Mike Harbert as he's recovering from an auto accident a few weeks back.

Sincerely,

Andy





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PLEASE, as you take pictures or make a good memory, simply send those to Anthony Burnside at <u>aburnside13@outlook.com</u>. Pictures are especially useful. Thank you for your Membership!