

THE PINEWILD PERSPECTIVE

March...2017



PINEWILD MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

From the Executive Committee: PMGA membership dues are payable now for 2017. The cost remains unchanged, \$50 dues and an optional \$20 to join the hole-in-one club. Only PMGA members can join the hole-in-one club, the Holly Challenge, the Medal Series, and the Blazer tournament, with additional fees. Included in your \$50 annual dues are breakfast and lunch/refreshments at the opening and closing events, and lunch/refreshments at the two summer bashes. The PMGA is open to all male members of Pinewild Country Club. All events are handicapped, and the games vary throughout the season. Most events require a \$5 fee for those playing that week - with all the money going back to the winners, in Golf Shop credit. Play a lot or a little. Some join just to support the PMGA, some join and only play in the opener, closer, and the two 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: Sign-ups are ongoing for the Medal Series, the Holly Challenge, and the Blazer Tournament. Please refer to the yearly schedule posted on the PPOA website, under the golf tab. The schedule is also posted in the men's locker room. **Hurry to sign up for the Medal Series, as the first event is on March 16.**

New this year is the Armed Forces Cup. This is a four event team competition for anyone living in Pinewild, [applicable golfing rates apply] where the entrants represent teams from the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marines. The dates are posted on the calendar in the locker room, and on the websites. It is the PMGA's opportunity to donate some of last year's cash balance to a charity of the winning branch's choosing. Sign-ups end March 9, and on March 10, at the clubhouse there will be a "draft" of those wanting to play who were not in the military. Please join us for this, which takes place just before the club's March social. There will also be an end of event luncheon in July.

Fun Fact: The TEN hole-in-one winners in 2016 each received \$260 for their aces, and an eternity of bragging rights. Did anyone have a hole-in-one in 2016 who did NOT join the hole-in-one club? That would be too bad. Check out the details on the PPOA or Pinewild CC websites.

Selected Upcoming Events:

- March 16 - Medal Series #1, March 23 - Opener (breakfast, scramble, lunch/refreshments)
- March 30 - Peer Play, Blazer Tournament and Holly Challenge begin in April

Notes: The PPOA website is www.pinewild.org Our information is under the golf tab.

Most information is also found in the men's locker room, and members receive email notices for upcoming events. Our information can also be found on the club's website www.pinewildcc.com

Please send your email address changes to PMGA@twc.com



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Thomas and Kimberly Drain...Montgomery, Texas
William Franklin and Tammy Ostroski...Pinehurst, NC
Jack and Julie Kapala...Pinehurst, NC
Brandon/Julia Whitt and Family...Russellville, Arkansas

A reminder...

Applications are NOW in the Golf Shop for the COUPLES MEMBER/GUEST...May 18th to 20th... a fun 36-hole event with two couples enjoying golf, various social activities and dinners... Please Note, we will once again be hosting... the USGA's US OPEN [at Erin Hills] qualifier on the 15th of May...on the Magnolia

PINEWILD WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

The 2017 PWGA Board is eagerly looking forward to the start of our golf season. As our winter weather has proven to be milder than normal, we hope everyone has taken advantage of the warm temperatures and headed out to the golf courses in preparation for our opening day, Tuesday, March 7. We will begin the day with registration at 8:30, followed by breakfast, our general membership meeting and the 'String Game' shotgun scramble scheduled for 10:30.

Speaking of getting ready for the season, our own Gus Ulrich is planning a 'Spring Golf Tune-Up' for our membership on Thursday and Friday, March 23 & 24. Gus will run a short-game clinic on day one and a full-swing clinic on day two. These clinics have been well attended in the past and we are hoping the same will happen this year. The sign-up sheet will be posted in the locker room in early March. The cost for the clinic is \$40, or \$50 with lunch.

Helen Simms and Paula Fitzpatrick, our Tournament Directors, have distributed our completed play-day calendar to the membership and have planned many new game-day events for this year. These new games will be explained at the opener. They include, but are not limited to, Fall Shoot-Out (new format for participation), Wrong Side of the Tracks, and our Halloween Spooktacular.

As requested by some of our members, the Board has created a division of our league called PWGA LITE. PWGA LITE was created for PWGA members who wish to play only 9 holes on the Magnolia or Holly courses on most Tuesday play dates. PWGA LITE will receive participation points and may also participate in Birdies, Chip-ins and Ringers if they decide to do so. Currently those players who wish to sign-up for 9-holes must do so in the locker room. The Board wishes to thank both Nancy Butler and Karen Gilbert as they will be liaisons for the group.

Once our season begins we have many events planned. The annual Holly vs. Pines event is scheduled to be played on March 14 on the Magnolia. So, grab a partner and get ready to enjoy one of our highest-attended events. On April 3 & 4 we will be competing in the Holly Challenge, a four-person net tournament on the Holly; members are to create their own foursomes. We are all eagerly looking forward to our Member/Guest tournament to be played on Tuesday, April 25. Carol Angus and her committee have been diligently working on this annual event. This year's theme is 'Friendships Links us Together'. The sign-up sheet is posted in the locker room; cost for the event is \$150 per two-some. A light breakfast will be provided, box lunch on the course along with the 'booze buggy', with dinner scheduled at 6 that evening. We are looking forward to another successful day filled with friendship, fun, food, and oh yes....golf.

Lydia Healy, President PWGA

PINEWILD AZALEA LEAGUE

Opening Day is fast approaching - We will begin 2017 with a welcoming coffee at the home of Lynn Walker, 91 Stoneykirk Drive, on March 7th at 10 am. A sign-up sheet for the coffee is on the bulletin board in the ladies' locker room. This is a great time for new members to meet old members and even for ladies who are just thinking about joining us to meet and ask questions.

We are a group of women who play for FUN and FRIENDSHIP (and of course, LUNCH). We have golfers of all levels from newbies to those with lots of experience and all those in between. We support each other and help each other and have a great time.

Our tournament committee has been hard at work planning our first play day - March 21st, sign-in at 9:30 and tee-off at 10 am. Please join us for "March Madness" at our "Mad Hatter TEE Party. The sign-up sheet should be up in the locker room by the time your read this - you can sign-up for golf and lunch, golf only or lunch only.

Our President, Pat Voetsch, has set-up two clinics with Gus Ulrich our teaching pro. They are scheduled for March 17th and April 13th. These are always a big hit and fill up fast. They will cover the long and short game and are helpful for all levels of golfers from beginners to those who want to improve. They are held from 9:45 to 11:45 for the price of \$50, which includes lunch. If you wish to sign-up email Pat Voetsch at pvrosebud@gmail.com

At the present time we have about 75 ladies registered but I am sure there are more who want to join but have put it off. Registration forms can be downloaded from the website: <https://www.sites.google.com/site/9holeladies/home> or they are available in the ladies' locker room. Registration fee for this year is \$30.

News, News and More News...

WOW, what a fantastic “end to winter” we have been experiencing...some great weather and many folks out on the Club facilities enjoying it. We look forward to a LONG spring season, with blooming azaleas and dogwoods, and all we love about spring in the Sandhills.

March will play host to opening days for the PWGA, the PMGA and the Pinewild Azalea League, as well as the first Club event, the Ringer Event on the Holly, March 18 and 19 [sign-up in the Golf Shop]. Reminder....GUEST DAYS remain in place for Full Members. These are select Wednesdays and Sundays every month, where Full Member may bring up to 3 accompanied guests for a reduced fee of \$25 per person for both Green Fee and Cart Fee. See you on March 15th and March 26th.

Pinewild continues to host the First Tee of the Sandhills program on numerous Wednesday afternoons starting March 22nd.

In addition, there are many other events scheduled...to name a few...

Par Chasers and Twilight Golf [“Sunday couples golf with Dinner to follow”] kicks-off on April 9th.

We will be hosting the KidzWild Movie Night on the 24th of March, as well as the KidzWild Easter Egg Hunt on the 15th of April. Remember, Easter is a little later this year, and Chef will host Easter Brunch on the 16th of April.



The “demolition and rebuilding” of the pool continues, with all work moving ahead as scheduled. The pool should open on schedule [May26th] with a new look as well as a new non-chlorine based filtration system. With improvements totaling over \$200,000, we are excited about the upgrades and the many years on “fun in the sun” it will bring. The Water Aerobics classes scheduled this summer are now being finalized, with sign-up sheets available in the ladies’ locker room.

The staff continues to work hard to create more value and opportunities, as well as enhanced service, for all members of the 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
Club Manager*

Dear Members...

I would first like to thank the membership for the warm welcome. I am excited about this opportunity and look forward to serving the membership and guests.

Some of you may be asking, “What is to come?” What I know is Pinewild has a great staff and a tremendous facility with 48-holes along with the resources to grow. Moving forward you will start to notice new ways of service that will enhance the overall atmosphere for the members and the appeal for those visiting.

One of the first items we will be re-introducing to the membership is “Play with the Staff Day.” This will allow the membership to join one of our professional staff for 18-holes. In addition you will start to notice new brands of apparel, from affordable to high-end, arriving in the Professional Shop, accommodating the tastes and price points of the entire membership.

These are just a few examples of things to come. Should you have any questions, suggestions, or need an extra pair of eyes to watch your swing, my door is always open.

In closing, thank you again for this opportunity to serve you, and I’m very excited about our future.

Kyle Kirk, PGA...Head Golf Professional

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 6th...Holly Closed
 Tuesday, March 7th...PWGA Opener [Holly]
 Wed, March 8th...”Gus on the Range” & Duplicate Bridge Night
 Friday, March 10th...Two-Hour Social with Wine Tasting
 Sun, March 12th...Daylight Savings Starts
 and TYGA Pinewild Junior Invitational on the Holly
 Monday, March 13th...Magnolia Closed
 Tues, March 14th...PWGA Holly Pines Event on the Magnolia
 Wed., March 15th...Cleveland/Srixon/XXIO Demo Day 11 to 3,
 Full Member Guest Day and Trivia Night & Dinner
 Thursday, March 16th...Linden Garden Club & Luncheon
 Fri, March 17th...St Paddy’s Day Dinner and PAL Golf Clinic
 Sat. & Sun., March 18th & 19th...Ringer Event...Holly
 Monday, March 20th...Holly Closed/Ringer Rain Date
 Tuesday, March 21st...PAL Opener [Azalea]
 Wednesday, March 22nd...”Gus on the Range” 9 to 11am
 Thurs, March 23rd PMGA Opener [Holly] & PWGA Clinic
 Friday, March 24th...KidzWild Movie Night & PWGA Clinic
 Sunday, March 26th...Full Member Guest Day
 Monday, March 27th...Magnolia Closed
 Tuesday, March 28th...Tuesday Night Dining
 Wednesday, March 29th...Cobra/Puma Demo Day...11 to 3

Social Two-Hours continue to be held on select Friday Evenings...

5 to 7PM...free Appetizers and Drink Special...most with a special theme...

March 10th...a Wine Tasting and April 21st for an Art Exhibit by Pinewild Artists...

Trivia Challenge and Dinner...March 15th...

Each TEAM consists of 8 players working together to answer general knowledge questions...

The FUN starts at 4:45PM, with dinner served at half-time...the event is over by 8.15PM

The cost is \$25.00 per person, which includes the Dinner and Prizes...The sign-up and details located in the Clubhouse...

St Paddy's Day Dinner...

Sign-up and Join Us...Friday the 17th of March...Cash Bar at 6, and Dinner at 6.45...\$21.95++

A Buffet of Corned Beef Brisket, Breast of Chicken marinated in Guinness Beer, all kinds of Veggies and Crème de Menthe Cake for Dessert

Live Entertainment and sing-along by KILCARRAGH...Drink Specials and MUCH MORE...



Tuesday Night Dining...with Chef's always popular Prime Rib...

Join Chef on the 28th of March...with Entrée choices of Roast Pork Lion, Cod Fish Fillets and Prime Rib...

Soup or Salad and Dessert included...\$19.95++...Reservations from 5.30 to 7.30...

SIGN-UP/QUESTIONS...910.295.5732 or dining@pinewildcc.com

Join Gus...Golf Club Demo Days...with ALL the latest and hottest Clubs available to be hit on the Driving Range...

March 15th...Cobra/Puma Demo Day, March 29th...Cleveland/Srixon and XXIO...11.00 to 3.00 and on April 5th...Titleist 10 to 2.

Also, join Gus on the Range on specific Wednesdays [9 to 11AM] during the "prime golfing season" when he will be on and around the range offering [at NO CHARGE] feedback, tips and drills for different aspects of the game.

The Full Swing dates are March 8th, May 3rd, September 6th and October 18th...

The Short Game dates are March 22nd, May 10th and September 27th...

Putting dates are April 12th and October 11th...

Gus continues to offer MANY MORE programs at the Academy, all to get your game in shape!

Golfingly, Gus Ulrich, PGA...910.235.9191 or academy@pinewildcc.com

April 19 Charity Golf Event on the Magnolia... Pinewild Country Club will hold its Fourth Annual Pinewild Charity Golf event on the Magnolia course benefiting Linden Lodge. The previous three Charity Golf Events have raised over \$80,000 for the First Health Hospice Foundation, Moore Free Care Clinic, and the Encore! Kids Program of the Carolina Philharmonic. All monies remain local, supporting our own community.

Linden Lodge offers a unique residential and rehabilitation program to assist impoverished adults who are diagnosed with serious and persistent mental illness. Not only does it provide them a place to live, it provides a team to support the residents in their maintenance of psychiatric stability and their pursuit of a full and thriving life despite their individual challenges. Additionally, the Foundation offers families relief from the day-to-day care of their loved ones, works with families on what is needed for them to successfully transition back into the community, and partners with other organizations to provide programs and resources to the general public. The Charity Golf event is open to all Pinewild residents as well as anyone in the surrounding areas who want to participate in this very worthwhile, fun day.

Please check-out the Linden Lodge Foundation website at www.lindenlodgenc.org for more information about this wonderful organization, and to download the application to participate in the Charity Golf Event on April 19. We promise it will be a fun day! We suggest you get your team together early, as in the past these events have filled up quickly! Applications for golf are also available in the Clubhouse.

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