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Florence Country Club News

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Message from the Manager - Scott Simerlink

The Club will be starting several projects this month to enhance the facility. We are going to replace the drainage pipe and catch basins between holes 5 and 6. The pipe has degraded over time and this will clean up this area and the catch basins. The tennis courts numbers 1-4 will be resurfaced in August as well.

Our ladies game day is a great way to meet fellow card players. Bridge and canasta are the games. Beginners players are welcome. Make plans to join the ladies on Wednesday the 15th. This has been such a success we are thinking of starting a ladies book club. Please email me if

this would be something that might interest you at ssimerlink@florencecc.com

Our last two summer camps will be golf camp the first week of August and music camp the next week. Call the office or email the Club to sign up.

Saturday, August 18th is our next trivia night and this is always a great fun evening to get friends together. The kids can go to our back to school swim from 6-10 and enjoy the last Saturday before school is back in session.

Starting August 20th the pool hours will be 4-8pm during the week and 10-8 Saturdays and 1-8 on Sundays. Congratulations to our

Head Golf Pro, Steve Bhers' son Stephen, who qualified to play in this years US Men's Amateur at Pebble Beach. Quite an accomplishment and we wish Steve and Stephen our best this month at Pebble Beach and Spyglass.

Assistant Golf Pro, Luke Coates, has left to continue his education and we wish him well in the next chapter of his career.

Jaden Cross will be joining our staff as Clubhouse Manager this month. Please be sure to welcome her when you see her around!

As always, see you at the Club!
Scott Simerlink



Congratulations to this group of kids! This was our 6 and Under 100yd Freestyle Relay Team that represented Florence Country Club. They Received 1st Place! Members of this team were Eliza Johnson, Jane Hyman, Ben Lewis and Cody Brewton. We also want to congratulate everyone else on the team for their hard work this season!!!!

Sunday, August 26th

BINGO 6-8pm

Bring the whole family out Sunday, August 26th at 6pm to play BINGO by the Pool! Jay will be hosting the game again. Come win cash and prizes. Cost will be \$2.00 cash per card which will cover the card all night!



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MEMBER TYPE	June '18	June '17	DIFF.
Junior	52	53	-1
Ministerial	2	2	0
Non-Resident	18	19	-1
Resident	229	248	-19
Senior	45	45	0
Social	43	44	-1
Swim/Tennis	64	61	3
Widow	8	8	0
TOTAL	461	480	-19

Florence Country Club Financial Spotlight

(As of June 2018)

	2018	2018 Budget	2017
Income	338,014	360,564	341,365
Expenses	362,261	356,329	357,068
Difference	-24,247	4,235	-15,703
YTD	2018	2018 Budget	2017
Income	2,125,521	2,104,352	2,135,439
Expenses	2,129,365	2,142,838	2,169,677
Differences	-3,844	-38,486	-34,238



Casual Family Dining
Tuesday Nights
5:30-8:30pm

August 7th
PRIME RIB

August 14th
SOUTHERN

August 21st
ITALIAN

August 28th
TEX MEX

HELLO HOME

smile, you're home!

Please welcome our new members:

Marty and Heather Taylor with their son Keegan

Drs. Toby and Lydia Wright

Dr. Russ and Katie Casella

August Drink Specials

Watermelon Mojito



River Rat Kolch Draft



Pawleys Pale Ale Draft



Please join us as we host a **Sunday Buffet** every week from **11am-1:30pm**.

Cost

Adults: \$17.95++

Ages 6-13: \$8.95++

Every Saturday from 8-11am we serve a breakfast buffet with all your favorite breakfast items, including an omelet station. Come make Saturday morning part of your dining routine.

Cost

Adults: \$10.50

Ages 6-12: \$7.50

*****1/2 off drafts during Burger Bar in August*****

Dock to Door Friday, August 10th

We will be featuring Dock-to-Door on Friday, August 10th. Please watch your e-mail for more information on this event as we get closer. Chef Mark is always able to find the freshest seafood to come up with fabulous dishes. We look forward to see what he will prepare for us this time!

Parents and Kids,

We will be ending our Florence Summer Camps with Music Camp. Camp will run from **August 7th-9th from 10am-2pm. Cost will be \$100 per child and lunch will be served.** The first music camp was a lot of fun and their first performance was a Florence hit.



Eat. Drink.



Think. Win.

Pub Trivia

**Saturday, August 18th
7-9pm in Grill 1924**



July Trivia Winners: Bryan/Tina Rabon,
Jeff Murrie, Matt/Beth McCall, Trip/
Jennifer Kelly. Congratulations!

Surf and Turf Friday, August 17th

Choose a Beef Option

6.5 Black Angus Filet Mignon w/veal demi
12oz Black Angus NY Strip
w/peppercorn demi
12oz Black Angus Ribeye
w/mushroom ragout

Choose a Seafood Option

3 Pan Seared Sea Scallops.....\$35
Lobster Tail.....\$45
Jumbo Lump Crab Cake.....\$35

Entrees include a House or Caesar Salad,
Grilled Asparagus and Mashed Potatoes.

Regular Dinner Menu available as well

Please RSVP to Christine at 843-662-1413

Burger Bar

**Every Sunday
5:00-8:00pm**

Sunday Nights we have the Burger Bar in Grille 1924. You choose your favorite "Burger". (You may choose from Beef, Turkey, Salmon or Veggie.) The kitchen prepares it to your liking and then you get to dress it with the toppings of your choice from the bar. (Bar toppings include: Lettuce, Tomato, Bacon, Cheese, Chili, Pickles and Onions. Add your condiments like ketchup, mustard and /or mayonnaise and ENJOY!

Lunch Menu and Children's Menu Available

Golf News

Upcoming Events

6th: SCJGA Florence Chapter All-Stars
 9th: Men's Night Out
 18-19th: SCG Mid-AM Four Ball
 25th-26th: Phoo Gee
 31st: Couples Sundowner

Tuesday Women's Golf Clinic

10am Women's Clinic (Full Swing to Short Game)
 \$25

Contact Paul at 843.373.2258

Or sign-up via Paul's online scheduling book at
<https://pwgolflessons.acuityscheduling.com/>

Junior Golf Clinics

Monday

4pm 11-18 years
 5pm Advanced

Tuesday

4pm 4-5 years
 5pm 5-6 years
 6pm 7-9 years girls

Wednesday

4pm 4-5 years
 5pm 7-9 years
 6pm 9-12 years

These clinics are taught by our teaching professional Paul Woodbury. You may sign your child up at

<https://pwgolflessons.acuityscheduling.com/>

If you need to contact Paul, please call him at the Golf Shop 843.669.3554 or by e-mail at paullwoodbury@gmail.com.



July 4th Tournament

T-1) Wilma Matthews/ Frankie Garber-57
 T-1) Emmett Patrick/Heyward King-57
 T-1) Laddie Hiller/Carroll Player-57

Men's Night Out: July 19th

1st: Matt Ridenhour, John Jordan, Curt Derrick, Ed Henderson=110
 2nd: Chris Peebles, Tilly Thompson, Bradley Burdette, Brian Faulds=111

Adult-Child Tournament: July 21st

Jim and John Wiley Richardson: 10& under Champions
 Allen and Ryan McCall: 11-12 Champions
 Brent and Pake June: 13-14 Champions
 Bret and Austin Greer: 15-18 Champions

Club Repair

We offer a full range of club repair options here in the Pro Shop! We can regrip, reshaft, make lie/loft adjustments, and take care of any other club repair needs you may have.

Stop by the golf shop or call us with any questions or needs. We would love to help you out.

Congratulations to **Bret Greer** for making a
 Hole-In-One!!!



Congratulations to Stephen Behr on qualifying for the US Amateur at Pebble Beach Golf Links in August! Stephen shot 65-71 at Benvenue Country Club in Rocky Mount, NC to take home medalist honors in the qualifier. We wish him the best of luck at Pebble Beach in a few weeks!

Ladies Game Day

Wednesday, August 15th

Ladies, join other Florence Country Club women at 10am every third Wednesday for card games. We want to encourage any lady regardless of age or playing level to join us for this time of fun and fellowship. We have been having such a lovely time that starting in September we will be meeting on the FIRST and THIRD Wednesdays! You do not have to be a member of FCC to come play. Please bring guests. We would love to have them play as well. Current games are Bridge and Penny Canasta. All ladies are willing to teach beginners!

Water, tea and coffee served during games



Parent Child Golf Winners: Richardsons, McCalls, Junes and Greers. Congratulations!

Peanut Patch Jr.

Level 3 Southern

August 10-12th

Girls and Boys 10- 18 Singles and Doubles

League Tennis

We are having Combo 6.5 Team and a 3.5 Singles League Team. If interested call Larry at 843-245-4782 for sign up number

Junior Tennis Clinics

Beginning Junior Clinic

Monday/Wednesday

3:30-4:30pm

Advanced Junior Clinic

Monday/Wednesday/Friday

4:30-6:30pm

Junior Standings

Davidson Lynch won the Southern 10 under green doubles. Also in Charleston (hard courts) in 12's he won doubles and was a finalist in singles.

Allie Murrell played in two national tournaments in the last month. In Greensboro NC she was in the top 16 and won one round in the US Clay CT in Florida.

Hannah Marie McKay won singles and doubles in Charleston Jr. Hard Courts. In Play Makers Tennis Academy Jr. she won consolation in girls 12's.

James Herbert semi-finals of Charleston Hard Courts in singles

John Roland Dawkins won one singles and two doubles with James Herbert in Charleston Jr. Hard Courts.

Golf Maintenance News

We have had an excellent growing season up through around the first week of July when things started to dry out. The golf course has held up well through the dry spell we have faced with only the normal mounds and tree lines drying out. I often get the question “why don’t you just run more irrigation?” When dealing with a drought situation, the simple answer is; we do. We really focus our water usage on localized areas that are prone to drying out instead of treating the entire property the same. This method conserves water greatly and could be compared to hand watering a small area for 5 minutes instead of turning on the irrigation for 20 minutes to get the same affect. Our greens are our main priority so as drought conditions persist it is not uncommon to stop watering the driving range, fairways and tees in that order to ensure we have enough to keep our greens alive. Our ponds can and have been pulled dry in the past and we would not like to re-live that scenario. We do have a deep well installed to help fill the irrigation pond in such an event. Even with the extra water usage irrigation water does not take the place of natural rainfall. Plants never respond as well to irrigation compared to rainfall. Fortunately, we have received some rainfall to relieve some of the pressure.

The Greens aeration process went perfect again this year. Not only did our equipment work well, but the temperatures were reasonable cool as compared to years past. My staff did a great job pulling together and working extended hours for several days in order to re-open for play as soon as possible. I am very thankful for the efforts and for everyones understanding of this vital process. I have been very happy with the healing process and I feel we should be healed within the three week time frame I projected if not before.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

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Dive-In Movie 6-9pm
August 11th – “The Little Mermaid”

Dive-In Movie 6-9pm
August 25th – “Camp Nowhere”

Pizza, Popcorn and Lemonade
\$7.00

Movie will start at Dusk
Children must be able to swim on their own to attend
without adult supervision.



Labor Day Pool Party

Menu (4-7pm)

BBQ Ribs
Burgers/Hotdogs
Fried Chicken
Potato Salad/Pasta Salad
Chips
Mac 'n Cheese
Corn on the Cob
Ice Cream Novelties
Fruit Display w/Watermelon
Ice Tea/Lemonade
Member Signature Bar

Come celebrate Labor Day with us starting at 10am on Monday at the pool. We will have a huge water slide up and running at 12 along with snow cones to help you keep cool.

Starting around 2pm we will start all the pool games. Some of the classic fun games will be there like the soda and coin dive. We may even throw in the Biggest Splash by the dad's again!!!

Kevin, the DJ, will arrive with the tunes at 4pm and the buffet will be ready to dive-in to at 4 as well. Come end your summer with some great family fun.