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Golf has been great lately. We have had a great turn out of golfers. There is still room for more golfers. We did have a change on the schedule on March 23rd. I have been asked many times why. We were scheduled to play at Smokerise CC, but they called and said they only had 9 holes on the date, due to a movie being filmed on the course that day. We moved to Pine Hills because they were open on that date, and had just been rained out on our schedule.

Something new is in the works. Danny and John are working on a new program that allows us to sign up to play an upcoming date. We will be working with this program so we can let the courses know how many players they can expect that day. We will have more information coming up. We will start on May 1st, Tuesdays only.

Once again, a big thank you to all table workers and volunteers who make SGAA work. We only work because members jump in a help.

Please remember to sign up for our Little Ogmulee out of time trip. Deadline is upon us. Get the check in today.

Let's all play some golf and have some fun.

DO YOU KNOW THESE MEMBERS??

Well, wonder no more, head on over to the SGAA website (<http://www.sgaofatlanta.org/>) and select "Photo Directory" from the "More" menu and you will discover who both of these members are and possibly many more.



While you're checking out the Photo Directory, look to see if your picture is included.



If not, take a minute to snap a picture and send it along with your name and membership number to

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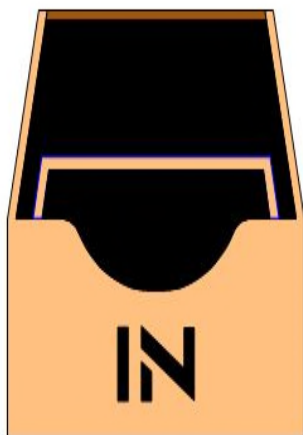
or look me up at the golf course and I'll take your picture

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With some Makers Mark in hand, I reflect that it's been an interesting month – as in the old Chinese curse: “May you live in interesting times” – given the events unfolding in Ukraine (with the looming threat of others), combined with challenging inflation rates and gas prices that rival (or perhaps exceed) those I paid in Germany when I ran out of gas stamps in the late 1980's. As a point of interest, I was informed that soldiers over the age of 60 weren't needed in Ukraine right now, just in case anyone was eager to partake. Apparently having to use the restroom every two-hours is a liability in combat.

The past month has brought us unique golfing challenges to hone our skills, such as laboring through gale-force winds at Hard Labor Creek, to parting the waters at Bear Creek, and feeling our way through blinding fog at Cottonfields. Unfortunately, the great flood kept us off the course at Pine Hills. Now, with the time change, we can also look forward getting up at zero-dark-thirty and driving to the games in the dark!

Our kick-off banquet was fairly attended. However, the highlight was probably the significant member engagement that was precipitated by the suggestion that we initiate pre-registration along with the possibility of preliminary hole-assignment based on that pre-registration. I truly pity those who missed the luncheon because you missed an active discussion that – given additional youth and more liquor – could have put the WWE to shame. It's understandable that when a significant

change to an established process is introduced without warning some pushback should be expected. It's a controversial proposal made, I'm sure, with the interests of the club at heart. It was further suggested that we trial pre-registration as a proof-of-concept at a coming tournament. Another member, also with the best interests of the club at heart, suggested strongly that perhaps the BOD was the correct body to work the issue (though different words were used). While the issue was discussed and tabled for the time being, we may anticipate further consideration of the proposals as well as opportunities to test the concept in the near future. Below is a summary of the issue (as I understand it)

- Background: Pre-registration was proposed at the last BOD meeting as a way to help provide courses better information regarding how many SGAA members might be expected at their course (give or take) on a given day. This has become important for a limited number of courses we play, but it's anticipated that it will become more of an issue going forward. Courses have to try to appease their regular members when we come to play at their courses. It's thought that if we make it easier for the management of those courses, and perhaps more palatable for their members, that it may be more attractive for courses to allow us to play, and may position the SGAA more positively in the minds of both course management and their members. Another bene-

fit from such a program includes the ability to arrive at courses later on play days. Registration would still be available the mornings of the games.

- Before this initiative can be officially implemented, a detailed proposal needs to be placed before the BOD for discussion (and subsequent approval or tabling) and a number of issues and concerns related to the issue need to be considered. Some “proof-of-concept” testing of various elements of the proposed initiative will likely occur in the near future.
- You should feel free to contact any BOD member with your thoughts regarding this, or any, issue. As a reminder, while only BOD members vote on issues at the meetings, the BOD meetings are open and anyone can attend.

Thanks to the table workers for continued great work (it's tough to second-guess the weather!). And thanks to Dave for continuing to massage the schedule. For example, our game on the 23rd was supposed to be at Smoke Rise, but since they were closing nine-holes that day for a movie – and apparently we aren't the right sorts of folks to use as extras (even as comic relief) - Dave was able to get us into Pine Hills with little notice.

Don't forget to sign up for Little-O! The deadline is fast approaching and we hope to see as many as possible attend!

See you on the tee –

**EVENTS FOR
APRIL 2022**

*All tee times
are 8:30 a/m*

April 4
MON: 8:30 a/m
Bear Creek \$34

April 6
WED: 8:30 a/m
Smokerise \$25

April 7
THUR: 8:30 a/m
Mystery Valley \$33

April 11—13
Out of Town
LITTLE OCMULGEE TRIP

April 18
MON: 8:30 a/m
Southland \$28

April 19
TUES: 8:30 a/m
Browns Mill \$32

April 20
WED: 8:30 a/m
CC of Gwinnett \$35

April 21
THUR: 10:00 a/m
BOARD MEETING
CC of Gwinnett

April 25
MON: 8:30 a/m
Crystal Lakes \$35
PAR 3 TOURNAMENT

April 26
TUES: 8:30 a/m
Panola Mountain \$30

April 27
WED: 8:30 a/m
Sugar Creek \$28

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We begin April 2022 with 222 active members. Three members have passed away in 2022 (Dave Ellenberg, Tommy Smith, Billy Powell).

Keep up the good work on the new applications. We are accepting applications for 2022. Application forms are available at each registration table or by contacting me. New applications should include a check for \$50 to insure membership.

MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE BLANKS ON THE APPLICATION FORM ARE FILLED OUT. MAKE SURE THEY ARE EASILY READ.

Continue to ask your friends and neighbors if they would like to join us. Get your blank applications from the registration tables. New applicants must have two (2) sponsors.

SEE YOU ON THE COURSE!!!!!!!!!!

ENJOY THE FINE FELLOWSHIP AND GOOD GOLF!!!!!!!!!!

In Memorium

Lest we forget, this golf we play is just a game. A game we enjoy as often as we can. These members passed away this year and no longer have that opportunity let us not forget them. Let us offer this golfer's prayer...

"For all the times I have swung a club, for the many friends and the game I love, for the patience I have found in sand or rough, for the excitement of making the shots though tough; for success is not measured by holes in one; but by the times that are shared when having fun.

Lord would you grant me one last request; to play You a round of the game I love best."

David Ellenburg member since 2012

Tommy Smith member since 2013

Billy Powell member since 2000

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Rambling from Tee to Green

A SHORT COURSE FOR NEW MEMBERS AND A REFRESHER FOR OTHERS

- 1— Arrive at the golf course in plenty of time to check in with the Table. If you are the first in your foursome to arrive, complete the scorecards (no more than two players per card) for your group and turn them in with the table fee (currently \$5 per member) and await your hole assignment. No scorecards will be accepted without full table fees. [You must have at least three players in your group to turn your scorecards in to the Table for a hole assignment.]
 - 2 — After receiving your hole assignment immediately go to the pro shop and pay the appropriate green fees.
 - 3 — If carts have been designated by the course for a particular hole grouping put your clubs on the designated cart; if carts are not pre-assigned by the course select an empty cart.
- Scoring is defined in the By-Laws and various "handicap" points are given for your score on each hole and is as follows:

An example of how to complete a scorecard is as follows:

- 1 — *Legibly enter each players name
- 2 — Legibly enter each players member number, flight (A,B,C,D) and points required
- 3 — Enter the current date

Now you are ready to give your scorecards to the Table with each player's table fee

- 4 — As the round is played, enter each player's actual score for each hole
- 5 — On the line below the score, enter the appropriate points earned for each hole (If no points are earned the points line can either be left blank or a dash (-) inserted as a place marker

- 6 — Tally the actual score at the end of each nine holes
- 7 — Total the number of points earned at the end of each nine holes

- 8 — Birdies and better scores should be highlighted for easy identification with a red circle around the score

At the end of the round

- 9 — Tally each player's score
- 10 — Total the number of points earned by each player
- 11 — If you'd like to know how each player fared in regard to their required points, subtract the points earned from required number and the difference (insert +/- sign as needed)
- 12 — *Sign your card as "Scorer" and "Attest" the scores on the other cart's card.

RETURN ALL SCORECARDS AND PIN MARKERS TO THE TABLE BEFORE UNLOADING YOUR CLUBS AT YOUR VEHICLE

| Hole | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | Out | P | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | In | Tot | Req | Net |
|--------------|----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|
| Championship | 524 | 446 | 214 | 418 | 430 | 169 | 418 | 428 | 401 | 3448 | L | 451 | 162 | 528 | 349 | 396 | 448 | 406 | 161 | 558 | 3459 | 6907 | | |
| Back | 71.9/118 | 491 | 422 | 193 | 401 | 407 | 146 | 404 | 409 | 375 | A | 433 | 158 | 504 | 325 | 364 | 415 | 357 | 151 | 542 | 3249 | 6497 | | |
| Middle | 88.0/130 | 459 | 395 | 169 | 343 | 354 | 119 | 336 | 328 | 319 | Y | 378 | 142 | 451 | 291 | 345 | 369 | 333 | 121 | 489 | 2919 | 5741 | | |
| Handicap | 11 | 9 | 15 | 3 | 7 | 17 | 1 | 5 | 13 | | R | 4 | 18 | 6 | 14 | 12 | 2 | 10 | 16 | 8 | | | | |
| Sherlings, R | 5 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 43 | | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 84 | | |
| 1994 | 829 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | 2 | 10 | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 13 | 23 | 43 | | |
| Par | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 35 | | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 36 | 71 | | |
| Handicaps | 9 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 6 | 4 | 43 | | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 48 | 91 | | | | |
| 2001 | B/B | 1 | - | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | 2 | 14 | - | - | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | - | 6 | 16 | 2 | | |
| Green | 88.9/115 | 494 | 395 | 193 | 343 | 407 | 146 | 339 | 328 | 319 | 2961 | 378 | 158 | 457 | 325 | 364 | 369 | 357 | 151 | 489 | 3042 | 6003 | | |
| Middle | 74.5/139 | 459 | 395 | 169 | 343 | 354 | 119 | 336 | 328 | 319 | 2822 | 378 | 142 | 451 | 291 | 345 | 369 | 333 | 121 | 489 | 2919 | 5741 | | |
| Forward | 396/123 | 422 | 365 | 128 | 279 | 304 | 92 | 302 | 289 | 278 | 2459 | 325 | 117 | 383 | 248 | 306 | 324 | 306 | 95 | 440 | 2546 | 5005 | | |

* Place only two names (riding partners) on a scorecard. You and your riding partner will keep the score of the players in the other cart in your playing group and they will keep your score.

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**PAR 3 TOURNAMENT
CRYSTAL LAKE
MONDAY, APRIL 25TH
8:30 A/M
SPECIAL \$10 TABLE FEE**

It's great that you long hitters can get 250+ yards off the tee; but how good is your short game?

Don't think you've got it where you want it to be? Then it's time to get it together because in a few short weeks you'll be put to the test.

That's right; SGAA is holding another Par 3 Tournament at Crystal Lake on Monday, April 25th. This will be a shotgun start at 8:30 a/m. Special \$10 per player table fee applies for this event.

Payouts will be the same as our normal dogfight tournaments plus a low gross for each flight.

There's only a few short weeks left to dial in those distances and hone your aiming skill before this event.



JUNE 13-14-15, 2022

SMOKY MOUNTAIN COUNTRY CLUB

FULL DETAILS & REGISTRATION INFO COMING SOON

CHECK THE WEBSITE

AND LOOK FOR DETAILS IN THE MAY NEWSLETTER

"A golfer has to
train his swing on
the practice tee,
then trust it on
the course."

- Dr. Bob Rotella

APRIL 2022

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------|----------|
| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 Bear Creek 8:30a/m \$34 | 5 | 6 Smokerise 8:30a/m \$25 | 7 Mystery Valley 8:30a/m \$33 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 | 11 OUT OF TOWN LITTLE OCMULGEE | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 Southland 8:30a/m \$28 | 19 Browns Mill 8:30a/m \$32 | 20 CC of Gwinnett 8:30a/m \$35 | 21 Board of Directors Meeting CC of Gwinnett 10:00 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 PAR 3 TOURNEY Crystal Lakes 8:30a/m \$35 | 26 Panola Mountain 8:30a/m \$30 | 27 Sugar Creek 8:30a/m \$28 | 28 | 29 | 30 |

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