SMITHFIELDS COUNTRY CLUB JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

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AROUND THE CLUB

Hello 2024 and Happy New Year to all our members!

As we brave through the early weeks of winter, it's been a bit of a rollercoaster, but the club is still hopping with activity. Fingers crossed for some warmer temperatures and dry days ahead so we can sneak in some golf and kick off the new year right!

Big shoutout to everyone who chipped in for the Employee Holiday Fund. Your generosity blew us away, and we can't thank you enough. Because of your support, we were able to give our hardworking staff a very nice Christmas bonus–just what they needed during the holiday season.

Looking back on the past year, our maintenance crew deserves major props. They've been working hard to keep the club in top-notch shape, making it a place we can all be proud to call home. We expect great things to come

Speaking of last year, our club has blown past our membership growth expectations. As we mentioned in recent newsletters, we're at full capacity, with nearly a dozen eager folks waiting to hop on board and join the Smithfields Country Club fam.

Huge thanks to each of you for being the wind beneath our wings at Smithfields Country Club. Can't wait to catch you on the links in 2023!

Cheers,

UPCOMING MAJOR EVENT(S)

Tough Days Championship @ Smithfields CC

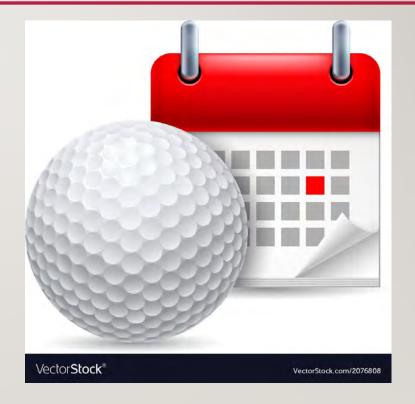
December experienced a slight lull in golf activities. Nevertheless, we are gearing up for an exciting tournament lineup starting in January (20th and 21st) with our 10th Annual Tough Days Championship. The two-person Tough Days event is the first "Major" of the year, so grab a partner and make plans to join us!

It's important to note that this event is open to the public, and spots are expected to fill up rapidly. $\frac{\pi}{2}$



MONTHLY CALENDAR

- Jan. Ist- Holiday Skins Game
- Jan. 20th and 21st Tough Days
 Event
- Mon., Wed., Fri.- Senior Days @ 10:00
- <u>Tues., Thurs.-</u> Ladies' Days @
 10:00



TURF TALK

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Other than receiving over 4" of rain in one day, at the end of December the weather has been relatively good for golfing. It is hard to believe that I am coming up on my 1-year anniversary with Smithfields. It is true what they say, time flies when you are having fun. I am excited for this upcoming year to continue to build on what we were able to accomplish last year.

You will see the GCM staff busy over the next few months. We are going to try and capitalize on the cold weather and attack some winter projects that are not as easy to complete during the growing season. We will be adding new mulch beds around trees in turf to give a more defined mulch bed appearance. We are going to refurbish the tee markers; we will do this one set at a time we will do our best to communicate which set may be missing during your round and apologize in advance for any inconvenience.

Like I said before, I am really excited about this upcoming year. If you have any feedback or suggestions, please feel free to stop me when you see me. I look forward to seeing you on the course!



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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Despite the cool and wet conditions that "Mother Nature" presented, our annual Christmas Cup Par 3 tournament powered through without missing a beat. Although we had to reschedule due to the rainout of our original date, the turnout exceeded our expectations. With over 100 players participating, the entire course showcased a unique setup with 18 par-3 holes. Congratulations to all our winners!

Flight 1:

Ist -Cole Garrison/Derek O'Neill 2nd-Steve Roach/Todd Merriss 3rd- Garry Renner/Patrick Hardin

Flight 2:

Ist -Mike Gasque/Darryl Sprinkle 2nd - Lewis Wiles/Mike Lewallen 3rd - Trey Stevens/John Fulcher

Flight 3:

Ist – Marcus Morrell/Mike Hendricks 2nd – Dan Mahoney/Hunter Camp 3rd-- Kevin Cox/Scott Sprinkle



Flight 4: Ist – Scott Reeves/Hal Stokes 2nd – Fred Keith/Mike Hunter 3rd – Lee McDow/Robbie Pearson

Flight 5: Ist – Erik/Barbi Moyer 2nd – Terry/Cheryl Barden 3rd- Mike Davis/Kip Looper



Pictured: Member, Tony Fandetti, shamelessly begging Santa for a few extra shots in 2024 ©

LGA & PICKLEBALL

We would like to encourage all our ladies to get involved with our Ladies Golf Association and Pickleball groups. Whether Pickleball or Golf (9 and 18hole options), these two groups love to see new faces joining in all the fun.

If interested in participating, give Judy Petersen (864.770.5786) or Gail Porter (864.906.0499) a call to find out all the details.

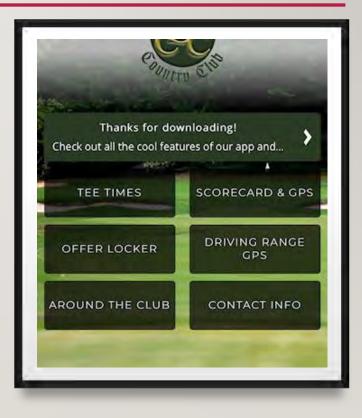


CLUB TECHNOLOGY

Smithfields Country Club Mobile App

As it is widely known, our club app has rapidly emerged as the primary means of disseminating club news and announcing upcoming events. If you haven't downloaded the app or require assistance in exploring its features, feel free to visit the pro shop, and we'll be delighted to provide you with a quick tutorial.

- Key App Features:
- Reserve Tee Times
- Monitor your daily club balance
- Conduct Payments
- Request Rainchecks
- Keep tabs on Gift Certificates



SOCIAL NEWS

Join us for the BIG GAME – the National Championship
Football Game Viewing Party!
Mark your calendars for the grand finale of the college
football season on Monday,
January 8th, at 7:30.
Whether your team is in the
running or not, we can't wait to
welcome you at the cabana! ^(A)



GOLFTIP OF THE MONTH!

"Get-A-Grip"

- I. Make sure you always place the handle in the fingers of the left hand (right-handed golfers).
- 2. Rotate the hand over toward your right thigh until you can see at least 2-3 knuckles on the back of the hand when you look down at address.
- 3. The "V" that forms between your left index finger and thumb should point toward your right shoulder.
- 4. Place the right hand on the handle and create one of the following three (3) styles of grips:





Interlock Grip/Overlap Grip/10-Finger Grip

If you follow this simple tip and find the right way to grip the club, you are well on your way to making a huge impact on your golf game without even changing anything else!