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Stanton  *Ridge*
GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

February 2012

Dear Stanton Ridge Members,

As we begin the 2012 season I would like to thank each member for their support of Stanton Ridge Golf & Country Club. As a staff we look forward to an exciting 2012 season and to providing the club experience that each member deserves.

The spring weather is about to arrive and the golf course is ready for play. Thanks to the very mild winter the maintenance department has been able to work on many projects in preparation for the course's opening in early March, weather permitting. Some of the projects that have been completed will be detailed in the Superintendent section of this newsletter, but in brief we were able to: fill in the ditch by the 18th fairway, do extensive tree pruning and removal of damaged trees, drainage work on several holes and leveling of tee boxes.

Our staff has been working on the 2012 event and tournament schedules. We hope to increase tournament participation this year and provide some unique ideas for the members to have fun.

Our Food and Beverage Department has created some very exciting new dishes that they are looking forward to preparing for the members and their guests.

The club continues to look for new members and we ask our existing membership for their continued support. There are several new membership programs available this year. One of those programs is our new Preview Program, which will allow a new member to experience the club for one year. For more details about our membership programs please contact our Membership Office at ext. 302.

As we plan for the season to start we look forward to welcoming each of you back to the club with the anticipation of another fun and eventful 2012.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Jeff Miller
General Manager



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Mark Your Calendar for these Upcoming Events

MARCH

Friday & Saturday, March 16 - 17

St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Entertainment

APRIL

Sunday, April 8 Easter Day Brunch

Wednesday, April 18 Ladies 18-hole opening day

Sunday, April 29 Opening Day ABCD Scramble

MAY

Friday, May 4 Wine Tasting

Thursday, May 10 Ladies Meet & Greet (cooking demo)

Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day Brunch

Saturday, May 26 Pool & Cabana Opens for the season

Monday, May 28 Memorial Day Picnic

Tuesday, May 29 Club Closed



Grillroom Special Menu Events



Sunday Specials and Pasta Night

will be served between 3:00 and 7:00
Starting Sunday, February 19th.

All dinners will be served Family Style.
Lite Dinner Menu will also be available.

Friday Prime Rib Night will be available every
Friday Night Starting Feb. 24th until April 27th.



Friday Fish Fry and
Seafood Options will also
be available during Lent.



Wednesday Night
Grill will start Wednesday, April 25th
5:30 to 8:30. (weather permitting)





From the Pro Shop

Jeff Rickenbach, PGA Head Golf Professional

With this year's mild winter, we were very excited about opening the course on March 1st. We had several groups that took advantage of enjoying a round of golf on opening day. Ellen-Diehl Matto had her first birdie of the season on #7.

Our 2012 tournament schedule will offer a variety of individual and team events throughout the year that will be open to all members. These tournaments and events are great opportunities for members to come and enjoy good company, while playing an enjoyable round of golf with your fellow members. We encourage you to participate in these tournaments. Mark your calendar now for our Opening Day ABCD Scramble to be held on Sunday, April 29th. The sign-up sheet is posted in the clubhouse or you may contact us in the Pro Shop at 908-534-1234, ext. 306 to sign up.

One of the great things about the game of golf is the opportunity to bring the family together. Our PGA family course is setup to make golf more enjoyable for players new to the game and provide a simple transition as their playing ability increases. On the fairways and the cart paths, the course is set up with PGA Blue Tee Markers for a 1,100-yard nine-hole course (level 1) and PGA Gold Markers for a 1,900-year nine-hole course (level 2). This program makes your family golfing experience more enjoyable. If you and your family wish to take a tour of this course layout, please contact me at 908-534-1234, ext. 307.

I wish everyone a great 2012 golf season and look forward to a very long and fun filled year.



Membership News

This year we have introduced a few new membership programs designed to fit every lifestyle. Our Sporting Club Membership provides unlimited social privileges with limited golfing privileges. Our Weekend Membership provides unlimited weekday golfing privileges and unlimited social privileges. We are also offering a Preview Program which will allow a new member to experience the club for one full year, on a trial basis. If you should know of anyone who has been considering joining the club and they apply for our Preview Family or Individual Program before April 1, 2012, they will receive one month

Joanne Toth Membership Director



complimentary cart fees. In addition, as the referring member you too will receive one month complimentary cart fees. Please contact me at 908-534-1234, ext. 302 for more details on this program offer and all our membership options.

As always, we appreciate your support of the club.

See you at the Club. *Joanne*



MEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY DECEMBER 16, 2011



Golf Course Superintendent

A Message from Rob Arnts

It's the start of a new golf season already. As I look back at the past two seasons, we had some very difficult weather for growing fine turf. 2010 was the hottest summer on record and 2011 was the wettest year ever. Here at Stanton Ridge we had a record 30 plus inches of above average rainfall. The golf course held up very well, even with all the wet weather. I believe this is a testament to improved aerification and topdressing practices, along with sound chemical and fertilization management working to help maintain and improve turf quality.

The Maintenance Department enjoyed the relatively mild winter. We were able to get out on the course and do some extra venting and aerification of consistently wet areas. This will help improve the turf for, hopefully, a very nice spring. We also were able to clean up some damaged trees that were hit hard during the crazy October snowstorm. Some trees had to be removed, but we were able to start planting new ones in areas that were recommended by Steven Kay, course architect. This is the start of an ongoing process. As some older trees die, they will be replaced with new trees in varieties that are much more suitable for the golf course.

Several other projects are planned for the winter and early spring. The drainage ditch on the right side of 18 will be filled in to eliminate confusion about being in a hazard or out of bounds. We also hope to complete a drainage project in the approach area of number 2 fairway to alleviate the wet issues we have had there in the past. We are hoping to fix some other drainage issues around the course as the season goes on. Other ongoing projects are the leveling of certain tees and repairs to the irrigation system, which we began last fall.

The Maintenance Department is hoping for some great weather in 2012 to bring great golf conditions. I hope to see everyone on the course very soon.



Pro's Corner

Wally Kim, PGA PGA Golf Professional

It's a new season so let's make a resolution to be a better golfer this year. With all the new equipment to choose from it really does not matter if we do not execute the fundamentals correctly. Everyone is looking for that extra power and distance; you want to be the longest in your group. Long sometime equates with wrong. So let's learn the proper move to get you long and straight.

To maximize distance in all your shots, the proper downswing has to be made with great balance. A lot of us tend to shift our weight the wrong way by moving to our forward foot by swaying. Where the hip moves side to side instead of rotating, causing less power and inconsistent contact with the ball. The proper way will consist of your forward hip moving away from the ball where the forward leg almost locks or straightens. Acting like your legs as posts, your upper body should be rotating on them. By doing this you will have better balance on your finish.

If you have any questions please visit me in the shop.

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December 11, 2011

Brunch with Santa

Photography by: Travis A. Pratt



Chefs of Stanton Ridge

The Chefs of Stanton Ridge



The Chefs of Stanton Ridge & Golf Country Club would like to welcome back our members for another fun-filled year.

The **Winter/Spring lunch menu** will be offering some seasonal favorites such as an open-faced turkey sandwich, Italian prime rib sandwich and lamb gyro. Also gracing the menu is a roasted beet and bleu cheese salad, a new take on Cobb salad, as well as a poached apple and butter Bibb lettuce salad.

Join us every Friday starting Feb. 24th until April 27th for **Prime Rib Night**. Three different cuts of prime rib are offered with the daily selection of potato and vegetable.

St. Patty's day will be a two-day long celebration starting on Friday, March 16th to Saturday, March 17th. The chefs will be offering traditional Irish fair such as Guinness, hamburgers, corned beef and cabbage, lamb stew, shepherd's pie and salmon colcannon.

Live entertainment will be provided on Saturday from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Grill Room.

Easter Brunch, April 8th and **Mother's Day Brunch**, May 13th will again offer a fabulous display of culinary talent from 11 am to 2 pm.

The first week in May will see the beginning of the **Wednesday Night Grill**. Every Wednesday starting at 5:30 the Chefs will offer a selection of meats, fish and pork to be cooked course side on our outdoor grill.

On Monday, May 28th, come join us for our **Memorial Day picnic** at the cabana.

The Chefs are very excited to plant their annual garden. **Spring planting** will be taking place in March, weather permitting. Some of our home-grown herbs are: cilantro, parsley, basil, oregano, sage, mint, sorrel and thyme. In addition, you will also see tomatoes, zucchini, squash and different forms of cabbage growing in the garden throughout the summertime.

2012 Grillroom Hours

February 16th to March 18th

Thursday the grillroom will be open for lunch from 11:00 to 2:00

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 9:00 Sunday 11:00 to 7:00

March 20th to April 1st 2012

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 11:00 to 5:00

Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 9:00 Sunday 11:00 to 7:00

April 3rd to June 3rd 2012

Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday 11:00 to 7:00

Thursday, Friday and Saturday 11:00 to 9:00

Dinner served from 5:00 to 9:00



2012 GOLF AND SOCIAL CALENDAR

MARCH

Thursday, March 1	Opening Day <i>(weather permitting)</i>
Friday & Saturday, March 16 - 17	St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Entertainment

APRIL

Sunday, April 8	Easter Day Brunch
Wednesday, April 18	Ladies 18-hole opening day
Sunday, April 29	Opening Day ABCD Scramble
Monday-Tuesday, April 30 - May 1	Course closed for aerification

MAY

May – July	President's cup
Friday, May 4	Wine Tasting
Thursday, May 10	Ladies Meet & Greet <i>(cooking demo)</i>
Sunday, May 13	Mother's Day Brunch
Tuesday, May 15	Girl's Sectional Championship
Saturday, May 26	Pool & Cabana Opens for the season
Monday, May 28	Memorial Day Picnic
Tuesday, May 29	Club Closed

JUNE

June – September	Four-Ball Tournament
Saturday & Sunday, June 2 - 3	Member-Member Stroke Play
Tuesday, June 5	Ladies Inter-Club
Wednesday, June 6	Ladies Member Guest
Friday, June 8	9-Hole Men's Assoc. Event
Thursday – Saturday,	Three Day Men's Member June 14 - 16 Guest
Friday, June 22	Couples Sunset Golf
Saturday – Wednesday, June 30 – July 4	Ringer Tournament

JULY

Wednesday, July 4	Fourth of July Picnic
Saturday, July 14	Annual Pig Roast
Saturday & Sunday, July 14 - 15	Senior Club Championship
Tuesday, July 17	Ladies Trenton District

JULY *continued*

Saturday, July 21	HMC Cancer Center Charity Event
Friday, July 27	Couples Sunset Golf
Saturday & Sunday, July 28 - 29	Men's Club Championship <i>(Qualifying)</i>
Tuesday, July 31	MGA Qualifier <i>(course closed)</i>

AUGUST

Saturday, August 4	Summer Sizzler & Kid's Movie Night
Saturday – Sunday, August 4 - 5	Men's & Ladies Club Championship
Saturday, August 18	Junior Club Championship
Sunday, August 19	Couples Club Championship
Friday, August 24	Couples Sunset Golf
Monday – Tuesday, August 27 - 28	Course closed for aerification

SEPTEMBER

Saturday – Monday, September 1 - 3	Ringer Tournament
Monday, September 3	Annual Clam Bake
Tuesday, September 4	Club Closed
Friday, September 7	9-Hole Men's Assoc. Event
Saturday – Sunday, September 8 - 9	Member-Member Championship

OCTOBER

Saturday, October 20	Closing Day Tournament
Sunday, October 28	Kid's Halloween Party

NOVEMBER

Saturday, November 17	Wine Tasting
Tuesday, November 20	Winter League
Thursday, November 22	Happy Thanksgiving. Club Closed

DECEMBER

Sunday, December 9	Brunch with Santa
Friday, December 14	Member's Holiday Party
Sunday, December 16	The course closes for the season