

October
2015



From the Chairman:

October News

Cooler Weather, New Members and a New Look!

Fall is a wonderful time of year in our area! We still have lots of good weather, but the days are moderate and the nights cool. The golf course is in great shape and the clubhouse is busy with activity. October 1 is the third checkpoint in our dues transition. Our plan, announced at January's annual meeting, is to reduce new member dues and to transition our current member dues down to the new member rates, based on a quarterly transition schedule over a one year period until all members, old and new, are paying the same monthly amount. Yes, that's a mouthful. But the bottom line is we've grown enough to trigger the third dues reduction for those members in one of the Resident, Jr Executive or Adjacent County membership categories. These members have seen their dues reduced three times, first in April, then July and now effective October 1.

At the September Board Meeting we approved eight new members across all categories- Fred & Jean Riggs-Resident Single, Jennifer & James Wright-Social, Pool, Tennis Jr. Golf, Jonathan Pilkenton-Non-Resident, William & Debbie Tate-Non-Resident, Hannah Glenn-Non-Resident, Garrett Clemmons-Associate, Kyle Clemmons-Associate, and Tracy Revis-Non Resident.

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New Bar & Grill Area

**"The most
important
shot in golf
is the
next one."**

— Ben Hogan





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Also at the September Board Meeting we approved next year's budget for the club's fiscal year which starts October 1. I'm often asked "how's the club doing financially"? As you know we've grown our membership which now stands at 266 golfing members and 380 members overall. This growth has allowed us to offset lower new member dues and to transition our existing member dues as mentioned above. Our dues are now in line with the economy and have allowed us to grow. We are absolutely in a better place today, but we need to retain our new members and continue on our growth path so we can do all of the things we'd like to do to improve the golf course and upgrade the pool and clubhouse. So we continue to make plans to market the club and to expand the activities offered. We think there are more exciting things on the horizon and look forward to sharing them with you soon.

And it won't be long before we're planning for our annual meeting. One of the key activities is the election of four new board members. I'm very pleased to say that Kelly Snipes has graciously agreed to chair our nominating committee. Anyone interested in possibly serving, just contact Kelly or any of the current board members.

I hope you were able to join us for our first Member Appreciation Day. What a great opportunity with everything from free golf lessons to specials in the pro shop, bar/grill and dining room. While it's nice to celebrate our members this way, rest assured, we appreciate all of our members every day.

Finally, I'd encourage every member to fully use all of the wonderful activities of Mimosa Hills. It's a great time to enjoy all of the value we offer. As always, I look forward to seeing you there.

-Chuck Ohrt
President



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Keep an eye out!

Specials for Thursdays & Fridays will be in our weekly E-blast on Wednesdays!

NEW WINTER HOURS

(effective Oct. 1, 2015)

Restaurant Hours:

Sun thru Wed 11am-3pm
Thurs & Fri 11am-8pm
Sat 11am-4pm

Bar & Grill Hours

Sun thru Wed 11am-6pm
Thurs & Fri 11am-8pm
Sat 11am-4pm

A limited menu will be available during the hours when the bar is open and the restaurant closed.

OCTOBER EVENTS:

October 17 - Member-Member BBQ at the Club House. Come enjoy BBQ Ribs & Chicken

October 30 - SAVE THE DATE- Kids Halloween Party & Bingo

October 31 SAVE THE DATE- Adult Halloween Party

We are now taking reservation for Christmas Parties.



This summer has brought many changes to the restaurant at Mimosa with the addition of the bar & grill area, the beautiful changes to the dining room and the upstairs area. The staff are working hard to meet the needs of our members as well as the guests that pass through Mimosa.

CHANGE OF EVENING DINNER SPECIALS

The restaurant is changing the evening dinner specials for Thursday and Friday nights twice a month to give members and their guest more options.

SOUP BAR OPTION

With the fall and cooler weather on its way, we will begin in October providing a soup bar that will feature two soups each day. You can also add a sandwich or salad, or just enjoy a bowl of your favorite soup. Our regular menu will also be available.

Due to private parties that are already booked, the Sunday Brunch Buffet will not be offered in October. Beginning in November we will offer a Sunday Brunch Buffet on the second Sunday of each month.

As you dine in the restaurant or the bar & grill, please know that your input is very important to the success of both. The staff welcomes comments and suggestions. Comment cards are now on the tables. Please take the time to fill these out. This will help us to plan activities, events, and new foods.



October Events

Mimosa Hills 4-Ball Invitational

~~October 3rd-4th~~ This event has been rescheduled for Oct. 24-25 due to heavy rain.

Mimosa Hills will host the 34th annual 4-ball Invitational Saturday and Sunday. We're proud to announce the field is full again with players competing from all over North and South Carolina and Tennessee. Pairings and tee times can be found at mimosahills.org.

The golf course will open to non-member play at approx. 2:30 each day. The practice facility will open to non-tournament participants at 1:00pm each day.

Fall Hickory Classic

October 9th-11th

Mimosa Hills is proud to host the Inaugural Fall Hickory Classic Friday – Sunday. Thirty-Six Golfers from many parts of the country will visit Morganton and Mimosa Hills for a 3 day competition playing with equipment with characteristics from the pre 1930 era. The first round will begin at 1:30pm on Friday. Round 2 will start at 11:00am on Saturday morning, and the final round will begin at 8:30am on Sunday morning. The golf course **will not** close for member play on any of the three days. Please refer to the end of the article for available times.

Donald Ross Intercollegiate

Hosted by Appalachian State

October 12th-13th

Mimosa Hills is proud to host the 6th annual Donald Ross Intercollegiate hosted by Division 1 Appalachian State University. The field will consist of 13 teams and 10 individuals from Universities all across the country.

The first and second rounds will be played on Monday and the final round will be played on Tuesday. The golf course will be closed all day on Monday, the practice facility will open at 10:00am for non-tournament participants. The golf course will open to non-tournament play on Tuesday at approx. 2:30pm. The practice facility will open at 10:00am to non-tournament participants.

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Mimosa Hills Fall Member-Member

October 17th-18th

Choose a partner and join us for this **Net** event Saturday and Sunday. Format is best net ball of team. There will be a prize for low gross, but the tournament champions will be determined by the low net 36 hole total. Tee times will begin at 10:00 each day. Cost is \$50 per player, includes lunch following play on Sunday.

G-Pro Tour Event

October 27th-28th

Mimosa Hills will host the G-Pro mini tour on Tuesday and Wednesday. We expect to have 30 to 40 players. Tee times will begin at 10:00am both days. There will be member play before and after the event available.

Senior Golf

The Mon-Wed.-Fri. senior group will continue to start at 9:00am during the month of October. There will be no senior play on Monday October 12th to accommodate the Donald Ross Intercollegiate. The final WP senior event will be played at Glen Oaks on the 12th, which includes a free lunch following play. Contact the pro shop to sign up.

Starting Times

Starting times will begin at 8:30 am Monday –Friday during the month of October. The first tee times will remain at 8:00am on weekends.

-Jimmy Piercy
PGA Head Golf Professional





On The Course:

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The golf course is in great shape so come on out and enjoy. October is one of the best months of the year to experience super conditions. The greens are firming up and getting faster. The firming is a result of the aerification holes filled with sand and a rejuvenated root system due to ideal temperatures for bentgrass growth.

The bermuda grass growth will slow as the nights get colder and it will start to lose color. The frosty nights will accelerate the loss of color and of course, the bermuda will eventually go entirely brown (dormant) depending on the number of nights with frost. Each year's transition is a little different. At least, the golf shots out of the rough play easier as this process continues.

With the pending dormancy of the fairways and tees, let us all pitch in and make an extra effort to fill as many divots as possible with sand. The bottles are on the golf carts and can be filled from the sand boxes at 2 & 5 tee, 6 tee, 7 tee, 12 & 15 tee, 13 tee and 17 tee. Also, the bottles can be changed out at 10 tee. Please let us know if restocking is needed. Thank you for your help.

We want to thank the donors for the expense of the sod to improve the areas of #1 tee & practice green, left and right of #9, the chipping green bunker face, around the left greenside bunker on #12, at the right fairway and greenside bunkers on #14 and the gold tee on #16. What a huge improvement especially for appearance sake for the drive into our clubhouse. Please abide by the roped off areas throughout the golf course and please do not step on the ropes. This leaves them sagging and very unsightly. We have open gates at each area so please use the gates or step over the ropes. Riding carts are not meant for the gates. Thank you for your cooperation.

-Dan Winters
Superintendent

A special thanks to young Grey Snipes for helping his Dad maintain hole number 7 as part of the "Adopt a Hole" program. Thanks to all who give their time to help keep Mimosa one of the best maintained courses in the Western part of the state. If you are interested in participating in the "Adopt a Hole" program, you can email me at knox.matthews@sglcarbon.com and I can provide more information.

Please be respectful of the new sod that has been put down, primarily on hole 9, around the practice sand trap and the tee box on 16, and thanks to the members who donated the funds to purchase this sod. It looks great!

-Knox Matthews
Grounds Chairman



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Practice Facility

With the days getting shorter, we ask that everyone finish their practice on the range and chipping green by 6:00pm during the month of October.

Golf Course and Practice Facility Closings for October

Saturday – Sunday- October 3rd-4th- The golf course will be closed to non-tournament play until approx. 2:30 each day, and the practice facility will be closed until 1:00pm each day. Mimosa Hills 4-Ball.

Friday October 9th- Tee times will be blocked from 12:45 until 2:00pm to accommodate the Fall Hickory Classic.

Saturday October 10th- Tee times will be blocked from 10:00 am until 11:30am to accommodate the Fall Hickory Classic.

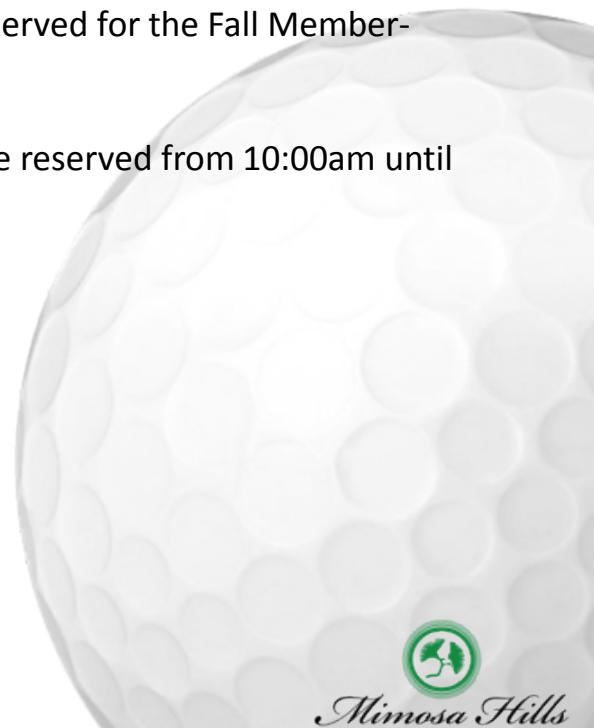
Sunday October 11th- Tee times will be blocked from 8:00am until 9:00am to accommodate the Fall Hickory Classic.

Monday October 12th- The golf course will be closed all day. Practice facility will open at 10:30. ASU tournament.

Tuesday October 13th- The golf course will be closed until approx. 2:00 pm. The practice facility will open at 11:00am. ASU tournament.

Saturday-Sunday -October 17th-18th- Tee times will be reserved for the Fall Member-Member from 10:00 until 11:30 am .

Tuesday-Wednesday- October 27th-28th- Tee times will be reserved from 10:00am until 1:00pm for the G-Pro event.





Tournament News:

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Dear Fellow Members,

September was a historical month for tournaments at Mimosa Hills. It is official, our three Major Tournament titles are held by a Messenheimer (just not the same Messenheimer). Entering September, Geoff Messenheimer had an opportunity to win the "Triple Crown" having already claimed Member-Member and Member-Guest, and needed a win in the Club Championship to complete the task. While Geoff didn't win the Club Championship, his son Thomas earned the prize. Thomas earned his spot in Club Championship by winning the Frank Bowers Junior Club Championship earlier in the summer. To the best of our recollection, Thomas is the first Junior Golfer from our Club to win that tournament in over 40 years. Congratulations to Thomas and I know Geoff, Kelly and Molly are very proud of him!

September also included the return of the Burke County Chamber of Commerce Fund-raiser Tournament to Mimosa Hills on September 3rd. Unfortunately our Night Golf event scheduled for Friday, September 25 and our Husband/Wife-Mixed Couples event scheduled for September 27th were postponed due to rain.

Please join me in congratulating the following individuals for their performances in September:

Men's Club Champion: **Thomas Messenheimer** who shot a three day total of 216, Even par

Runner Up: **Brian Harris**, 221 +5

Tied 3rd: **Brian Reep** and **Buddy Riebel**, 224, +8

Women's Club Champion: **Kim Clarke** who shot a three day total of 216,

Women's Runner Up: **Delores Hammer**, 221 +5

Senior Club Champion: **Chip Black** who shot a three day total of 216, Even par

Senior Runner Up: **Jeff Catlett**, 216, +10

Reserve Flight Winner: **Kelly Snipes**

Senior Reserve Flight Winner: **Claude Sitton**

Looking ahead, October is a fantastic month to finish out the Tournament Season. Cooler temperatures and firmer greens make it a great time to compete. October will include the Mimosa Hills 4 Ball Invitational on October 3rd and 4th and finish out with the Fall Member-Member (Net Event) on October 17th and 18th. Please contact the shop to sign up for one or both of these fantastic events.

As we move into the fall, the Tournament Committee will review this year's Tournament Season and Events and start to make plans for 2016. 2015 is my last year as Tournament Chairman, so we will be nominating individuals to take on that duty for 2016. If you or someone you know is interested in Chairing or serving on that committee, please let Jimmy Piercy or I know.

Hope to see you on the course soon!

Buddy Riebel

Tournament Chairman





September Memories



Thomas Messenheimer
Men's Club Champion



Kim Clarke
Women's Club Champion



Chip Black
Senior Club Champion

Member Appreciation Day

Members enjoyed a day of food and beverage specials, free golf lessons and a great time socializing!



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UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS: Look for details in weekly E-Blasts!!!

- Thursday, Oct. 8 – Second Annual Mimosa Hills Senior Golf Group Dinner *including spouses/significant others* 5pm Cocktails & hor d'oeuvres, 6pm Dinner
Reservations Appreciated – Call the Pro Shop 828-437-1246 or Dining Room 828-437-1753
- SAVE THE DATE – October 17 – Fall Member-Member BBQ at the Clubhouse
- SAVE THE DATE – October 30 – Kids Halloween Party & Bingo
- SAVE THE DATE – October 31 – Adult Halloween Party
- SAVE THE DATE – November 14 - Wine Tasting

As of last week, our total for the 2015 Mimosa Hills Membership Drive stood at 115 across all membership categories. We need you to keep up the great work communicating the many compelling benefits that Mimosa Hills offers to local golfers and families. You have done an excellent job to this point, and your Board of Trustees thanks you for your hard work in helping us get close to our membership goals. **Remember to bring a friend out the next time you play golf or come to the dining room.**

After several delays, the Mimosa Hills mobile app is now ready to download. It is available for iPhone and Android phone and tablets. Simply go to the app store, type in Mimosa Hills, download and start enjoying the many benefits that are included in the app, including being able to order food from the golf course. We hope you find it both beneficial to the Mimosa experience and will allow the club another means to communicate to the membership. If you notice any glitches, feel free to contact the office with suggestions for improvement.

Also, we would like to welcome Lynn Allen to the Mimosa family. Lynn is the new marketing coordinator. She has a wealth of knowledge and experience and will be a great asset for Mimosa. Stop by the office and say hello.

-Mark Bennett





Red Tees:

Despite the rain this month the ladies had a great two days of play!
The results follow:

September 10 Individual Points

Winners: Tyra Jones, 1st place. Flo Carter, 2nd place
Special closest to the pin #12 – Diana Anderson

September 17 Team Best Net Ball

Winners: Jean Isaacs, Judy Carswell, Diana Anderson, Margaret Nieters
Special longest putt made #7 – Margaret Nieters





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EVENTS CALENDARS

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Today ← → **October 2015** ▼ Print Week Month Agenda ▼

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 12pm Golfer's Menu Avl 1:30pm Mixed 4-Ball	28 9am WP Seniors				Oct 1 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 11am Bar & Grill	2 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 11am Bar & Grill
3 4-Ball Tournament-RESC	4 11am Bar & Grill	5 11am Bar & Grill	6 11am Bar & Grill	7 Senior Golf Group Dinner 11am Bar & Grill	8 Fall Hickory Classic 11am Bar & Grill	9 Fall Hickory Classic 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 11am Bar & Grill
10 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 12pm Golfer's Menu Avl 12pm Bar & Grill	11 ASU Intercollegiate All Day Fall Hickory Classic 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 12pm Golfer's Menu Avl 12pm Bar & Grill	12 ASU Intercollegiate 11am Bar & Grill	13 ASU Intercollegiate 11am Bar & Grill	14 11am Bar & Grill 11am Lunch / Dinner Served	15 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 11am Bar & Grill	16 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 11am Bar & Grill
17 Fall Member-Member 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 12pm Golfer's Menu Avl 12pm Bar & Grill	18 Fall Member-Member 11am Bar & Grill	19 11am Bar & Grill	20 11am Bar & Grill	21 11am Bar & Grill	22 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 11am Bar & Grill	23 11am Lunch / Dinner Served 11am Bar & Grill
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