

# Fast Play

The Monthly Member Newsletter  
of Shadow Hills Country Club

## Appreciating The Summer Fun... While Staying Safe!

By Patric Miller - Digital Communications Editor

Last week, on a three week trip to New Jersey to see our youngest grandson, I played a round of golf (in blistering 98 degree/80% humidity weather) with my son-in-law, *and never missed Shadow Hills so much!*

Fox Hollow Golf Club is a beautiful, but challenging course, with loads of hills, some water, and a punishing 2nd cut, made all the more challenging by the condition of course and the relentless humidity (*does it sound like I'm couching my posted score of 103?*). The greens were maintained, but slow...the bunkers "not-so-much"...and the fairways less than pristine...*but that 2nd cut was merciless.*

There is nothing to make you appreciate the amazing job Ryan and our grounds crew does, than playing another course. And yes, I realize that in this seemingly unending deluge of Covid-related-challenges, complaining about the condition of any golf course is every much a "first world problem."

As we also work through a landscape of new policies, along with unknowns for the return to school, fall sports (and maybe winter sports that used to be fall sports), as well as limited travel opportunities, we here at Shadow Hills CC are truly lucky to have a respite from the everyday insanity around us.

This said, it is important for us to remember how quickly things can change, and how it is necessary for all of us to do our part to remain safe, protecting not only ourselves, but those around us. As "the other Country Club in town" found out this past month, a simple outbreak can happen quickly, and result in shutting down the entire facility temporarily, at great expense. It is easy to get lax when playing, dining, and interacting with people familiar to you. But, being overly cautious with group settings is both recommended and prudent.

Please follow the club guidelines for masks indoors, or in settings where groups of golfers may be congregating for an event. You can remove your masks once on the course, range, or during outdoor dining (or while dining indoors, of course). But it is always safe to treat that person next to you, as if they have just come back from an extended trip out of state. Because, in my case...*they have!*

Play golf. Go Swimming. Dine with Friends and Family! Enjoy the rest of the summer! **But, stay safe!**



## August 2020



## Upcoming Events

All Dates Tentative...Watch "News You Need" Emails  
and ForeTees for Updated Information

### August

 (tentative upon further notice)

- 7 Senior Men's Group
- 7 Sand & Seed Party
- 7-8-9 Family Camp In
- 11 Men's League Finale Scramble/BBQ
- 17 Women's Twilight Finale Scramble/BBQ
- 22-23 Men's & Women's Club Championship
- 24 Children's Miracle Network Tournament  
Course Closed
- 28 Crazy 8 Luau

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# Manager's Report

By Dave Shelton  
General Manager, PGA Golf Professional

On Friday August 7th we have a Sand & Seed party and the beginning of the family camp weekend. The Sand & Seed begins at 5:45, gather outside the pro-shop, and it takes about one hour. It is followed by a complimentary dinner at the pool. This is a great event for families and is very kid friendly.

The family camp weekend begins with move in on Friday and ends with move out on Sunday. This is a great opportunity to camp for the weekend at the club with other members and their families. If you have any question about either please call the office at (541)998-2365.

Golf is meant to be an escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, technology, work and all the demands that life puts on us every day. One of the beautiful things about Shadow Hills is that we are in the rural environment in which golf was meant to be played. Having said this I feel that golf is under attack from today's technology, most notable cell phones and the ability to play music.

The basic problem with both is the impact they make on other golfers not only in your group but in other groups on the golf course. **Music on the golf course does not have to be an issue if those playing music are considerate of other golfers.** I know of several country clubs where music on the golf course is prohibited to prevent issues. I believe that if those golfers that like to play music are respectful of other golfers Shadow Hills will not have to create a rule prohibiting music.

### A few tips for playing music on the course:

- Play your music only loud enough to be heard in a small surrounding
- Turn your music off when near a teeing area that has another group playing, and off when near the clubhouse. Please take this seriously, because just a few can make this an issue that will have to be dealt with.

For at least a year the club has discussed what to do about replacing the contaminated sand in the bunkers. This issue was resolved last year when our greens crew renovated, reshaped, and rebuilt all the greenside bunkers on the front nine and hole #10. It was our intention to complete this project this fall and winter however like so many things in 2020 Covid has caused the club to step back and wait until we have a clearer financial picture of 2021. We also intended to fix the cart path issue on #15 tee and #18 green. This also will be delayed for the same reason. The good news is that we will finish the forward tee project that began last year. A new forward tee will be installed on hole 2, 3, 5, 7, and 11. This project is done in-house, with very little expense.

I appreciate our members' patience and understanding during very uncertain times that are out of our control. We will continue to adjust when needed, always with the goal of providing you and your guest the best possible experience while maintaining the overall safety for our staff and members. Thank you!

# The President's Corner

By Steve Gaughan  
President of the Board of Directors

Well, summer is in full swing here at Shadow Hills. The pool is busy, the clubhouse is busy, practice facilities are busy and the golf course is definitely busy. Over the course of 2020 we have added several new family members and one of the by-products of that is that there are more kids on the property. Kids are sponges and they absorb a lot from what they see and hear.

Many of you, I'm sure, remember when the movie Beverly Hills Cop first came out. I had twin boys who were quite young at the time and one day I was left in charge. In a complete parental fail, they somehow watched parts of the movie. As you may recall there was some pretty raw language in the film. A couple weeks later I was getting ready to pay for my groceries and one of my young sons was sitting in the grocery cart and all of a sudden looks at the lady in line behind us and yells "freeze \*#@%^!e". Well, I was mortified, and explained that I was babysitting my neighbor's kid. Moral of the story, please be aware of your surroundings particularly in the clubhouse and at the pool, as well as the course. *I have checked with several medical professionals and they are in agreement that golf balls can't hear.*

The Covid-19 has not taken the summer off and we are still dealing with the regulations handed down by various governmental bodies regarding hours of operation, crowd sizes, PPE requirements etc.. Please be assured that the Board and the staff of Shadow Hills are taking every precaution to ensure that we can continue to stay open and provide the best experience for our members as we can. Cancellations and postponements of events are not taken lightly.

We truly are all in this together!



**Family Sand & Seed Party**  
Friday  
Aug. 7th  
5:45pm

Do Your Part to Keep Our Fairways Looking Great!  
Join Us For the Fun!

**No filled divot shall go unrewarded...**



A short walk around the course to fill divots followed by a Free BBQ Dinner  
Sign up at the Pro Shop

# News From The Pro Shop

By Gary Davis , PGA Golf Professional

Greetings from the golf shop!! July was a very busy month, and looking ahead to August, it is just as action-packed. Be sure to check your calendars, as well as the "News You Need", for upcoming events such as the Men's & Women's Club Championship.

My staff and I are very appreciative of the great participation in the Couples String Tournament, as well as involvement in all the learning programs such as OP 36, Parent/Child, and individual lessons. During these challenging times it's nice to have the club as a place to escape and come enjoy yourself with all that Shadow Hills still has to offer!

If you are interested in playing in the Crazy 8 Luau Scramble, you'll need to call the golf shop to get your team signed up. You can also sign up without a team and the golf shop will pair you up. *We are limiting it to 200 players which is 25 teams.* As of today we are at 10 teams so don't delay!

Remember If you have credit on the books or are just looking for something special, come into the golf shop and let us help you find what you are looking for, as we have access to all major golf club manufacturers and apparel vendors.

Unfortunately we had to cancel the Junior Golf Camp scheduled for this month. Due to the way Junior Camp is structured, we are not comfortable with the ability to maintain proper spacing and keep kids from sharing equipment. The good news is that with OP 36 and the Parent/Child programs we have provided this summer we feel like the juniors have had plenty of opportunity for good quality instruction. **If you had already pre-paid for the camp we will refund your money, or if you'd like you can apply it towards private lessons for your kids.** Please feel free to give us a call here in the golf shop with any questions or concerns.

### Please Note:

- We are getting some complaints about fivesomes holding up foursomes on the course. It is imperative that your group keep up with the group ahead of you. We do not want to lose the fivesome privilege.
- Also, nobody likes to see ball marks, divots, cigarette butts or sunflower seed shells left on the golf course. Let's all do our part in taking "Pride of Ownership."
- And finally, this is the time of year we start noticing our white outside service towels are dwindling. So, if you happen to have any, please make sure to bring them back.

See you at the club!



### REMINDER

From Apr. 1st - Oct. 31st  
No Denim is allowed on the golf course or practice facility. Clean (non-ripped) denim allowed in Lounge & Dining Room.

# Welcome To Our New Members

Richard Jessup - Family Golf  
Scott Essig - Family Golf  
Dan Hayes - Family Golf  
Allan Duncan - Family Golf  
Jim Rauschart - Family Golf  
Rick Enos - Family Golf  
Colleen Lawson - Individual Golf  
Robert Johnson - Individual Golf  
Ken Boetcher - Individual Golf  
Jason Hall - Family Golf  
Austin Montoya - Social Family  
Andrew Ranker - Jr. Exec Individual  
Erin Jenkins - Social



If you see a new member, or a new face you don't know... say "Hello! Welcome to our community!"



# Women's Club Updates

by Penny Sykes  
President-Elect/Publicity

Early in the season we complain about the cold and rain. But before we know it, we are into complaining a bit about the heat and wind! What we are. NOT complaining about is the opportunity to play golf on a beautiful course!

The eighteen hole league hosted a very successful guest day in July with a great turn out. The restaurant served an awesome BBQ lunch while we announced prizes on the patio.

August brings two very important events. One is the installation of the new clock and the other is the annual Championship Member Play hosted by the pro shop. This thirty six hole medal play will be held August 22 and 23.

Traditionally the guys support this event well, but the women are a bit more shy. With that, please support the club and play in this event. It is flighted and handicapped so there is no excuse not to play. Additionally, with this pandemic, it is one of very few events we can have this year.

SAVE THE DATE and COME OUT TO PLAY!



## Current Covid Policies Reminders to Stay Safe... Please Do Your Part!

The SHCC Staff appreciates all of the efforts members have done to remain safe and conscientious. However, we do need to remind you of the following restrictions and policies:

- Reservations are **REQUIRED** for ALL DINING including the lounge, dining room and patio. This allows us to do our required social tracking.
- Masks are required everywhere indoors including the clubhouse, locker rooms, pro shop, lobby, office, etc.
- Masks are suggested anywhere members are congregated in groups. Please use common sense!



## Crazy 8's Scramble and Luau

**AUG. 28<sup>th</sup> - 5:45 SHOTGUN  
LUAU FEAST & FESTIVITIES  
FOLLOWING THE GOLF!**

Due to Covid Social Distancing Rules  
This Event Is Limited to MEMBERS ONLY  
and 100 Total Golfers (25 teams)  
Call the Pro Shop To Register Your Team  
Or Sign Up to be Placed on a Team!



# Handicapping & Rules

From the Handicap Committee  
by Ron Willis - Men's Handicap Chair

## Handicaps & Posting Scores... Posting For Equitable Fairness For Everyone!

The World Handicap System includes the Rules of Handicapping and the Course Rating System. Its purpose is to enhance the enjoyment of the game of golf. Fair handicapping depends upon full and accurate information regarding a player's demonstrated ability as reflected by a complete scoring record. Every player must be responsible for posting all acceptable scores, as defined below.

**Scores to Post:** To post a 9-hole score, the player must play a minimum of 7-holes, and at least 7-holes must be played under the Rules of Golf. To post an 18 hole score, the player must play at least 14 holes under the Rules of Golf.

**Scores in All Forms of Competition:** Scores in both match play and stroke play (9-holes or 18-holes) must be posted for handicap purposes. This includes scores made in match play, in multi-ball, or in team competition in which players have not completed one or more holes or in which players are requested to pick up when out of contention on a hole.

A player who starts, but does not complete a hole or is conceded a stroke must record the most likely score (number of strokes needed to complete hole) for handicap purposes. The most likely score may not exceed the players Net Double Bogey.

If a player does not play a hole, the score recorded for that hole for handicap purposes must be par plus any handicap strokes (net par) the player is entitled to receive on that hole.

As always, if you should have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact one of your Handicap Committee members. Or email us at [handicapchair@shadowhillsc.org](mailto:handicapchair@shadowhillsc.org).



For Fair, Fun, Play for Everyone...  
Post Your Scores Regularly  
and Accurately!



## All "Zoomed Out?" How About a Meeting With Benefits?

Schedule your next meeting, retreat, or "team builder" at Shadow Hills with breakfast, or lunch...and then play a round of golf with your entire team!

Schedule Your Get Away Today!  
Call Stacey at 541-998-2365

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