

## Course News February 2021

Unlike past years we seem to be having more than the usual number of frosty mornings. Starts are delayed due to the fact that temps must rise above freezing and the frozen dew must turn to moisture before foot traffic is permitted on the greens. Sunshine helps immensely to speed the process albeit small areas of certain greens and some fairways remain shaded until the sun's rays reach them. Course maintenance is limited mostly to greens trimming and bunker dressing.

### Feel good – play the Creek!

Improvements are in store for both the course and clubhouse area dependent upon Mother Nature's cooperation and availability of resources. A more definite agenda will evolve in the coming weeks.

If you haven't renewed your handicap service for 2021 you're overdue. Please do so no later than February 15<sup>th</sup>. The pro shop staff will be happy to assist.

The Golf Association at Cedar Creek will host the annual par 3 tournament open to both men and women members on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. Play will begin with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Gross and net prizes will be awarded in flights. An added feature this year is all players will be entered into a drawing for a new Cedar Creek logo golf bag. Registration with additional details is open in the pro shop. Signup deadline is the 18<sup>th</sup>.

The Trifecta tournament known to be held on Thanksgiving Friday is a popular event. Look for a Spring Trifecta in March.

As was previously announced and required by the USGA/Carolinas Golf Association everyone who maintains handicap service must establish a digital profile consisting of a unique email address and password for access to the GHIN system vis one's personal computer desktop dashboard or smartphone app both Android and iOS. (App updates are required.) If you haven't established or are having difficulty setting up your digital profile the staff can help.

A reminder: In the interest of privacy the USGA has determined that GHIN numbers in the World Handicap System should not be made publicly available and clubs should suppress GHIN numbers when producing handicap (index) lists or other information for widespread use within a club. If you wish to share your GHIN number with your fellow members you are free to do so but the club staff and handicap system administrators are not allowed to share or disclose GHIN numbers. This from the CGA:

"When you or a member are making inquiries about GHIN members at the club posting kiosk, you will only have access to a player's Public View data. You can see their name; their club name; their Handicap Index; their Low HI; and their most recent scoring record. You are not allowed to see their GHIN numbers or any of the particular details of the rounds they played (when or where they played). Only Club Admins will be able to see member GHIN numbers."