

Cedar Creek Golf Club News May 2021

Regrettably winter and weather have taken their toll on the greens and several tees. Due to a combination of factors including moisture and fluctuating temperatures along with nematodes – bad nematodes – a number of greens suffer areas where the miniverde Bermuda was harmed. (Nematodes have been a persistent problem at #3, #4, #5 and #6 greens.) Shade resulting from low-horizon sunshine has also affected certain tees more than greens. With Gary’s chemical applications and the favor of Mother Nature they will recover.

Feel good – play The Creek!

Work is expected to get underway soon to extend the cart path uphill toward the tees at #2 and to continue work at the clubhouse island and other areas. Please remain clear of the work areas both on the course and at the clubhouse.

The Golf Association at Cedar Creek will host a Par 3 tournament on Saturday, May 22nd. The event features two formats – an individual division and a two-person scramble division. Details and signup are available at the pro shop.

USC Aiken and The First Tee Aiken have jointly announced initiation of construction on the joint-use facility on the university campus. From their late-April dispatch:

The construction services and expertise of Three Amigos Golf LLC headed by Jim McNair, Jr., owner/operator of Aiken Golf Club and Cedar Creek Golf Club, [along with Gary Frazier and Brant McGee] have proven beneficial already. After studying the topography, Three Amigos recommended, and the ACCHE and County approved, slightly relocating the physical space of the project. The change enables us to employ less acreage, while including all the design features originally planned.

[Phase I] construction will include a driving range (with separate teeing areas for the university golf team and First Tee – Aiken, short game areas for each organization, putting greens for each, and a 9-hole “short course.”

Jim McNair’s team is working hard to take advantage of the prime growing season. Barring weather interruptions, the Three Amigos will begin the grassing process this spring and the facility should be ready this fall.

Omitted from mention of those on Gary’s crew in the April news was Ricky Summer. Ricky’s association with golf goes back to his high school days in Aiken when he got his start working with Jim McNair, Sr along with Jim, Jr. at what was then known as Highland Park Golf Course. Following graduation from the University of South Carolina and a 30 plus year professional career he came back to work with Gary at The Creek where he’s enjoyed his involvement with golf course maintenance ever since.



The foxes have returned – sighted at hole #1. If up to their old tricks they may snatch a ball or two. Although of no real concern or threat give them space.