

## Course News August 2020

The course is withstanding the brutal heat of summer remarkably well. Mother Nature could be a bit more generous with moisture, but Gary's regulated irrigation compensates well. The course condition is as good as ever. Regular course maintenance is the daily routine.

Work continues on the area to the rear of the clubhouse. The new putting green is well grown in, but its opening will be delayed pending further growth and maturity of the remainder of the area.

### Feel good – play The Creek!

September is fast approaching and with it two big events. First up will be the Aiken City Amateur Championship which will be played September 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> at The Aiken Golf Club. Eligibility has been extended to residents of South Carolina as well as the CSRA. With regular, senior, super senior and (new this year) legacy men's divisions along with a women's division the tournament offers an opportunity for players at all levels to compete. The men's divisions will be played gross only while the women's division will feature both gross and net. Registration forms containing complete details of the tournament are available at both Cedar Creek and Aiken Golf Club and must be submitted by September 6<sup>th</sup>. Note: The traditional Friday evening social and putting challenge will not be held due to COVID-19 concerns.



The annual Cedar Creek Crystal Cup is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> with the Bluejackets facing off against the Redcoats in an 18-hole Ryder Cup style match – 6 holes modified alternate shot, 6 holes four-ball and 6 holes singles. The 2019 Redcoats captained by Kathy Cornforth and Art Schuenemann prevailed over the Bluejackets led by Donna Hunkele and Rob Rosche and now lead the competition with 7 victories to 4. More info to follow including whether or not the evening before pairings party will be held .....you guessed it – COVID-19 again. Players Club and Legacy members of Aiken Golf Club are invited to participate.

Meanwhile, the Golf Association at Cedar Creek has scheduled a Par 3 Tournament on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. Registration with details is open at the pro shop.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July Flag Tournament was won handily by Dick Leach who carried his flag beyond the 18<sup>th</sup> hole. Jackie Huey, Phil Stack and Andrew Wilson tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> at the 18<sup>th</sup> hole.

Two more ladies have joined The Creek hole-in-one club – Rose Marie Adamsky on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and Kim Matthews on July 6<sup>th</sup> both on hole #8.

While no one needs a reminder of the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic remains with us, this is occasion for a friendly reminder to not become complacent. Precautions remain in force which has hampered necessarily some activities, but the club continues to serve members and guests for play while promoting safe practices both in the clubhouse and on the course. Please continue to adhere to all mandated as well as recommended practices to insure we remain virus free.

Finally, August is a notoriously warm month as we already know July has been. Stay cool and stay hydrated!