



COURSE NEWS DECEMBER 2018

We've reached the season of little or no growth around the course. And we experienced already in late-November frosty mornings at The Creek which brings up the question of when the greens tarps will be deployed. Their use is principally to prevent frost settling into the roots of the TifDwarf greens grass as occurred last year – the infamous "winter kill." Both overnight and daytime temperatures are the main factor. When overnight temperatures dip down to the lower-20s or worse the tarps will be used, but when light frost occurs and daytime temperatures rise to the upper-40s of higher enough warmth is created that the greens are not usually harmed.

Gary and his staff have completed course clean-up left over from the summer's tropical storms. The irrigation system will soon be shut down for the winter and a number of irrigation repairs made. Otherwise equipment maintenance and refurbishment is on the agenda on days when course work cannot be performed. Please be mindful to fill tee and fairway divots even if they are not yours. Ball marks on the greens may be noticeable also and in need of repair. A little extra attention to the course during the cold weather months will insure better growth and playing conditions in the spring.

Feel good – play the Creek!

There was a huge turnout for the Cedar Creek Living magazine scramble on November 10th. The team of Tim Burcroff, Dave Lloyd, Marion Padgett and Scott Singer took 1st place honors. Second was shared by the teams of Frank Beaty, Bill Hunkele, Dick Leach & Karl Rullman; Walt & Janet Koertge, John Muir & Heather Paddison; and Garry Hawley, Dick Rommich, Ed Sabo and Mike Zak. Other teams "in the money" were Kathy Cornforth, Paul Hackett, Larry Hannigan & Ted Lawrence; Terry & Sharon Eckert, Cookie Caruso & Andrew Wilson; and Glenn & Jackie Huey, Anne Kelty & Phil Stack. Finally, dare we mention Andy & Chris Lesko & Tom & Stephanie Wolfe who were rewarded for "DAL?"



Most of the Many

There's a lot of nice merchandise in the pro shop looking for Christmas gift shoppers. Pick up that special item to complete your Christmas gift list. Gift certificates are of course available also for play at both The Creek and The Aiken Golf Club.

Speaking of gifts, how about a gift for the aspiring golfer or even one for those who are looking to improve their games? A great idea! Kenny Evenson at The Player's School has gift certificates available for lessons for just that purpose. Give Kenny a call (439-2086) or email him: kennyevenson@hotmail.com.

Annual membership rates and daily guest fees for Cedar Creek have been announced and were previously emailed to the club's many loyal members and others. CCGC members will continue to enjoy full golf membership privileges at The Aiken Golf Club and vice versa. The annual range plan will continue as before – a card-based "membership" that entitles holders to unlimited use of the range in addition to two 18-hole green fees per month (cart fee required) at either Cedar Creek or The Aiken Golf Club. An added feature is unused rounds from one month may be carried over to successive months but may not be used in advance of an indicated month. New for 2019 is the availability of Legacy memberships for Cedar Creek members or those who wish to become CC members. A Legacy membership entails a \$1,450 initiation fee with 2019 monthly dues \$130 single or pre-paid annual \$1,482 with a 5% discount. For a family the monthly dues are \$195 monthly or pre-paid annual \$2,223 with a 5% discount. Applications are available from Mike D. at the pro shop.

In the spirit of the season and as a way to show our appreciation for the loyalty and dedication of the pro shop staff, cart guys and grounds crew to members and guests of the club contributions to a Christmas fund are invited, which Jim will distribute to those who extended their best efforts along with friendly greetings and smiles throughout the past year. If you so choose please leave your contribution with the pro shop staff by Monday, December 17th.

The Cedar Creek ladies 18-hole group closed out another enjoyable season on November 15th. Golf for the day was rained out, but they enjoyed lunch and an awards ceremony at the Grille. Officers for 2019 are Kim Matthews, President; Kathy Cornforth, Vice President; Marge DePalermo, Secretary and Pat Shealy, Treasurer. Tournament chairs are Louise Latsko and Sharon Eckert who will also serve as handicap chairpersons. Louanne Langmo returns as Sunshine Chair.

The annual Trifecta tournament was held on its customary day after Thanksgiving. The event features two-person teams and three types of play – 6 holes each of scramble, modified alternate shot and better ball. Four teams tied for top honors – John Broome & Gary Smith, Dick Leach & Rob Rosche, Mike Kahl & Dave Moore, and Ed Sabo & Bruce Slown all with net 67s. Closest to the pin awards went to Gary Jacobs and George Montgomery.

Jim and the staff of Cedar Creek Golf Club wish all members and guests a Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year!