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BUNKER NEWS

MANAGER'S REPORT



Spring is here! For golfers nothing announces springtime and the beginning of a new season like the Master's Golf Tournament. Its breathtaking beauty,

rich traditions and thrilling competition stir the desire of even the most casual golfer to head to the practice range or the golf course. Having been fortunate to attend the Master's many times, I can tell you it is one of the few things in life that actually exceeds expectations. While few clubs ever achieve the status of Augusta National Golf Club, it's often the benchmark by which private clubs are compared. More importantly all clubs CAN learn valuable lessons by observing what is arguably the most recognizable private country club in the world. And you might ask, "What are some of those lessons?"

ATTENTION TO DETAIL...No detail is too small or insignificant. Going the extra mile is not the exception but rather the rule.

CUSTOMER SERVICE...Every customer is a VIP. In fact at the Master's those attending are not referred to as customers or fans, but rather as patrons or guests. Everyone who has chosen to spend a part of their day with your establishment should always be treated with courtesy, respect and given the proper

attention to their requests and needs. The goal is to make every visit a memorable occasion.

PRESENTATION IS EVERYTHING...As the saying goes, "A place for everything and everything in its place". While daily routines can often become, well routine, it's the consistent presentation of the golf course, clubhouse, pool and all the various aspects of the business that let members and guests know "we care". The goal should always be to have "no surprises"!

COURSE CONDITIONING...Certainly few golf courses have the financial resources and manpower to achieve Master's conditioning but nonetheless Augusta National can serve as role model for us all. Without question the number one factor for enjoying a round of golf for most is course conditions. For a golfer the hot dogs taste better, the beer is colder and the sky is bluer when the greens are smooth and fast, the fairways lush and green and the grounds are landscaped and manicured.

With the Master's as the backdrop we officially enter into the 2011 Pine Island golf season. Management and staff will make every effort to provide you with Augusta-like conditions and service. In our eyes each and every member deserves a GREEN JACKET!

Larry Yount • General Manager



A VIEW FROM THE PRO'S DESK

Spring is here and it's time to play golf! I cannot tell you how happy the golf staff is to finally see some warm weather. We've a very active

tournament schedule for our members and look forward to your participation. The LGA and MGA have started their seasons with some awesome events lined up. New men's and ladies apparel has arrived in The Golf Shop for spring that you'll want to see. We have also made some changes to the golf portion of the website, so log on and see what's new! We look forward to seeing you at the Club!

Mark Hofstetter
Head PGA Professional

STAFF CHANGE

Kristy Craig, Pine Island's bookkeeper for the past four years, has left the club to assume a similar position with Triune Capital. Kristy has been a valuable asset to the Club and we wish her the best in her new job. **Christina Collins**, the familiar face at the front desk as our Member Services representative, will be moving upstairs to assume the bookkeeping position. Christina has a proven record



for hard work, dedication and quality customer service. She may be reached directly at 704.409.7466 for any accounting or bookkeeping questions, to assist with payments, make auto draft arrangements, or any other billing or statement issues.



LAST CHANCE TO DANCE

Have you ever wanted to take professional dance lessons but just never did? Now's your chance! You have to hurry, but we still have room for our

Professional Ballroom Lessons at Pine Island with World Champion, Vivienne Ramsey. Classes begin Wednesday, April 6, and run for six consecutive **Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:15 pm.** Price is \$250 per couple for entire program. (Normally \$150 per class – that's a \$650 savings!).



A NIGHT OF COMEDY

Join us **Friday, May 13** for a night of excitement, laughter and fun as we present an evening of improv comedy. **Ms. Drea Leonetti** and a troupe of

performers from the **Charlotte Comedy Theater** will entertain and amuse you with a 90-minute show. Improv Comedy is when nothing is rehearsed or written down. With the help of the audience for ideas and suggestions, the actors bring skits, games and scenes to life "on the fly". If you've ever watched the syndicated TV show "Who's Line Is it Anyway" with Drew Carey, you know the drill. An optional buffet will be available beginning at **7:00 pm.** The show begins at **8:30 pm.** The price for both the buffet and the show is only \$28.50 per person. Admittance to the show only is \$15 per person with a cash bar and guests are welcome. Casual attire (denim acceptable). Make your reservations early by calling **704.409.7477.**

GOLF OUTINGS AND NON-MEMBER EVENTS

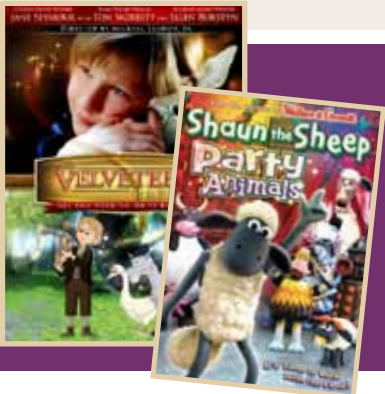
Spring brings a host of special activities and events. April and May are two prime months for charitable and fundraising golf events and romance is also in the air for many brides and grooms as they set the date. Pine Island is a popular venue for both and will serve as host to a number of golf outings. Every effort has been made to schedule these events on Mondays and other non-peak times to minimize interference with member play. Whenever these events do occur and impact your ability to access the course, our professional staff will work with you to arrange golf at one of our five reciprocal partners (Pine Island members play for only \$30 guest and cart fee). On **Saturday, May 7 and Sunday, May 8,** Pine Island will once again host the **Vicki DeSantis Junior Girls Invitational Golf Tournament.** The DeSantis Invitational is perhaps the most prestigious junior girls championship held in the Carolinas. Pine Island members will have the opportunity to participate in an **8:00 am** shotgun start on those days. Please be sure to notify The Golf Shop of your intention to participate.



WEDDINGS

Pine Island recently was awarded "Best in Weddings" for 2011 by The Knot bridal website and magazine. Pine Island was one out of only nine locations throughout the state that received the award! Anyone who knows anything about weddings can tell you

The Knot is the number one wedding network used by prospective brides. While Pine Island currently has 28 weddings booked for this year, with the majority of those occurring on Saturdays, most will have little effect on our members. Occasionally a "whole club" wedding will take place that requires the entire upper floor of the clubhouse to be utilized. When this occurs the Member Grill must cease operation around **2:00 pm.** Advanced notification will be given to the membership. Please understand how important these events are to our bottom line. In turn, a healthy bottom line will keep dues and other fees in check for our members. We thank you in advance for your understanding.



DATE NIGHT/MOVIE NIGHT MOVIE

A special treat this month - DOUBLE FEATURE! Parents stay later than normal! Join us on **Friday, April 15,** starting at **6:30 pm** for our Drive-In Kids Buffet. The big screen will air **The Velveteen Rabbit** and **Shaun the Sheep: Party Animals.** Mom and Dad, you won't want to miss this chance to have even more time to enjoy dinner or an extra round of drinks. Price is \$8.50++ per child and reservation are required by **April 12.**

Cancellation within 48 hours of the event/activity will result in a charge to your account. Please visit the website for additional information and to view menus associated with specific events/activities/dining at www.pineislandcc.com.

APRIL FOOD & BEVERAGE EVENTS

easter eggstravaganza and Brunch



Easter is one of our favorite family events and we get so excited each year when April rolls around. Join us **Sunday, April 24** for our **Easter Eggstravaganza and Brunch** as we carry on the tradition of the "hunt", wonderful photo memories, delicious menus, quality family time, yummy chocolate bunny prizes and the big bunny himself. Gather your family and friends and join in on the fun. The brunch buffet will feature breakfast items, including an omelet station and complete lunch offerings. Be sure to save room for one or more of the desserts from a selection of cakes, pies and cookies. Special Easter cupcakes will be available for the kids. The "hunt" kicks off at **noon** for those up to six years old and at **12:45 pm** kids ages 7 and up will have their turn to hunt. Find a "Golden Egg" and WIN. Make your reservations with **Christina at 704.409.7477** or online. Please make sure to request either the 11:00 am or 1:00 pm seating. Reservations are required by **Saturday, April 16**. Due to the popularity of this event, the 48-hour cancellation notice will be strictly enforced. Adults \$21.95, ages 6-12 \$12.95 and ages 5 and under \$6.95. Menus will be available online **Monday, March 28**.



Mother's Day Brunch

Mother's Day is a very special time for us at Pine Island. We are honored to celebrate our mothers on this wonderful occasion. We invite you and your family to join us on **Sunday, May 8, from 11:00 am until 2:00 pm** for our scrumptious buffet fit for a queen. Each mother will receive a gift for attending. Due to the popularity of this event, the 48-hour cancellation notice will be strictly enforced. Adults \$24.95, ages 6-12 \$12.95 and ages 5 and under \$6.95. Menus will be available online **Tuesday, April 12**.



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{Make reservations for dining events, including the Friday Night Buffet, by calling 704.394.1422 or visit the Pine Island website to view complete menus and make your reservations online. Watch for more dining information in our weekly eblasts.}

DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS

Daily lunch specials for the week will be determined by Executive Chef and posted to the website by noon each Tuesday. Soup of the day and lunch specials are also available daily on the Pine Island Facebook page. This is also where you can find the password of the day. Share it with your server and receive \$1 off a glass of wine, mixed drink, draft beer or dessert offering!

MEN'S MEMBER-MEMBER TOURNAMENT

On **Saturday, April 16** and **Sunday, April 17**, we will host our spring **Men's Member-Member Tournament**. Teams will be flighted according to combined handicaps and payouts will be according to flight. The champions can come from any flight and will be the team which acquires the most points. Ninety percent of handicaps will be used and there is a handicap maximum 10-stroke spread between teammates - so choose your partner wisely!

Saturday: Breakfast will be served before play. The front nine will be individual match play. The player with the lowest handicap from each team will play each other with the remaining two players matching up. Handicaps will apply and fall where they may on the card. A point is awarded for holes won and a half point will be awarded for holes tied. The back nine will be one best ball of two, match play. Each team will take their best net score, playing match play against the other two-man team. Handicaps fall where they may on the card and a point will be awarded for each hole won and a half point for holes tied.

Sunday: Lunch will be served after the round. Sunday's format will be one best ball of two with Stableford points.



Both players will play their own ball throughout the round and the team score will be their best net score.

The entry fee for this event will be \$100 per player and includes cart fees for both days, breakfast, lunch, a keg after rounds and prizes. Sign up now in The Golf Shop!



MGA MASTERS PICK-EM SOCIAL

It's that time for all MGA members to get together and have a discussion about the Masters Tournament. On **Wednesday, April 6**, the MGA will provide some light hors d'oeuvres and a keg or two. Festivities will begin at **7:00 pm**. Remember that you can draft as many teams as you want at the cost of only \$10 per team. On **Saturday, April 9**, you can pick-a-pro playing in the Masters as your partner and your net score and his score will be your "team" score for the day. Entry fee: \$10.

MGA/LGA GUEST DAY

What are the benefits of being a member of the LGA or MGA? Several, but for starters on **Friday, April 15**, any member of the MGA or LGA can bring up to three guests and pay cart fees only! That's right! Cart Fees Only! **The third Friday of each month will be MGA/LGA Guest Day.** If you are not a member of these groups you sure should be. Be on the lookout for further benefits to being a member of our MGA or LGA at Pine Island.

PAIRS & SPARES GOLF

Starting **Friday, April 1**, we will begin our **Pairs & Spares Golf** season, with a shotgun start event every Friday evening. The format will be captain's choice and players of all levels are welcome to play. We'll mix up the players to give everyone the opportunity to play with as many different people as possible. If you're a couple or a single, come out and play. No one will be turned away no matter how late you sign up! Do so at The Golf Shop, call us when you're on your way - just come out and meet other people who like to have fun and play golf. Cost is only \$5 per person.

TEE TIME RESERVATION

Pine Island will begin an online tee time reservation program this month. We hope this will simplify, streamline and add convenience to our members' ability to reserve a starting time. While we are excited about this new



feature please know that our professional staff is always available to assist you. Look for further instructions to be coming your way soon.

WEBSITE ADDITIONS

We recently made some changes to the golf portion of the Pine Island Country Club website. You can now find such information as:

- **Cart status** – are we on cart paths, do we allow flags
- **Range status** – open or closed, grass or mats
- **Junior golf page** – clinics, camps and interclub
- **MGA and LGA web pages**
- **Upcoming events** – detailed information about format, start time, entry fees and what's included in the price
- **Online Tee Times**

These are just a few of the changes that have happened and more is to come. Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions.

DINING NEWS

Our WOW Buffets on Wednesday nights were once again well received. A big THANK YOU to all who supported this program. Beginning **Wednesday, April 6**, we will bring back our **2-for-1 WOW Wednesday** a la carte dining specials. For only \$19.95 you receive the following:

- An appetizer large enough for two OR two salads (house/Caesar) OR soup du jour
- Two entrees and sides selected from a special weekly menu (minimum of three selections to choose from)
- A shared dessert sure to satisfy the biggest sweet tooth

Reservations are a must. Make yours by calling **704.409.7477**. Regular evening adult a la carte menu also available. Kids menu available.

Please note that the Member Grill will reopen for lunch on Tuesdays beginning April 5.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 1	Pairs & Spares	5:30 pm shotgun
April 2	LGA Kick Off	9:30 am shotgun
April 6	MGA Masters Pick 'em Party	7:00 pm-9:00 pm
April 8	Pairs & Spares	5:30 pm shotgun
April 9	MGA Masters Pick-A-Pro	Regular Tee Times
April 9	TaylorMade/Ping Demo Day	12:00-4:00 pm
April 15	MGA/LGA Guest Day	
April 15	Pairs & Spares	5:30 pm shotgun
April 16-17	Men's Member-Member	
April 21	SEB Tournament	1:00 pm shotgun
April 22	Pairs & Spares	5:30 pm shotgun
April 23	Titleist Demo Day	Noon-4:00 pm
April 27	Copperhead Baseball Outing	Course open until noon
April 29	ACSD Tournament	10:00 am shotgun
April 29	Pairs & Spares	5:30 pm shotgun
May 6	Pairs & Spares	6:00 pm shotgun
May 7-8	Vicki Di Santis Jr. Girls Championship	Tee times

DEMO DAYS

We currently have two demo days scheduled for our members. Try out the latest and greatest from three respected club companies. On **Saturday, April 9**, we'll host the **TaylorMade/Ping Demo Day** from **noon until 4:00 pm**. On **Saturday, April 23**, we'll host the **Titleist Demo Day** from **noon until 4:00 pm**. We hope you can stop by to see the latest there is to offer in golf!

GOLF CLINICS – MEN'S, LADIES AND JUNIORS

It's that time of year when the weather finally breaks and you get a chance to get your golf game back into shape. That's what Pine Island's golf clinics are all about! Offering a little something for everyone with ladies only clinics on Tuesday evenings, juniors only clinics on Sunday afternoons and Men's clinics on Wednesday evenings. From expert to beginner, you can always learn something new at these clinics. Detailed information is available online under the golf tab.



	Member Grillie (food service)	Main Member Bar
Turn Grillie		
Monday	Closed	Closed
Tuesday-Friday	10:00 am - 6:00 pm	11:00 am - 7:30 pm (starting April 5)
Sat-Sun-Holidays	7:00 am - 6:00 pm	11:00 am - 10:00 pm
	Monday Tues Wed-Sat Sunday	Monday Tues Wed-Sat Sunday
	11:00 am - 7:00 pm	12 Noon - 8:00 pm
	Turn Grillie will serve hot food until 4:00 pm (burgers, hot dogs, fries, etc.) Pre-packaged sandwiches, snacks and beverages available until closing. Wait service provided to lounge areas from dining room staff after 6:00 pm.	

- Men's Clinics
- Ladies Clinics
- Junior Clinics
- Card Night in Men's Lounge
- TGIF! Drink Specials
- Sunday Morning Shootout
- Breakfast Served in Member Grillie
- Wine on Wednesday
- Ladies Drink Specials
- A la Carte dining
- Friday Night Buffet

APRIL 2011

UPCOMING EVENTS
 May 8 – Mother's Day Brunch
 May 13 – Improv Comedy Night
 May 30 – Memorial Day - Pool Open

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	Lunch specials served 11:00 am - 2:00 pm 						
4							
5							
6				Professional Ballroom Dancing Lessons MGA Masters Pick'em Party 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm 2-for-1 WOW Wednesday 			
7					Men's Senior Play Day Beer Tasting 7:00 pm 		
8						Pairs & Spares 5:30 pm shotgun 	
9							MGA Masters Pick-A-Pro Regular Tee Times Taylor-Made Demo Day 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm Whole Club Wedding Clubhouse closes at 2:00 pm
10	Lunch specials served 11:00 am - 2:00 pm 						
11							
12							
13				Professional Ballroom Dancing Lessons 2-for-1 WOW Wednesday 			
14					Men's Senior Play Day Bingo Night 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm 		
15						Pairs & Spares 5:30 pm shotgun MGA/LGA Guest Day Date Night/Movie Night Double Feature 6:30 pm 	
16							Men's Member - Member
17	Lunch specials served 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Men's Member - Member 						
18							
19							
20				Professional Ballroom Dancing Lessons 2-for-1 WOW Wednesday 			
21					Men's Senior Play Day Southeast Baptist Tournament 1:00 pm shotgun 		
22						Pairs & Spares 5:30 pm shotgun 	
23							Titleist Demo Day 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
24	Lunch specials served 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Easter Eggstravaganza 11:00 am - 2:00 pm 						
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27				Professional Ballroom Dancing Lessons Copperhead Baseball Outing Course open until 12:00 pm 2-for-1 WOW Wednesday 			
28					Men's Senior Play Day 		
29						Pairs & Spares 5:30 pm shotgun ACSD Tournament 10:00 am shotgun Live Jazz Music with Tarik Cranke 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm 	
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