

February
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As I sit here typing this article, it is 68 degrees and sunny and it's February 3rd. I think I can say for everyone that I am ready for Spring.

First, I would like to thank the 2018 Board for all the hard work they did this past year. I would also like to welcome Rick Moody, Dean Radford, Geoff Messenheimer, and David Aycock to the 2019 Board.

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This year will be a very important year for Mimosa Hills, but I can assure you that this Board is up for the task. We will continue to work on the stock issue that Mimosa has. We will continue to work on giving the members one of the best golf courses in Western North Carolina. We will also continue to improve our Food & Beverage Program to better assist the members and their guests whether it is while playing golf or coming out to lunch. I hope everyone is as excited for this upcoming year as I am. If anyone has any questions or concerns, please let me or one of the Board members know.

Randy Walker
2019 Board President



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Food & Beverage:



Mimosa Hills Dining Room and Bar & Grill Hours

Sunday 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Monday CLOSED

Tuesday 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Wednesday 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Thursday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm

Friday 11:00 am – 9:00 pm

Saturday 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

*To help us serve you better,
reservations are appreciated for
all evening dinners & special
events.*

February Friday Night Dining Specials

**All Dinner Specials come with a
House or Caesar Salad**

Chicken Fried Steak

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley
& Dessert
\$15.95

Boneless Beef or Pork Rib

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley
& Dessert
\$15.95

Pesto Butter Salmon

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley
& Dessert
\$16.95

Blackened Ribeye

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley
& Dessert
\$20.95



House Report:

I've learned over the years there are two words that draw a crowd – Food and Beverage. Food is one of the major motivators for people to attend events; unless of course it's events built around beverages! Because of this, we want the food and beverage department to make a great impression on our members and guests. I have a great staff who take pride in making your time here a pleasure.

Last month we had the Mexican Buffet, Sunday Brunch, and the Wine Tasting and those social events went great. We will have more of that in the future. We will have a Family Style Sunday Dinner and a Seafood Night later this month, please see the following pages for details.

I invite you all to come out on Thursday and Friday for great food and fellowship. As always, I am happy to take any suggestions for food or social events, so please let me know of your ideas.

Don't forget to make your reservations!

Stella Reed
Food & Beverage Director





Sunday Dinner:

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Family Style

Sunday, February 17th

12 pm to 2 pm

\$15.95 for adults, \$7.95 for kids 12 and under

Call to make your reservations – 828 437 2967

Menu

Southern Fried Chicken

Country Style Steak

Country Ham Biscuits

Real Mashed Potatoes with gravy

Green Beans

Cut Corn

Fresh Stewed Apples

Coleslaw

Soup or Salad

Choice of desserts



Seafood Night:

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Thursday, February 28th
6 pm to 9 pm

Buffet Menu

Shrimp Scampi and Fried Shrimp
Fried Flounder
Scallops and Fried Clam Strips
Crab Legs
Slaw and Corn on the cob
Baked Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Salad
Hush Puppies
Desserts

\$23.95 for Adults and \$11.95 for kids 12 and under



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Golf Shop News - February 2019

Golf Shop & Range Hours

9 am to 5 pm Monday - Friday

8:30 am to 5 pm Saturday – Sunday

Note: The first available tee time
Mon – Fri will be 9:30 am.

The first available tee time on Saturday and
Sunday will be 9 am.





Golf Rules Trivia Night:

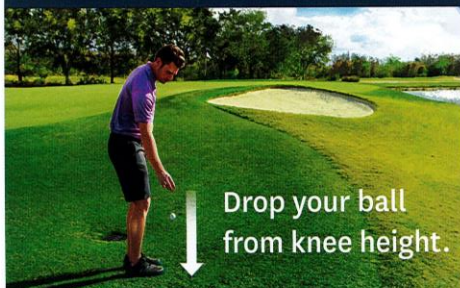
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GOLF'S NEW RULES: KEY CHANGES

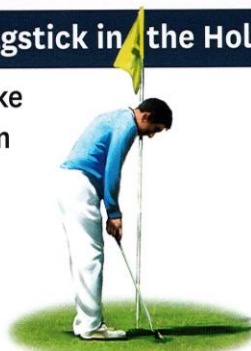
The USGA and The R&A released golf's new Rules, effective January 1, 2019. Below are the most significant changes.

How to Drop a Ball



Leaving Flagstick in the Hole

You may make a stroke from the green with the flagstick in the hole.



Other Key Changes

You may:

- Search for up to 3 minutes
- Repair spike marks
- Ground your club in penalty areas
- Remove loose impediments in penalty areas and bunkers
- Play ready golf

For more information, please visit usga.org/rules and download the **USGA Rules of Golf App** available for FREE on iOS and Android devices.



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Rules of Golf – Trivia Night

Thursday, March 14th at 6:30 pm

\$20 includes entry into trivia game and heavy hors d'oeuvre's

Trivia game will be facilitated using the "Kahoot" platform

Bring your smart device to participate

Along with the trivia game, Jimmy Piercy will go over the many changes, and how they will affect casual and tournament play at Mimosa Hills.



Pictures in Winter:



Front of the
clubhouse in
winter.

Nice view
from
putting
green in
winter.





The wet weather continues (5.7" for January) after a year that saw almost 30" over average. Temperatures were above average for January by about 4 degrees. We mow or roll the greens periodically to smooth them out because as they freeze and thaw they become bumpy with foot traffic. Be careful hitting those bunker shots when the sand is frozen. Maybe spring will come early. Last year the average temperature for February was 54 degrees (Morganton average is 44.5 deg.) then March average was 49 deg. (Morganton average is 48.5 deg.). March felt colder than normal after a warm February.

We continue to cut down dead and dying trees weather permitting. This month we want to get to adding sand to bunkers in need. At the end of the month we will spray the golf course with a mix of the spring pre-emergent weed control and generic Round-up (glyphosate). Blue dye is added for tracking purposes. The pre-emergent is predominantly for the summer weeds goosegrass and crabgrass, but also controls many other weeds to include spring germination of annual bluegrass (poa Annua). The glyphosate is applied at 24 oz / acre (a safe rate on dormant bermudagrass) and will clean up any weeds (mostly annual bluegrass) that broke through the fall pre-emergent applications.

Last year was a bad year for goosegrass for most golf courses in the Carolinas due to abundant rainfall and above average temperatures. Basically, the pre-emergent breaks down more than normal with the extreme conditions. We have documented the worst areas that the goosegrass broke through so those areas can be re-treated with product in early summer. As well, due to the tracking and germination of the goosegrass into our greens we will have to carefully apply a pre-emergent product to the greens in the month of April.

Looking ahead to March, we will be trying something different this year in regards to our greens aerification program. Over the years, there has been much discussion on this topic and addressed extensively in board meetings and the monthly newsletters. Most quality bentgrass green golf courses aerify and topdress their greens 3 times a year (typically March, May and September). This is a proven successful program and one we have done here for 12 years. The USGA has specific guidelines for bentgrass greens management in the warm southern climate. Basically, impact 15-20% of the surface area with core aeration (removing plugs) and incorporate 3000-5000 lbs of sand per 1000 sq ft per year. Keeping the organic matter content around 3% is paramount to the survival of bentgrass greens in the south. We have our greens tested by a reputable lab at least once a year.



Of course, we know this disrupts quality playing conditions and is never popular for golf. Since 2 spring aerifications can be aggravating for most clubs the USGA suggests possibly doing a double aerification in either April or May then the single in September. In fact, many higher level clubs do just that. But, this is a costly effort and you need the resources to accomplish the task in 1 week's time. Based on conversations with Carolinas Golf Association agronomist Bill Anderson (we invite Bill for a visit each spring), we researched the cost of foregoing the March aerification and adding a DryJect sand injection process the same week of the May aerification. The DryJect process will blast about 25 tons of dried sand into the greens and is carried out by an outside contractor.

We believe the increase in revenue from added play in March will offset the additional cost. We will do the solid deep tine (pencil size) on March 12 and on April 9 to allow the greens to breath well, drain well and chase deep roots. After a good double roll, this process has virtually no disruption to play. We may add a very light verti-cut with our normal light topdressings in March and April to control grain issues in the bentgrass. Once again, there is little disruption to play. The bottom line is that we will see how the entire program materializes and not only see how the greens perform (especially in the summer), but we will closely monitor our organic matter content.

The yearly aerification of the bermudagrass will take place through out March as normal. This has worked well over the years. The idea is to get the process over and done with while the grass is waking up and not to disrupt play at a later date when golfing weather gets at its peak.

Thank you to all who have supported the MHPDC! The tree removal on the left side on hole #3 will begin as soon as everything dries out and we can coordinate a time with the contractor. To clarify, the yellow ribbon trees are the trees to remain. With the assistance of the arborist, the selection was based on spacing, shape, health and size of the trees. The large oak immediately on the left will be shaped so as to not block out the left side of the fairway. The 2019 target project will be hole #15, with the right side bare areas being priority. Irrigation will be added for bermudagrass survival on some very hard ground. Drainage will be installed to a wet landing area in the fairway. Some tree trimming will occur. If funds are available, old stumps will be ground and bare ground will be sodded with bermudagrass on the left side of hole #15.



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Mimosa Hills Calendar for February 2019

(subject to change, visit website for a more up-to-date calendar)

SUN 27	MON 28	TUE 29	WED 30	THU 31	FRI Feb 1	SAT 2
Annual Meeting - 6 pm Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	RESTAURANT CLOSED	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-9pm	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am - 9pm	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm
3 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	4 RESTAURANT CLOSED	5 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	6 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	7 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-9pm	8 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am - 9pm	9 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm
10 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	11 RESTAURANT CLOSED	12 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	13 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	14 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-9pm	15 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am - 9pm	16 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm
17 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm Sunday Dinner	18 RESTAURANT CLOSED	19 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	20 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	21 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-9pm	22 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am - 9pm	23 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm
24 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	25 RESTAURANT CLOSED	26 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	27 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	28 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-9pm Seafood Night	Mar 1 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am - 9pm	2 Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm

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