



**July
2019**

Mimosa Hills Monthly Chronicle

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4th of July Inventory Sale:

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In Stock Inventory Only

40 % off all Apparel

20% off all Shoes

25% off all Clubs

20% off all Bags

For the whole month of July!





Dave Miller

Dave Miller and his wife Marian moved to Morganton about two years ago to join the Grace Ridge Retirement Community. Often times you will see Mr. Miller on the range or the golf course always with a smile on his face. He is one of the nicest gentlemen you will ever meet.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller were both born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Although they only lived a few miles apart, they did not meet until after college. They spent most of their lives in the Milwaukee area where Mr. Miller worked for Northwestern Mutual. Upon retirement, they moved to a retirement community outside of Knoxville, Tennessee named Tellico Village. After several years there, they searched for a smaller retirement community which would meet more of their future needs. They were exposed to Morganton by their son-in-law, Johnny Giles who is a native of Morganton and grew up playing golf at Mimosa Hills. Johnny and the Miller's daughter, Judy, now live in Charlotte.

The decision to move to Morganton was easy according to Mr. Miller, as "it puts us closer to our daughter in Charlotte, and the opportunity to enjoy Mimosa Hills through the Grace Ridge affiliate was a big plus as well."

Mr. Miller can be seen on the range on some late afternoons hitting it straight and sometimes rolling out to about 200 yards. That's pretty good for a 92-year-old golfer! Mr. Miller got his start in golf in 1940, when he was a caddy at Bluemound Country Club in Milwaukee. He could earn \$1.25 per round, not bad in those days according to Mr. Miller.

Dave Miller is a testament that golf is truly a game of a lifetime.



Mimosa Hills Dining Room and Bar & Grill Hours

July's Drink Specials

Budweiser (can) \$2.00

Mojito \$5.00

Sunday 11:00 am - 6:00 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 - 6:00 pm

Bar Only

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

July Friday Night Dining Specials

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

Filet

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley & Dessert

\$26.95

Tuscan Butter Salmon

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley & Dessert

\$16.95

Pan Seared Scallops

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley & Dessert

\$19.95

Filet Tips

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley & Dessert

\$23.95

Stuffed Chicken Marsala

Baked Potato, Vegetable Medley & Dessert

\$15.95



SAVE THE DATE!! July 19th

Friday, July 19th – Club Social for the Whole Family
Cosmic Putting and Gourmet Burgers and Hot Dog Bar.
More details to follow in the upcoming weekly E-Blasts.



Congratulations to Albany Bock and Alex Bock. Both had their career rounds on the same day earlier this summer at a TYGA (Tarheel Youth Golf Association) event. Albany had 83 and finished 3rd, and Alex shot 69 and won!



Red Tees:

Always something different when the ladies play golf!!

Margaret scored a hole in one branch on #8 one morning in June!

One Thursday earlier this month, Dianna Anderson scores a 39 on the first 9 holes. Needless to say she won that day!

Anything can happen when playing golf with the ladies of Mimosa. Come on out and join the fun!

See you on the course!

Flo Carter





As you know, since March 27, 2019, the Club has been actively trying to reduce the number of non-active stocks through the Stock Repurchase/Donation Program. Many members have asked about the status of our efforts. As of June 30th, the numbers are as follows:

Number repurchased – 146

Number donated back – 26

Number rejoined as active – 7

Number transferred to an active member – 5

Total – 184

Efforts will be made to continue to advise the membership of the results and activities of the program as we move forward.

Mimosa Hills Membership

The Board of Governors at its monthly meeting on June 25, 2019, revised the initiation fee for those desiring to join Mimosa Hills. Now would be an excellent time for your friends and acquaintances to be a part of our membership. Following you will find the new dues structure:

Resident Single

For one golfer. Includes use of all Club facilities.

Stock Required: \$300.00

Monthly Dues: \$255.00

Food Minimum: \$30.00

Non-Resident Membership

Available to applicants who reside outside of Burke County.

Includes use of all Club facilities.

Initiation Fee: \$300.00

Monthly Dues: \$125.00

Resident Family

Two or more golfers. Includes use of all Club facilities.

Stock Required: \$300.00

Monthly Dues: \$305.00

Food Minimum: \$30.00

Social & Jr. Golf

Includes use of all Club facilities except the Golf Course.

Juniors play through high school.

Monthly Dues: \$95.00

Food Minimum: \$30.00

Junior Executive Membership

Available to married applicants who are age 18 through 39.

Includes use of all Club facilities.

Stock Required: \$300.00

Monthly Dues: \$180.00

Food Minimum: \$30.00

Social Only

Includes use of all Club facilities excluding Golf Course.

Includes use of Driving Range for applicable fee or may purchase range membership.

Monthly Dues: \$20.00

Food Minimum: \$30.00

Associate Membership*

Available to single applicants who are age 18 through 27.

Includes use of all Club facilities.

Monthly Dues: \$125.00

Food Minimum: \$30.00



Golf Shop News - July 2019

Golf Shop Hours

8:00 am to 7 pm Monday - Friday

8 am to 6 pm - Saturday

8 am to 7 pm - Sunday

Range Hours

8 am to 6 pm – Saturday, Sunday, & Monday

8 am to 7 pm – Tuesday – Friday

The practice range will close at 6 pm July 15th – July 18th to
accommodate the Mimosa Hills Junior Clinic

Monday – Wednesday – Friday Seniors

Starting time for July remains at 9 am

No Senior play on the following dates:

Monday, July 8th – WP Seniors

Friday, July 26th – Burke County Open

Thursday, July 4th Shoot Out

Players may create own team, or you can sign up individually
and the Pro Shop will assign you to a team. \$20 per player.

Click [here](#) for the flyer



Tournaments & Course Closings:

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Western Piedmont Seniors – Monday, July 8th

9 am shotgun start. Open to all Mimosa Hills golf members ages 55 and older. Come out and compete against golfers from many of our neighboring clubs. Cost \$30 per player.

The golf course will be closed until approximately 3 pm. The practice facility will open to non-tournament play at 10 am.

Mimosa Hills Junior Clinic – July 15th – 18th

6:30 pm to 8 pm
Click [here](#) for flyer

Burke County Open – Friday, July 26th

Mimosa Hills will host round 1 of the 2019 Burke County Open.

Shotgun start at 9:30 am. The golf course will open to non-tournament play at approximately 3 pm. The practice facility will open for members at 11 am.

Mimosa Hills Men's Senior Club Championship – July 27th & 28th

Click [here](#) for the entry form

Frank Bowers Junior Club Championship – July 29th & 30th

Click [here](#) for the entry form



PGA Junior League:

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We are very proud of our commitment to growing junior golf at Mimosa Hills. Mimosa Hills competed in the 2019 PGA Junior League for the 6th consecutive year. Twenty-four junior golfers ages 7 to 13 participated in our program this year. With the golfers being split into two separate teams. We competed against neighboring clubs such as Lake Hickory and Catawba CC and saw non-conference action against Hampton Heights from Hickory.

Both teams practice once a week to work on the fundamentals of the game and to learn proper golf course etiquette. The competition format is based on a captain's choice match play platform. The PGA of America has done an incredible job implementing this program across the country and we are so proud to be a part of it. On the **Putt Team**: Cash Baker, Harrison Bell, Charlie Bennett, Adrianna Collins, Hadley Gragg, Summerlin Gragg, Hank Johnson, Brody Miller, Bryce Miller, Nick Newton, Hayden Stoer, Sam Wacaster, and Charlie Walker.

On the **Drive Team**: Clayton Bell, Alex Bock, Colby Lakcey, Marshall Keathley, Eric Moore, Hana Piercy, Matthew Piercy, Will Radford, Braxton Reinhardt, Katie Riebel, Drew Rogers, Louis Skelly, and Conner Warren.



Tripp Causby makes a hole-in-one on hole 9 from the black tees with a 5 iron. Way to go!! →



On Wednesday, June 26th,
Tim Smith made his ace on #17.
That was his 6th hole-in-one.
Impressive! Congratulations, Tim!

Christina Fisher, one of our junior members, shot a 74 on June 25th, her lowest score ever. Her parents are Ronald and Ofelia Fisher. Congratulations Christina!!

2019 Member-Guest Winners
Elliot Arrington and Kyle Shelton





Preservation Club Update – July 2019

While our wet spring moved work back a bit, tree and limb removal has begun for holes 3, 7 and 18. The majority of the work will be done along the left side of hole 3, allowing grass to grow and eliminating the erosion which has occurred. This work is to improve our wonderful golf course courtesy of the Mimosa Hills Preservation Donors Club donations. In addition, stumps will be ground, and grass added to those areas. We think you'll agree that these holes will look and play much better.

This dedicated group of members has raised the funds to improve holes 9, 11, 12 and 14 plus funded the Leyland Cypress replacement and added over 400 tons of sand to our bunkers. The Club is currently fundraising to improve hole 15 which needs work on both the left and right sides of the hole. This work will include additional irrigation and drainage control, some tree trimming and the application of sod where needed.

So, if you've already pledged a 2019 donation, thank you and please mention this wonderful opportunity to your golfing buddies. If you've not already pledged for 2019 please give it serious consideration. Further information and pledge forms are available through the office.

Finally, if you already have, or will pledge in 2019, please mark your calendar as **Friday, September 20** will be the *Fourth Annual Preservation Donor's Club appreciation golf outing and reception*.

In the April issue of Business North Carolina magazine, an article can be found entitled "Green Scene". The article contains the North Carolina Golf Panel's ranking of the state's top 100 courses, which includes public, private, and semi-private venues and is based on reviews by its 150 members, which include professional and amateur golfers, coaches and business leaders. We are proud to note that Mimosa Hills was ranked 79th in the state and 2nd in the "most fun courses to play" in the Western part of the states. The article indicates that "recent updates and repairs at the Donald Ross designed course caught panelist's attention as Mimosa Hills, which opened in 1929, returns to the top 100 for the first time since 2013."

Thanks to Dan Winters and his staff as well as the Preservation Donor's Club, and everyone involved, for their efforts in recent updates and repairs.

A copy of the magazine can be found in the Pro Shop for those who wish to see the article.



June temperatures were more on the normal side versus the last several years and the greens were in great shape. Morganton's normal average for June is 73.5 degrees. We expect July to be the normal average of 77 degrees. As this occurs, soil temperatures will rise and bentgrass roots will be compromised, this is an agronomic certainty. Bentgrass is a cool season grass and does well when average temperatures are more in the 60 to 70-degree range. Bermudagrass thrives with average temperatures from the 70 to 80-degree range. Here in Morganton, we are at the southern end of the so called 'transition zone' and at the northern end of the 'southern zone'. It is commonly said in our industry that "all grasses grow in the transition zone, just nothing grows particularly well".

As the summer progresses, the bentgrass root system will continue to weaken creating much softer playing conditions. We monitor our soil moisture levels with a TDR 300 moisture meter. We try to maintain levels that are not too moist and not too dry. We also must consider the amount of man hours available to keep the greens from burning up. Certainly, golf courses with double or triple our budget can push those limits. The tricky thing in our area is that on any given day when the clouds part and the wind picks up the humidity can drop from a moist 45-50% down to 35%. That can cause some serious wilt on our greens in a hurry, especially with temperatures in the upper 80's to mid 90's. A little bit of cloud cover on summer afternoons can go a long way.

Please keep in mind that if the staff has taken the flag stick out while you are in the fairway, they need just a few minutes to water the green so please be patient and wait until they are done before hitting in. We have found that by running a minute or two with the sprinklers can fend off some wilt on those sunny hot afternoons. We apologize for any inconveniences.

The solid tine venting process will occur on the mornings of July 15 & 16 by a contractor. We will do half the greens one day and half the other. One day a #1 start the other day a #10 start. The greens will be rolled immediately behind the aerifier and the disruption is minimal. The solid tines (no core removed) we typically use are from 1/4" to 3/8" in diameter. The process is necessary to open up our greens for heat release, water penetration and oxygen exchange. Golf courses with their own aerifiers would perhaps use 1/8" solid tines but do the process every 2 weeks throughout the summer. This will make the greens a tad bit softer, but the process needs to be done for survival. Please remember that this process has minimal effect on ball roll and the greens are very playable!

We also raise cutting heights as needed. We continue the 'mow a day', 'roll a day' program to save on labor and limit stress to the greens. The every 2 week light topdressing with the 'dried' sand dilutes the organic matter accumulation but also helps the ball roll more smoothly. Please take time to fix your ball marks properly by pushing down and forward with a dedicated tool. The marks get worse as the greens get weaker and softer. Obviously, the fungicide applications will continue as the heat and high humidity continue. As well, we do a calculated foliar fertilizer program that minimally feeds the grass but aids in stress relief and protection.

Please remember to rake your bunker disturbances and leave the bunker better than you entered it!

Dan Winters - Superintendent



A Note from Dan W. & July Calendar:



Please abide by the signs on the practice greens and do not putt in the same place repeatedly to cause the pictured damage. The greens will become softer as the summer progresses and more susceptible to damage. Thanks.

Dan Winters

Mimosa Hills Golf Club



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 July 4 th – Shoot out Office closed	5	6
7	8 WP Seniors	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Solid Tine Venting Junior Clinic	16 Solid Tine Venting Junior Clinic	17 Junior Clinic	18 Junior Clinic	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 Burke County Open	27 Senior Club Championship
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2019 Junior Clinic

July 15th-18th

Cost \$60.00 per junior golfer

- Open to Mimosa Hills members and 2019 PGA Jr. League Participants.
- Recommended ages- **6** and up (boys and girls)
- Will provide clubs and equipment if needed.
- Practice sessions- 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm each day.
- **Clinic Mission-**
 1. Introduce the game of a lifetime to juniors.
 2. Provide top quality instruction from PGA Professionals with an emphasis on full swing, short game, and putting.
 3. Etiquette- Reinforce the significance of golf course etiquette.
 4. Most importantly- **Have Fun**

Please contact Mimosa Hills @828-437-2967 to register.

Notice

We have been told that many spouses/significant others are not receiving the Newsletter and Wednesday's E-Blast. For those wishing to receive these, please call or email Renee' at rhollaway@mimosahills.net to provide the information so these can be received.



A Look to August

**Only 3 months left in the season
Let's get out there and play some golf!!**

August 6th – TYGA Dan Dobson Jr.

August 18th – Parent-Child

August 21st – Mimosa Hills Pro Am

August 24th & 25th – Club Championship

August 26th – 30th - Aerifying