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Thursday Shoot Outs  
Starting at 5:30 pm  
Contact the Pro Shop  
For more details.

April was a successful month at Mimosa Hills. We were able to show off our great course to many different players. I received numerous compliments on the condition and service received at Mimosa Hills. I would like to thank all the staff for their continued hard work.

I am excited to welcome Christopher Craig as our new food and beverage director. Chris comes to us from Burke Hospice, where he had a successful 6 year career. He also worked part time at 1841 Café in Lenoir. Chris has experience in large event caterings as well as day to day food operations. He will begin full-time on May 21<sup>st</sup>; however, he will begin training on a part time basis at the end of April.

Our annual spring Member-Member will be held on May 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>. This is a great tournament that allows our members to get to know each other even better. I urge everyone to participate.

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There will be a dinner on Saturday night that will include an oyster shucking, BBQ, drink specials, and music. If you cannot participate in the golf, we invite you to attend the dinner. (\$30.00 per person)

We will be aerifying the greens the week of May 8<sup>th</sup>. Please check with the golf course on closings. You will notice some tree removal and repairs being made on holes 11 and 14. This is being done by preservation donor funds left over after completing the bunker sand project. The preservation donor funds have allowed us to make some necessary capital improvements throughout the last few years. We appreciate everyone that has participated in this throughout the years. If you would like to participate going forward please contact Lynn or Cindy in the business office to sign up.

Please join me in welcoming our new members that were approved at the April Board Meeting.

George & Carter MacBain – Non-Resident  
Robert Qualheim – Non-Resident  
Clinton & Katherine Johnson – Junior Executive  
Nathan & Sarah Jean Smith – Non-Resident  
Jim Brown & Kimberly Baker – Non-Resident  
Wayne & Brett Moore – Non-Resident  
William & Tina Morgan, Jr. – Non-Resident

This brings our total membership to 423 with 352 being golf members.

Another reminder for everyone to sign up for electronic statements as well as automatic credit card billing. You can find sign up sheets in the office or the pro shop. You can also contact Cindy or Lynn to have this processed.

I look forward to seeing everyone around the club.

Jordan N. Greene  
2018 Board President





## From the Treasurer:

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Dear fellow members,

As we have reached the halfway point in Mimosa Hill's fiscal year (October-September), the board would like to take this opportunity to update the members on the financial position of Mimosa Hills. Below are some key points regarding the mid-year financials for the club compared to where we were at the same time last year.

- Year to date we have seen an 8% increase in total membership dues. This increase can be attributed to a 32% increase in Non-Resident member dues income.
- Golf Shop revenue is down 28%, which is in line with the 26% decrease in year to date rounds played.
- Even with the decreased number of rounds played, the Food and Beverage department's revenue is down only 1% compared to prior year, while also seeing a 10% decrease in expenses.
- The Golf Course Maintenance department has decreased expenses by 9% this year.
- Both Clubhouse and Administrative departments have seen a 1% and 14% decrease in expenses respectively.

As we enter the prime months for our club, we anticipate that we will be able to meet our revenue targets, and make up for the recent soft months. One item that the board has focused on this year is reducing and closely managing our Accounts Payable. I am happy to report that we have continued to stay current on all accounts. This is due in large part to the diligence of our business office, and implementation of the direct billing system, which has helped regulate our dues income. The board has also implemented a stricter inventory control policy designed to help mitigate loss, and manage our expenses.

As we have entered the second half of our fiscal year, we understand that managing expenses will only get us so far. We will continue to look at ways to increase our revenue by focusing on increasing our total members, and getting more members through the doors of Mimosa Hills. Please contact me if you have any questions

Jared Huffman, Treasurer



## **Member – Member**

May 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>- Saturday-Sunday

10:00 shotgun start

The golf course will be closed to non-tournament players until approximately 4:00 pm both days. The practice facility will re-open by 11:00 am each day.

## **WPCC Outing**

May 7<sup>th</sup>- Monday

12:30 pm shotgun start

The golf course will be closed until approximately 6:00 pm to accommodate the WPCC outing. The practice facility will re-open at 1:00 pm for non-tournament players.

## **Greens Aerification**

Our second round of greens aerification will begin on Tuesday May 8<sup>th</sup>. The process will last through the end of the week. 9 holes should remain open each day. The entire golf course should be open Saturday and Sunday.

## **NC AM Qualifier**

May 30<sup>th</sup>- Wednesday

Mimosa Hills will host the NC AM qualifier May 30<sup>th</sup>. The golf course will be closed until approximately 2:00 pm.

The practice facility will re-open at 12:00 pm.



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## **Monday- Wednesday- Friday Seniors**

Start time for May- 9:00 am.

There will be no senior play on the following days.

Monday- May 7<sup>th</sup>- WPCC Outing

Monday – May 28<sup>th</sup>- Memorial Day

Wednesday- May 30<sup>th</sup>- NC AM Qualifier

## **Practice Facility**

You may or may not have noticed a change in our practice facility presentation. For the members convenience and for aesthetic purposes we are placing the range balls out in pyramids each day. However, our fee structure has not changed. We still offer range memberships and charge by the use. It is your responsibility to notify the pro shop if you or your guests plan to use the practice facility and you are not a range member. Please contact the pro shop if you have any further questions concerning the practice facility.

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## **NEW HOURS**

### **Pro Shop Hours**

Monday- Friday  
8:30am – 7:00pm

Saturday 8:00am - 5:00pm

Sunday 8:00am – 6:00pm

### **Range Hours**

Monday 8:30am – 6:00pm  
(early close allows for maintenance the following morning)

Tuesday – Friday

8:30am – 7:00pm

Saturday & Sunday

8:00am – 6:00pm







The golf course is finely greening up after a prolonged winter. From what I here from others we are doing better than most. Keep in mind that North facing slopes and shaded areas take considerably longer. As typical of every spring, some of the bermudagrass collars take time to recover. We sodded out a few collar areas on holes 6, 12, 14 and 17 with zoysiagrass (a more shade tolerant grass). From last spring's experience these locations would not have recovered. The grass was grown at a high cutting height at the sod farm and once it is rooted we will be cut it down to 1/2 inch increments.

Folks have asked 'Is this the beginning of the MHPDC bermudagrass encroachment project?' No it is not. This was strictly a band aid for dead collars and a quick fix until the job can be done correctly. No bentgrass sod was layed and no common bermudagrass was sprayed out with Round-up.

Aerification, sand topdressing and light verti-cutting of our bentgrass greens will take place on May 8 – 11. Of the 3 aerifications (hollow tine and sand filled holes), the May process is the most important because it is done just before the summer heat begins. This allows the bentgrass greens to breathe and drain well and avoid a build up of heat. We schedule the contractor to do a 3/8" solid tine venting in July to open them up. If we owned our own greens aerifier, I would do 1/4" solid tine venting every 2 weeks throughout the summer months. June, July and August is bermudagrass weather not bentgrass. If we are doing well, the bent roots are 4" to 6" deep. By August if we are lucky we have 2" depths. Every summer, those with bentgrass greens in the south will lose from 50-80% of their root mass depending on location and severity of the summer.

Typically, we have 9 holes open each day and try to have all 18 open on Friday. It is always best to check ahead with the pro shop and keep an eye out for e-blast alerts. Sometimes the weather or equipment does not cooperate and changes occur to get the job completed.

Cart Rulings. Please use the 90 degree rule as much as possible and always keep the carts on the paths at tee and green areas! The directional signs are out there to avoid wet areas or areas of stress. We like to limit traffic in those areas to true handicap flagged carts. This is for the good of our turf!

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## On The Course cont:

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Every year the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) organizes a fund raising effort for turfgrass research called Rounds4Research. The format is an auction for bidding on rounds of golf on golf courses throughout the country and beyond. The bidding period is April 30 – May 6. Preview at [ROUNDS4RESEARCH.COM](http://ROUNDS4RESEARCH.COM). See the ad below. This is a great way to support the turfgrass industry and play golf on a favorite golf course.

Dan Winters, Superintendent

**Rounds 4 Research**

PREVIEW NOW.  
BID LATER.  
AND SUPPORT THE  
**GAME**  
YOU  
**LOVE**

PREVIEW ROUNDS YOU CAN BID ON AT COVETED COURSES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THE ROUNDS 4 RESEARCH AUCTION SUPPORTS TURFGRASS RESEARCH THAT SUSTAINS THE FUTURE OF GOLF.

VISIT  
[ROUNDS4RESEARCH.COM](http://ROUNDS4RESEARCH.COM)  
TO PREVIEW

AUCTION DATES:  
APRIL 30 – MAY 6, 2018

Administered by **EIFG** Presented in partnership with **TORO** Promoted BY: **GOLF CHANNEL** **GOLF NOW** **GOLFADVISOR**

**GCSAA**

## Food &amp; Beverage:



***NEW Mimosa Hills Dining  
Room and Bar & Grill Hours***

**Please support the Dining Room  
and Bar & Grill at Mimosa Hills.  
We have extended the hours by  
our members request.**

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.***

**May Friday Night  
Dining Specials  
Will Be  
Announced  
Through the Enewsletter  
Each Week on Wednesday**



***Come eat with us***

**Support your  
food & beverage department!**





## UP FOR AUCTION!

1. Henredon Game Table w/glass top & 4 **chairs**  
**Opening Bid \$75.00**
2. Henredon Game Table w/glass top & 4 chairs  
(1 chair in need of repair) **Opening Bid \$65.00**

**Bid Sheets are available in the business office, pro shop or bid online by emailing**

**[lallen@mimosahills.net](mailto:lallen@mimosahills.net)**

**Winner will be announced May 16<sup>th</sup>!**



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***Proceeds benefit the remodeling of the Ladies Locker Room.***



## Preservation Donors Club:

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### Preservation Club Update

You may have noticed work starting to improve the playability of Hole 14. This is the direct result of 2017 donations by our Mimosa Hills Preservation Donors Club. The club was formed so that members can make contributions toward the improvement of the golf course. This dedicated group of members has raised the funds to improve holes 9 and 12, plus fund the Leyland Cyprus replacement and add over 400 tons of sand to our bunkers.

The Club is currently undertaking a two-year project to eliminate the Bermuda grass encroachment into our greens. So, if you've already pledged a 2018 donation, thank you and please mention this wonderful opportunity to your golfing buddies. **If you've not already pledged for 2018 please give it serious consideration.** Further information and pledge forms are available through Lynn Allen in the business office or by clicking here [DONATION FORM](#).

### 2018 Preservation Donors Club Committee

Jim Best   Gary Julien   Chuck Ohrt  
Bill Straughan   Ronny Wilson



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[www.mimosahills.org](http://www.mimosahills.org)



### **Have you set up your Member Login account online??**

#### **REMINDER**

This is a very useful tool for viewing your statements, making dining reservations, reading the monthly newsletters, connecting with other members, etc.

Below are instructions on setting up your Member account. If you have any questions feel free to call Lynn in the Business Office 828-437-2967 ext 2967.

1. Go to [www.mimosahills.org](http://www.mimosahills.org).
2. In the upper right hand corner of the homepage click on "Member Login".
3. If you have not registered since May 2017 you will need to click on "Member Registration".
4. You will be asked for your Member Number, First Name, Last Name. This must be exactly as it is printed on your statements.
5. Click "Validate". Once you are validated you will create a Username and Password. (Be sure to keep this information.)
6. Upon successful registration, an email message will be sent to the email address entered during the registration process.
7. After the initial registration you will access the member login site the same way but you will enter your username and password (not Member Validation).

### **Have you signed up for AutoPay yet??**

Members who have are very happy with the automated system saving them time and giving them the confidence that they haven't missed a payment! It's the quick and easy way to make your payment to Mimosa Hills.

**Saves Time ~ Saves Money ~ Saves Trees**





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## Mimosa Hills Calendar for May 2018

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

Sun 29	Mon 30	Tue May 1	Wed 2	Thu 3	Fri 4	Sat 5
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	Member-Member Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm Cinco de Mayo
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Member-Member Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	RESTAURANT CLOSED WPCC Outing	Aerification 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
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm Mother's Day	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
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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
27	28	29	30	31	Jun 1	2
Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	Memorial Day RESTAURANT CLOSED	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm NC Am Qualifier	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-9pm	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am - 9pm	Bar/Grill/Dining 11am-5pm

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