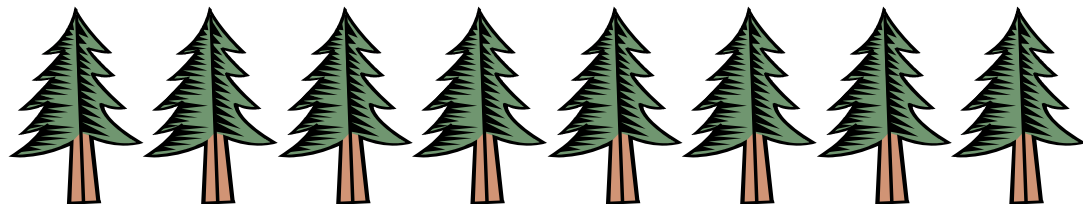


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Course Maintenance

There are lots of things happening at Pinecrest over the winter. Rather than take the space here to go into detail about everything, we've put together a "Maintenance Update" newsletter this month. You know how hard our maintenance staff works in the summer and might think that the winter is a pretty relaxing time for them. Hopefully this maintenance update will give you an idea of just how many things are going on during the winter to enhance your play in the summertime

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Club Championship

Once again The Pinecrest Club Championship was held in late September. Prizes were awarded in closest to pin and longest drive categories. This year's course champion was Greg Kidd who won with a 65; second place went to Jay Knight with a 66. Flight winners were: A Flight—Hernani Torres; B Flight—Keo Koumtakoun; C Flight—Brett Pfromme; and D Flight—Gerald Hunt. Newcomer Delton Pounds took closest to the pin on the front nine with an impressive 4' 10" and Gerald Hunt took the closest to the pin on the back nine with 8' 1".

Famous Quotes:

Golf combines two favorite American pastimes: taking long walks and hitting things with a stick.

- P. J. O'Rourke

Winter Rates

Effective December 15th, winter rates will be in effect. In addition, the nets at the driving cage will be dropped and the grill & fryer will close for the season.

Greens fees will be reduced to \$15 and the twilight rate will be \$10 every day. We still have the indoor driving area where you can hit balls by the half hour or hour—all without having to endure cold, wet weather. Also the snack bar remains open throughout the winter months and you can still get an sand-

Winter Ball

Still not ready to give up league play for the season? Well, you don't have to. Join us Tuesday mornings about 9am, for what we call "Winter Ball". We have a decent size group of league members—both men and women—who just aren't ready to call it quits. The snack bar is open with sandwiches, soup and chili to take the chill off when you finish your round.

Upcoming Events - Spring is Just Around the Corner . . . Save the Dates!!!

March

Mixed Team Ice Breaker, 30 Monday, 9am-11am. Teams of two (male & female) compete in a scramble format. Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, best outfit and for closest-to-the-pin contests. Advanced registration required. \$25 per person (excludes power cart). Continental breakfast provided. No rain date.

April

Senior Tournament, 23 Thursday, 10am shotgun start. Open to all seniors ages 65 and up. Seniors (men and women) compete in a 9-hole individual stroke play tournament. Four divisions: 65-70, 71-76, 77-81 and 82+. \$15 per person (excludes power cart). Continental breakfast provided. Rain date April 30.

May

Junior Tournament, 30 Saturday, 1pm-3pm. Open to all juniors ages 8-17. Four divisions: 8-0, 10-11, 12-14 & 15-17. Prizes awarded in each division for longest drive and closest-to-the-pin contests. Advanced registration required. \$15 per person (excludes power cart). Rain date June 6.

June

Father's Day Tournament, 21 Sunday, 9am-11:30am. Teams of two compete in a scramble format in three divisions: Fathers w/8-12 year olds, fathers w/13-17 year olds and Fathers w/18 year olds and up. Prizes awarded in each division and for closest-to-the-pin contests. Advanced reservations required. \$60 per team (excludes power cart). Rain date June 28.

Superintendent's Revenge

The 2nd Annual Pinecrest Superintendent's Revenge was a huge success again this year. Unfortunately Mother Nature was exacting some revenge as well. The weather was a little cold but many turned out—some in costume—for our tournament. The maintenance crew outdid themselves this year with an even more dastardly course lay-out than last year. The winning team with an unbelievable 38, was the duo of Frank Northrop and Hernani Torres. This year participants also received a commemorative tee-shirt for the occasion.

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If ADA accommodations or alternative formats are needed, please call (703) 324-8563, at least 10 working days in advance of the registration deadline or event. TTY (703) 803-3354

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Spotlight On . . .

The outstanding volunteer we're spotlighting this issue is Pat Patrick. Pat is one of our Friday morning volunteers.

Pat was born and raised in Florida, began playing golf at 14, and is a graduate of the University of Florida (go Gators!!). During and after college, Pat took on what turned out to be a tremendous career with the U.S. Navy. He spent 28 years with the Navy flying fighter planes. Some of the most well known missions Pat was involved with include the Bay of Pigs operation in 1961 and over 300 missions over Viet Nam during the late 60's and early 70s.

Pat retired from the US Navy in 1985 but continued his involvement with the military as a civilian research analyst and project director working for CNA. He has recently retired from his position with CNA and now spends his free time golfing, fishing and watching college football supporting the Gators and pro football as an avid Jacksonville Jaguar fan. Pat has had three holes-in-one at Pinecrest on #9 and pretty much 'owns' that hole.

If you can ever catch Pat between rounds of golf or before he heads out of town for a football game, sit down and chat with him about his illustrious career with the Navy. It's absolutely fascinating and unfortunately there is such limited space in the newsletter, we can't do him justice.

Thanks Pat for all you do for us here at Pinecrest—not just your starter/marshal duties but your always friendly face and kind words. You're truly a great man.

