

**No. 1 —
A Letter “From the
President”**

CSGA Monthly

Meetings -

**2nd Monday of
each month**

New Location!

**Murphy’s Bar
and Grill on
Woodlawn.**

**Come out and
meet new
friends and
support your
organization!**

Birthdays!

Don Kiker	01/?
Mary Ellen Krell	1/04
Wayne Beisert	1/07
Donna Delaney	1/15
Joyce Borst	1/16
Bonnie Overman	1/22
Amanda Pastor	1/22
Carolyn Solomon	1/25

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Official Newsletter of the Charlotte Singles Golf Association

Welcome Back! 2009 Is Going to Be a Great Golf Year!

First of all I would like to thank everyone that has supported me in taking the presidency of the Charlotte Singles Golf Association. I hope I can continue to lead the group in the right direction as in the past with the hopes of gaining new members and striving to get more participation from our current members.

I’m not going to promise a bunch of things that I can not deliver but will promise to do the best that I can. I would love to hear all of your ideas and suggestions to make Charlotte Singles Golf Association the best it has ever been.

We have over 100 members in our club and would love to personally invite you all to help us in our main charity drive for Hospice by coming out and playing at Tega Cay on April 18th. This has always been a big event for us and we have raised thousands of dollars in the past. We had a successful campaign last year and were only a few hundred dollars short of our \$10,000 goal. I am not putting a dollar amount for our goal this year with the economy the way it is, I know times are hard and are not getting easier. But we all know or have someone in

our family that has had a sickness and know how valuable the services of Hospice is. So please come out and help us!

We have changed our location for our meetings to Murphy's Bar and Grill on Woodlawn. They have excellent food and drinks so please come out and join us for a good meeting and good meal.

I see the biggest change this year as implementing a new software program that will rotate players who have signed up to play to give everyone a chance to meet and play together. I have been a member since 2003 and have not played with at least 40% of the members. Give us a chance and let’s have some fun and get our outings back to 40 members or more!

Lastly, I am offering free golf lessons to anyone that would like some tips. I am not a professional but will be glad to help out on some pointers to get some confidence in your game. Confidence is probably 75% of the task with 15% luck and 10% skill . . . So everyone can enjoy! Golf is a fun game, when you stop having fun there is no need to

play, just kidding—I know we have a few serious golfers in the group. But fun and laughter is always better! We will also be offering free tips at the driving range for members before or after each outing, so take advantage of this also. Of course, if you choose to ask for pointers after golf, you will be infringing on my supper and drinks, but then again, I could stand to lose a few pounds so it would not be a problem. I look forward to meeting each and everyone of you and playing golf this year with you! LET’S GO GOLFING!

Don Kiker
President—CSGA

December New Member: **Tom Moran** -Welcome Tom! We hope you will get to know us and join our activities.

If anyone might know someone interested in joining, please contact Audrey McLaughlin or any board member.

Audrey McLaughlin, Membership Chairman (704-655-2020)

Social Committee News

Social Events—Upcoming 2009

2/1 - Super Bowl Party -

Steelers/Cardinals



Marilyn Revier's House

3/7 - Tentative Progressive Dinner

Other Tentative Ideas:

Brunch at Norma's before a golf outing on South-side

Knights baseball game

July 4th outing

Provide meal for needy family for Easter

Picnic & walk at Botanical Gardens (May)

Concert in the Park (June)

Dinner theater

Wine tastings (someone's home)

Bowling at new bowling alley uptown

Thanksgiving/Christmas giving for needy family

Meet at Jazz Club at University area

If anyone has additional ideas they are welcome. Come to the monthly meeting or contact:

Marilyn Revier., Social Chairman



WEEKDAY GOLF!

We would love to provide you with a list of members who are available to play golf during the week. Just submit your name and number to any officer and we will add yours.

- Carolyn Solomon—704-882-0768**
- Bonnie Overman—704-455-9261**
- Audrey McLaughlin—704-655-2020**
- Norma Levett—704-628-0215**
- Ann Okey—704-554-8927**
- Jayne Thomas—704-365-6455**
- Tom Polidore—704-895-6360**
- John Pluckhahn—704-374-7937**

2009 Golf Schedule

April 4th—Battle of Sexes	Warrior	\$60	1:04
- See Page 4 for a write-up on the course and from the president!			
April 18th—Hospice	Tega Cay	\$70	1:30
May 2nd	Crowder Mtn.	\$45	12 noon
May 16th	Westport	\$45	11:00
June 13th	Emerald Lake	\$50	12:05
July 11th	Mallard Head	\$42	12:30
Aug. 1st	Sunset Hills	\$33	1:04
Aug. 22nd	Fox Den	\$44	1:00
Sept. 5th	Eagle Chase	\$39	1:00
Sept. 19th	Larkhaven	\$50	1:00

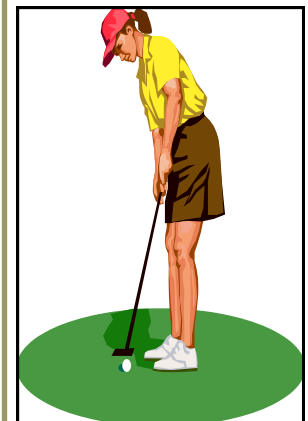
End of year tournament still in planning stages!

See page 3 for optional golf 9&Dine and more!

Please note above prices **DO** include \$5 prize money.

NOTE: There are 6 tee times set up for each event. We can get more times if everyone signs up a week ahead of time, at least. If not, and tee times are full, you will go on a waiting list. Remember, once you sign up you are committed to play. If you don't play, you still pay.

Mike Harrigan
Golf Chairman



Well folks it is that time of the year again, time to get ready for our annual Hospice “Charity Begins at Golf” Tournament. This year we will be playing at Tega Cay . Tega Cay has been a favorite in years’ past. This will be our third trip to the course for this event. As most of you know, we have been very successful in having a great tournament as we have raised over \$54,000 in 11 years. This last year alone, 2008, we brought in \$9800. I would love for this year’s tournament to top \$10,000. But for us to do that, I need each and everyone of you to participate and help us to find sponsors for the event. It will be played on April 18 starting at 1:30 and as of right now, we have tee times. But, if we get 100 golfers they have committed to a shotgun start. There really shouldn’t be a problem in getting 100 players since we have over a hundred members in our club. So grab your clubs and dust them off and get a friend to sign up and make this a year that we will remember in our donation towards Hospice!

Thanks,

Don Kiker, Chairman

Overview of our Hospice Tournament Host Golf Course:

Tega Cay

A wonderful course for our 2009 Hospice tournament. About 4 miles west of Exit 88 off I-77, the lake-side gem is an attractive, golfer-friendly track (with a great clubhouse) yet can’t be taken lightly. It is an ideal test for our team event. None of the holes are overly long, and a drive by the team nearly anywhere in the fairway means a reasonable shot to the medium size greens. The men’s tees are set well back from the women’s which makes this course playable. A word to the wise: don’t stray from the fairway or first cut!

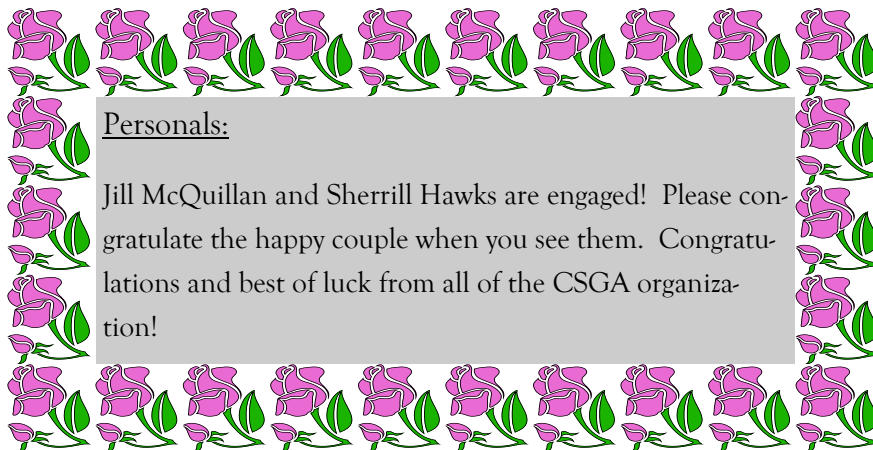
From your Golf Chairman, Michael Harrigan:

The 2009 Golf Season is officially here. We are looking for a great year, many new courses have been added. Our first outing will be the Battle of the Sexes. The “Warrior” is our battle zone. (See page 4 for a course overview) The good news for the ladies is the 1200 yards advantage. Our friendly gesture to the ladies this year is”they go to the best drive on each hole and play their own ball in (except for the par 3’s—there you drive and play your own ball)”. One other change this year will be the “closest to the pins” - they will be team awarded and not individual.

Tega Cay, our hospice tournament course, is scheduled for April 18 and will be an event not to miss. We are asking all of you to help get sponsor donations. Try the golf course you normally play, you might be surprised what kind of gifts they will donate. We need everyone’s participation and help!

We organized the schedule early this year to give you a chance to determine what events you can play. We have the option for more tee times but we have to give notice no less than seven days prior to the event. Teams this year will be done by a computer program. The purpose is to assure you of playing with everyone in the group. We all would like a chance to get to know everyone! So—Clean up your clubs and sign up and make this a great year! Courses have been left off from previous years, so if you have a preference to any other courses, contact me and we may be able to schedule an event on an off day.

Thanks, Mike



Personals:

Jill McQuillan and Sherrill Hawks are engaged! Please congratulate the happy couple when you see them. Congratulations and best of luck from all of the CSGA organization!

We would be glad to put any announcements any member would like to submit in our "PERSONALS". If you have a happy event, a personal achievement, thanks to another member, cudos to event organizers, whatever. Just submit your requests at the beginning of each month and they will be included in that months' newsletter. Thanks, the board.

2009 Golf Dates!

Tuesdays:

Raintree—\$20

Mar 17—5:20 pm	9&Dine South
Apr 21—5:20pm	9&Dine South
May 19 - 5:20 pm	9&Dine South
June 13 - 5:20 pm	9&Dine South
July 21—5:20 pm	9&Dine South
Aug 18—5:20 pm	9&Dine South
Sept 22—5:20 pm	9&Dine South

Tuesdays:

Skybrook—\$25

April 28—5 pm	9&Dine North
June 23—5 pm	9&Dine North
Aug. 25—5pm	9&Dine North

Tournaments:

June 19-21 Friday—Sunday	TN/CAR Challenge Multi-chapter event-check ASGA website
July 24-26 Friday-Sunday	North-South Challenge - Contact Sam Moody

FYI—CSGA Game We Play "Rules"

Texas Scramble—All drive on each hole. WOMEN only, pick the best drive, continue out the hole playing your own ball. Except par 3's, play your own ball

Captain's Choice—All tee off: Play the best shot until holed out. Record one score per hole.

Captain's Choice (modified) - All tee off, play the best shot until holed out on all 18 holes. Each person's drive used at least 3 times.

Scotch Pairs—Two person-male/female teams play alternate shots until hole is finished. Record one score for the twosome.

Team Net—Play your own ball, all scores count on every hole. Total of all scores minus handicaps = team score.

The Warrior! This year's "Battle of the Sexes" course is a "sleeper" among the layouts in the area. It is very good but not penalizing. The fairways are modestly wide, and there is a premium put on any ball in the fairway. The greens can be very fast. In terms of our Battle of the Sexes, women again gain a fair advantage in tee box locations. What's nice is the The Warrior will force you to use every club in your bag. From Charlotte, take exit 68 on I-85. Follow the signs to NC 152 West and go four miles outside China Grove. (Course overviews are compliments of David Bradley)

From our President on the Battle of the Sexes< Ok, now the lines have been drawn, men against the women! Ladies, you came close last year but will you ever take the title away from the guys, the guys say "NO!" What do you think? It will be played April 4 starting at 1pm with lunch to be served before, during, or after—your choice. It could be a victory dinner or a pick me up to get going lunch. Read Mike Harrigan's overview on page 3. We have a couple of months to get ready to defend, don't let us down. Contact myself or Mike Harrigan for more details on this and come on out and let's start the 2009 season with some Fun!