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This Month at a Glance

Saturday, June 4

Calloway Fitting Day

Thursday, June 9

Ladies Clinic

Friday, June 10

Cleveland/Srixon Fitting Day

**Friday, June 10 -
Sunday, June 12**

White Squirrel Tournament

Thursday, June 16

Ladies Nine & Dine

Friday, June 17

TaylorMade Fitting Day

Thursday, June 23

Ladies Clinic
Member Wine Club



2022 Membership Update

We would like to welcome the following new members to Great River Golf Club. We are looking forward to having you as members!

Brian Caruso

Eric Davidson

Jeff & Deborah Detmer

Mark Fletcher

Matt LeJeune

Gus Palmer

Bruce Silverstone



Food & Beverage

Dear Members,

It's shaping up to be a great season both on the course and in our F&B operations.

We've had a record breaking month of May with 9 weddings, a Bar Mitzvah and numerous banquet events. At this point, everything is going well with many positive comments from our guests. Additionally, our new Monty's menu has been well received with glowing reviews on some of our menu items. Please continue to give us your feedback, as it allows us to know what you like and what we need to continue to improve upon.

June will not be as busy from the event side, with only five weddings for the month. However, we do have a couple of "save the date" events that are noteworthy. On Friday, June 17th there will be a US Open Happy Hour on the Fireplace Patio. On Thursday, June 23rd, we will be featuring our second Wine Club dinner of the year. The theme of the evening will be a "Taste of Spain" with Chef featuring menu items along with wine pairings from the country of Spain. Our new Wine Club format was well received last month, so please book your reservations well in advance. The menu as well as the wine pairings can be seen on the next page!

The food inflation challenge continues and Chef, along with his team, are doing everything under their control to mitigate costs. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding if a menu item or ingredient happens to change due to a sudden price spike.

As always, we look forward to serving you, your family and friends!

Happy summer!!!

Dan Piccolello, Food & Beverage Director
Matthew Adkins, Executive Chef



Food & Beverage



Executive Chef Matthew Adkins Presents: A Taste of Spain

Thursday, June 23, 2022
6:30 pm



First Course

Mohan Cheese-Chorizo Croquette,
Fire Roasted Red Pepper Sauce, Gazpacho, Mojito Air
Paired with: Las Rocas Garnacha

Second Course

Espelette Spiced Diver Scallop, Lime Compressed Watermelon,
Sweet Pea Emulsion, Cumin Foam, Spicy Chili Cloud
Paired with: Martin Codax Albarino

Third Course

Iberico Pork Paillard, Matchstick Potatoes,
Manchego Espuma, Olive Oil Arugula,
Saffron Red Chimichurri
Paired with: Locations E

Dessert

Hazelnut Mousse Cream Puff,
Chocolate-Coffee Cotton Candy, Truffles
Paired with: Martin Codax Rojo



Tournament News



Member Town Hall Meeting Tuesday, June 14th 5:30 PM

All members are encouraged to join us for our annual Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, June 14th. The meeting will begin at 5:30 and will cover the following topics:

- State of the Club and the direction we are headed in
- The Irrigation System installation and how it effects on playability
- Current course conditions and new maintenance schedule moving forward
 - Food & Beverage improvements and future plans

A cocktail hour and light fare food will be offered after the meeting concludes.

Finals Deadline: October 5th

Tournament News



Posting Golf Scores - When and When Not to Post!

Posting your golf scores is a vital part of the United States Golf Association's handicap system and something all members of Great River must do if they wish to play in any club events. A player's USGA handicap index is based on the best 10 of his previous 20 rounds and is updated throughout each golf season, which is used to level the playing field between golfers of various abilities.

How to Post

My recommendation is to download the GHIN app. The app will allow you to track stats if you wish, enter hole by hole scores, and find out your handicap from different tees or courses.

You can also post after your round on the computer located in the golf shop.

When to Post

Players must report every 9- or 18-hole score, provided it's achieved on a course with a USGA slope and course rating. Anytime you play 9 or 18 holes you must post the score, not just in tournaments or events.

When Not to Post

The only time you should not post a score after your round is under these circumstances:

- Playing in a team unique format (Scramble, Shamble, or Alternate Shot)
- Playing a course not rated by the USGA (chip and putt courses or when we setup the Turkey Shoot or Par 3 events)

Match Play

Q. Should match play scores be posted even if I do not hole out on every hole?

A. Yes. When a hole is started but a player does not hole out, the player must record their most likely score for handicap purposes. (Rule 3.3, Rules of Handicapping)

If the match ends with holes left to play and the players continue to play, the actual scores must be posted on every hole played.

If a match ends with holes left to play and the players do not play the remaining holes, net par should be recorded as the hole scores for the remaining holes (keeping in mind at least 7 or 14 holes must be played for a 9- or 18-hole score to be posted).

Penalty

Players that play a round of golf and do not post their score are subject to a Penalty Score by the club.

A penalty score at Great River is equal to your lowest score in your score history.

Tournament News

Get The Golf Genius App For Live Scoring!

This year for all events, we will be live scoring on the Golf Genius app! This is a great way to see live leaderboards whether on the course or at home after round. For each event the professional staff will give a code and it will link your scorecard to your phone and soon our golf carts!



The app is simple to use - head to the app store on your phone and download it today!

Player of the Year Standings

Members earn points for each event they participate in. Members can also earn bonus points for top finishes in club tournaments. Player of the Year points will be used to determine the field for the Ryder Cup Teams at the end of the season. The Player of the Year has men's and women's divisions and will be honored and presented an award at the annual Champions Dinner.

Men's Standings

1st - JJ Van Aman - 26pts
2nd - Bill Mackey- 20pts
3rd - T.J. Trimboli- 18pts
4th - Paul Wetmore - 16pts

Women's Standings

T-1st - Alicia Cavallaro - 2pts
T-1st - Andree Acampora - 2pts
T-1st - Barbara Poremba - 2pts
T-1st - Christy Machan - 2pts
T-1st - Jo Rasmussen - 2pts
T-1st - Julia Demeo - 2pts

Tournament News



Ladies Nine & Dine Thursday, June 16th 5:00 PM Shotgun

Calling all ladies, join us for our second ladies Nine & Dine event of the season. These events are fun and casual and a great way to learn the golf course, the game of golf, and meet new members. Drinks and dinner are included!

Sign up on Clubster or call the Pro Shop!

\$50 for members and \$65 for guests

Ace Alert!

Congratulations to Dylan Kramer on making the first hole in one of the season! Dylan's ball found the bottom of the cup on Hole #15 and the rare accomplishment helped his team take the Gross Division win in the weekly Saturday Game and some additional winnings for the skin!



Tournament News



Friday, May 13th was our first One-Day Member Guest of the season and we started the season off with a bang! Members played a better ball of partners with each of their guests and competed in Gross & Net divisions. It was a very competitive tournament with the top teams all within a stroke or two of each other. Congratulations to our Gross Division winner Bill Mackey and Net Division winner JJ Van Aman.

i	Pos.	Member Pair	To Par Gross	Total Gross
☆	1	Mackey, Bill + Anrico, Stephen <i>Great River Golf Club, Race Brook Country Club</i>	-6	66
☆	2	Trimboli, Tj + Bronski, Robert <i>Great River Golf Club, Tashua Knolls Golf Club</i>	-4	68
☆	--	Van Aman, JJ + Smith, David <i>Great River Golf Club, Princeton Area #540 Princeton Area GC</i>	-3	69
☆	3	Wetmore, Paul + Valeriano, Brian <i>Great River Golf Club</i>	-3	69
☆	4	Chacho, Jim + Smith, Gregory <i>Great River Golf Club, EClub of Connecticut</i>	-2	70
☆	5	Van Aman, JJ + Coughlin, Kees <i>Great River Golf Club, Bonnie Briar Country Club</i>	-2	70
☆	6	Helfer, Alan + Dober, Bill <i>Great River Golf Club, Brooklawn Country Club</i>	E	72

i	Pos.	Member Pair	To Par Net	Total Net
☆	1	Van Aman, JJ + Smith, David <i>Great River Golf Club, Princeton Area #540 Princeton Area GC</i>	-11	61
☆	2	Lynch, Chris + Lynch, Timothy <i>USGA/MGA GC</i>	-11	61
☆	3	Walker, Carl + Walker, Max <i>Great River Golf Club, EClub of Connecticut</i>	-11	61
☆	4	Tomasulo, Joe + Dennison, Colby <i>Great River Golf Club</i>	-11	61
☆	--	Mackey, Bill + Anrico, Stephen <i>Great River Golf Club, Race Brook Country Club</i>	-9	63
☆	5	Galvin, Robert + Morgan, Charles <i>Great River Golf Club, H Smith Richardson Golf Club</i>	-9	63
☆	6	Tomasulo, Joe + Sgro, Charlie <i>Great River Golf Club, NYC XIV TG Golf Club</i>	-9	63



LADIES TRUNK SHOW

- *Great River Golf Club* -



Thursday June 16th

4pm-8pm

Hosted during the Women's Nine and Dine



Tournament News



MEMBER HAPPY HOUR

JUNE 17, 2022

4:00 PM - 7:30 PM

\$25 PER PERSON

**JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT WITH
HORS D'OEUVRES STATIONS, DRINKS AND
SOCIALIZING!**

PLEASE RSVP BY JUNE 13 ON CLUBSTER, BY EMAIL AT
KARINA@GRGOLFCLUB.COM OR BY PHONE AT
203-876-8051 EXT. 111

Golf Team News



SOMERSET, N.J. – After running away with the Northeast Conference championship, the Sacred Heart University women's golf team also cleaned up in the postseason awards. Matt McGreevy was named Coach of the Year while Chantal El Chaib earned Rookie of the Year.

In addition to those awards, Sacred Heart had three all-conference selections. Joining El Chaib on First Team All-NEC was sophomore Margot Rouquette. Junior Kailee Welch was a Second Team All-NEC selection.

"It's great recognition for Margot, Chantal, Kailee and our program," McGreevy said. "The three of them have really set the tone for our team all year and these honors reflect that. All three of them are back next year so I'm excited for what the future holds."

El Chaib is the third Pioneer to earn the award and the second in a row. She had a strong spring season with three top-six finishes, including a win at the SHU Spring Break Invitational. The Abu Dhabi, UAE native was sixth at the NEC Tournament with a three-day score of 231. This season El Chaib had six top-10 finishes and ranks second on the team with a 76.6 strokes per round average.

The top coaching honor is the fourth for McGreevy on the women's side. He led the Pioneers to their first championship since 2017, the last time he was named Coach of the Year. Sacred Heart won this year's tournament by 15 strokes. The Pioneers finished in the top-five seven times this year with five victories.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Golf Team News

Lim & McGreevy Claim Top NEC Honors: Sophomore named Player of the Year, McGreevy tabbed Coach of the Year

SOMERSET, NJ – The top team in the Northeast Conference, the Sacred Heart University men's golf team picked up a pair of major NEC awards on Tuesday. Sophomore Marcus Lim was named Player of the Year while Matt McGreevy earned Coach of the Year.

In addition to the POY award, Lim was also a member of the First Team All-NEC. Senior Nathan Kim picked up Second Team All-NEC.

A native of Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia, Lim is the fifth Pioneer to earn the league's top honor and the second in a row after Saptak Talwar in 2021. Lim was the best player in the conference the entire year, earning five NEC Player of the Week honors.

At the conference championship, Lim was under par in the final two rounds to claim medalist honors. The win was his fourth of the season and his ninth top-10 finish. Lim led the NEC with a 71.6 strokes per round average that is one of the lowest in program history.

While the Pioneers have been one of the best teams during McGreevy's tenure, this is only the second time he's won the top coaching honor (2011). Sacred Heart produced five top-five finishes this year with three titles. The Pioneers played well in the final 36 holes of the NEC Tournament to claim their first title since 2011.

Kim has the distinction of earning All-NEC honors every year they were awarded. He was a Second Team selection in 2009 and 2021 after no honors were given out in 2020. This season he ranks second on the team with a 74.3 stroke average. The Los Angeles native had a pair of top 10 finishes, including third at the SHU Spring Break Invitational. He got better every day of the NEC Tournament with his best round coming in the final 18 holes to help SHU win the title.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Tom Rosati Golf Academy

James qualifies to the US Open Sectionals

Ben James will attempt to qualify for the US Open at The Country Club in Brookline, Massachusetts. He will play 36 holes on June 6th at two golf courses, Century Country Club and Old Oaks Country Club in Purchase, New York. Usually the top four scores qualify. Good luck Ben at your attempt to play in a major championship!



Tom Rosati Golf Academy

The Proper Take-Away Move for more Solid Shots

Did you ever notice that when your take-away feels good, the result is usually a good shot? That's because the first two feet off the ball is one of the most important parts of the golf swing. I'll explain how you can have a take-away move that can lead to better shots immediately.

The take-away is started by moving the front shoulder and the arm back together across the chest. There is no manipulation of the wrist or your hands in this move. The hands should remain passive; it feels as though you are making a putting stroke motion. When your hands get just outside your back leg, the club should be parallel to the ground and your lead arm should be parallel to the target line. The position for the club face is it should be angled slightly down, not toe straight up like so many people think. It should match the tilt of your spine. (See figure 1)

If you practice this take away move every day, your turn on the backswing will be better and your club face will be squarer throughout the swing. The result will be more solid shots, guaranteed!

Best, Tom

Figure 1



Ben James' Take-Away - As good as it gets!

Tom Rosati Golf Academy

Two Half Day Camps Added to the Tom Rosati Golf Academy Junior Programs

2022 Junior Clinic Schedule

Type	Dates	Ages	Time	Cost
Summer #1	Tuesday-Friday July 5-8	Ages 7-10 Ages 11-14	8:30-10:00 10:15-11:45	SHU Alum/Fac: \$160 GR Members: \$180 Non-Members: \$200
Summer #2	Tuesday-Friday August 9-12	Ages 7-10 Ages 11-14	8:30-10:00 10:15-11:45	SHU Alum/Fac: \$160 GR Members: \$180 Non-Members: \$200
Fall	September 11,18,25 & October 12	Ages 11-14 Ages 7-10	9:15-10:30 10:45-12:00	SHU Alum/Fac: \$160 GR Members: \$180 Non-Members: \$200
Winter 2023	Mondays Jan. 9 - Feb. 13 Wednesdays Jan. 11 - Feb.15	Ages 8-16	4:00-5:00	\$250

2022 Junior Camp Schedule

Type	Dates	Ages	Time	Cost
Half Day Camp	June 27 - July 1	Ages 8-16	9:00-12:00	SHU Alum/Fac: \$350 GR MEMBERS: \$370 Non-Members: \$400
ADDED Half Day Camp	July 11-15	Ages 8-16	9:00-12:00	SHU Alum/Fac: \$350 GR MEMBERS: \$370 Non-Members: \$400
Half Day Camp	July 25-29	Ages 8-16	9:00-12:00	SHU Alum/Fac: \$350 GR MEMBERS: \$370 Non-Members: \$400
ADDED Half Day Camp	August 15-19	Ages 8-16	9:00-12:00	SHU Alum/Fac: \$350 GR MEMBERS: \$370 Non-Members: \$400
Players Camp	Wednesdays July 6- August 10	Ages 11-18	2:00-4:00	SHU Alum/Fac: \$600 GR MEMBERS: \$650 Non-Members: \$700

What's Hot in the Shop?



Spring Collection

It's all about the JOurney and the experiences along the way that define our style. The brand character is a true fabric of East Coast Classic meets SoCal Lifestyle. (Pun intended).



What's Hot in the Shop?

Great River Logo Bags



What's Hot in the Shop?

LINKS  KINGS

BELTS

At Links & Kings, we make more than products, we deliver experiences. Through our commitment to quality, craft and modern classic style, our product collections connect consumers to the richness of the game of golf.



What's Hot in the Shop?

Bad Birdie

Bad Birdie is here to drive a new culture of inclusivity, recreation, and self-expression, all through the lens of community and product.

Our golfing circle shares a handful of different walks of life - varying in age, life milestone, handicap, and feelings around iron covers. Although, it's the simplest commonalities that keep us interconnected - we are golf obsessed, fashionably fueled, with limited filter for trash talking and competition.



What's Hot in the Shop?



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Greens & Grounds

Spring Course Conditions

Here at Greens and Grounds we are very excited to see the golf course busy and the season coming into full swing. The month of May this year has been unseasonably dry with considerably mild temperatures. While ideal for playing golf, mid-Spring weather has made turf growth considerably slower than anticipated and desired. Turfgrass growth is greatly dependent on soil temperatures, rather than air temperatures. While air temps have been getting up into the 60-70s, with a few days towards the end of the month reaching into the 80s, nighttime temps have remained consistently in the low-40's to high-50's. We hope and expect to see our overnight temperatures rise and sustain in early June, providing us with ideal weather conditions to begin ramping up the conditioning of our playing surfaces.

Spring Fertility & Preventative Applications

From the beginning of May to early June, there are numerous fertility and plant protective applications that we make to the golf course as Mother Nature wakes up. From a fertility standpoint, we provide the playing surfaces with both slow-release and quick-release granular fertilizers to all playing surfaces. This not only provides the plant with immediate nutrition to begin metabolizing and perk early growth, but furthermore provides the plant with a baseline source of nutrition to draw upon in the soils for the upcoming weeks ahead as temperatures and stresses emerge in early summer. From a preventative pest management perspective, we apply a number of key plant protectants to guard against plant pathogenic pests, such as White Grub in our roughs and the Annual Bluegrass Weevil on our green, approach, tee, and fairway *Poa annua* grass stands. Furthermore, we address a number of fungal diseases that emerge in early Spring, such as Dollar Spot which attacks the above-ground foliar tissue of the plant and Pythium Root Rot which is a soilborne pathogen that feeds on the root tissue of plant species. We make all fertility & plant protective applications in a preventative manner to not only greatly reduce the occurrence and incidence of weed, insect, and fungal disease emergence, but also to reduce our overall inputs to the golf course.



Greens & Grounds

2022 Town Hall Meeting

We hope that all our members join us at Great River on Tuesday, June 14th at 5:30 PM for our annual Town Hall Meeting. As a club, we will be addressing a number of topics as it relates to many initiatives underway or about to begin this 2022 season and the future direction of Great River. As a Greens & Grounds Department, we will be highlighting a number of upcoming golf course improvements, Spring 2022 golf course conditioning, and aerification and maintenance schedules moving forward.

Blake Thomas
Assistant Superintendent



Event Planner Corner

Greetings!

Our weddings and other social events are in full swing! While we are already 3 months into the 2022 wedding season, we are cautiously optimistic that our weddings will go on as planned this year, with no Covid restrictions. And since we successfully planned safe weddings during the past 2 years, we are confident with our Covid-contingency plans and will be prepared for anything!

The month of May saw an amazing number of social events come through the ballroom and we are predicting that it will be our busiest month for 2022! Congratulations go out to Celine & Matt, Nicole & Tom, Jenna & Scott, Alanna & Matt, Arica & Keith, Katie & Jesse, Kylie & Dave, Amanda & Jeff, and Jean & AJ. And Mazel Tov to Dylan who celebrated his bar mitzvah with a special Hawaiian themed party!

Fun fact:

According to The Knot Real Weddings 2021 Vendor Report, one in five couples personalized their event by incorporating sustainable elements to help make their wedding eco-friendly by using secondhand decor/upcycled items, minimizing food waste, and avoiding onetime use products as the most popular decisions. And Great River was happy to help one of our May couples incorporate a plastic-free event.

As we look ahead to the summer, we continue to book special events, including holiday parties throughout the year. If you know of anyone looking for the perfect venue for their special event, please have them give us a call.

All the best,

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