



MAY 2021

THE RIVER

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This Month at a Glance

Saturday, May 1	Opening Day Shamble
Thursday, May 6	XXIO Fitting Day
Friday, May 7	Titleist Fitting Day
Sunday, May 9	Mother's Day Brunch
Friday, May 14	Spring One-Day Member-Guest Steak & Cigar Night
Saturday, May 15	Mizuno Golf Fitting
Friday, May 21	Member Clinic
Friday, May 28	TaylorMade Fitting Day Margarita Mixer
Saturday, May 29	Giant Skins Game
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day Stableford

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 in 2021!

JOSHUA COLE

TOM JASINSKI

MICHAEL LOIACONO

MICHAEL O'ROURKE

MICHAEL PLUDE

ROBBY ROSATI

Food & Beverage



Dear Members,

It is the time of year we look forward to most at Great River. It is so nice to see all of the familiar faces of our members returning, as well as some new ones, or as we like to say, our “Great River Family”. Our Food & Beverage Team is always working hard to provide you with excellent food and service to exceed your expectations!

We have several featured menus for the month of May. On Wednesday, May 5th, we will be celebrating Cinco de Mayo with a featured menu from our Executive Chef Matt, along with Margarita and Tequila specials (please see next page). Also, we strongly encourage you to book your Mother’s Day reservations soon. Our reservations are quickly filling up and we anticipate selling out on that special day. The other and most exciting featured menus are the new Monty’s Spring/Summer lunch and dinner menus. Chef and his Team have been experimenting with daily specials over the last month to identify the most popular items to feature on our Monty’s menus. Our goal is to maximize “freshness” by utilizing our local farms to keep the Farm to Table theme alive and well through the year. We’re confident you’ll be pleased with our new menus!

We look forward to serving you, your families, and guests!

Sincerely,

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

CINCO DE MAYO

Monty's River Grille at Great River Golf Club

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

DINNER MENU

SOPA - ENSALADA - TAPAS

La Sopa Del Dia

Pozole, Chorizo, Roasted Corn or Black Bean with Lime Crema.

Cup 4 / Bowl 6

Crispy Tortilla Salad

Crispy tortilla shell, mixed greens, black bean, grilled corn, tomato, cotija cheese, lime vinaigrette. 10

Grilled Caesar

Grilled romaine, roasted red peppers, crispy tortilla, charred jalapeno Caesar dressing. 10

Ceviche

Mexican white shrimp, citrus-tomato, cilantro, lime, red onion, jalapeno. 16

Mussels in Coconut

Cilantro, mint, red onion, crispy yuca, coconut-lemongrass sauce. 14

Corn Cake Arepas and Pulled Pork

Pickled red onion, radish, salsa verde, cotija cheese. 14

Crispy Avocado

Salsa roja and lime crema. 10

ENTRADAS

Black Angus Hanger Steak

Achiote marinated, garlic spinach, chipotle mashed, yuca fries, chimichurri. 30

Red Snapper

Spanish rice, black bean potato puree, roasted garlic red pepper sauce, cilantro chutney. 28

Gulf Coast Swordfish

Citrus segments, sweet plantain poblano pepper stir fry, rock shrimp and manchego risotto, warm gazpacho sauce. 28

Butterflied Whole Chicken

Chili seasoned, mofongo-mashed plantains, wilted greens, dark chocolate mole sauce, roasted pepita seeds. 26

Lomo Saltado

Sliced filet mignon, tomato, red onion, cilantro, French fries, white rice. 28

POSTRES

Cinnamon Churros

Caramel and fudge dipping sauces. 10

La Masa Frita

Chocolate and powdered sugar, banana ice cream. 10

Crème Caramel

Chili tangerine chocolate, cilantro sugar. 10

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Please notify your server of any allergies or dietary concerns prior to ordering. Consuming raw or undercooked meats, poultry, seafood, shellfish, or eggs may increase your risk of foodborne illness, especially if you have a medical condition.

Tournament Club

Opening Day ABCD Shamble

Saturday, May 1st - 10:30am Shotgun

Field Limited to 96 Players

I am happy to announce this year's tournament will be a major step towards normal life, versus last year's Socially Distant Open season kick off. While we are not out of the woods just yet, and safety will still be the first priority for the day, this year we can safely get together, have a shotgun start, and enjoy some food & beverages after the tournament.

Format: Two Best Balls of Four Shamble: Teams will be created using an ABCD pairing method. In a shamble, all players will tee off, the team will select the best drive, then everyone will play their own ball in from that location. The two lowest score of the team will be taken per hole. Teams must use everyone's tee shot a minimum of two times. There will be a raffle prior to the start of the event and on-course challenges as well.

ABCD pairing will be used to create teams based upon handicap. Due to COVID concerns, we will accept requests to play with another member, but no foursomes requests will be permitted. The spirit of opening day is to meet and play alongside other members and meet new members.

We will have prizes for Gross & Net divisions. Net divisions will use 70% handicap. Come early for some fresh breakfast sandwiches and bloody mary's! After golf, make sure to stay for a lunch BBQ, libations, awards, and raffle winners.

Spring One Day Member-Guest

Friday, May 14th, 1:00pm Shotgun

The first of our two one-day member guest tournaments this season. For the Spring One-Day, teams will play a Better Ball of Partners format. Members may invite up to three guests and compete as three different teams. Each team will receive 90% of their course handicap. Teams will compete in gross & net divisions.

Members can bring up to three guest or pair up with another member & guest combination. The entry fee for this event is \$250 per member & guest team, each additional guest is \$150. The entry fee will include lunch before the tournament, a tee gift for each player, guest green fees, carts, and hors d'oeuvre following play.

The Spring One Day Member-Guest players are invited to stay afterwards for our annual Steak & Cigar Dinner. All players will receive a special tournament price to attend. More info from our F&B team to follow later.

Margarita Mixer

Friday, May 28th 5:00pm Shotgun

The Margarita Mixer is the most popular mixed golf event of the season.... probably because of the free on-course margaritas! This year the event takes place on a Friday so sign up quick as the field is limited to 48 players and will sell out quick.

Mixers are a team scramble and are a great event for beginner and veteran players to team up for a fun, yet competitive golf event. Once golf is complete, participants will enjoy a casual cookout with some of Chef Matt's favorite dishes.

The Margarita Mixer is \$100 per couple which includes golf, cart, guest fee, dinner, margaritas, and prizes.

Giant Skins Game

Saturday, May 29th

Format: The field will be flighted by handicap. Players will record their net and gross score for each hole. A skin is won by a player who post the lowest score on an individual hole. There will be a separate pay out for gross and net skins.

Handicap: 80% Course Handicap

Prizes: Gross & Net Skins

Food and Beverage: Grill Lunch at Members Grill

Entry Fee: \$75

Guest Policy: One guest will be permitted per foursome. Guest fees will apply.

Upcoming Player Development

XXIO Fitting Day

Thursday, May 6th 2:00pm-6:00pm

Swing speed less than 100MPH? Not interested in working on your game or hitting the gym? Then come see the new line of XXIO clubs. XXIO, the worldwide leader of moderate swing speed golf equipment, delivers remarkably lightweight designs, revolutionary swing technologies, and unmatched attention to your needs. See how XXIO's lightweight golf clubs cater to your golfing needs and will allow you to play more golf and play better golf.

Titleist Fitting Day

Friday, May 7th 2:00pm-6:00pm

The #1 ball company also offers a wide variety of clubs from drivers to putters to help you improve your scores and enjoy your time on the course.

Pro Tip: IF YOU WANT NEW WEDGES, SIGN UP FOR THIS FITTING

10% discount on all orders placed from fitting day

Mizuno Fitting Day

Saturday, May 15th 10:00am-2:00pm

Need new irons? New wedges? before you decide make sure you sign up and try the company known for superior irons & wedges. Mizuno will be at our range May 15th for a free tour style fitting day.

TaylorMade Fitting Day

Friday, May 28th 2:00pm-6:00pm

The next TaylorMade Fitting Day will take place on May 28th, where all members will have the opportunity to go through a Tour-level custom club fitting.

Ladies Sweet 16 Clinic & Challenge Starts May 6th!

Each Thursday the professional staff will provide a ½ hour clinic starting at 5:15pm. After the clinic, we will pair ladies up into groups and send you out on the course for a four-hole challenge. Ladies start their challenge 25 yards from the hole with a goal of shooting a score of 16. If successful, they will work their way back each week with a long-term goal of making it to the red tees!

The mission of this program is to introduce new golfers to the game, get former golfers back in the game, and to meet other women with similar interests. This is a fun and encouraging golf environment and every lady golfer, member, spouse, or friend is welcome to participate.

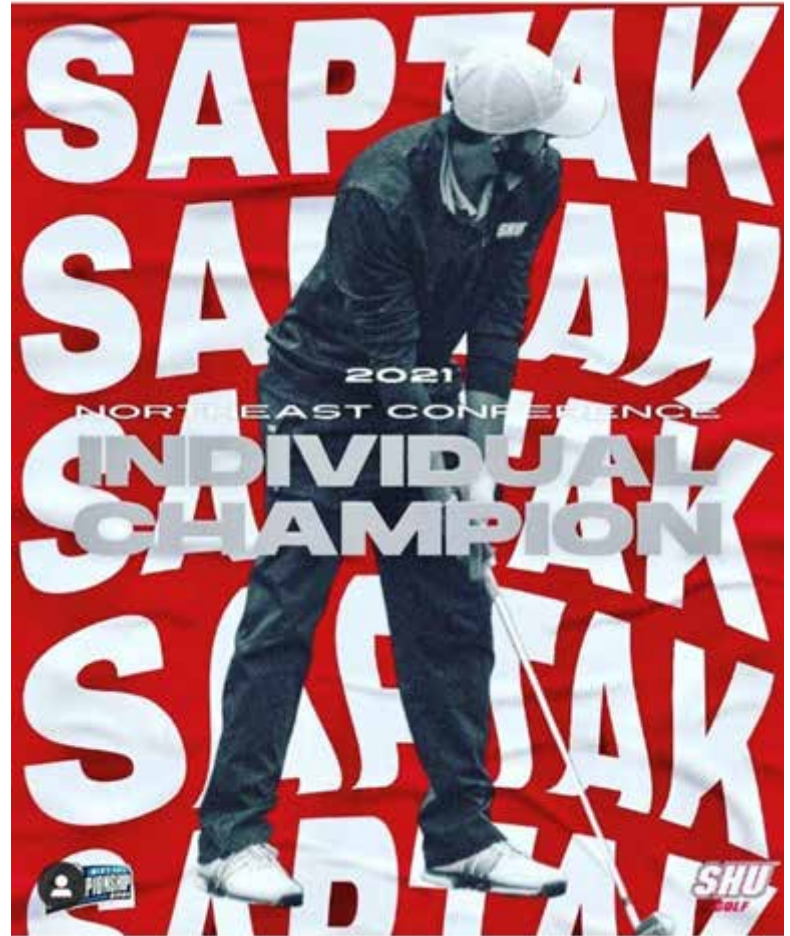
Participants are encouraged to stay after golf for everyone's favorite part, drinks, and dinner!

Ladies Clinics are \$15 for members and \$25 for guests

Tom Rosati Golf Academy

SAPTAK TALWAR WINS THE NEC CHAMPIONSHIP

Senior Saptak Talwar earns a bid to the NCAA regionals with his win at the NEC Conference Championship. What a year for Saptak, who also recently qualified PGA Tour Canada! But his amateur career is not quite over yet!



MARGOT ROUQUETTE NAMED NEC ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Freshman Margot Rouquette recently earned rookie of the year honors in the NEC conference. This spring Margot had one win and two second place finishes. What a player and what a bright future!



Tom Rosati Golf Academy

IT'S JUNIOR CAMP AND CLINIC SEASON!

We have many programs for the little golfer in your family. Check out our programs below and sign up soon. These programs are filling fast!

Junior Clinics

Our Junior Clinic Programs are designed for beginner to intermediate junior golfers from ages 7-14. Clinic sessions run for 1-1½ hours in length, depending on the series. Students' skills are evaluated prior to beginning instruction through our unique Level Achievement Program.

Spring Clinic: Sundays, May 2, 9, 16, & 23

Ages 11-14 9:15 am – 10:30 am

Ages 7-10 10:45 am – 12:00 pm

Summer Clinic #1: Tuesday-Friday July 6-9

Ages 7-10 8:30 am – 10:00 pm

Ages 11-14 10:15 am – 11:45 am

Summer Clinic #2: Tuesday-Friday Aug 10-13

Ages 7-10 8:30 am – 10:00 am

Ages 11-14 10:15 am – 11:45 am

Fall Clinic: Sundays - Sept 12, 19, 26, & Oct 3

Ages 11-14 9:15 am – 10:30 am

Ages 7-10 10:45 am – 12:00 pm

Junior Clinic Pricing

SHU Alumni and Faculty \$160.00

GRGC Members \$180.00

Non-Members \$200.00



Half-Day Camps (Ages 8-16)

We are excited about adding a half day camp for our intermediate players ages 8-16 years old. This is a great opportunity for the kids from our clinic programs to learn more and move up in our Level Achievement Program. We will get on the course to learn etiquette and rules, but play will be limited.

Session 1 – June 28-July 2 - AM Class 9:00-12:00 or PM Class 1:00-4:00

Session 2 – July 12-16 – AM Class Only 9:00-12:00

Session 3 – August 2-6 – AM Class 9:00-12:00 or PM Class 1:00-4:00

Session 4 – August 16-20 - AM Class 9:00-12:00 or PM Class 1:00-4:00

Half Day Camp Pricing

SHU Alumni and Faculty \$350.00

GRGC Members \$370.00

Non-Members \$400.00

Advanced Player Program (Ages 13-18)

Our Advanced Player Program is for students looking to fine tune their skills and turn them onto lower scores. These clinics are limited to 8 students and take place Wednesdays from July 7- Aug 11.

Advanced Player Program Pricing

SHU Alumni and Faculty \$600.00

GRGC Members \$650.00

Non-Members \$700.00

What's Hot in the Shop?



G/FORE Apparel & Footwear

Polos - \$120.00*

Gallivanter Shoes - \$185.00*

Gallivanter Saddle Shoes - \$230.00*

G/FORE Solid Gloves - \$28.99*

Camo Gloves - \$40.00*

**less member discount*

Sun Mountain Speed Carts

GX3 Pushcart - \$249.99

PX3 Pushcart - \$229.99



Blue Tees Range Finder & Magnetic Straps

Series 2 Pro Range Finder - \$219.99

Magnetic Strap - \$32.99



Wingman

Speaker - \$150.00

Unleash your inner DJ on the course with Wingman. This “first of its kind” product combines high quality audio with the ability to receive audible GPS distances, conveniently mounts to your cart bar via BITE magnetic technology.



Bushnell

Tour V5 Range Finder - \$299.99

Greens & Grounds

Happy spring from the Greens & Grounds Department! It's hard to believe May is already here. The golf course is beginning to wake up slowly from winter dormancy and beginning the healing process from our Spring 2021 Aerification Program. We are greatly looking forward to the anticipated warmer temperatures this upcoming May and guiding the course condition towards late spring.

Spring Soil Fertility & Amendments

Spring is the time when we tackle certain tasks that have season-long effects. One of these important jobs is fertilizing the golf course. Beginning the season with a “balanced diet” is essential for turfgrass to come out of winter dormancy and begin developing new roots in preparation for the long summer months ahead. In order to develop our fertility program and determine the specific nutrients and rates required, we routinely harvest and send soil samples out for university testing. Results from turf diagnostic laboratories evaluate where all our nutrition levels are either sufficient, excessive, or deficient - much like an annual check-up at your doctor's office. Our fertility programs are tweaked and adjusted throughout the year to more closely balance our soils and provide the turf with what it requires for healthy growth throughout the season.



New Equipment for Grounds Crew

Over this past winter, the Greens & Grounds Department has been very fortunate to receive another major Capital Equipment package to replace our older pieces of equipment and implement Best Management Practices on-course.

One major upgrade we received are four John Deere 2700 E-Cut Fairway Triplex Mowers. These Triplex mowers differ from our old Fairway units in that they are significantly smaller and lighter than our old Toro 5800 mowers, which will substantially reduce the amount of stress placed on our Fairways throughout the week of mowing. Additionally, our new John Deere Triplex units have “groomer” units attached to the cutting units, which lightly verti-cut through the turfgrass canopy and



promote root growth throughout the season. Ultimately, these units will allow us to produce a tighter cut, promote upright texture, and provide improved ball lie.

We have also received four new John Deere 260SL Precision Cut walk mowers for our newly established Approach areas that run from the Fairways into our Greens Complexes. These walk mowers are 85% lighter than our old ride-on units and will allow us to provide a much tighter cut and turfgrass quality. Lowering the heights of cut with these new mowers in addition to our aggressive aeration and sanding programs will allow us to continue culturing these areas and provide firm, tight playing surfaces in the immediate Green Complex areas.



We have also received two PlanetAir 27 Greens Aerators for venting the putting greens in-season. “Venting” is a practice utilized by turfgrass managers during hot, humid, and stressful periods of summer weather in order to allow gas exchange through the turfgrass canopy to the soil and roots below, essentially allowing the plants to “breathe” and expel gas byproduct. The PlanetAir is a relatively new venting machine with small “knives” that slit down into the putting surface 2-3 inches below into the soil profile. On the surface, these slits are minimally noticeable aesthetically and fully heal back shut within 2-3 days. Due to the thin profile of the venting “knives”, the result

of this procedure provides no impact on ball roll or playability in-season, yet provides the turf with the ability to “breathe” and recover while making it through the more difficult stretches of summer weather.



We would like to thank the membership once again for helping us take care of our beautiful golf course, and we greatly look forward to a fantastic 2021 golfing season ahead!

- Bill King

Assistant Golf Course Superintendent

Event Planner Corner



Hello!

We hope you have been enjoying the glorious Spring weather! The property is in full bloom and the ballroom has been buzzing with weddings, showers and corporate events.

EXCITING NEWS!

We are so excited to share more great news! Governor Lamont recently announced new guidelines for indoor venues – Beginning on May 19th – **ELIMINATION OF BUSINESS RESTRICTIONS** - just an indoor mask requirement remains.

What this means for our clients and guests is that – pending our continued record pace of vaccinations in CT and the impact that is having on hospitalizations – we will be fully re-opened for events on May 19th with no cap on guest numbers, no social distancing at tables, no restrictions, except for the indoor mask requirement.

We remain fully committed to safe operating practices and protecting

the health and safety of our staff and our guests at all times.

Congratulations to Michael and Quantásha who recently tied the knot, and to all couples who have entrusted Great River for their special day. We are now booking for 2023! Feel free to reach out for availability, menus, and pricing.

All the best,

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