# NORTHSTAR COUNTRY CLUB



# DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

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### **December Calendar**

3 Member Social

7 Deck Awning Comes Down - Winter is coming

8 Froggy Martini Painting Annual Stockholders Meeting

10 Share-A-Meal Freemont Lunch Mixer

 $11\text{-}12 \hspace{0.1 cm} \texttt{Links to Freedom}$ 

12-13 USTA Junior Championship

19 Passport Dinner - Coast of Italy

 $24 \,$  Thanksgiving

#### Major Events To Look Forward To

12/11 Brunch With Santa RSVP 8 am - 12 pm

12/31 **Centennial Celebration** 8 pm - 1 am Ballroom Black Tie Event \$100++/person (pre-bill)



#### A Message from the General Manager-



As I begin a new chapter in my career, I feel truly blessed to be a part of Northstar Country Club. I thank all members who have welcomed me in my first two weeks. I can certainly attest to the quality of the entire membership as a whole, based upon the members I have met thus far. A special thank you to Dustin Newman, Regional Manager of Landscapes Golf Management, who has provided a smooth on-board of my arrival to WCC. Thank you to our Board of Directors and various committees; past and present. I am always impressed by the personal devotion and sincere care by these members who volunteer countless hours toward the betterment of Club life.

I am a proud member of both the Club Managers Association of America (CMAA) and the Professionals Golfers Association of America (PGA Quarter Century Member). I have owned and managed high-end Private Country Club for over 30 years. My management expertise includes hosting a USGA National Championship,

far too many State Championships and various Club events to count, high profile televised char itable celebrity events, quality culinary and mixology venues, club lodging, and ALL various Club recreational amenities. I share a tremendous appreciation for the many fine individuals whom I have mentored up the Club hospitality career ladder throughout my own career progression. And I am grateful for the many friendships, which I have made with Members along the way.

Northstar Country Club, circa 1923, is a credible testament to Club hospitality in America. That entrepreneurial spirit of promoting social opportunities, amidst quality amenities, continues with the same devotion today, as yesteryear. WCC has been reinvesting in itself, and reinvesting on behalf of every single member. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to improve your membership experience with each respective reinvestment project.

Planned 2023 Club reinvestment projects include:

- Repairs and replacements to the golf course irrigation and pump systems (currently in process)
- Pool resurfacing (likely 2023 Spring or Fall)
- Kitchen project which includes new equipment and re-organization to maximize our efficiencies (likely 2023)
- Boiler Roomrepair
- Abrams Creek repairs (ongoing)
- Security & Fire Alarm repairs
- Partial furniture replacement (Pub and Grille)
- Point of Sale updates
- Bag racks and scoreboard updates
- Golf course maintenance equipment (new leases)
- In addition, we will be completing various general facility repairs over the coming months

I rarely miss an opportunity to talk about Membership. As with all Private clubs, our stability is a true family effort. Membership is as much a responsibility, as it is a privilege. Every member should plan to bring one additional event to WCC this year, personal or business, large or small. And we also ask that you help us grow the membership, one member at a time. These 'asks' likely fall under your already sincere love for your Club. Your member experience is of the utmost importance to the mission of WCC1923. We want you to feel comfortable and appreciated. We can easily promise to cherish all members equally. We want you to know that your decision to call WCC "your club" is not taken for granted. All departments will have key focuses including daily consistency standards and service models; all amidst gradual improvement initiatives. Our service model will retain the friendly environment, for which WCC is known for.

I am proud to have made a career out of the provision of genuine Club hospitality. And like myself, our WCC staff is comprised of many tenured professionals who have a sincere dedication to the overall goal to enrich our member's lives. We are all passionate about delivering the highest level of service to our members. Our service model will focus on the understanding that if the service we offer does not surpass your expectations, the splendor of the club becomes far less meaningful. Our WCC team cares about your daily membership experience. Our department leadership is comprised of:

Steve- Membership/ Communications Spencer- EventsManager Anna- Marketing/Communications Barbara-Food& BeverageManager Jamie- Kitchen Manager Devon & Cameron-Food& Beverage Supervisors Jamie- Tennis Professional Mimi- Asst. Tennis Professional Andy- PGA Head Golf Professional Trent-PGA Assistant Golf Professional Bart- Grounds Superintendent Tony- Asst. Grounds Helen- Accounting Manager Jeff- Facility Maintenance

I am excited to work with these wonderful professionals, and every other WCC employee striving to improve your club enjoyment while protecting our culture, fiscal responsibility and general operational environment. I ask that every member take time to thank your staff at every interaction, especially when we satisfy (or exceed) your expectation. Just like our membership, we should not take our staff for granted. WE are all obligated to provide a comfortable and safe environment for our service teams. Professional environments can be welcoming, friendly and courteous, but they are also a concerted effort of care by management and members alike. Mutual respect should always be at the forefront of every interaction. When we fail at delivering to your expectation, we invite you to share any concerns or suggestions with a department manager. Together, let's remember that everyday is a new opportunity to improve and enrich the lives of others.

As a PGA Professional, I have enjoyed a lifetime of making friendships around the game of golf. I am fortunate to have made a career around a game I love and have played since the earliest days of my childhood. Other Club passions are creating quality dining experiences and enjoying racquet sports. I look forward to getting to know our members in due time around all of the wonderful things that define WCC1923.

Kindest regards to all,

Bob Johnson, PGA, CMAA General Manager Northstar Country Club Globalnorthstar.com info@globalnorthstar.com Northstar Country Club



# New Year's Centennial Celebration

Join us for a grand evening as we celebrate the Centennial Anniversary of our accomplished Northstar Country Club!

*Date* December 31, 2022 *Time* 8 pm - 1 am *Place* WCC Ballroom *Dress* Black Tie

8 pm - 11 pmCarving Stations & Hors D'oeuvresMidnightBall Drop & Champagne ToastAfter MidnightBrunch Bites

Act Fast - Limited Tickets \$100++/person (pre-bill)

We are excited to celebrate such a monumental moment in time with our members. This would not be possible without you.

# We all have pictures and stories...

Especially if you're almost 100 years old!

As a part of the Centennial Celebration, NS is collecting your old and current pictures to be featured on our upcoming gallery walls throughout the Clubhouse!

These pictures will be featured for the whole year of 2023.

If you have any stories you would like to share regarding your time at WCC over the months, years, etc., please type them up and send them in!

The special pool committee was authorized to go forward in installing the first pool at the country club in 1926.

Email your pictures and stories to anna@winchestercountryclub.net Scan QR code for a generated email.









### MEMBER SPOTLIGHT Bev Corrigan



"What an honor to be chosen as the Spotlight Member of the Month! Denny and I joined the club in the early 90's and have made countless memories here with our family. We've been lucky enough to celebrate weddings, anniversaries, holiday's and other special occasions here in the clubhouse. We had a blast hosting Hankie's 80th Birthday Roast here as well as my parent's 50th Wedding Anniversary! Whether I'm playing golf, watching Tag play golf, lounging by the pool, eating lunch or watching Tennis/Pickleball, my family and I are always comfortable here at the club. It truly is our 'home away from home'. Denny and I have made countless friends here and look forward to each outing! We are so lucky to be a part of this amazing club and can't imagine not having golf and Northstar Country Club in our lives. On one last note: I hope I never take for granted the kindness the staff has always shown myself and my family every time we frequent the club. Why would anyone want to go anywhere else?!"

# EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT Spencer Allen

"Coming on my 6th year at the Northstar Country Club I can sincerely say that I have learned and experienced more here than any other work environment. I love coming to work and having the ability to express my creativity by planning events and in turn getting to experiment with different ways to make these special moments in your lives extraordinary through meticulous planning, room layouts and floral arranging. Knowing I have the privilege of playing a role in creating long lasting and loving memories for people, whether it be weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, or reunions, is one of the best parts of my job! In the next few months, I especially look forward to the holiday season, and decorating every room of the clubhouse to make the end of the year extra special! Moving into 2023 I cannot wait



to start our new year with the WCC New Year's Eve bash! I have been planning with our Centennial committee a great time to kick off and celebrate 100 years, and hope to see as many of you there as possible!"



## GOLFNOVEMBER

#### Calendar

11/11 Links to Freedom

#### **Golf Groups**

Senior Men: Tuesday & Thursday: 9:30 am

#### **Golf Committee**

Joe Czachowski Steve Taylor Heather Troxell Neil Stephanites Chelsea Hester Mark Shull Josh Michael

#### **Group Contacts**

Ladies Golf: Chelsea Hester Men's Golf: Mark Shull Senior Men: Steve Taylor Junior Golf: Josh Michael Handicaps: Andy Hersey Golf Staff: Andy Hersey

#### **Pro Shop Hours**

Monday: Closed Tuesday - Sunday: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm *Thanksgiving: 9:30 am to 2:00 pm* 

The WCC Golf Course will open at 9:00am in November, weather permitting. The Practice Driving Range will follow the hours of the WCC Golf Pro Shop, weather permitting, except on Sundays. The Practice Driving Range will close at 4:00pm on Sundays in November. Thanksgiving Day, the Golf Pro Shop will be open from 9:30am to 2:00pm. There will be a 10:00am shotgun start for play, weather permitting.



#### **FUN BUNCH**

#### The "Fun Bunch" is back in November

The appropriately named weekend golf group is held on Saturdays and Sundays, weather & course availability permitting, beginning in November and ending late March.

The fun bunch is open to all golf members, male or female, and guests of members. USGA Handicap required. Players of all handicaps, low to high, are encouraged to participate.

Teams are drawn by computer using the A-B-C-D pairing method to provide handic apequity for the teams.

Format for play is usually 1 Best Ball Gross + 1 Best Ball Net of the 4 Player Team.

The entry fee is \$20.00 (cash) per player, per event.

The Fun Bunch will have a 10:00am shotgun start on Saturdays and a 10:30am shotgun start on Sundays.

Please call the golf shop staff, (540)662-3140, to register for play. Please register at least 30 minutes prior to the shotgun start time.

There will not be a Fun Bunch on Sunday, November 6 as the golf course is closed for the entire day for the CCAP-Shenandoah University Golf Team Tournament.

There will not be a Fun Bunch on Saturday, November 12 as the golf course is closed for the entire day for the Links to Freedom Golf Tournament

Given the lower than usual turnout for the Fun Bunch the last few seasons, only 3-4 starting times will be blocked for the Fun Bunch Shotgun Start.

There will be available starting times for regular play in addition to the shotgun start.

#### **GOLFING IN THE COLD - Tips**

- Walk the course to stay warm, or heat your cart
- Remember that balls fly several yards shorter in the cold- you're better than you think 🕲
- Spend a good amount of time warming up
- Keep your golf balls warm
- Grab a hot drink
- Bring an extra layer just in case
- Add tissues to your bag in case of a cold, runny nose
- Have fun!





## SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER BART BULLOCK

November finally upon us, which also means the end of the tournament schedule. This year has been a roller coaster of events; from the robust tournament schedule, weather conditions, excessive amounts of rain, lack of staff, and various other situations that confronted us. As for myself and staff, this is a time to take a deep breath and a big sigh of relief. I believe we made it through this season very well taking all the conditions that we were confronted with into consideration. Thanks to everyone's kind gestures and comments.

In the next few weeks, our focus will continue with cultural practices to improve upon playing conditions. Not to mention leaf removal will also be at the forefront.

Thanks,

BartBullock



Bart's Photos



#### RULES OF GOLF Quiz

*1*. In stroke play, a competitor plays a stroke with the wrong ball. The penalty is a 1 stroke and the player can finish the hole with the wrong ball, *true or false*?

2. A player is allowed to remove loose impediments and/or moveable obstructions in a bunker? *True or False*?

*3*. In a fourball tournament, a player's partner is allowed to stand behind the player on their line of play while they begin to take their stance? *True or False*?

4. A player hits their tee shot on hole #1 at WCC and the ball comes to rest on the green on hole #4. The player must take relief and they may not play the ball from the wrong green? *True or False*?



Answers:

1. False, the penalty is a 2 strokes under Rule 6.3c. The competitor must correct the mistake by playing the correct ball under the rules prior to playing the next hole or returning their scorecard if the wrong ball was played on their last hole. Strokes made playing the wrong ball do not count.

2. True, a player may move the loose impediments and/or moveable obstructions without penalty provided the process is done in a reasonable and least intrusive manner.

3. False, under Rule 10.2b a partner can't stand on the player's line of play when the player begins to take their stance.

4. True, under Rule 13.1f, the player must take complete relief from the wrong green. The player will take relief within one club-length of the nearest point of complete relief, no nearer the hole. Relief in this situation is not penalized.

### **TOURNAMENT RECAPS**

#### • Tigers Club Championship Champion: Linda Wilson CoRunners-Up: NormaO'Donnell&Susan Policastro

#### • Tigers Phillips Memorial 1st: Cheryl Wilson 37 2nd: Linda Wilson 38

#### • Senior Fun Day Men Overall

Hawthorne Trophy (Low Gross) Gary Thomey \$45 Calamari Trophy (Low Net) Bobby Scully \$45 **Men 50 – 59** 

Weiss Trophy (Low Gross) Dan Kelly \$35 Arnold Trophy (Low Net) Jim Salata \$35

#### Men 60 – 64

Minnegrode Trophy (Low Gross) Bob Aitken \$35 Armstrong Trophy (Low Net) George Craft \$35

#### Men 65 – 69

Shockey Trophy (Low Gross) Steve Surber \$35 Campbell Trophy (Low Net) Mike Wilson \$35

#### Men 70 – 74

Romine Trophy (Low Gross) Greg Sowers \$35 Riley Trophy (Low Net) Dale Massey \$35 Men 75 - 79

Carlin Trophy (Low Gross) Steve Taylor \$35 Clement Trophy (Low Net) Nick Polizzi \$35 **Men 80+** 

Vaughn Trophy (Low Gross) Bob McNeill \$35 Eisenhauer Trophy (Low Net) Steve Wilson \$35

#### Ladies Overall

Custer Trophy (Low Gross) Barb Wickerham \$35 Phillips Trophy (Low Net) Susan Policastro \$35 Ladies Age Divisions

Gibb Trophy (Low Net) Lara Shisler \$25 Glaize Trophy (Low Net) Carol MacDonald \$25 McDaniel Trophy (Low Net) Patty Taylor \$25

#### • Member-Member

OVERALL Score Prize/Player/POY 1st Place Pat Haas & Jeremy Mills 171 \$226 150 2nd Place Tag Corrigan & David Hess 172 \$163 100 3rd Place Tim Hall & Tom Jones 174 \$120 75 4th Place Ryan Hayslette & Allen Kees 177 1st moc \$100 50 5th Place Rob Holmes & Will Holmes 177 \$85 50 Scramble

1st Place Pat Haas & Jeremy Mills 29 \$65 NA 2nd Place Matt Karen & Jim Salata 30 \$45 NA

#### Fourball

1st Place Tracy Vosika & Laura White 30 won moc \$65 NA 2nd Place Tag Corrigan & David Hess 30 \$45 NA

#### Aggregate

1st Place Tag Corrigan & David Hess 70 \$65 NA 2nd Place Pat Haas & Jeremy Mills 71 \$45 NA

#### Foursomes

1st Place Chris Cody & Pat Finn 32 \$65 NA 2nd Place Tim Hall & Tom Jones 33 \$45 NA





#### • One DayMember-Guest Gross Score/Prize/Player

1st Place: Jeremy Mills & Bryan Gale 65 \$130 2nd Place Tag Corrigan & Rob Dennis 69 \$100 3rd Place Josh Michael & William Farrell 72 \$80

#### Net Score Prize/Player

1st Place Eric Anderson & Hunter Hurt 64 \$130 2nd Place David Hess & Mike Hockman 67 \$100 3rd Place Larry Cain & Scott Cornwell 69 \$80

#### • Two Man Championship

Place/Player Prize/Player/POY **Champions** Brian Barto & Jim Salata \$325 150 **Runners-Up** Kevin Arthur & Steve Slaughter \$235 100 **Semi-Finalists** Bob Fetter & Kit Molden \$155 75 Wilson Gilbert & Rob Holmes \$155 75 **Quarter-Finalists** Bill Cain & Lee Earnhardt \$120 50 Randy Duane & Bruce Keenan \$120 50 Joe Bowman & David Kibbe \$120 50

Justin Hockman & Dale Massey \$12050



#### Apple Cup: Team Pippin won 11 to 9 over Team Gala.

Team Pippin (L to R): Laura White, Judy Zuckerman, Carol MacDonald, Co-Captain Trent Passmore, Tracy Vosika, Co-Captain Barb Wickerham, Maureen Keresman, Lara Shisler, Jan Cushen

#### • Byrd Match Play Championship

Place/Player/Prize/POY Champion Randy Tuohig \$371 150 Runner-Up Chris Cain \$285 100 Semi-Finalists Justin Hockman \$200 75 Jamie Stewart \$200 75 **Quarter-Finalists** Rich Pell \$140 50 Bobby Jones \$140 50 Matt Thomas \$140 50 Josh Riggleman \$140 50 Round of 16 Scott Harper \$95 25 Tag Corrigan \$95 25 David Daylor \$95 25 WillHolmes \$95 25 Jason Hester \$95.25 Drew Forte \$95 25 Jim Salata \$95 25 Mike Leonard \$95 25





## WinchesterCup: South Team won 18-17 over the North Team.

South Team: Bob Aitken, Brian Barto, Larry Cain, Tim Hall, Captain Andy Hersey, Will Holmes, Dan Kelly, Russ Korn, Paul Leathem, Ryan Oates, Josh Riggleman, Neil Stephanites, Jamie Stewart, Randy Tuohig



## TENNIS NOVEMBER

#### OFFICIALLY BUBBLE SEASON

#### Calendar

- 11/11-12 Links to Freedom
- 11/12-13 USTA Junior Tournament
- 11/14 Doubles Championship Sign-Up Ends
- 11/23 Pre-Turkey Day Workout
- 11/25 Post-Turkey Day Workout
- 12/2-4 4th Annual Tennis-Pickleball Tournament

#### **Pro Shop Hours**

9 am - 5 pm Every Day

#### A Memo From Jamie

"Indoor tennis and pickleball is amazing. It's so much fun playing indoors next to everyone. Lessons are great too, because it really enforces one-on-one time, helping kids focus on what they need to do."

## Weekly Pickleball

<u>Tuesday, October 18th</u> & Every Following Tuesday Through December 13 Skip Thanksgiving Week

Games Start @ 6:30 pm In the Bubble

#### FREE REGISTRATION



Men or women of All skill levels Are welcome!

Play with those of similar skill level.

No equipment necessary; club will provide equipment if needed.





Fastest Growing Sport

winchestercountryclub.net/picklebAll

## FITNESS CENTER & CLASSES

### DID YOU KNOW WE OFFER FREE FITNESS CLASSES?!

Want to reach your golf and/or tennis goals? We offer fitness classes and personal training! You'd be amazed what different types of training can do for your swing!

The fitness center is open every day from 4:30 AM to 11 PM.

#### **Class Schedule**

- Monday: Strength & Conditioning @ 8:45 am at the Fitness Center
- Tuesday: Yoga @ 8 am in the Clubhouse
- Wednesday: Strength & Conditioning @ 8:45 am at the Fitness Center
- Thursday: Yoga @ 7 pm in the Clubhouse
- Friday: Strength & Conditioning @ 8:45 am at the Fitness Center

#### **Reasons to Train**

- Gain Strength
- Improve Flexibility
- Reduce Chance of Injury
- Weight Maintenance/Gain/Loss
- Combats Seasonal Depression
- Can Combat Poor Health Conditions
- Improves Bone, Joint, and Heart Health
- Improves Mental Health and Cognitive Performance
- Can Improve Sleep
- Improves Mood
- Improves Confidence
- Prepares You For Next Season!
- Many More!

#### CLASSES PROVIDED BY JOHN MOORE OF MPT NOW HEALTH AND FITNESS



If you have any questions, please call 540-662-3821, or email info@winchestercountryclub.net

# LET'S GET SOCIAL!

MEMBER SOCIAL THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 5 PM

Come enjoy the evening with fellow members! Free s'mores and drinks will be served.

Firepit next to 10Tee. See you there!



Limited Menu, Speciality Martinis & Drinks Available For Purchase. Event Open To Public.

## ShAre-A-MeAl Fundraising Mixer

November 10 6 PM

We've Almost ReAched Our GoAl

We've almost reached our goal of \$14,000 towards Share-A-Meal, but we still need your help!

Each donation will help feed the Kids Club of the Shenandoah Valley, the Winchester Rescue Mission, and the Freemont Nursery.

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Every Kid MAtters, Every Moment Counts.

# PASSPORT DINNER SERIES: ITALY

Hop on your vespa and head to Italy with us

November 19, 2022

6 pm Cocktail Hour 6:30 pm Dinner is Served

\$45+ per person

Attend 1 dinner and earn 3 points. The more dinners you attend, the more rewards you earn!

3pts-Free Signature Drink 6pts - Free Dessert 9pts - Free Bottle of Wine 12pts - Next Passport Dinner is Free! Jan 21 - Chinese New Year Feb 18 - Mexican South of the Border

Mar 11 - Irish Emerald Isle





RSVP



\$11,000