May 2023

Hunting Hills Country Club Monthly Newsletter

Summer Camps

May 30th -June 2nd All Around the World
(Closed Memorial Day)
June 5th – June 9th Arts & Craft Camp
June 13th – 16th: Junior Sports Camps
June 19th-June 23rd: Nature Camp
June 27th – June 30th: Junior Sports Camps
July 3rd -July 7th: STEM Camp
(Closed July 4th)
July 11th – July 14th Junior Sports Camps
July 17th- July 21st Culinary Camp
with Chef Charles
July 25th- July 28th Junior Sports Camps
July 31st-August 4th Culinary Camp:
Pastry Themed

Registration forms and additional camp information can be located on our website on the "Summer Camp" page or by emailing kidsclub@huntinghillscc.com

May Golf Clinics

Monday, May 1st - 5:15-6:30 (Men's)
Tuesday, May 2nd - 4:00-5:00 (Junior's)
Tuesday, May 2nd - 5:15-6:30 (Ladies')
Wednesday, May 3rd - 4:00-5:00 (Junior's)
Wednesday, May 3rd - 5:15-6:30 (Ladies')

MGA Events

Week 3 - Thursday, May 4th
Week 4- Thursday, May 11th
Week 5-Thursday, June 1st

WGA Events

Every Tuesday, May 2nd
starting at 9:00am

Other Golf Events

Member Guest - May 19th-21st
Four Ball - June 3rd & 4th
Nine & Dine- Friday, May 26th
Memorial Day Shootout- Monday, May 29th

May Events

Friday May 5th : Cinco De Mayo Celebration in the Hills
Come join us as we celebrate Cinco de Mayo! We will be offering special menu items, as well as specialty cocktails, margaritas, and limited availability tequilas!

Wednesday May 10th : Pool Grand Opening
It is that time of year! We will be kicking off this Pool Season on May 10th! Please check your email for all the details!

Saturday May 13th : Spring Fest
Come out and celebrate the start of the Pool Season with us! We will have plenty of family friendly activities, games, and fun!

Sunday May 14th : Mother's Day Brunch
Come celebrate Mother's Day at the Club! We will be offering two 90-minute seatings, from 10am to 11:30am and from 12 noon to 1:30pm. The buffet will be open until 2pm. Call to make your reservations today!

Friday May 19th -Sunday May 21st
Member-Guest Tournament- Couples Dinner Friday Night
Golf Tournament Saturday and Sunday

Friday May 19th
Couples Dinner

Saturday May 20th : Summer Camp Open House 1:30-3pm
Come meet our Summer Camp staff and learn all about the amazing activities we have planned for your kids this summer! We will be providing light refreshments on the patio! We hope to see you and your family there!

Spring Open House
Thursday, May 25th

Monday May 29th : Memorial Day Pool Party
Join us for a day of food, fun, and friendship as we celebrate our Nation's Heroes! We will have a DJ, plenty of activities, and of course- amazing food and beverages!

Tennis Events

Saturday June 24th
Tennis Hall of Fame
Social 4:45-5:45pm

May 26th-28th
2nd Annual Art Ybanez Doubles
Tennis Tournament

Clay Court Season is Here

Tips and Tricks for Dirtballing

The clay courts are officially open at Hunting Hills. Here are a few strategies to consider as we move outdoors to play on the dirt.

For Your Game– Of the three main tennis surfaces (hard, grass, and clay), clay plays the slowest. The bounce of the ball also reacts more dramatically to spin, meaning that shots with topspin will bounce extra high, and shots with underspin will seem to die out as soon as they hit the court. Additionally, as a match draws out, a perfectly groomed court becomes disturbed with divots and bumps from all your intense footwork, sliding, and powerful shots. Naturally, this results in some inconsistent bounces, as does the variation between the clay court and the plastic lines.

How do the characteristics of a clay court affect the way you play your game?

Expect longer rallies. Make the effort to take some extra steps when getting in position for your shot, especially against a slicing ball. Be patient in baseline rallies. Play from behind the baseline against a player who hits a lot of topspin.

On your end, try and use a variation of spin to your advantage. A deep ball with topspin will push your opponent back towards the fence, and a slice ball played short will force them to run, testing their quickness and forward movement.

For Fresh Kicks– Keep wet wipes in your tennis bag. A few quick swipes will clear that dust right off your tennis shoes. For the soles of your shoes, step in the little water bath thing– that which I don't know the official name of– there's one right outside the entrance to the clubhouse. Finally, watch out where you take off your shoes after playing on the clay. Clay will oftentimes find its way inside your sneakers and socks, so you might want to take off your shoes before going inside.

For Clay Court Etiquette– If you notice a divot in the court, kick some dirt over it and step on a bit to smooth it over. After a rain, the courts will be extra soft and slow. If they don't have enough time to dry out before play, they'll be kinda mushy and muddy and it's best not hold off until they've dried out and firmed up a bit.

We do ask that you close the gates behind you when you leave, especially in the evenings. Deer, groundhogs, and other curious animals like to try and play tennis when nobody's around. Nothing against animals playing tennis, but their hoofs and digging habits will disturb the meticulously kept playing surface.

Have fun out there!

Shepherd Newcomb

Welcome our new Swim Coach Steven Mills

Steven was born in Wilmington, Delaware and he started competitive swimming when he was 5 years old on the Delaware Swim Team. He and his family moved to Lynchburg, Virginia when he was 8 years old and he began swimming for the Lynchburg YMCA. Over his 10 year career with LY, Steven set numerous team records . He specialized in the 200, 500, and 1650 freestyle, 200 backstroke, and 200 butterfly. Steven was also the former state record holder for Virginia Swimming in the 400 meter freestyle as a 12-year old. During his high school career, Steven was a VISAA and VHSL State qualifier and finalist in both individual and relay events for Liberty Christian Academy. He was named the Virginia Independent Conference Swimmer of the year and was a three time conference/region champion in the 200 and 500 freestyle. Steven was also named team captain during his senior year at LCA. Steven finished his career swimming for Liberty University Men's Swim Team.

Steven began his coaching career at his local summer league swim team, FAST Makos, in 2016 during his sophomore year of high school. During this time, he operated as an a ssistant coach and was later promoted to head coach. He coached the Makos through the 2022 season. He had the opportunity to coach some of the best swimmers in the Lynchburg area and helped produce a competitive team every year. He was also the 2021-2022 coach for Heritage High School . Heritage was able to produce their first 2 VHSL State qualifiers in 20 years during his season there.

Steven also operated as an assistant coach for Liberty University Men's Swim Team for two seasons while completing his degree in Exercise Science. Steven spent most of his time working with the sprint group and assisting the head coach. His main focuses while coaching were to work on elite skill development and assist in cultivating a competitive environment. During his time at Liberty, the men's team placed 5th and 2nd at the CCS National Championship.

Outside of swimming, Steven is a huge sports fan and loves to watch professional and college sports during his free time. He also enjoys hunting and fishing when he has the time.

MOTHER'S DAY BUFFET

SUNDAY, MAY 14TH,2023
Reservations are available at 10am and 12pm
Reservations are for 90 minutes
Adults $39.95++
Children 12 and under $19.99++

FRUIT AND CHEESE DISPLAY
Domestic & Imported Cheeses with
Fresh Fruits & Berries

Display of Breads & Pastries

SEAFOOD DISPLAY
Chilled Shrimp, Fried Shrimp,
Steamed Mussels & Clams

SALAD DISPLAY
Pasta Salad, Caesar Salad,
Spinach Salad, & Spring Greens,
with a variety of toppings

CHEF ATTENDED STATIONS
Omelet Station

Belgium Waffle Station
with Whipped Cream, Fruit Jams
& warm Maple Syrup

Carving Station
Roast Beef with Au jus &
Horseradish Cream Sauce

BUFFET LINE
Smoked Bacon & Sausage
Chicken with Fresh Herbs & Spices
Pasta Primavera
Roasted Red Potatoes
Mixed Spring Vegetables
Biscuits & Sausage Gravy

ASSORTED DESSERTS