

Hunting Hills Country Club

March 2024 Newsletter

March Social Events

Saturday, March 2nd - Prime Rib & Seafood Concert Dinner

Join us for dinner and enjoy Prime Rib and our specialty seafood menu while listening to the musical accompaniment of the First Chair Violinist from Southern University and the First Class Cellist from Washington and Lee University.

Bring a Guest Day - Thursday, March 7th - NEW

Share HHCC with a friend and enjoy a free appetizer or dessert with the purchase of two entrees, available for lunch or dinner.

Sips & Stems - Thursday, March 7th - \$65 per person

Join us at 6pm for a Floral Workshop and craft a stunning centerpiece with Mary Jo of Gloriosa. All materials and flowers will be provided. Stay for appetizers or dinner after the event. Reservations are required for this event.

Match & Mingle- Friday, March 8th

Enjoy a match of tennis from 6-7:30pm and join the tennis participants for dinner at the Clubhouse starting at 7:30pm.

Bluegrass Bash - Saturday, March 9th

A professional dance instructor will be on-site to teach popular line dance choreography to members. Line dancing, great food, and great drinks. Swing your partner round and round from 6-9 pm.

Paint Night- St. Patrick's Themed- Thursday, March 14th

6:30 – 8:30pm | \$28 per person | Reservations Required
Come out and join us for our second guided paint night. You and your party will be guided through a St. Patrick's Day-themed painting while enjoying your meal. The price includes all supplies. Food and beverage orders are separate.

Passport to Ireland Dinner- Saturday, March 16th

Join us for an enchanting evening as we embark on a culinary journey to Ireland. Indulge in authentic Irish cuisine and immerse yourself in the rich culture and traditions of the Emerald Isle.

Sunday, March 17th - Lucky Leprechauns' Brunch

Wear your festive green and enjoy themed specials in addition to our regular brunch menu.

Birthday Day- Wednesday, March 20th - NEW

Are you celebrating your birthday in March? Celebrate with us on Wednesday, March 20th for lunch or dinner for a complimentary meal. Our March birthday guests of honor can enjoy any item from our Specialty Birthday Menu on the house! Available to any dues-paying member. Dine In Only - Not available for Owner Dining Members

Annual Share Holders Meeting- Thursday, March 21st

All Members are encouraged to attend- Capital Plan Reveal
6:00-7:00 pm Cocktail Hour | 7:00 pm- Meeting Start

New Member Social & Free Golf Clinic - Thursday, March 28th

Join us from 6:30-7:30 pm for our New Member Social—a chance for new and existing members to mingle over complimentary food and drinks. Stick around for dinner afterward and continue the fun! James Kasza will be hosting a free 30-minute golf clinic on the range starting at 6:00pm.

Easter Brunch Sunday, March 31st | 10am-2pm

Enjoy a buffet spread, take your picture with the Easter bunny from 12:30-2:00pm, participate in an exciting egg hunt, and create cherished memories with your family. Buffet menu attached. Reservations required.

Easter Egg Hunt

In order to accommodate egg hunters of all ages we will be hosting two Easter egg hunts this year during our buffet service. The first will begin at 12:30pm for ages 5 and under and a second one will be conducted at 12:45 for ages 5 and up. We will also have a family fun zone set up on the patio featuring kid friendly crafts and activities hosted by the kids club team.



Splash Pad & Kids Zone

Exciting news! Construction is underway for our new Splash Pad & Kids Zone at the pool area. The fully renovated Splash Pad and wading pool area will include a beach entry and a 60" umbrella water feature. We expect completion by Memorial Day, if not sooner. Stay tuned for more updates!

Summer Camp- Early Bird Special

Register before March 15th to lock in our EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT of \$15 off per week enrolled. A 50% deposit will be collected upon enrollment to save your campers spot and lock in the discount.

Registration forms can be accessed online, or physical copies are available at the clubhouse for your convenience. Should you have any questions or require assistance, please feel free to reach out to our Family Events Director, Stephen Smigielski, at kidsclub@huntinghillsc.com. We are excited about the upcoming year and the fun experiences that await our kids.

- Session 1: June 3rd-7th (Animal Kingdom)
- Session 2: June 10th-14th (Junior Sports Camp #1)
- Session 3: June 17th-20th (Cooking Camp #1)
*camp closed June 21st
- Session 4: June 24th-28th (Junior Sports Camp #2)
- Session 5: July 1st-5th (Holidays)
*camp closed July 4th
- Session 6: July 8th -12th (Junior Sports Camp #3)
- Session 7: July 15th -19th (Cooking Camp #2)
- Session 8: July 22nd – 26th (Junior Sports Camp #4)
- Session 9: July 29th - August 2nd (Greek Mythology)
- Session 10: August 5th -9th (Cooking Camp #3)

Racket Sports News

Slice is Nice

I've noticed that the slice backhand is sometimes misunderstood to be some kind of mythical supershot. While it is different from your typical groundstroke, it doesn't have to be so intimidating. Sure, it comes with a learning curve, but so does the entire sport of tennis. Here are four reasons why the slice backhand is a practical shot to incorporate in your game.

But first, what is slice?

Slice refers to a shot executed with underspin or sidespin. Generally underspin on groundstrokes and sidespin on the serve.

Slice is nice against the low ball.

It's practical to use a slice when the incoming ball is low. That is because to execute a slice, your racket face must be open (strings tilted slightly toward the sky). When that ball is just too short and low to get underneath and hit over the net with topspin, slice is nice.

Slice is nice to mix it up.

You're in a rally— forehand, backhand, forehand, forehand— all with topspin— and then whoosh you throw in a skiddy slice backhand to mix it up and it catches your opponent completely off guard. A well executed slice has the opposite effect as topspin. Topspin jumps up, and slice stays low. To mix up the rhythm of the rally, slice is nice.

Slice is nice to draw your opponent forward.

Play a short slice to make your opponent move forward. Maybe they're not super fast moving towards the net, or they don't like to volley. If you're playing against this opponent, slice is nice.

Slice is nice to neutralize the rally.

You're under fire from your opponent's aggressive baseline play. They have you on the move. One more topspin groundstroke and they'll step in and hit a winner. Quick—neutralize the rally with a slice! This move is effective because it slows down the pace of the rally and makes your opponent play a low ball— which is more difficult to attack off of. When your opponent likes to attack with their groundstrokes, slice is nice.

How does one hit a slice?

That is another discussion to have with Coach John or Coach Shepherd on the tennis court. We'd love to help you with it!

Shepherd Newcomb

March 16th from 1-3 PM we are having a St. Patrick's Day Social! Come on out. We had a ton of fun at our February social, complete with pickleball, tennis, and tacos. Our social events are not limited to tennis members, all Hunting Hills Members are welcome to come out whether or not you play racket sports on the reg. See you there!



Racket Sports Events

Friday, March 8th - Match & Mingle
Enjoy a match of tennis from 6-7:30pm and join the tennis participants for dinner at the Clubhouse starting at 7:30pm.

Saturday, March 16th- St. Patrick's Day Social 1-3pm

Golf News

New Golf Cart Fleet

Our new fleet of golf carts will be arriving in April, bringing enhanced comfort, style, and increased availability to your golfing experience.

Featuring longer battery life and plush bucket seats, these platinum-colored carts are designed to elevate your time on the course. With an expanded fleet size, we're ensuring that more members can enjoy uninterrupted play and comfort during their rounds.

Get ready to enjoy extended rounds with uninterrupted ease and stand out in style as you navigate our greens. Stay tuned for more updates as we eagerly anticipate their arrival. See you on the fairway!

March Golf Clinics

Women's Clinics:

- Time: Tuesdays, 5:30-6:30 PM
- Cost: \$125 per month or \$30 per session
- March Dates: 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th
- March 5th: Putting Clinic
- March 12th: Short Game, Chipping Techniques
- March 19th: Irons & Iron Contact
- March 26th: Driver and Woods

Junior Clinics:

- Time: Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:00-5:00 PM
- Cost: \$200 per month or \$30 per session
- March Dates: 4th, 5th, 11th, 12th, 18th, 19th, 25th, 26th

Men's Clinics:

- Time: Mondays, 5:30-6:30 PM
- Cost: \$125 per month or \$30 per session
- March Dates: 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
- March 4th: Putting Clinic
- March 11th: Short Game and Chipping Techniques
- March 18th: Irons & Iron Contact
- March 25th: Driver and Woods

Note: For the last clinic of the month, bring a guest for free.



Golf Etiquette Reminders

As we prepare for another great season at Hunting Hills Country Club, let's remember the importance of golf etiquette:

Respect the Course: Repair divots and bunkers, and avoid unnecessary damage to the turf.

Pace of Play: Keep the game moving by being ready to play and avoiding delays.

Noise Control: Keep conversations quiet and silence cell phones.

Safety First: Wait for others to be out of range before making your shot.

Consider Fellow Golfers: Avoid walking or standing in their line of sight and yield to faster groups.

Follow Course Rules: Observe any specific instructions provided by our staff.

Let's uphold the traditions of sportsmanship and respect on the course. Enjoy your rounds!

Golf Events

Green Ball Golf Tournament

Date: Saturday, March 16th | 12pm Shotgun
4 Person Teams, Best 2 Balls Format
Dress in your finest green attire for this festive event!

MGA Kickoff Dinner | 5:30pm in Sports Bar

Date: Saturday, March 16th | \$25 ++
Kick off the Men's Golf Association season with a celebratory dinner. Join fellow members for an evening of camaraderie and anticipation for the exciting golf season ahead.

WGA Kickoff Dinner | Clubroom at 6 pm

Date: Thursday, March 21st
Kick off the Women's Golf Association season with a delightful dinner event. Connect with fellow members and gear up for an exciting season of golfing adventures.

1st MGA Golf Event

Date: Thursday, March 28th
Tee off at 5:30pm 9 Holes
Buffet Dinner in the Sports Bar after golf \$20++

New Member Social & Free Golf Clinic

Date: Thursday, March 28th
Time: 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM
Location: The Putting Green

Get ready for an enjoyable evening of golfing skills and socializing! Whether you're a seasoned golfer or new to the game, this event is a perfect opportunity to practice your swing and connect with new members. If you have a wedge and putter, we encourage you to bring them.



Passport to Ireland



Saturday, March 16th 5:00-8:00 pm

APPETIZERS

Boxty Potato Cake - \$10

Crispy potato pancake served with smoked salmon and sour cream

Dublin Bay Prawn Cocktail - \$20

Freshly grilled prawns served on a bed of sautéed cabbage with classic Marie Rose sauce

Irish Seafood Chowder - \$10

A blend of fresh seafood, potatoes, and aromatic Irish spices in a creamy broth

MAIN COURSE

Guinness Braised Beef Short Ribs - \$30

Tender beef short ribs braised in Guinness served with Colcannon and roasted carrots

Pan-Seared Irish Trout - \$26

Fresh Irish trout pan-seared to perfection, served with lemon butter sauce, Champ, and green beans

Lamb Stew - \$28

A hearty stew made with tender lamb, root vegetables, and Guinness

DESSERTS

Blackberry Crumble - \$10

Warm crumble made with fresh apples and blackberries served with vanilla ice cream

Irish Triple Layer Chocolate Cake - \$12

Three rich layers of chocolate cake filled with chocolate icing and topped with an Irish cream drizzle

Easter Brunch

Sunday, March 31st | 10am-2pm

\$39.95 per adult++ | \$19.95++ per child 12 & younger

Reservations Required

Easter Egg Hunt

12:30pm for ages 5 and under

12:45 for ages 5 and up

Buffet Menu

Fruit and Cheese Display

Domestic and imported cheeses,
fresh fruits, and berries

Display of Baked Goods

French baguettes, croissants, muffins,
cinnamon rolls, and assorted Danishes

Cold Seafood Display

Chilled shrimp and Smoked Salmon salad

Salad Display

Pasta salad, Caesar salad, Spinach salad, and Spring greens
with a variety of toppings

Chef Attended Stations

Omelet Station

Grilled chicken, ham, bacon bits, mushrooms, onions,
tomatoes, peppers, feta cheese, and cheddar cheese.

Belgium Waffle Station

With whipped cream, fruit jams, warm maple syrup

Carving station

Brown Sugar Maple Ham
Herb Roasted Leg of Lamb

Buffet Line

Grilled Breast of Chicken with Shrimp

Beef Stew

Mashed Potatoes

Mixed Spring Vegetable

Dessert Display

Apple pie, Pecan pie, Cheesecake, Chocolate cake,
Lemon Meringue pie, and Chocolate Cream pie



Hunting Hills Country Club

2024 Golf Calendar

Member Events

(unless otherwise specified, all member events are open to Men, Women & Juniors)

Sat, March 16th : Green Ball Tournament (MGA Points)
Sat, April 6th : Opening Day Scramble (MGA points)
Fri, May 17th : Sat, May 18th : Men's Member-Guest
(Friday- Lunch & Couples Dinner | Saturday- Breakfast, Lunch & Stag Dinner)
Mon, May 27th : Memorial Day Shootout
Thurs, July 4th : 4th of July Tournament
Fri, July 12th-Sun, July 14th : Men's Member-Member
(Friday - Couples Dinner Only- No Golf | Saturday, Breakfast, Lunch & Stag Dinner | Sunday Breakfast)
Sat, Aug 24th : Member 3 Guest Tournament
Mon, Sep 2nd : Labor Day Golf Tournament
Sat, Sep 28th : Sun, Sep 29th - Club Championship
Sun, Oct 6th : Oktoberfest Golf Tournament (MGA points)
Sat, October 12th : One-Day Fall Golf Trip
Sat, Nov 2nd: Cross Country Tournament

Junior Summer Camps

June 11th -14th : Sports Camp
June 25th -28th : Sports Camp
July 9th -12th : Sports Camp
July 23rd -26th : Sports Camp

Nine & Dine

Held on the third Friday of each month

April 19th, May 24th, June 21st,
July 19th, Aug 16th, Sept 20th & Oct 18th

Course Maintenance

Deep Tine Aerification : April 15th
Hollow Tine Aerification : October 7th

Outside Tournaments

(dates are subject to change)

Saturday, April 13 : Hidden Valley Athletic Boosters Tournament
Friday, May 3rd : Katy Cookston Charity Tournament *(course closed all day)*
Thursday, May 9th : Homebuilders Association Tournament
Friday, May 10th : GWRABA Tournament
Friday, June 7th : Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame (Men & Women)
Saturday, June 22nd & Sunday June 23rd : Matt Chandler HHCC Memorial Four Ball Tournament
Friday, July 12th : Chris Askew Memorial Tournament *(course closed all day)*
Saturday, August 10th : Shiloh Baptist Tournament *(course closed all day)*
Friday, August 23rd : Tudor House – Big Kahuna
Friday, September 6th: VA United FC Tournament *(previously VBR Star)*
Friday, September 13th: Annual Greenburg Cup
Monday, September 16th : Roanoke County Educational Foundation Tournament
Saturday, September 21st : Cave Spring Boys Basketball Fundraiser Tournament

Men's Golf Association

Sat, March 16th : MGA Kickoff Dinner
Thu, March 28th : Week 1
Thu, April 4th : Week 2
Sat, April 6th : Opening Day Scramble
Thu, April 18th : Week 3
Thu, May 2nd : Week 4
Thu, May 23rd : Week 5
Thu, June 6th : Week 6
Thu, June 20th : Week 7
Thu, July 11th : Week 8
Thu, July 25th : Week 9
Thu, Aug 8th : Week 10
Thu, Aug 22nd : Week 11
Thu, Sept 5th : Week 12
Thu, Sep 19th : Week 13
Sun, Oct 6th : Oktoberfest Golf Tournament

Women's Golf Association

Tuesdays starting at 9:00am
Weekly from April 9th- October 15th
WGA Kickoff Dinner : March 21st 6pm
WGA Invitational : June 15th

2024

HUNTING HILLS COUNTRY CLUB RACKET SPORTS CALENDAR

JANUARY

January 9-March 13 Winter Junior Clinics(2 Tuesdays, Wednesday)
January 19 Pickleball Social open to all levels

FEBRUARY

February 2-4 Winter Classic Tennis Doubles Tournament (Men's, Women's)
February 9-11 Winter Classic Tennis Doubles Tournament (Mixed)

MARCH

March-November PickleBall Clinic 11-12 pm outdoor courts
March-November Pickleball open play outdoor courts (all Levels):
Monday 11:30-2:30pm, Tuesday 5-7 pm, Wednesday 11:30-2:30 pm
Thursday 12-3 pm and 7-9 pm, Friday 11:30-2:30 pm and 5-7 pm
Saturday 9-12 noon and 3-5pm,Sunday 9-12, and Sunday 1-4pm

APRIL

April 13 Pickleball League play starts Men's, Women's, and Juniors
April 22 Opening of the Clay courts (weather dependent)
April 25-May 30 ODTA Women's Team Tennis

MAY

May 18 Family Tennis and Pickleball Day
May 24-26 Art Ybanez Tennis Doubles Tournament (Men's, Women's, Mixed)

JUNE

June - July Youth Team Tennis League
June 11-14 Sports Camp (including Tennis and Pickleball)
June 25-28 Sports Camp (including Tennis and Pickleball)
June 29 4th Annual Roanoke Regional Tennis Hall of Fame Pro-Am

JULY

July 9-12 Sports Camp (including Tennis and pickleball)
July 13 Breakfast at Wimbledon Party and Social
July 23-26 Sports Camp (including Tennis and Pickleball)

AUGUST

August 10 Tennis and Pickleball Member Appreciation Day

SEPTEMBER

September 14 US Open Party and Social
September 24-December 6 Fall Junior Clinics (2 Tuesdays, Wednesday)

OCTOBER

October 25-27 American Heart Tennis Doubles Tournament

NOVEMBER

November 16 Thanksgiving Tennis and Pickleball Mixer

DECEMBER

December 1 Indoor Pickleball Open Play (Sunday 1-3 pm all Winter)
December 6 Holiday Party Tennis Mixer

* All Dates are subject to change

