

The Glade Springs Villager



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Matt Felber, Director of Golf



Woodhaven is now open!

We are working hard to be ready for a successful 2022 golf season. As the 2022 golf season arrives, the golf staff and I are excited to see everyone enjoying some early season golf on our two fantastic POA golf courses.

The golf shop is now stocked and ready to serve our membership and guests. As we are in our normal golf season, just a reminder that Stonehaven is closed on Mondays and Woodhaven is closed on Tuesdays.

However, we still have availability for **MEMBERS ONLY** access on private carts, with a 2022 trail pass, to use after 4pm on Monday at Stonehaven and Tuesday at Woodhaven. Please call or email golfshop@gladespringspoa.com for information on Stonehaven regarding holiday Monday's openings.

The new parking area and cart storage area between Stonehaven #1 and #18 is complete. We will be adding and updating our service to members and guests as those areas transition into service. As for now, we will be staging carts in the area surrounding the Stonehaven Starter House.

Players who are visiting Stonehaven should park in the new gravel parking area located off of the George Lane cul-de-sac.

Directions to parking area:

Coming from the main gate continue through the clock tower and make a left on Edward Drive, follow Edward Drive and make a left on George Lane. As you approach the end of George Lane turn left and the parking area is straight ahead. Please call the pro shop at 304-763-3332 and we will pick you up and bring you and/or guests to the Stonehaven Starter House to check in for golf and collect appropriate fees.

We will be distributing the carts for the Stonehaven Golf Course and collecting

fees through the Stonehaven Starter House.

Do not use the GSR Hotel parking lot across from the Stonehaven 1st tee or the main Cobb parking areas.

The GSVPOA golf staff will do our best to accommodate our POA members and all guests during this transition.

The 2022 Stonehaven and Woodhaven Trail Passes are available for purchase and pickup at the Woodhaven golf shop or Stonehaven Starter House only.

We will be contacting our golfers through email to sign up for the new text messaging system for daily course conditions throughout the year. The QR Code for signup is below. It is also available at the Stonehaven Starter House or Woodhaven Pro Shop as well as inside the Glade Living Magazine.

Please call the golf shop at 304-763-3332 for available tee times and conditions. We are currently in our frost delay season. Tee times may be pushed later until the temperatures are warm enough for play to start.

If you are a POA member and are interested in using The Haven for a member get together please email matt.felber@gladespringspoa.com.

Please call or email us with any questions or concerns at golfshop@gladespringspoa.com or matt.felber@gladespringspoa.com.



Matt Felber, PGA
Director of Golf
Glade Springs Village POA



Want to sign-up to receive text messages for daily course conditions and other important golf-related messages? Scan the QR Code with your smart phone's camera and then press send. Questions? Call the Golf Shop - 304-763-3332.

Nathan Armstrong
Golf Course Superintendent

Hello GSVPOA Members,

Now that the weather is warming up, the Daffodils have started blooming and it won't be long before we see new fawns walking around on wobbly legs. It is a wonderful time of year to be in the Appalachians. I'm not sure I have ever seen a prettier part of the country.

The membership seems to be coming out of the woodwork to play a little golf. The golf courses have come through the winter in really good shape and the maintenance staff is gearing up for a really good golf season.



I know that you are never thrilled to arrive at the golf course, only to find out that the maintenance staff has just aerified greens. Our goal is to provide you with excellent playing conditions on a daily basis. However, we also need to provide an environmentally sustainable golf course so that we can enjoy those excellent playing conditions for years to come.

Aerating putting greens creates a short-term disruption to your game, but the long-term benefits greatly outweigh the inconvenience. Learning more about why we aerate putting greens can make it easier to be patient during the process. Here are 5 things from the USGA that every golfer should know about aeration:

- 1. We aerate to improve, not annoy** – Putting greens receive more traffic than any other playing surface. The aeration process helps relieve the compaction caused by all that traffic. It also helps create a firm, smooth putting surface by controlling thatch and promoting healthy turf roots.
- 2. Scratch the thatch** – Thatch is a layer of old plant material that accumulates at the soil surface. If thatch on putting greens is not diluted by aeration and topdressing, it will act like a sponge, holding water near the surface. Excessive thatch creates soft playing conditions, inconsistent greens speeds and increases the risk of disease.
- 3. Timing is everything** – Do you ever wonder why aeration is commonly performed when putting greens are playing their best? Aerating when grass is healthy and actively growing minimizes damage and allows for a quick return to optimal playing conditions. Aerating at other times may be more convenient for the golf schedule, but it lengthens recovery times, increases risk of an invasion of weeds such as *Poa Annua* and could cause lasting damage.
- 4. Its not as bad as you think** – It may seem like there are more holes than grass on the putting greens right after they've been aerated, but this is an illusion. Typically, aeration affects less than 10 percent of a putting surface.
- 5. Sand is part of the plan** – A heavy application of topdressing following aeration may appear to make putting greens less playable. However, filling aeration holes with sand actually helps create a smoother surface. Sand also creates channels for water and air movement, dilutes thatch and helps putting

greens recover from aeration more quickly.

Stonehaven and Woodhaven will be closed for aeration as follows:

Stonehaven May 9-12 and August 22-25

Woodhaven May 3-6 and September 6-9

I hope that you have enjoyed the golf courses so far this season. It has been a pleasure to talk to those that I have encountered as I have been out and about on the courses. Many of you have taken the time to let the staff know how much you appreciate their hard work which goes a long way towards lifting their spirits and motivating them to continue to work hard for you the membership. Remember to give them a friendly wave as you go by where they are working.

Thank You,

Nathan Armstrong, Class A
Golf Course Superintendent
Glade Springs Village POA

Food and Beverage Amendment

The GSVPOA Board of Directors has heard from our Members and their guests that they want access to food and beverages while enjoying our amenities on our common properties. These include during and after golf play and while enjoying the swimming pool and tennis court at Woodhaven. To accomplish this the Covenants need to be amended by the members.

The amendment will allow GSVPOA the right to provide food and beverage services on the Common Property of Glade Springs Village, such as Stonehaven and Woodhaven. We believe that amending the covenants will enhance the enjoyment of our amenities for Members and guests; improve our property values; and make Glade Springs Village more attractive to potential buyers.

The Board respectfully asks you to sign the agreement to amend the Protective Covenant number 22 to accomplish the change. Please promptly sign, date and return it to us.

If you have any questions about this amendment, there is further information available on the GSVPOA website: gladespringspoa.com. Please click on Covenant 22 to read the introduction, Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), and a sample agreement form.

Dam Socials



Monthly Dam Socials are happening! They are the first Wednesday of each month from April through October at 5:30pm at the Chatham Lake parking lot. All residents of Glade Springs are welcome to attend.

Bring your beverage of choice and a chair.

Snacks to share are always welcome.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the lake!

Questions? Contact John or Betty Callender.

Community Involvement Initiative

In 2011 and again in 2012, Bill Baker and John Stepp organized and led a highly successful Community Involvement Initiative. Approximately 30 Glade Springs residents participated.

In each of these two years, participants attended 10 morning sessions designed to expose them to a variety of organizations and activities underway in our Beckley-Raleigh County community. These sessions included:

- History of the area through a round-table discussion with a College history professor.
- The role of coal to include both surface and under-ground mine site visits.
- Economic Development approaches to include tourism, airport, and industrial parks.
- Infrastructure needs and plans.
- Local government to include conversations with Beckley's mayor, county commissioners, and court judge.
- Higher education institutions in the area as well as New River Community and Technology College.
- Public education with a meeting with Raleigh County school superintendent.
- An examination of culture and arts in our area.
- An exposure to many human services and support organizations.

The attendees were all new-comers to Southern West Virginia. By the conclusion of the 10 sessions, they had a pretty thorough understanding of what was being done across a broad array of our community institutions and their on-going needs for assistance.

Armed with this information, it was the hope that such a wealth of talented people moving into Glade Springs whose experience included a diverse set of disciplines, would have their interest piqued and wish to voluntarily contribute their time and talent. The extent to which they might choose to be involved and with what, if any, organization was left entirely to them.

We were thrilled with what ensued. Almost all of the participants discovered organizations that were doing things that interested them. To this day, most

are still contributing to organizations of their choice. By any measure, these two community involvement initiatives were greatly successful.

Why then were they not continued? The short-term answer is in the immediate years following 2012, a critical mass of new-comers to Glade Springs had been exhausted. The more immediate reason might be best described as inertia coupled with an absence of leadership.

Ten years have lapsed since the last Initiative. There undoubtedly exists a "critical mass" of new-comers (15 or so). We would gladly advise and assist anyone who might be willing to resurrect this program and provide the requisite leadership. We sincerely believe it is a win-win for both the participants and the organizations receiving their assistance.

Bill Baker and John Stepp

Glade Springs Earth Day Litter Pickup



In conjunction with Earth Day celebrations across Raleigh County, we are organizing a litter pickup in Glade Springs on Saturday, April 16, from 9 am to 11 am. As in past years, we need volunteers from our community to help pick up litter.

If you are interested in helping us with this project, show up in front of the Town Center Pavilion around 9:00am, and we will assign an area in Glade Springs for you to pick up litter. We will give you trash bags, safety vests, and other supplies at this time and ask that you return the supplies to us at the Town Square at 11:00am or when you have completed your pickup. Also we would ask you to place filled trash bags along main streets so that Security Guards can easily see the bags and take them to a central location.

If you have any questions, please call 304-763-3222 or text 304-266-7088.

Thanks.

Ken Dunlap
Tom Lemke

Looking for New Architectural Control (ACC) Committee Members!

The GSVPOA ACC Committee is seeking new members. The ACC is responsible for enforcing the Rules and Regulations that govern the Village. They also review and approve all new house plans



and changes to the exterior of existing homes or property.

If you are interested in more information about the Committee or would like to become a member, please contact Allen Teinert at allen@teinert.com.

Quilters Celebrate National Quilt Month



For many, March is eagerly welcomed for the onset of Spring and the scramble of March Madness. For quilting enthusiasts, however, March is the celebration of National Quilt Month. This March, members of Hands All Around (HAA), a local quilt club, are busy preparing for their first quilt show.

The Hands All Around quilt show will be held April 8 - 30, 2022 at the Beckley Arts Center on Johnstown Road in Beckley. Admission is free, and quilts and other quilted items can be viewed by the public from 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM daily. Some items will be for sale. Special demonstrations and classes will be held throughout the month. For more information, contact Susie Mann at saffytori@yahoo.com.

If you have a passion for quilting, you may want to consider joining the Hands All Around quilt club. Members currently meet at the Beckley Art Center on Johnstown Road on the first and third Mondays of each month.

Members pursue their own works of art as well as sharing techniques and tools of the trade with one another. Mentoring new quilters is common as well. In addition, members of HAA take on numerous projects for the good of the community.

Past projects include making quilts for distribution in local nursing homes, Hospice, and hospitals. Projects have also included making quilts for police cruisers to be available to children in distress. Additionally, quilts have been made by club members for the Quilts of Valor project in which quilts have been given to our local veterans during the Veteran's Day activities in Beckley.

If interested in joining the HAA quilt club, Contact Shelly Prince at rachellaprince@gmail.com. See you at the quilt show!

Reminder

As a reminder to our members - accounts must be current in order to enjoy our amenities such as golf, the Woodhaven pool and front gate transponders.

Accounts must also be current to be able to vote in the upcoming Board of Directors election.

Please call the POA office with any questions.
