

The Glade Springs Villager



May 2023

Message from our General Manager

Dear Residents,

Our team has been busy this spring addressing drainage on the Woodhaven course. We rented a trencher and addressed the drainage on the Woodhaven course in the following areas:



- Hole number one on the approach
- Hole number three in the area of the green
- Hole number four in the area of the cart path
- We added a culvert at Woodhaven maintenance shop,
- The team addressed several small drainage areas on the course.

We believe that it will not only improve your experience as you play the course but the overall health of the course as well. It is our hope that you are now starting to see a difference in the course from these changes and enjoying your golf more.

You will also notice that a few of the Woodhaven Course bathrooms have had an update, you will notice new floors have been installed, the trim has been replaced and painted.

The POA efforts to market the golf courses appears to be working. The first quarter outside play is up by almost fifty percent over the 2022 first quarter outside play. We are looking forward to a wonderful golf season!

If you have a question for the POA, or need to get in touch with the POA the best way to do is to reach out to the office at 304-763-5382 or to email [the POA office](#). This will provide you with the most reliable information.

We have several private homes under construction in the neighborhood, these areas are private property. No trespassing is allowed in these areas for your own safety. These are active construction areas. Please ensure that your children of all ages are aware not to enter.

The ballots for the annual meeting have been mailed to all the owners, if you have not received yours, please contact the POA office.

The POA office will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2023, in observance of Memorial Day.

The Woodhaven Pool opens on Friday, May 26, 2023. The Woodhaven pool hours will be the same as last year, Wednesday to Monday, 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. The pool is closed on Tuesdays for cleaning, maintenance, and safety. We hope that everyone enjoys the commercial pool furniture this summer.

Respectfully yours,

Linda Horensavitz, PCAM
General Manager

West Virginia Strawberry Festival, May,13-21, 2023



The West Virginia Strawberry Festival kicked off in 1936 as a way to honor our strawberry growers and help them increase sales. The very first Festival was a day-long celebration. As the years passed and its popularity increased, the West Virginia Strawberry Festival grew into the full week of fun that we know it as today! We continue to honor strawberry growers from all over our beautiful state. The Strawberry Auction is traditionally held on the Friday afternoon of Festival Week.

Interesting Fact: After being discontinued for five years during WWII, the Festival continued to expand into today's week-long celebration!

We pride our festival in being known as an "Exciting Family Tradition." For 8 fun-filled days, guests of all ages will enjoy the Strawberry Gift Shop, Horse & Carriage Parade, the Arts & Craft Show at WV Wesleyan College, and food vendors specializing in strawberry treats of all kinds. Oh and don't forget the carnival!

<https://festivalguidesandreviews.com/west-virginia-festivals/>

Please email us info@WVStrawberryFestival.com or call 304-472-9036 for more information. We hope you enjoy the festival!

Matt Felber, Director of Golf

Glade Springs Village Property Owners,

We continue to receive great-looking merchandise at the Woodhaven Pro shop for the 2023 season. Our new ladies' apparel is just now coming in, so come out and visit us. We have also added some new items that aren't just for golfers, so everyone is welcome. The pro shop staff is available for special orders; if you don't see exactly what you are looking for in your size, please ask. Glade Springs Village items make great gifts for other POA members!



The spring aerification on Woodhaven is May 2–5, 2023, and Stonehaven will be May 15–18, 2023.

Please remember that all carts should be on the cart paths around tees and greens on both courses. We have received several complaints and images of our POA members being too close to the green. Please do not drive on the opposite side of the green from where the path is located. This traffic will continue to wear areas in the rough around the greens. When you approach the green complex, please proceed to the path.

The 2023 GSVPOA Golf Calendar is now up on the website at www.gladespringspoa.com and will be updated and subject to change throughout the season. We have several returning events and will continue to add new ones during the season. We will do our best to not inconvenience our POA members when booking outside events.

Now that we have opened both golf courses, we will return to our in-season closed days. Stonehaven will be closed on Mondays, and Woodhaven will be closed on Tuesdays. For private cart owners with a 2023 trail pass, you can go out on Stonehaven on Monday after 4:00 p.m. and on Woodhaven on Tuesday after 4:00 p.m. As we get into our spring weather, we have a few items we would like to remind everyone to start the new season. For those players who would like the opportunity to tee off on holes near their homes (instead of the #1 tee), please be sure to call the pro shop for availability and to let us know you will be on the golf course. We need this information for various reasons, including scheduled golf maintenance, safety, and the collection of round data, to mention just a few. It is important not to jump in front of other POA members or guests when not checking in and starting at #1.

The morning text database has been well received, and we continue to add highlights to cart rules, hours of operation, and other important information in a quick morning text. If anyone is not receiving those messages, please stop by the Stonehaven Starter House and scan the QR code to add your number to the list. For anyone that has "opted out," we as staff are not able to add you back into the database from the software; you will have to scan the barcode

again to start getting the morning messages.

We have our 2023 trail pass available for purchase. This year, the board has approved and moved forward with the combined trail fee pass for \$600.00 plus tax. This will also include one GHIN number and additional numbers may be purchased for \$34.00 plus tax. There will no longer be a separate Stonehaven and Woodhaven trail pass. The Golf Committee will be working on adding fun events throughout the summer on the Woodhaven golf course. For example, when a trail pass holder plays at Woodhaven, they have access to the fleet carts if needed. Previously, when we held mixed course events such as Member/Member or the GSVPOA Club Championship, the former Stonehaven trail pass-only holder would have to pay for their cart fee(s) on the Woodhaven course. This will be included for the 2023 season.

We have a couple of new options for the upcoming golf season. We will be offering discount passes for prepaid member cart fees and prepaid guest member green fees that include cart fees. We will have a punch card that will be sold that includes 10 fees prepaid and two free. This pass will only be valid for the 2023 season and will expire on 12/31/2023. The unused season will not roll over to the 2024 season. All passes can be purchased at the Woodhaven golf shop or the Stonehaven Starter House.

For those POA members that are interested in taking advantage of booking online, please email matt.felber@gladespringspoa.com or tyler.farley@gladespringspoa.com, and we will reset your online access and update your username and password. This will be a great opportunity, as we have recently installed our new software. The new system has many additional functions that will be integrated as we bring it online.

The bathrooms on each golf course will be opened as warmer weather permits. Players that are visiting Stonehaven will be required to park in the gravel parking area toward the #10 tee.

Directions to the 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 your 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 its best to accommodate our POA members and all guests during this transition.

Please scan the available QR code at the Stonehaven Starter House or Woodhaven Pro Shop. Please answer the questions in the first text so we can update your information and edit our text database. This system will be utilized for cart rules, exciting new information, and other direct-to-member texts.

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 POA

2023 GSVPOA Golf Calendar		
Date	Course(s)	Event
Saturday, April 1, 2023	WH	Woodhaven Opens
Wednesday, April 26, 2023	SH	Women golf kickoff for all Women POA members - 9 hole scramble Shotgun 4pm
Saturday, June 3, 2023	WH	12 Hole mixed-up scramble 4pm Shotgun Start
Monday, June 12, 2023	WH	Ladies 4pm Shotgun/Clinic at 3pm
Thursday, June 22, 2023	SH	GSWGA Invitational - 9am Shotgun
Friday June 16, 2023	WH	Friday at WH 5pm Mixed Shotgun
Saturday, July 8, 2023	SH	Member-Member Shotgun
Sunday, July 9, 2023	WH	Member-Member Shotgun
Monday, July 10, 2023	WH	Ladies 4pm Shotgun/Clinic at 3pm
Friday, July 14, 2023	WH	Friday at WH 5pm Shotgun
Friday, August 4, 2023	WH	Friday at WH 5pm Shotgun
Saturday, August 12, 2023	SH	POA Club Championship Tee Times
Sunday, August 13, 2023	WH	POA Club Championship Tee Times
Monday, August 14, 2023	WH	Ladies 4pm Shotgun/Clinic at 3pm
Monday, October 31, 2023	WH	Woodhaven Closes
Outside Events		
Saturday/Sunday April 15-16, 2023	WH	WVGA 2man Scramble 10am SG (2 Day)
Thursday, April 27, 2023	WH	WVGA Senior Series 10am SG
Thursday, May 11, 2023	SH/WH (RS)	TC Energy
Friday, May 19, 2023	WH	WVU Tech Hall of Fame Classic - 1pm SG
Friday, June 2, 2023	WH	Young Life RC Classic - 1pm SG
Tuesday, June 6, 2023	SH (RS)	Bunkers Open/Chamber of Commerce 10am SG
Friday, June 9, 2023	WH	Crimestoppers 10am SG
Saturday, June 17, 2023	WH	Salt Life Scramble 11AM SG
Friday, July 21, 2023	WH	WVGA AM Tour 9am SG
Saturday/Sunday July 22-23, 2023	SH (RS)	WVGA Parent-Child w/Cobb
Friday, August 18, 2023	WH	Just for Kids Charity - 1pm SG
Saturday/Sunday August 19-20, 2023	SH/WH	Am Golf Tour—SH 1pm TT 08/20 WH-10am TT 08/21
Friday, September 1, 2023	WH	Glade Community Church Shotgun 10am
Friday, October 20, 2023	WH	WVU Tech - Ed Robinson 1PM SG

** Events and dates are subject to change**

Aerification Dates:

Stonehaven

05/15-18/2023 Spring 2023
08/21-24/2023 Fall 2023

Woodhaven

05/2-5/2023 Spring 2023
09/05-08/2023 Fall 2023

Golf Course Superintendent Update

Dear GSVPOA Members,

As we inch closer to the dog days of summer, the necessary evil of spring aerification has arrived. For the majority of us, aerification is a dirty word. It conveys images of our precious greens punched with holes and buried in sand,



making the putting surface at best inconsistent and, at worst, hardly playable at all. Most serious golfers understand that aerification is necessary to sustain healthy turf. However, most of us only know what we see—a beat-up green that makes it nearly impossible to make anything longer than the occasional 5–10 footer.

So why do we aerate, anyway? The number one reason to aerify is the removal of thatch. Over time, organic material builds up and creates an impermeable layer of thatch between the turf surface and the soil beneath, therefore restricting the transfer of water and oxygen to the root zone along with other vital nutrients needed for healthy turf. Thatch also makes for a soft, spongy playing surface that is far from desirable. Soft conditions welcome mechanical damage due to inconsistencies and shallow roots. Another benefit of aerification is that it relieves compaction that is created by our maintenance equipment, carts, and foot traffic. Last but definitely not least, core aeration creates channels, assisting with drainage, the release of harmful gases, and increased airflow. These channels allow roots to stretch deep, surpassing where they had stopped in the past. Deeper root systems allow us to lengthen irrigation intervals and minimize fertilization. This will provide a drier, healthier playing surface that will extend the longevity of the greens.

Now that we know why we aerate and have begrudgingly accepted the fact that aerification must be done, the controversial topic of timing still lingers. So, when should this happen, and why does it always seem to happen when the greens are beginning to roll? These questions can be tough and debatable. On one end, you must always protect your course and do what is right agronomically to ensure optimal conditions for years to come. On the other side is meeting the club's membership and business demands. In the end, aerification is part of the cost of doing business, just as you must change the oil in your car. Delaying aeration may save money in the short term, but it puts the golf course at risk.

Thank you for your support,
Patrick Murphy

If you need to reach Patrick, you can email him at: [Patrick Murphy's Email](#)

Are you interested in playing Pickleball at Woodhaven this year?



Never played and wondering what it's all about? Are you a Veteran player wanting a casual group to play with? Come on out and play pickleball at the Woodhaven tennis court, at 10:30 am on Mondays.

GSVPOA Management Office Hours

The POA office will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2023, in observance of Memorial Day.

The GSVPOA Management office is open Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. You can reach the office staff at 304-763-5382 or you can email us at the POA Management office at info@gladespringspoa.com

If you would like to submit an article to the Communications Committee to be considered for inclusion in a newsletter, please email it to [the office](mailto:theoffice@gladespringspoa.com) and we will be happy to pass it on.

Has your contact information changed? Do you have a new email, phone number, or mailing address? Do you want to add another email to the POA Contact list? Don't forget to let the POA office know so we can stay in touch with you. Email the management team your new contact information at [POA Office Email](mailto:POAOfficeEmail@gladespringspoa.com)



Commonly Requested / Needed Phone Numbers

www.gladespringspoa.com info@gladespringspoa.com

The POA Management Office – 304-763-5382
Woodhaven Pro Shop – 304-763-3332
The Front Gate – 304-763-4385

Cobb Golf Shop – 304-763-2050
The Resort Main Number – 304-763-2000
American Electric Power (AEP) – Electrical Service -888-710-4237
Frontier – Telephone - 800-921-8101
West Virginia American Water Company – Water - 800-685-8660
Shady Spring Public Service District – Sewer -304-255-1565
Optimum Cable -877-694-9474
Mountaineer Gas – Natural Gas -800-834-2070
Raleigh County Tax Department – 304-255-9162
Beckley Garbage – 304-252-6051
Oak Hill Garbage – 304-255-6551
Lusk Garbage Disposal – 304-253-3292
Bunkers – 304-763-0817
Small Talk Café – 304-763-0814

City of Beckley 2023 Events

Events organized by Beckley's Events Committee with the City of Beckley:

Follow "Beckley Events" on Facebook for more details and events. Also, visit Beckley. Events to add other local events on the Chamber's Community Calendar. Another local event source – raleighcountyevents.com.
Beckley Events: 304-256-1776, jmoorefield@beckley.org.

To reserve a city property (city park, gazebo, Beckley Intermodal Gateway Plaza, trail) for events, contact Beverly Farris at 304-256-1748.

Events organized by Beckley's Events Committee with the City of Beckley:

May – Rhododendron Festival – various activities throughout May, including Bill Withers concerts and Sweet Treats on 5/13, Founders Day at Wildwood on 5/20, Rhododendron walks at Grandview on 5/21, Rhododendron Car Show at BIG on 5/27 & more!

May 13 – Bill Withers Memorial Celebration (with the Bill Withers Committee); Concerts at BIG. Probably will include Sweet Treats

June – August – Fridays in the Park, lunch concerts, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm, Word Park

June 22 – North American Solstice and Sky Car Show (Assisting this specialty car club with a car show during their convention while in town), 5-8 pm

Monthly Events from March to November Sunset / Full Moon Walks / Bike Rides on the McManus Trail – **March-November** – with Active Southern WV

For more information, check out the City of Beckley website:
<https://beckley.org/city-event-calendars/>

Beckley Events: 304-256-1776, jmoorefield@beckley.org

New River Gorge Festival, May 12-13, 2023

The New River Gorge Festival is back **May 12th- 14th** at ACE Adventure Resort in West Virginia. Let's celebrate one of Earth's oldest rivers that we all love to paddle, hike, bike, and explore. Many rivers have their own events such as Gauley Fest, Cheat Fest, StoneyFest, and MooseFest, but somehow the New River got left out. Not anymore! Meet friends new and old in the New River Gorge this spring and experience a weekend full of outdoor fun, adventure

films, live music, vendors, camping, and more!

Weekend Festival Passes Include:
Camping Friday & Saturday Night
Access To Adventure Zones
Access To Vendor Midway & Demos
Film Festival
Live Music Friday & Saturday Night

<https://aceraft.com/event/newrivergorgefestival/>

West Virginia Waterfall Trails



Chasing waterfalls takes on a whole new meaning this summer in West Virginia with the first-ever statewide Waterfall Trail. The trail was created for travelers looking to get off the beaten path, reconnect with nature and discover more than two dozen waterfalls for a chance to win exclusive prizes.

With over 200 waterfalls found across the state, the more than two dozen cascades featured along the trail are the perfect way to kick off a summer of waterfall hunting. The trail includes well-known falls such as Blackwater and Sandstone, but also features hidden gems like Finn's in the New River Gorge National Park & Preserve and Drawdy in Boone County. Some, like Cathedral, tower above the valley floor, while others span wide rivers.

The West Virginia Waterfall Trail is the perfect summer activity. The best part: you can earn exclusive prizes along the way!

[West Virginia Waterfall Trails Information](#)

With more than 200 waterfalls in the Mountain State, each hike that leads you to one of these wonders of nature is incredible and will leave you speechless. From easy hikes to more difficult treks, the views these trails lead you to are spectacular and will never be forgotten.

<https://wvtourism.com/waterfall-trails/>

Rocking Divot Filling Party, the Greens Committee

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Committee will be sponsoring a divot-filling party on the dates below.

Thank you to everyone who came out to help last night!

You did an amazing job!

Woodhaven- the second Tuesday of each month, at 4:00 pm

Woodhaven dates: 5/9, 6/13, 7/11, 8/4, 9/12, 10/10

Stonehaven- The fourth Monday of each month^h at 4:00 pm

Stonehaven Dates: 5/22, 6/26, 7/24, 8/29, 9/25, 10/23

We will have a maintenance crew member available to assist. Carts will be available to divot-filling volunteers.

We hope you can join in and help keep our courses in great condition. For more information please contact Douglas Amtsberg at douglasamtsberg@aol.com

Dam Social Events

The Dam Social is held on the **first Wednesday of each month, at 5:00 PM**. Join us at the parking lot by Chatham Lake and catch up with your neighbors. Feel free to bring a snack to share, but it is not required.

Dam Socials are scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month from April through October. All residents are welcome. Contact

Betty or John Callender for more information.

betty.callender@gladespringspoa.com



**** May Event Update****

Due to the weather forecast for this week, the May Dam Social Event has been postponed to Wednesday, May 10 at 6 pm.

Rhododendron Festival

Rhododendron Festival

May 13, 2023 – May 27, 2023, all-day

Location: Events throughout Beckley-Raleigh County

The cost is free!

For more information contact, Beckley Events at 304-256-1776

The annual Rhododendron Festival is back and will showcase several spring events happening in the Beckley area during the month of May. Cruises,

concerts, walks, a photo contest, a pickleball tourney, and other activities are being scheduled to celebrate the festival.

During the month of May, the Beckley-Raleigh County area celebrates spring and beautiful rhododendron blooms by offering the Rhododendron Festival with events such as:

- Emergency Preparedness Fair - 5/13/23
- Founders Day at Wildwood on 5/20/23
- Rhododendron Car Show at BIG on 5/27
- and more.....

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