



Tee Times

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February
Hours of Operation
Pro Shop
Mon 9:00 am–5:00 pm
Tues–Sun 7:00 am– 5:00 pm



From the Director of Golf

Johnny Belskis, PGA



February 2026

I'm sure that this is not surprising news, but we had a slow month of January here at the club. We have been faced with some extreme winter weather, and golf has had to take a backseat for many of us. Nevertheless, I miss seeing all of you in the shop and am eager to fill the golf course up again.

Equity Meeting

A reminder that the annual meeting for equity members will be held in the ballroom of the pavilion on February 6th from 5-6pm. Kirkman's Cafe will be open for the meeting from 5pm-7pm. At this meeting, we will reflect on the past year, look into what we can expect in 2026, and elect 2 new members to the Golf Advisory Board. We hope to see you there!

Tournaments

Unfortunately our first tournament of the year, the Chili Bowl, was cancelled due to the weather. We had a completely sold out field! Our next tournament is the Three Club Event, scheduled for February 22nd. The official signup will go out via golf genius on February 8th. We hope to see you there!

MGA/LGA

For those of you that are members and have not yet joined the MGA or LGA, I would strongly encourage you to consider it. Both are extremely well attended and great ways to meet other members. When speaking with prospective members, I always love talking about the level of camaraderie here amongst the membership, and I credit so much of that to the MGA & LGA. If you are interested please contact Paul Platek (paulplatek2@gmail.com) for MGA or Linda Groff (linda@dallago.com) for LGA.

From the Director of Golf

Johnny Belskis, PGA



Marketing

As we continue to evolve as a club, marketing plays a crucial role in terms of growth. For those of you that don't know, we have our own marketing committee here at CCGC. This group consists of Don Frazier, Steve Johnson, Mary Conroy, and myself. We meet monthly to discuss different areas of the local (& non-local) market that we can capitalize on through social media, radio ads, magazines, and more. Most recently, a video was uploaded to the Carolina Colours Golf Club Youtube page highlighting our golf course and what we have to offer. I'd like to recognize and thank Peter Eckle for taking the time to create this video. It will certainly be an asset for marketing. I'd also like to thank Don Frazier for being the narrator of the video. Please scan the QR code below to check it out!



RCS Drive

During the month of February we are helping RCS collect jars of Peanut Butter and Jelly. For those of you that may not know RCS, it stands for Religious Community Services. They have been serving New Bern since 1982. They meet the basic needs of individuals and families facing hardship by providing food, clothing, shelter and supportive services. Let's do our part to help them collect these two staple items that go a long way.

You may drop off jars of Peanut Butter and Jelly in the Pavilion and the Golf Shop. You will see these bins for drop off. Thank you !



From the Director of Golf

Johnny Belskis, PGA



New Payment Methods

The time has come! In February we are rolling out new methods for paying your statement. As i've stated before, the new options are:

- 1) Auto-Draft (Recommended): You will receive your statement during the first few days of the month. Please review your statement and inform me (jbelskis@carolinacolours.com) of any discrepancies by the 13th so that we can correct it before payments are processed on the 15th. To use this method, please deliver a voided check to the member payments box in the pro shop ASAP.
- 2) Online Payments: The portal will be available when February billing goes out. This will be accessible next to the "online tee times" button on our website. Similar to online tee times, you will need to register using your member number and email address. Once you are in the portal, there will be a "help" button with various instructions and educational videos. There is a 2% charge for credit card payments, and a \$1 charge for ACH payments. For both options, you can set up recurring payments, but applicable charges will still apply.
- 3) Checks will still be accepted, but there will be a \$5 charge.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me for any assistance regarding the new payment methods!

From the Superintendent

Shelby Choate



February Course Update

February is here, and if January taught us anything in Eastern North Carolina, it's to expect just about everything—freezing mornings, warm afternoons, snow, ice, and lots of frost. While winter still has a grip on the calendar, we're keeping a close eye on conditions and preparing the course for a smooth transition into spring.

Our maintenance team continues to focus on bunkers repair and maintenance. We have rented an excavator and are working hard to get the first 6 holes of bunkers on the course in good repair. We are working on holes 3 and 4 at the moment, with holes 1 and 2 being complete. We also rented a stump grinder for a week and have ground countless stumps on the course that were either in the way of play or interfering with our mowing abilities.

Weather permitting, February is also a great month for behind-the-scenes projects. Drainage improvements, and equipment maintenance are all underway to ensure the equipment for the course is ready when warmer temperatures arrive. These efforts may cause minor disruptions from time to time, and we appreciate your patience as we work to improve course conditions.

With fluctuating temperatures, frost delays may still occur. These delays are necessary to protect the turf and prevent long-term damage, and we thank you for your understanding when they are in place.

As always, we appreciate our members and guests for respecting course signage and roped-off areas. Your cooperation allows us to complete projects efficiently and maintain a safe environment for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support of the maintenance staff. We're looking forward to the upcoming season and sharing another great year of golf with you.

See you on the course,

Shelby Choate

Golf Course Superintendent

Terri's Tips!

Terri Migliaccio, PGA
Director of Player Development



Warmer Weather Will Be Here Soon!

I know it may not seem like it now, with this cold we have been having, but when warmer weather arrives golf will start again.

It's important to know how the body moves to deliver the golf club to the ball, on the correct path. If you have ever taken a lesson with me you will hear me say almost from the start that it's not about the ball. It's about you, how you are moving, you alone control where the ball will go. You have to be aware how you are moving, once you know this you are on your way to becoming a more consistent golfer. This being said, we are all built differently. Some people are more flexible, some aren't, it's important to know this as well, and not try to do what your flexible friend is doing.

THE BOTTOM LINE IS THIS

THE BODY TURNS TO DELIVER THE CLUB TO THE BALL

It's easy to think hitting the ball is all about your arms and hands. In reality, good golf shots happen when your body turns and carries the club to the ball. When your body moves correctly, the swing feels easier and the ball flies straighter.

START THE DOWNSWING WITH YOUR BODY

At the top of your swing, your body is turned away from the target. To start the downswing let your lower body begin the move - not your arms/hands. Everyone feels it differently, but you want to start transferring your weight from the ground up. Some feel their hips turning towards the target first, some feel transferring weight from the right to left foot, whatever it is, this will start the sequence of moves that makes your swing feel effortless.

I know it's easier said than done but focus on **Turning your body through the ball - NOT AT THE BALL -** and letting the club move through naturally.

A good finish - balanced, facing the target - is a sign your body did the work.

And the best part about this, you do not have to be on the range or on the golf course to practice this. Please during the cold weather, go grab your club, work on making this move, in an open area of your house so you don't break anything. Just start getting good repetitions in, a good sequence and balanced swing!

Let's be ready to play when the sun and warmth arrives!!!

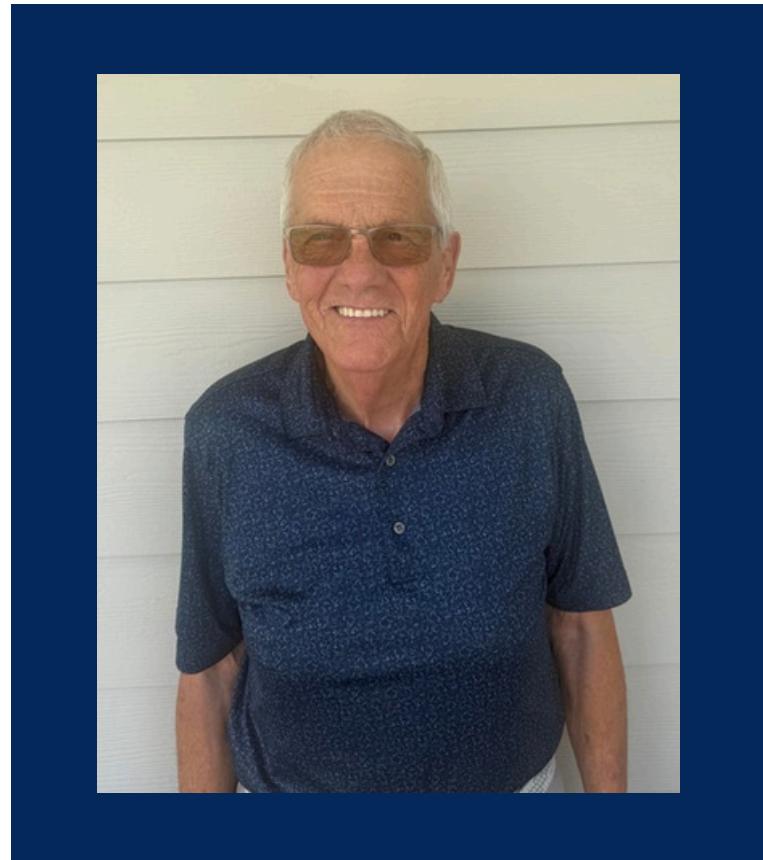
EMPLOYEE HIGHLIGHT

BILL

This month we'd like to recognize Bill, who is our starter on the weekends.

Bill moved to New Bern this summer and we were lucky enough to add him to our team. At the time, we were facing some of the busiest weekends in club history on a consistent basis, and decided it was necessary to have both a starter and a ranger. Bill has years of experience as a starter, ranger, and marshall at various clubs and has played a crucial role in the customer experience here at CCGC.

Next time you see Bill, please thank him for everything he does!



DATE	TOURNAMENT	START TIME
SUN, FEBRUARY 1	CHILI BOWL SCRAMBLE	12 PM SHOTGUN (FOOD)
SUN, FEBRUARY 22	THREE CLUB EVENT	12 PM SHOTGUN (FOOD)
SUN, MARCH 8	DICE GAME	9 AM SHOTGUN (FOOD)
SUN, MARCH 15	COUPLES EVENT	3 PM SHOTGUN (9-HOLES)
MON-TUES, MARCH 16-17	AERIFYING GREENS	COURSE CLOSED
SAT-SUN, APRIL 11-12	PLAY WITH A MASTERS PRO	TEE TIMES
SUN, APRIL 19	COUPLES EVENT	2 PM SHOTGUN (9-HOLES)
MON, MAY 18	HEAVEN & HELL	9 AM SHOTGUN (FOOD)
SAT-SUN, MAY 30-31	MEMBER-MEMBER	8:30 AM SHOTGUN (FOOD)
SUN, JUNE 14	COUPLES EVENT	2 PM SHOTGUN (18-HOLES)
TUES, JUNE 23	AERIFYING GREENS	COURSE CLOSED
SAT, JULY 4	FLAG TOURNAMENT	TEE TIMES
SUN, JULY 12	COUPLES EVENT	4 PM SHOTGUN (9-HOLES)
SUN, AUGUST 9	COUPLES EVENT	3 PM SHOTGUN (9-HOLES)
SAT, AUGUST 22	SATURDAY SKINS	TEE TIMES
FRI, AUGUST 28	NINE & DINE	3 PM SHOTGUN
TUES-WEDS, SEPTEMBER 1-2	AERIFYING GREENS	COURSE CLOSED
SUN, SEPTEMBER 13	GENESIS OF NEW BERN CUP	SHOTGUN START
SUN, SEPTEMBER 20	RYDER CUP	8:30 AM SHOTGUN
SAT-SUN, OCTOBER 3-4	MEMBER-GUEST	8:30 AM SHOTGUN (FOOD)
SUN, OCTOBER 11	COUPLES EVENT	1 PM SHOTGUN (18-HOLES)
SAT-SUN, OCTOBER 17-18	CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	8 AM TEE TIMES (FOOD)
MON, NOVEMBER 2	EQUITY GOLF TOURNAMENT	9 AM SHOTGUN
MON, NOVEMBER 9	PRIDE APPRECIATION	9 AM SHOTGUN
SUN, NOVEMBER 15	COUPLES EVENT	2 PM SHOTGUN (9-HOLES)



CCGC
MEMBER
EVENT

Three-Club Event

Choose your favorite 3 clubs – plus your putter –
and hit the links!

**February 22nd, 2025
12 Noon Shotgun**

**Entry Fee \$15, includes
snack, beer or wine, and
prizes!**

**Sign up as an individual for
this 18-hole event**

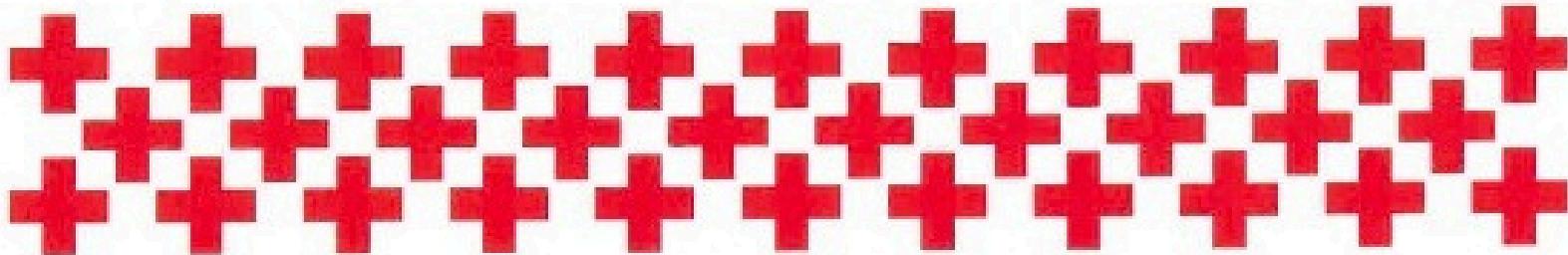
**Men's & Women's Divisions
Individually flighted w/
100% handicap**

**Men play from the Gold
Tees, women from the Red**

Limited to 48 players

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



**Blood Drive@
Carolina Colours**

In the Ballroom

**Thursday, February 19, 2026
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: CarolinaColours to schedule an appointment.



Come give blood 1/26-2/28 for a \$20 e-gift card to your choice of merchant. See rcblood.org/heart



Ladies Golf Association

The Carolina Colours Ladies Golf Association is looking forward to a great 2026 season! Any ladies who have an interest in golf, whether experienced or new to the game, are encouraged to join. The LGA plays twice weekly on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and we offer playing options for all levels. Our league is about more than scorecards and putts; it's about encouraging one another, celebrating progress, and enjoying time together on the course. If you would like more information, please reach out to any of our board members.

We will hold our kick-off breakfast and business meeting on Monday, March 2 at the Doubletree by Hilton New Bern Riverfront, 100 Middle Street. Our season opening 18-hole Scramble will be held on Tuesday, March 3. Existing CCLGA members will receive an email regarding membership renewal. New members can pick up a membership form in the Pro Shop (see the LGA bulletin board inside ladies restroom for more information). All dues for the season must be paid prior to our March 2 breakfast.

Let us know if you would like any additional information. We look forward to seeing you on the course!

2026 LGA Board:

President: Linda Groff (linda@dallago.com)

Vice President: Joanne Baranski (jeb0129@hotmail.com)

Secretary: Anne Phelps (annerphelps@gmail.com)

Treasurer: Holly Corbett (hcorbett5@comcast.net)

LGA game schedule for March:

2nd— Kickoff Breakfast

3rd— 18-hole Step-aside Scramble (Wear your BRIGHTEST colors!)

10th—T&S Count only holes that begin with T or S

17th—CC COURSE CLOSED; Away game TBD

24th—Even Holes Count

Every Thursday is Individual Play and all games begin at 9:30.

Men's Golf Association



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Hopefully the cold weather we experienced in January will soon be behind us. As we move into February we currently have 35 MGA members who have paid their 2026 dues. If you know of any possible new members, please let a board member know. Applications can be had at the Pro Shop or from any board member.

Please extend a warm MGA welcome to our newest member, Rick Bright. An interesting note, Rick is the golf coach at New Bern High School.

We are currently collecting MGA dues which remain at \$25. Also, Hole In One insurance for Wednesday's (\$10) and Fridays (\$10). All members are encouraged to pay these fees anytime prior to the start of our new league year which starts on March 4 2026. To make a payment, please put your check or cash in an envelope and identify with your name and what the payment is for. Payments may be placed in the MGA box in the Pro Shop near the men's restroom door, or to any board member.

Kick Off Breakfast, Wednesday March 4th at 8:00, with golf to follow.

Please remember that using the mats on the driving range and all par 3's is mandatory. We appreciate your compliance and help in doing your part to keep these areas healthy as spring approaches.

Although we had some colder temps in January than we would like, we still had some good golf played.

Poley's, and we hope you are all participating... Nice "payouts" to - Lou Cargnino 1/7 #2 \$85.50, Mark Farley 1/9 #6 \$101.00, Tom Chamberlain 1/14 #6 \$44.00. Lou Cargnino 1/21 #12 \$51.00. Larry Smith 1/23, 2 Poley's. #2 and #12 for a total of \$71.00. Well done everyone!



CAROLINA COLOURS
GOLF CLUB

Men's Golf Association (cont.)



As the weather starts to warm up, we will be playing our first “Away Game” in March. Details to be announced. We will be playing 9 away games from March – November. These are always a great time and we hope you will sign up and enjoy some of our neighboring courses.

Reminders for upcoming play:

**If you wish to change your tee preference for league play from white, gold, or purple, please notify a board member.

Tee times for Wednesday and Friday games will remain at 9:30 through the month of March.

Wednesday games for February as follows:

- February 4 – Four Man Best Ball
- February 11 – Lone Ranger (Four Man / ABCD)
- February 18 – Four Man 3-2-1 ABCD
- February 25 – One Low Gross / Two Low Nets



CAROLINA COLOURS
GOLF CLUB

Kirkman's Café



Hours

Closed Monday

Tuesday-Sunday 11am-3pm

**Made-to-order sandwiches and a
side or salad**

**Call in your order from the course
(look for the sign near the 9th
tee box) and pick up your order
when you make the turn**

252-772-0200 Ext 1