

# February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Canasta	3	4	5	6 LGA 9:00t
7	8	9 Canasta	10	11 LGA 9:00t	12	13 Audubon
14	15	16	17	18 LGA 9:00t	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 LGA 9:00t	26	27 LGA 9:00t
28	29					

# March 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 LGA Opening Breakfast Divot Day
6	7	8 Canasta	9	10 LGA 9:00t	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 LGA 9:00t	18	19 St. Matthews 1:30sg
20	21	22	23	24 LGA 9:00t	25 Bobby Murray 9:00sg	26 LGA 9:00t
27	28	29	30	31		

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# CLUB CONNECTIONS



## Upcoming Member Events

### 13th ANNUAL AUDUBON INVITATIONAL RIVER RIDGE GOLF CLUB Blue Bird Boxes



You are invited to participate in a golf tournament at River Ridge Golf Club to help us purchase blue bird boxes to be placed around the course. Some of our current blue bird boxes are in need of replacing and we want to add a few more boxes to the course. We have a large population of blue birds in the area and they are in need of additional nesting spots. Part of your entry fee will be used to purchase new blue bird boxes that will be installed throughout the course.

As an Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary for golf courses, we are required to actively solicit help from the community and members of the club for projects such as this. This tournament is an avenue for you to participate in helping to purchase blue bird boxes and installing them on the golf course.

**WHERE:** River Ridge Golf Club

**WHEN:** Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> 2016

**TIME:** 9:00 AM Shotgun

**FORMAT:** 4-person Superball. Choose your own team or we can pair you up.

**COST:** \$40 for members, \$60 for nonmembers (includes golf fees, lunch, prizes, and donation for Audubon activities).

ALL ARE WELCOME. This format is a great way to kick off the upcoming golf season and to help sponsor an Audubon activity at River Ridge. Sign up for this event at the pro shop or call (661-8374). **Deadline is Thursday February 11<sup>th</sup>.**

## Notes From the Pro Shop

**John Partin, Head Golf Pro**

February has arrived and there's a light at the end of the tunnel. Spring is almost here. Warmer days, green grass and better golf are just ahead. To help get us geared up for the new golf season, this month we will be holding one of our favorite events, the Audubon tournament. This 4 person scramble helps us to give back a little and support the local ecosystem. This year with the money raised we will be purchasing Blue Bird boxes. So get your team together and your competitive juices flowing and sign up in the proshop by Thursday 14th.

-John Partin

### River Ridge Ladies Golf Association



The purpose of our organization (RRLGA) is to promote interest in golf among women through our Thursday and/or Saturday Morning Leagues.

#### 2016 League Events:

- March 3 (Thurs.) / March 5 (Sat.): **Preseason Play**
- March 5: **League Kickoff Breakfast Meeting**
- April 2 (Sat.) / April 7 (Thurs) : **League starts**
- May 23-25: **Lori's Golf Outing (Pinehurst)**
- Oct. 27 (Thurs.) / Oct. 29 (Sat.) **League ends**
- Nov. 12: **Awards Banquet**

If you have questions, please contact Carol Brown at 919-772-4308 or by email at [browncarol93@gmail.com](mailto:browncarol93@gmail.com)

#### RIVER RIDGE LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION GOLF LEAGUE KICK-OFF BREAKFAST MEETING AND PRACTICE ROUND

**WHEN:** 8:30 am SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016

**WHERE:** RIVER RIDGE GOLF CLUB, 3224 AUBURN KNIGHTDALE ROAD, RALEIGH, N.C. 27610

**AGENDA:** 8:30 – REGISTRATION, CONTINENTAL BREAK FAST AND 50/50 DRAWING  
9:00 – RRLGA ANNUAL SPRING MEETING  
10:30 – GOLF WITH TEE TIMES STARTING AT 10:30



ROUND OF GOLF WITH CART IS \$25.00.  
**RSVP: BY FEBRUARY 20TH** TO PAT GALUTEN AT [pat@galuten.com](mailto:pat@galuten.com) or 919-803-4508. PLEASE RSVP FOR BREAKFAST AND/OR GOLF AS WELL AS FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION.

#### Congratulations To ALL of the 2015 RRLGA League Winners!!

##### THURSDAY LOW GROSS

1st: Sandi Terrill 2nd: Susan Lockard 3rd: Denis Johnson

##### THURSDAY LOW NET

1st: Eva Butler 2nd: Joanne Farr 3rd: Jane Wright

##### THURSDAY MOST BIRDIES

1st: Susan Lockard, 2nd: Pat Galuten 3rd: Sandi Terrill

##### THURSDAY RRLGA CUP

1st: Janice Edwards 2nd: Jane Wright 3rd: Eva Butler 4th: Leslie Gates

##### SATURDAY LOW GROSS

1st: Pam Davison 2nd: Pam Bergquist 3rd: Charlotte Clayton

##### SATURDAY LOW NET

1st: Janice Edwards 2nd: Jane Wright 3rd: Eva Butler

##### SATURDAY MOST BIRDIES

1st: Janice Edwards (11) 2nd: Pam Davison (7) 3rd: Denise Johnson (6)

##### SATURDAY RRLGA CUP

1st: Eva Butler 2nd: Denise Johnson 3rd: Jane Wright 4th: Jan Edwards

## DIVOT DAY: SATURDAY MARCH 5, 2016

PLEASE HELP OUR FAIRWAYS!!! BECAUSE OF SEVERE WEATHER, WALKERS, AND CARTS ON PATH, WE HAVE LOTS OF DIVOTS IN OUR FAIRWAYS THAT HAVE NO SAND IN THEM. IN AN EFFORT TO BETTER CONDITION OUR GOLF COURSE FOR THE QUICKLY ARRIVING SPRING AND SUMMER, WE ARE ASKING YOU TO CONFIRM YOUR AVAILABILITY TO HELP WITH DIVOT DAY.

**DATE:** Saturday, March 5, 2016

**TIME:** 7:00-10:00 AM

**WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU:** Improve our golf course for the coming spring. Meet new members in a unique setting. Free cart fee and breakfast the morning of.

**WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING:** Small bucket and any sort of scoop with you. If you don't have a bucket we will provide one. We have a limited number of buckets, so please bring one if you have it. Sand will be delivered to you.

We consistently have 30 or more members every year to help us accomplish this huge task. With 30 people, the process takes about 3 hours to complete. We will concentrate on the highest hit areas in the fairways and all tees. It is amazing what sanding all the divots in the fairway does to help the fairways grow in.

Please contribute your time, it will help immensely. The Member/Member is April 9-10, and this effort will enhance your golfing pleasures that weekend. The bermuda grass will be greening up nicely, and sand in these unfilled divots will allow the bermuda to grow in quicker. Sand will also level these divots for a more even playing surface. Call today, reserve your tee time, and help us with divot day. This is a great day to meet new members and help better condition your golf course for the coming season. On behalf of RRLGA, thank you very much.

#### 2015 MEMBER APPRECIATION

##### TOURNAMENT RESULTS

- LOW GROSS** Thomas Mariner, Michael Madras  
Mike Bernhardt, Frank Bayno
- LOW NET** Geoff Ochman, Jerry Talberg,  
Brad Johnson, Nick Loscalzo
- 2nd GROSS** Jim Creagh, Ike Harrell,  
Frank Potochney, Ken Maness
- 2nd NET** Coop Jackson, Colby Jackson  
Christy Rodri, Joey Rodri

**THANKS TO ALL THE MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THIS YEAR'S MEMBER APPRECIATION TOURNAMENT**

## Events at River Ridge

River Ridge is the perfect place to host your next get together! Our indoor space can seat 100 and is neutrally decorated so you can bring in your personal style or theme!

For rates and availability contact Jamie at 919-661-8374 x4 or [jnotarainni@golfriverridge.com](mailto:jnotarainni@golfriverridge.com)

### 2016 Member Tournaments

MEMBER APPRECIATION TOURNAMENT	December 12, 2015
POLAR BEAR	January 16, 2016
AUDUBON	February 13, 2016
DIVOT DAY	March 5, 2016
PRESIDENTS CUP	1st Round April 4th, 2016
MEMBER/MEMBER	April 9-10, 2016
MEMBER/GUEST	June 3-5, 2016
2 MAN MATCH PLAY	Starts June 6, 2016
JUNIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	June 22, 2016
SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	July 23-24, 2016
GROSS MATCH PLAY	August 13, 2016
MEN'S CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	August 20-21, 2016
FALL MEMBER MEMBER	TBD
ONE CLUB	TBD
LADIES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	TBD
TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS	TBD
2016 MEMBER APPRECIATION	TBD

### Bridal Open House

**It's proposal season!!!  
Are you or do you know anyone  
looking for a  
wedding venue? Look no more!**

**Join us on February 20th for our  
Venue Open House from 12-2pm**

**Contact Jamie Notarainni for  
information at  
(919) 661-8374 x4 or  
[jnotarainni@golfriverridge.com](mailto:jnotarainni@golfriverridge.com)**

### Turf Talk

**Rodney Moss, Superintendent**

I hope everyone made it through our latest winter storm unscathed. I know several of us lost power at some point. The golf course fared pretty well. We only lost a few limbs and that was about it.

The weather has been crazy over the past month! It was pretty cold overall. We actually left the covers down for almost nine days. That was a long period of time to leave them down but the green looked great when we pulled them up. Hopefully we can keep them up for a while, although long term forecast doesn't look good, as temperatures will be seasonable.

We are currently working on sand traps, putting new drain lines and adding sand to a few traps. Currently we are renovating the green side trap on #1. That will continue to be our main focus.

Our annual Audubon Tournament is coming up on February 13th. We are adding more Bluebird boxes on the course plus replacing some old one that have rotted or fallen off trees. Please come out and support Audubon at River Ridge. This is an avenue for you the member to contribute.