

# August 2019

## FLORENCE COUNTRY CLUB

### Life at The Club– General Manager

As we close the summer out you can see that with the old saying, “a picture is worth a thousand words”, from the pictures in this newsletter the Club is fun for all ages. While we take great pride in our phenomenal junior programs and activities, there is plenty to enjoy here each month for the whole family. With a quick look at the calendar, eblasts and text messages hopefully, you will see an activity that appeals to you.

Kid’s Club returns this month on Friday nights with some new games and activities like Xbox. In order to safely look after your children we ask that you please call ahead so we can staff accordingly. We know plans change, but we do need advance notice to provide fun in a supervised mode. Also, we ask that children are able to attend to bathroom needs on their own to be able to attend.

Congratulations to the 12 and under tennis team for winning the South Carolina State Championship. We wish them success in Georgia this month! What a great way to represent not only South Carolina, but Florence Country Club as well.

Now is a great time to sponsor a new member. We offer junior, swim/tennis, social and golf memberships. Weather is going to be ideal in the next few weeks to get your friends on the course and show them the amenities. Applications may be picked up in the office or can be emailed out. Let us know who might be a candidate for membership and how we can help you with information to assist them.

Watch your eblasts for upcoming tennis socials and round robins.

As always, see you at The Club,  
Scott Simerlink



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Our Junior sport teams are having a fantastic summer. The Florence Country Club 12 and Under tennis team (pictured) are South Carolina State Champions. Over 140 Kids have participated in our summer golf and tennis camps.

Florence Country Club has the best youth programs in the area. The programs continue to grow the games of golf and tennis. We are proud to be bringing up future leaders with the dedication and determination that is fostered through sports.



# Summer Wine Dinner August 17th

7:00pm Arrival

7:30pm Dinner

Join your friends, family and host Sam Tinsley for our Summer Wine Dinner. Chef has put together a wonderful meal that Sam will pair refreshing summer wines to accompany. Cost will be \$60++ per person and reservations are required.

## Menu

### Sea Scallops Paired with Castelfeder Kerner

Char Grilled, Yellow Pepper Culi, Herb Shallot Compound Butter

### Panzanella Salad Paired with Castelfeder Pinot Bianco

Shallots, Baguette, Fresh Mozzarella, Garden Tomato, Balsamic Drizzle, Fried Basil

### Main Course Paired with Castelfeder Schiava

Potato Gnocchi, Maine Lobster Tail, Cannellini Bean and Mushroom Ragout, Sage Butter Reduction

### Panna Cotta Paired with Bigaro Brachetto

Vanilla Bean Gelatin, Blackberry Compote, Chocolate Sauce

**\*\*Dress Jackets Required for Men\*\***

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## FCC Financial Spotlight

MEMBER TYPE	June '19	June '18	DIFF.
Junior	30	25	+5
Ministerial	2	2	0
Non-Resident	17	18	-1
Resident	225	229	-4
Senior	47	45	+2
Social	42	43	-1
Swim/Tennis	56	64	-8
Widow	9	8	+1
Total	428	434	-6

JUNE	2019	2019 BUDGET	2018
INCOME	348,169	344,470	338,013
EXPENSES	379,239	364,528	362,996
DIFFERENCE	-31,070	-20,058	-24,983
YTD	2019	2019 BUDGET	2018
INCOME	2,198,790	2,195,635	2,125,519
EXPENSES	227,479	2,254,172	2,195,216
DIFFERENCE	-78,689	-58,537	-69,697





### Ladies Card/Bridge Day

Every Wednesday FCC hosts a Ladies Card/Bridge Day. This is a very welcoming group of ladies whom are eager to teach any lady wanting to learn (at any level) to play cards. Bring your friends and plan on having a great time. They currently meet at 10am in the Ball Room. There is lots of fun and laughs. The group continues to grow. For ages 0 and up!

Call Christine for more information. They would love to have you join them.



### FAMILY NIGHTS

EVERY TUESDAY  
5:30PM-8:30PM

August 6th – Thanksgiving

August 13th - Italian

August 20th – Asian

August 27th– Southern



### Spencer's Drink Specials

Jalapeno Margarita  
Watermelon Mojito



**Pub Trivia**  
**Saturday, August 24th**  
**7-9pm in Grill 1924**



**July's Pub Trivia Winners**  
**The Sonfields, Garners and Stewarts!**



**Back to School Swim**  
**August 17th**  
**6-9pm**

Come see your friends before classes start up for the last swim party of the year. We will be serving Pizza, Chicken Fingers, Fruit, Chips, Cookies, Lemonade and Iced Tea.

Cost: \$7.00 +/-per Child

Reservations are Required for the Club to be staffed properly with monitors and lifeguards.

# Golf News



## July Results

### July 4th Tournament

Field/Format: 50 players/2 Man Captain's Choice

#### **Gross Results:**

- 1: Paul Davies and Steve Horn -63
- 2: Jay Campbell and Web Jones -67
- 3: John Orr and RD Craddock -67

#### **Net Results:**

- 1: John Chase and James Johnson -60
- 2: Dennis Dorman and Willard Dorriety -62
- 3: Will McDaniel and Thomas McDaniel -63

### Men's Night Out – July 11th

Field/Format: 40 players/4 Man Texas Scramble

#### **Results:**

- 1: Jason Hyman, Landis Lane, Tilly Thompson and David Coker -104
- 2: Matt Ridenhour, Curt Derrick, JC Ellington and Bryan Rabon -110
- 3: Jay Saleeby, David Banner, Brian Falcone and Gregg Jones -111

### Couples Sundowner– July 19th

Format: 4Person Captains Choice

#### **Results:**

- Charlie and Virginia Ipock– 24  
Chris and Mary Wallace Moore– 24

### One Day Stroke Play Event (Behr Cup Event)– July 19th

Format: 18 Hole Individual Stroke Play (Gross & Net)

#### **Results:**

- 1: Thomas Hunter-73
- T1: John Orr-73
- 2: Carroll Player-74

#### **Net:**

- 1: Mike Scaturro– 62
- T2: Trey Ridgeway– 66
- T2: Bobby Tanner–66

## August Golf Events

Jr. Tour Championship– 5th  
Men's Night Out– 8th  
Jr. Club Championship– 9th  
Couples Sundowners– 16th  
Phoo Gee– 23rd-25th

## Junior Golf Clinics

Paul Woodbury is the instructor of the junior clinics. The link to schedule lessons with Paul is listed below:

<https://pwgolflessons.acuityscheduling.com>





High temperatures have made for some tough work conditions but my staff continues to persevere and were able to meet the goals I had set. We have had some issues with our irrigation pump station recently preventing the ability to run water at will. The pump station consists of 2 vertical turbine motors which pull water from our pond on #14 and build pressure to feed our irrigation system. Without this functioning properly, it is hard to promote healthy turf. We have been able to "limp" along well enough to keep our grass alive although #8 and #12 took a pretty good hit from drying out. We are doing all that we can to restore them to normal condition as quickly as possible. We recently verticut our fairways, approaches and collars so they require more water to recover in a timely manner. Fortunately, we just received 2 inches of rain which will greatly improve recovery and replenish our water supply. There are many obstacles we must overcome throughout the year and we try to make them as seamless as possible.

Verticutting in short, is a cultural practice that serves the plants in multiple places forcing them to multiply into more plants thus improving density and helping to eliminate grain. Shots taken from the fairways and approaches should now bounce off the ground better and not get hung in the turf (when struck properly). Divots should explode and not come out as large patches I call "beaver tails". Additionally, verticutting removes thatch which will help firm up out fairways, approaches and collars. This process has not taken place during my ten year tenure here and desperately needed to be done. I would love to be able to perform this process once a year. Thank you all for allowing us to temporarily disrupt playing conditions in order to promote long term benefits.

Respectfully,  
Dru

The gym is available for member usage 24 hours a day. If you would like to use it when the building is locked please, see Scott to receive information on how to gain entry into the building. We want to see that everyone is being able to utilize the equipment when it's convenient for them.



Taco Bar  
Sunday, August 18th  
5-8pm

All you can eat taco bar to include:

Beef, Chicken, Pork  
Taco Toppings  
Mexican Rice  
Refried Beans  
Hard Taco Shells  
Soft Taco Shells

We will also be serving \$2.00 drink specials:

Corona  
Corona Light  
Draft Modelo

We will be having taco bar instead of burger bar. This will be a fun and easy night to enjoy dinner at the Club. Come have dinner with the kids as you prepare them to go back to school on Monday! There will be no clean-up after dinner, no fuss and no mess as you can pack their school bags and get them into bed early for their first day.



# Dock to Door

We will be featuring Dock-to-Door on Friday, August 16th. Please watch your e-blast for more information on this event as we get closer. Chef Mark is always able to find the freshest seafood to come up with fabulous dishes. We look forward to see what he will prepare for us with wonderful summer selections.



# Tennis News

## RESULTS

### FLORENCE COUNTRY CLUB JUNIORS WIN USTA/SC

12'S Advanced League Championship! **Davidson Lynch, James Herbert, John Roland Dawkins, Hewitt Dawkins, Hannah Marie McKay, MaHaley Swink, Elle Brannon and Mary Woods Swink** took the title! The team was coached by Preston Dawkins. If you see any of these kids around the Club make sure you take the time to congratulate them on their hard work.

\*See team photo on front page\*

### **Peanut Patch JR Championship**

**August 9th-11th**

**Ages 10-18**

The annual Peanut Patch Jr Championship will be held at the Florence Country Club Courts on August 9th-11th. This is a fun time for our youth to come out and participate in an event and have their local home members cheer them on. This is a Level 2 South Carolina and Level 3 Southern Tournament. Deadline to enter the tournament will be August 4th.

Please, be aware of the times that the courts will be used for the competition. If you are unsure if courts will be available at certain times during the 9th-11th, please call and we will be more than happy to assist you.

**Hannah Marie McKay and Allie Murrell** competed in Zonals at the end of July. Hannah Marie won 7 matches and Allie's team won their division.

**Way to go ladies!**



Kids, grab your tennis racket and your parents and join us for the **Parent-Child Round Robin** scheduled for **October 6th**. We will be meeting at the Florence Country Club tennis courts from **2-5pm** to battle it out. Plan on lots of fun with your friends and family!

Spots are still available in our last Summer Tennis Camp of 2019!

August 5-9th 9:00-2:00pm  
(Swimming and lunch Included)

If you are interested in playing with the Combo 6.5 and Singles Ladies league, please call the pro shop for the sign up number. Matches started in late July and will run through August.





**Please welcome our new members:**

Dr. Fadi Seif and Dr. Anne Marie Samaha with their children Eli, Jana, Yara, Cyrine and Charbel

Landis and Hannah Lane

Erik and Brandy Seiffert with their son Landen

Scott and Mary Arvay with their children Alexandra, Amanda, Annalese and Ashton

We are happy to have you here at Florence Country Club! If you need anything let the staff or another member know. We would love to help you.

**Please remind your family and guests about the dress code at the Club for the golf course.**

**Shorts must be at least mid-thigh in length and of the Bermuda style for all golfers.**

**Bathing suits and tennis clothing may not be worn on the golf course.**

**Men and boys must wear a shirt with a collar, however, "mock" turtle necks and similar golf attire are permitted. Shirts must be tucked in at all times.**

**Items considered inappropriate included, but are not limited to, cut-offs, coaching or athletic shorts, sweat pants, denim, halter tops and tank tops.**

**The dress code applies through the golf course and all practice areas.**

**Thank you for your cooperation.**



**Congratulations to Robert Rickman. He successfully made a hole in one on #12.**

**Also, a congratulations to Heyward King on #7!**

# Surf and Turf

Friday, August 30th

## \*Choose a Beef Option\*

6.5 Black Angus Filet Mignon w/ Veal Demi

12oz Black Angus NY Strip w/ Peppercorn Demi

12oz Black Angus Ribeye w/ Mushroom Ragout

## \*Choose a Seafood Option\*

3 Pan Seared Sea Scallops...\$35

Lobster Tail...\$45

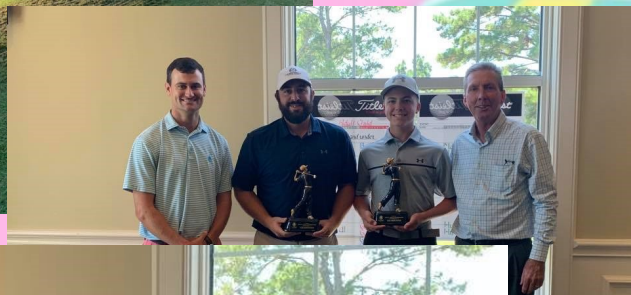
Jumbo Lump Crab Cake...\$35

Entrees include a House or Caesar Salad, Grilled Asparagus and Mashed Potatoes.

**\*Regular Dinner Menu Available As Well\***

David Shoff will be in the Clubhouse as well on Friday, August 30th playing the piano for your listening enjoyment.

Please make reservations with Christine.



## Labor Day Pool Party

### Menu (4-7pm)

BBQ Ribs

Burgers/Hotdogs

Fried Chicken

Potato Salad/Pasta Salad

Chips

Mac 'n Cheese

Corn on the Cob

Fruit Display w/

Watermelon

Ice Tea/Lemonade

Member Signature Bar

Come celebrate Labor Day with us starting at 10am on Monday at the pool. We will have the huge water slide that all the kids love up and running at 12pm along with snow cones to help keep you cool.

Pool games will begin at 4pm. Some of the classic fun games will be there like the soda and coin dives. We may even throw in the Biggest Splash by dad again!!! Have dad practice so he can win the prize!

Kevin Porter, the DJ, will arrive and be blasting tunes at 4pm. Chef and his team will have the buffet set up and ready to "dive-into" from 4-7pm. Come end your summer with some great family fun and food.

\*\*\* POOL OPENS AT 10AM\*\*\*

Dive-In Movie  
Night  
6-10pm



August 30th: "Secret Life of Pets 2"

Join your friends for a movie at the pool, swimming, pizza, popcorn and lemonade. Parents are welcome to stay as this is a family friendly event. Children must be able to pass a swim test to be left unattended.

Cost is \$7.00++ per Child

\*Movie Starts at Dusk\*