

NEWSLETTER

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The month of July has been a month full of changes. First, we'd like to thank Roger Wade for his years of service as a past President of the Green Oaks Board and years as a board member. Roger step down on 8 July 19 to enjoy more free time and golf. He is still an active member of green oak. To fill the vacant spot the board selected Scott Beatty on 15 July 19. Please give him a hardy congratulation. Also Please remember that this month dues will be increased to \$150 for golf carts & \$140 for trail/shed membership. (all new member that have signed up before 1 Aug 19 will still be under their one-year contract of \$130 until the year expires. Green Oaks is again trying a Happy Hour on Fridays from 5:30 to 7:30 pm so let's enjoy.

The big change is that Wayne Box has resigned as Greens keeper on 21 July 19 and S&S Landscaping (Will Spann) will assume all duties involved to maintain our grounds. (I've asked Will to give Green Oaks Members his expectations and plans on improving the course. Which is a second page to the newsletter.)

The tournament on 20 – 21 July was a big success and the band was AWESOME. We have a 1-man tournament coming up 24 – 25 Aug.

****NEW Members:** We would like to welcome 3 new members to Green Oaks: David and Laura Wilson and William Bartwick. May your golf needs be met and the friends you find be many!

Let's not forget our regular monthly and weekly events held at Green Oaks

1. Steak Night always the first and third Thursday of the month
2. The weekly scramble that was at 5:30 on Wednesday. (seeing if more participation on Friday)
3. Happy Hour Friday
4. Everyday good times at Green Oaks

In finishing let's enjoy the rest of summer and be careful of the dog days of August while golfing.

Roger Hinshaw

I have been working in the landscaping and lawn care field since 2006. In 2012 I opened S&S Landscaping LLC. We currently manage over 150 properties, S&S Team consist of 8 team members, currently having over 2 decades of landscaping, turf grass, and lawncare experience

I have two things that I will promise the members of greens oaks

1. Putting Greens will see improvement (this takes time/don't expect the greens to change overnight)
2. I will take care and pride in the course as if it was my own

Goals and what I want to see happen in the months, and years to come

1. Verta-cutting: No less than once per month (possibility once every 3 weeks)
Goal: Remove thatch, that is the dead layer stems and roots between the grass and the soil
2. Top Dressing of Greens (for the next several months we will be top dressing the greens no less than three times per month.
3. Rolling Greens: we will roll greens on the average 2 times per week. This will give the ball a better roll, and it also helps the turf not to be stressed.
4. Fertilizer: We ordered 20 bags of fertilizer today (this will help grow in dead patches, give greens nutrients, and color that it needs.
5. Bald spots in Fairways. (will punch and sand the areas, trying to get grass runners to take over bald areas.
6. Removing (weeds) Nut Grass, crab, Dallas grass around tee boxes and green surrounds

Three spots that I will focus on more than, any other place on the course will be #1 Green #3 Green and #5 Green. * Planning on making bald spots ground under repair. This will allow the areas to have a break from heavy foot traffic. Please try to stay off the areas as much as possible.

1. First, I will begin to scrap the algae off the dead areas.
2. Top dress dead areas
3. Fertilizer dead areas
4. Apply growth regulator on dead areas
5. ****IMPORTANT I will not cut the dead areas. I will spot cut the greens listed above for several weeks, when I finally mow the area, I will mow with the tee's mower. I know this will be an inconvenience for golfers, but this is better for the future of the greens.
6. With using the game plan above, I hope to establish a healthy stand of grass on the greens before winter arrives.

Please feel free to send me your top two priorities that you would like to see Green Oaks improve in over the next year. Members are free to email them too me, that is not an issue.

Thank you,

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