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RENOVATIONS *Update*



Men's Locker Room Exterior



Men's Locker Room Interior



The building will now feature an elevator to the second floor offices



Work progressing in the parking lot nearest the front entrance and porte-cochère



In this aerial view of the parking lot, the new traffic pattern and parking space layout begins to emerge, as well as the addition of a new delivery entrance from Bay Hill Blvd. and islands throughout. Trees and new lighting will soon begin to be installed in the islands, greatly enhancing the overall look and feel of the space.

Upcoming Events



SPLASH SUNDAYS
August 1 & August 8 | 11am-2pm



WINE DOWN WEDNESDAY
August 11 & September 15 | 5:30pm-7:30pm



LADIES' WELCOME BACK EVENT
August 31 | 10am-2pm



ARNOLD PALMER'S BIRTHDAY DINNER
September 10 | 5pm-9pm



SPLASH FAMILY NIGHT
September 17 | 5pm-8pm



TAPAS NIGHT
September 25 | 5pm-9pm

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INSIDE THE WHITE STAKES

by Brian Dorn

NOTABLE PERFORMANCES

May 22: Jeff Larson aced hole #14 with his 150 yard 8-iron shot. It was Jeff's 2nd lifetime hole-in-one (Bay Hill's 17th hole was his first).

June 6, 2021: Bob Prihoda Crowned 2021 PhedExCup Champion

After an arduous and highly competitive season that began this past January, **Bob Prihoda** - proud Bay Hill member since 2018 - bested the competition and fought through 36 holes on the PhedExCup's Championship Sunday to take home the coveted PhedExCup Purple Jacket. Prihoda now sits alongside past champions **Rick Hilmer** and **Ricardo Villamil**, "Do we really have to share the spotlight with this guy?" said a dismayed Villamil who was unable to defend his title.

The 16-week regular season featured two "Majors" and in a new twist for 2021, a Wild Card event was added for players who did not qualify for the playoffs. The Wild Card was "a win and you're in" event that saw **Hector Latorre** finish atop the field of 11 hopefuls to earn his ticket into the playoffs, "never in my wildest dreams did I imagine I could be somebody, I could be a contender" said Latorre channeling his inner Marlon Brando.

The first round of the playoffs saw two stellar rounds posted by current Club Champion **Jason Rickard** who shot a 67 gross only to be bested by **Greg Knudsen** who put up a white hot 66. The rest of field protected their fragile handi-caps and glided into the final round. **Rob Caravello, Jason Rickard, Erik Knudsen, Bob Prihoda** and **Tom Dennis** all qualified for their shot at the coveted Purple Jacket. Much like Augusta (please, just play along here), the last nine holes during the 36-hole event was where the tournament really began with the top 4 on the leader board all within 2 shots of each other. After a spectacular birdie on 13, Prihoda found himself within striking distance of the lead and with supporters lining the fairways and greens (seriously, there were Lodge Guests out there) Prihoda vaulted into first after Caravello tugged his tee shot on #17 into the bushes left of the green "who put those stupid bushes there? I mean the ball would have rolled across Bay Hill Blvd onto the O'Sullivan's yard which would have given me a good look at par" said a sullen Caravello.

With the lead now in hand, Prihoda pulled out driver and hit his patented baby draw 225 yards (ish) right down the middle of the fairway on 18, reached the green in 3

and sank an 8-footer for par to claim the Purple Jacket, a trophy, cash and we think some Bitcoin. "Truthfully, I look terrible in purple...very few people can pull this color off, but I think I can get used to going out to dinner with this thing on, it does have some sex appeal" said a straight faced Prihoda.

Once again, the PhedExCup would like to thank the entire Bay Hill staff and especially the Sunday team for helping to make the third season of the PhedExCup a huge success.



2021 PhedExCup Champ raises a toast inside Bucklers Cabin



2021 Playoff Contenders

9-HOLERS NEWS

By Emily Bessette

Our final event of the year was a shotgun, followed by the Blooms and Birdies themed Year-End Awards Luncheon. The winning team of **Linda Schumacher, Kathy Burt, Leslie Shassian and Jan Dugan** took first place! Many thanks to **Becky Simmons** and her committee for coordinating this beautiful event and to **Becky Crowley** for leading the 9 Holers for the past two years. A big Congratulations to all our year-end winners and to all of the 9 Holers for a great 2020-21 season of golf.

Our final Sunday Funday scramble was held on May 16th. Congratulations to the winning team of **Brad & Sue McDonald** and **Cheryl & William Barger**. Thanks to **Nicole Smith** and **Pat Engfer** for coordinating this popular event that we look forward to every month.

Mark your calendars for August 31st at 10:00 am for the Welcome Back Kick-Off Coffee. Sign-ups will be available for the 9 Hole Golf League and other Club activities.

We are saddened by the passing of our beloved past president **Linda Pizzolato**, but forever grateful for the many years she enhanced our lives with her enthusiasm and creativity. Dear friend to many, she was also the queen of scramble themes.



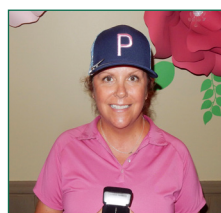
Year Ringers Flights 1st Place Winners: A-Linda Schumacher, B-Julie Sprows, C-Carolyn Dannen (NA), D-Jane Imfeld, E-Leslie Shassian, F-Jenni Hudgens, G-Beth Dettmer.



In Loving Memory
Linda Pizzolato
1959-2021



Super Duper Super Star
Carolyn Dannen



Most Improved Player
Emily Bessette



Most Participation: Bobbie Elbert,
Becky Simmons, Linda Schumacher

18-HOLERS NEWS

by Dawn Prinsell

At the end of April, after a valiant effort, the Challenge Cup was passed off to Timacuan. A big thank you to **Susie Keane** and **Debby Haynes** for organizing the BHC team and line-ups.

Our Closing Scramble was a beautiful day for golf. Congratulations to the winning team of **Beth Bagwell, Pam Dupont and Paula Hodges**. At lunch, awards were presented to 24 Year Ringer winners. Congratulations to **Kathleen Ouimet** for Most Improved Golfer and to **Linda Schumacher** for the season's highest attendance.

A special thank you to BHWGA President **Christina Korpolinski** from all of us for leading us through the past 4 years.

Save the date for the Welcome Back Kick-off Coffee on August 31st from 10-noon. If you are NEW to Bay Hill and would like to join BHWGA, we look forward to welcoming you. Please stop by the Golf Shop for more information.



Year- End Shotgun Winners: Paula Hodges, Pam duPont, Beth Bagwell
(Becky Simmons not pictured)



Most Improved Player
Kathleen Ouimet



Most Participation Award
Linda Schumacher



President-Elect Tery Zayas
receives the gavel from President
Christina Korpolinski



Bay Hill 2020-21 Challenge Cup Team Final Match Players

JULY 4 RESULTS (STEP ASIDE SCRAMBLE - NET)

1st Place -19

Glenn & Cindy Blackburn, Jeffrey & Robin Larson

T-2nd Place -17

Joel & Kaitlyn Durrance, Richard & Pam West
Kim & Brian DeZavala, Michael & Kellye Hug
Julie & Steven Sprowls, Nickolas and Cameron Sprowls

Closest To the Hole # 2: Peter Giamalva	5'8"
Closest To the Hole # 7: Dawn Prinsell	13'6"
Closest To the Hole # 14: Joe Ierubino	7'11"
Closest To the Hole # 17: Bryan Matthews	4'6"

On June 12th, some of our Bay Hill Juniors competed in the Drive, Chip, and Putt Local Qualifier event hosted by LPGA International in Daytona. **Kaitlyn** and **Emily Brackley** placed 2nd and 3rd in the Girls 10-11 age division and **Hannah Schick** placed 2nd in the Girls 7-9 age division. Each will advance to the sub-regional event at TPC Sawgrass on August 14th. We wish them the best of luck!

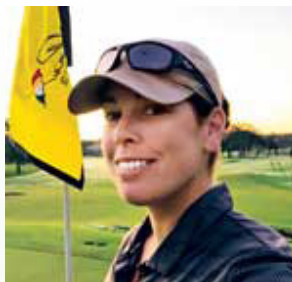


Casper Chopra won 4 tournaments in a row with rounds of 77, 73, 71, 72, 36, and 70, to win the 11 year old US Kids Golf Summer season. He also came in 2nd in the Tour Championship with his lowest 18 hole round ever of 70. Way to go!



Casper Chopra

BAY HILL EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



ALEX HILLS GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE

Alex Hills, Senior Assistant Superintendent stumbled into her career in the golf turf industry by accident. She was working at the equestrian stables at Grand Cypress when they closed in 2008 because of the economic downturn. Knowing that she liked to work outside and with her hands, she found herself a position on the grounds crew at the golf course and didn't look back. "Some of the guys didn't think I would last long," Hills says but she worked her way up to Assistant Superintendent while earning an Associate's Degree in Golf Course Operations.

Alex joined the team at Bay Hill as an Assistant Superintendent in 2016 and has continued to advance herself all while starting a family, now a mother of two.

As the Senior Assistant Superintendent, Alex plays a vital role in managing a staff of 40 employees and is directly responsible for managing the conditioning of the putting greens and overseeing the irrigation system. Even with such a busy schedule she still finds time to serve as a liaison for Bay Hill within the Golf Course Management industry; for example, she recently volunteered at the US Women's Open at the Olympic Club.

Needless to say we are extremely fortunate to have Alex as part of the Bay Hill family, as well as her trusty sidekick Zeke!



Alex & Zeke

KEEPIN' IT GREEN

by Chris Flynn

As a golf course superintendent, I am often challenged to find solutions to just about any problem I might encounter. In this post-pandemic world in which just about every business across the area is hanging out a “help wanted” sign, my team is having to be as innovative as ever as we face what might be our greatest challenge to date – maintaining adequate staffing levels. I will forgo the political, economic, and budgetary issues associated with this situation but would like to discuss its impacts. How does it affect our operation and our ability to provide the golf course conditioning we all desire?

In a perfect world – my hope would be that none of you have even noticed that this has been an issue for us. I do feel we have continued to maintain the golf course at a respectable level. To be honest, timing has also been conducive to masking any severe lack in maintenance that would otherwise be quite noticeable. The time frame from post API into July the golf course has us going through overseed transition and then aerification, so it is a time of year where the golf course tends to be a little rough around the edges anyway.

With such reduced staffing levels, we have had to get creative in how we do things. This is something that continues to evolve as we look ahead – is this a temporary situation or is it the new normal? Either way I must be forward thinking, creating both short and long-term strategies. I do think to some degree there is going to be a reset for many golf facilities when it comes to maintenance standards. Honestly, I believe in the long run, it is probably a good thing. To be truly sustainable on every level (financially, member/guest satisfaction, employee retention, environmentally) our efforts must focus on what matters most; the tasks that have the most positive impact on the golf experience.

Often, that can be easier said than done. For example, just about any golf course superintendent at a high-end facility will tell you that they spend more man hours in labor on bunkers than they do on the putting greens. From a logical standpoint you would think that should not be the case – putting greens are by far the most important part of the golf experience and bunkers are just a hazard. This is a sad but true reality of what golf course conditioning has evolved to. Here at Bay Hill, I can say we are right about even in man hours spent on greens and bunker maintenance. But as many of you might have realized by now, I am a minimalist when it comes to bunker raking. If we fully raked all the bunkers each day – our labor spent on bunkers would dwarf what is spent on greens.

Thus far our strategies involved in dealing with a reduced staff have mainly revolved around eliminating all walk mowing of greens, collars, and approaches. This approach has provided us the bodies needed to do the other necessary early morning tasks such as maintenance to bunkers, lake banks, and practice areas. You may have also noticed where we have removed most of the short-cut areas around greens to reduce mowing time. These adjustments have helped to date, and we'll see where the next few months take us. Moving forward, certainly one of my goals is to identify how we can reduce labor needs around the property while still providing an exceptional golfing experience and protecting, or even enhancing the property's aesthetic value.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me or flag me down out on the course with any concerns or suggestions. 'Til then – Hit 'Em Straight!



GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

Aug 16-27

Challenger/Champion Closed For Aerification
Charger & Practice Facilities Open For Play
(except on days when putting & chipping greens are aerified)

ARNOLD & WINNIE PALMER'S LEGACY AT WORK IN OUR COMMUNITY

Orlando's Lake Lorna Doone Park reopened on July 1st following an \$8M renovation that included the addition of the Winnie Palmer Nature Walk and the Arnold Palmer Putting Experience. Supported by The Arnold & Winnie Palmer Foundation, along with other local organizations, the park renovation is part of a larger project to enhance the West Lakes and Parramore areas of Downtown Orlando.

Winnie Palmer Nature Walk

In the creation of the nature walk, the Palmer Foundation worked closely with the City of Orlando and educators from the Winnie Palmer Nature Reserve in Latrobe, PA. Through its sponsorship of the PNC Challenge, Central Florida leadership of PNC Services joined with the Palmer Foundation to provide additional walk funding and support of program development.



"My mom and dad loved spending time in Orlando and working alongside other members of the community to enhance Orlando for its children and families," said Amy Palmer Saunders, Chair of the Palmer Foundation. "Our Foundation is grateful for the opportunity to work closely with PNC's Central Florida team member and partners on such a worthy endeavor."

Arnold Palmer Putting Experience

In addition to financial support provided by the Palmer Foundation, architects at the Arnold Palmer Design Company (APDC) stepped forward to create the Arnold Palmer Putting Experience -- a free, challenging and fun putting course. APDC's design team reinterpreted the back nine holes from the Bay Hill Champion Course.



From its headquarters at Bay Hill, The Arnold & Winnie Palmer Foundation champions its namesakes' legacy through grant making and initiatives that support children's health, youth character development and nature-focused wellness. Learn more at PalmerFoundation.org.

COMING FALL 2021...

BAY HILL BOOK CLUB

Watch for more details forthcoming soon in upcoming weekly e-newsletters.



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Hospitality



SPLASH SUNDAYS

August 1 | August 8
11am-2pm
Splash & Pool Deck

Join us poolside this summer to enjoy new food & drink specials, live music and extended hours. Look for more details about each Splash Sunday in weekly e-newsletters.

No reservations required.



WINE DOWN WEDNESDAY

August 11 | September 15
5:30pm-7:30pm

Join us for our monthly wine tasting as Lindsey Haluska tastes and explores new regions of wine with you.

Reservations are required. Email memberservices@bayhill.com. Space is limited.



LADIES' WELCOME BACK EVENT

August 31 | 10am-2pm
Palmer Rooms

Let's get social with the ladies of Bay Hill while signing up for Bay Hill activities like golf, tennis, book club and more for the 2021-2022 season.

Reservations are required. Email memberservices@bayhill.com. Space is limited.



ARNOLD PALMER'S BIRTHDAY DINNER

September 10 | 5pm-9pm
Bay Window

Happy 92nd Birthday, Mr. Palmer! In honor of Mr. Palmer's birthday, enjoy a special Prix Fixe Menu in the Bay Window to celebrate the occasion.

\$40++per person. Reservations are required. Email baywindow@bayhill.com. Space is limited.



SPLASH FAMILY NIGHT

September 17 | 5pm-8pm
Splash Cafe & Pool

Splash Family Night is back! Enjoy extended hours at the pool and Splash Cafe.

No reservations required. Seating is first come, first served.



TAPAS NIGHT

September 25 | 5pm-9pm
Bay Window

Join us in the Bay Window for a night of tapa specials and sangria. Enjoy the sounds of a Spanish guitar on the patio from 5:30pm to 8:30pm.

A la carte pricing for tapas based on menu selections. Reservations are required. Email baywindow@bayhill.com.

AUGUST 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Splash Sunday	2	3	4	5	6 Tennis Kids Night Out	7
JUNIOR GOLF CAMP						
8 Splash Sunday	9	10	11 Wine Down Wednesday	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
CHALLENGER/CHAMPION CLOSED FOR AERIFICATION PLAY ON CHARGER ONLY						
22	23	24 Tennis Kick Off Round Robin	25	26	27	28
CHALLENGER/CHAMPION CLOSED FOR AERIFICATION PLAY ON CHARGER ONLY						
29	30	31 Ladies' Welcome Back Event				
Tennis Golf Special Events Pool Events						

Dress Code: Clubhouse/Dining Attire

Proper golf or casual business attire is required; jean shorts, T-shirts, swimwear, tank tops, midriff-bearing attire and gym clothes are not permitted. However, jean pants in good repair are allowed. Those who desire to wear shorts will need to have a hem length no more than 4 inches above the knee. Men's shirts must have collars and must be tucked in unless the shirt was specifically designed otherwise. Men's mock turtlenecks are allowed. Gentlemen must remove their hats while inside the Clubhouse.

Upcoming Golf Events

August 3-6	Junior Golf Camp
Sept. 7	9-Hole Kick-Off Scramble/Luncheon (9:30am, Charger)
Sept. 9	BHWGA Kick-Off Scramble/Luncheon (8:30am)
Sept. 12	Sunday Funday (12:00pm/2:30pm shotguns, Charger)
Sept. 13	Volunteer Appreciation Day (Challenger/ Champion closed all day)
Sept. 17	9 & Stein (4:30pm shotgun, Challenger & Charger)
Sept. 19	Mixed Golf (8:30am)

