



May 2019

Golf Shop Hours:
Tuesday-Sunday
7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Main Phone:
843-884-8571

Tee Times:
843-884-8571 ext 3
843-884-2600

Tennis:
843-884-8571 ext 4

Restaurant:
843-884-8571 ext 5

Membership:
843-884-8571 ext 7

Special Events RSVP:
843-884-8571 ext 0

Club Website:
www.sneefarmcc.com

Around the Club

Live Music

Featuring Patrick Norris

May 10th
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
The Grille

Music Bingo

Music bingo is a collection of awesome tunes. Instead of regular bingo numbers, you'll hear a song and cover it up just like you would playing regular bingo. We will have all types of music that we all know and love.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, April 8th
843-884-8571 ext. 0
tammy.benefield@sneefarmcc.com

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 12th
\$24.95 ++ Per Adult
\$10.95 ++ Per Child (ages 6-12)
4.95++ Per Child (ages 4-5)
3 and under are FREE!

Reservations starting at 10:30

Menu

Fresh Fruit Display
Pastries & Muffins
Granola Yogurt Parfait
Omelet Station
Pecan Wood Smoked Bacon
Sausage Links
Hashbrowns
Shrimp & Grits
French Toast
Mixed Greens Salad with Toppings &

Dressings
Herb Rubbed Sirloin
Fish Of The Day
Macaroni & Cheese
Roasted Spring Vegetables
Desserts

**One Complimentary Mimosa for each Mom!*

**Reservations are Required. Please
RSVP by Sunday, May 5th to Tammy
Benefield - 843-884-8571 ext. 0 /
tammy.benefield@sneefarmcc.com**

Welcome New Members!

Jordan & Heather Adams - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Tom & Linda Garbett - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Sean & Becky McFalls - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Sean & Tracy Doyle - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Dave & Heather Tyler - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Dexter & Regina Dobson - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Trey & Katie Lucy - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Randy & Kristin Walker - Charleston, SC

Billy & Lynn Hudson - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Carl & Margaret Sellers - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Dennis & Barbie Kirwin - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Mitch & Shellie Bohannon - Mt. Pleasant, SC

David & Margaret Agee - Daniel Island, SC

Forrest & Debbie Foshee - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Mark & Karen Gaddy - Charleston, SC

Seamus O'Boyle & Andrea Von Lehe - Mt. Pleasant,
SC

Chris & Lauren Von Lehe - Mt. Pleasant, SC

Golf

Pro's Corner

Written by Pete Dunham, PGA Professional, Director of Golf.
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The Unique Bunkers of Snee Farm

I had a great question asked of me a couple of days ago from a Snee Farm member who watched me hit a bunker shot on #4.

After discussing the variety of different lies we see in the bunkers at Snee, he asked me this question: **Do you use one type of sand shot in Snee's traps or do you change it depending on the surface? If you change it, what is your process of determining which way is best?**

Let's start with the elephant in the room. The bunkers at Snee are inconsistent. I'd say in general all are firm*, but some are sandy and some are more of a dirt/sand combo... When it rains, all the bunkers get compact, but the dirt/sand variety become particularly interesting to hit out of. Over time, we'll re-do a few bunkers each year, but most likely, we'll continue to see a variety of bunkers at Snee.

With that out of the way - here's the good news. The bunkers at Snee are extremely playable. In fact, if you play with a low handicap golfer, chances are they love the bunkers at Snee. With good technique, they are far easier than the fluffy sanded bunkers many resort courses have.

The key is good technique. **To answer the first part of the question- I use one type of sand shot on 90+% of all bunker shots at Snee Farm. I simply vary the size of my swing.**

Keys to good bunker play at Snee:

- Mid-range bounce (8-12 degrees) on wedge (the less bounce, the more you can open the club)
- Passive hands and level brush of the sand
- Anticipate how the club will react when splashing the sand

I have a very specific technique I use. It's called Gravity Golf. I simply let the arms fall and I turn the arms and club through the sand with my follow through. I use this method on all shots and it helps with my consistency throughout the bag. One swing. Simple.

Regardless of technique- if you have a wedge with mid-range bounce it should splash dent the sand enough to get under the ball and skid through the sand well enough to slide past the ball. Too much bounce out of firm bunkers can be a real killer. If you have a wedge with lots of bounce, simple **SQUARE THE FACE UP MORE...** This will allow the club to dig a little more under the sand and will make it less likely to 'bounce' up out of the sand too soon.

With firm bunkers, it's very difficult to be consistent if you use a lot of wrists in your swing. If the hands are flipping the club, the loft, the bounce and the low point are changing too rapidly... Only with massive repetition and skill can one become proficient in firm sand using their hands. **The key is to be passive and level.** We want the club coming in rather shallow and then sliding through the sand for several inches, an inch or so before the ball and at least an inch or more past the ball! The key is to improve your skill of 'denting' the sand about an inch before the ball and making sure the club stays below the surface of the sand well past the ball.

Finally, you need to anticipate the impact of the sand. Most all the bunkers at Snee are firm, so we know that the sand will offer LESS resistance than fluffy sanded bunkers.

That's GREAT! It means we can take a more controlled swing. Here are a few things to notice when you step into a bunker. Is this bunker mostly sand? Does it look more like dirt (darker, heavier)? Or is it somewhere in between? If it rained, does the bunker look like wet heavy sand, or perhaps hard as the sand by the ocean at low tide? This is critical. Sandy bunkers and hard sand bunkers offer little resistance when the club 'thumps' the ground. The club will quickly and easily slide through the ball. A small swing can move the ball easily out of the bunker. More dirt like sand and wet, heavy sand create a lot of resistance and simply need a bigger swing to move the club through it to move the ball the same distance.

With the proper bounce, technique and a little investigative work- the bunkers at Snee are not only playable, but they are also preferable!!! (again, ask a low handicap player or Rice Planters player... We love them!). It takes a small controlled swing. The skill is the thump of the club behind the ball and the slide of the club through the ball. The additional skill is anticipating through the look and feel through the feet how the ball will react.

Same swing (different size). Don't mess around too much with bounce and varying techniques. Of course, there are a couple of shots (buried, downhill, excessively hard) that demand different techniques, but 90+% of all shots should be the same!

Finally, the goal is to get out. Don't try to be too cute, or too aggressive. Make about the same swing in all bunkers (to move the ball about 12 yards) and you'll be on most greens within 20 feet of the pin. As your technique and confidence grow, you can begin to pinpoint even more.

Now go PLAY GOLF!

*I wrote this article a couple weeks ago. So of course we are in the midst of a long term drought right now and Brent just changed the rake tines on the Bunker machine.... Some bunkers are now **soft and very sandy!** Haha. So, Now you can open the face of the wedge some more exposing more BOUNCE, and know that it will take more energy to move more sand out of the bunker. Same technique- just a bigger swing in the soft sand! You got this.

Want to improve your game more? Contact one of our pros at The Farm!

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Upcoming Events

May 9th - Ladies Invitations (course closed until 2 pm)

June 7th - 9th Snee Farm Club Championships

Time to re-grip? See Matt Caponigro, our golf equipment expert to get into new grips today!

Reminders:

• **No jeans or t-shirts** when practicing or playing at Snee Farm Country Club. Proper Golf attire required.

• **Take 2 seconds, fix 2 ball marks!** Even if you don't hit a green, just remember to fix 2 ball marks on every green.

Your golfing experience will improve.
Cart Traffic. Please follow all cart rules and etiquette. Always drive carts back to the cart path side of the hole at the white stakes (about 30-50 yards from the green).

Tennis

Psycho Drill Class

Saturday at 9:00-10:00 am.

This is a drop-in drill class for men and women 3.5-up that want a hard running tennis workout. Rich and Shane make it non-stop action. Cost: \$10.

Regular Drill Class

Saturday at 10:00-11:00 am.

This is a drop-in drill class for women only who want a chance to hit a million balls to dial their game in, Cost: \$10.



Fitness

Fitness Trainers

Brian Mac

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Other News

May Yoga



Thursday: 2 Week Session

Thursday Mornings 9-10:30am

May 2nd & May 9th

\$20 Per Member or \$24 Per Non Member

Instructor: Laurie Clarke of Sun to Moon
Yoga

843-729-4236 /

laurie@suntomoonyoga.com

*Drop In's Welcome

\$13 member / \$15 non member

For Additional Information Contact

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Memorial Day Pool Party!

Monday, May 27th

11 - 3 PM

Music * Games * Fun!

Hot Dog and Chips - \$6.50++

Brat and Chips - \$6.50++

Chicken Fingers and Chips - \$6.50++

Burger and Chips - \$7.50++

++ Plus Tax and Gratuity

2019 Summer Swim Lessons

Classes Offered:

- 3 Year Old Beginner
- 4 Year Old Beginner
- 5 & 6 Year Old Beginner
- Red Cross Beginner (Ages 6-8)
- Red Cross Advanced Beginner (Ages 7-9)
- Red Cross Intermediate (Ages 8+)

Sessions:

June 11th - June 21st

July 2nd - July 12th

July 23rd - August 2nd

Time: Tuesday - Friday (2 Weeks)

9:00 - 9:45am

Price: \$60 per Child (Members)

\$70 per Child (Non-Members)

To register please call Tammy Benefield @ 843-884-8571 ext. 0

We initially group children by age, but after the first day we will shift children to the group that corresponds to their ability

Snee Farm Swim Team Home Meet Schedule

The Pool is Closed to Member Swim During Meets

June 6th - Shadowmoss @ Snee

June 13th - Hobcaw Yacht Club @ Snee

June 25th - Newington @ Snee

June 27th - Northbridge Terrace @ Snee

Golf News Cont.

Member Guest Winners!

Flight 1

Matt Holloway and Sam Little

Flight 2

Danner Benfield and Durning Moore

Flight 3

Jack Knight and Travis Howard

Flight 4

Trey Morrison and Ty Peebles

Flight 5

Paul Lawler and Mike Gerken

Flight 6

Dennis Slezak and Glenn Slezak

Flight 7

Chase Payne and Robby Singleton

Flight 8

Bart Bodkin and Dustin Smith

Flight 9

Leo Fary and Ray Passailaigue

Flight 10

Khrys Kanos and Joel Kozak

Runner-Up

Chase Payne and Robby Singleton



Overall Champions (Pictured)

Leo Fary and Ray Passailaigue



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Yoga	3	4 Drill Classes 9 a.m. & 10 a.m.
5	6	7	8	9 Yoga	10 Live Music 7:00 p.m.	11 Drill Classes 9 a.m. & 10 a.m. Music Bingo 6:30 p.m.
12 Mother's Day Brunch	13	14	15	16	17	18 Drill Classes 9 a.m. & 10 a.m.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Drill Classes 9 a.m. & 10 a.m.
26	27 Memorial Day Pool Party	28	29	30	31	