# 2021 Handbook



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#### THE HISTORY OF STONINGTON COUNTRY CLUB

In the mid-1980's Ian Camfield had the vision and the dream of creating a country club in Stonington. With a small group of Founders, this goal was pursued to a successful conclusion, despite adverse conditions. The economic environment at the time was extremely difficult. The weather in the form of Hurricane Bob delayed the initial opening of the course. The approval process to build a country club took close to two years requiring close coordination with the course designer, Al Zikorus. The Stonington Country Club, Incorporated July 13, 1988.

In August 1992, the first nine holes and a partially completed clubhouse were opened. Much of this was accomplished by the dedication of the early members who worked tirelessly to assure that everything would come together as planned.

Two years later in the spring of 1994, the back nine opened with five holes. The design of the back nine was enhanced by Ron Forse, a golf course architect from Pennsylvania. He refined the original plans that had been laid out approximately seven years earlier by Al Zikorus. The final four holes, which completed the back nine, opened in October 1997. A gala celebration, with a piper in full regalia, recognized this wonderful occasion.

An extraordinary aspect of the development of the Club was that all the financing required came from the generosity of our members. When funding was required, the members came forward by underwriting debentures, naming holes on the course, and by other means. This was truly remarkable and is a part of the Club's history which we are extremely proud.

In 1999 it was apparent the original clubhouse could no longer adequately satisfy the needs of a greatly expanded membership. Once again, we called upon our fellow members, contractor Wes Maxwell, and architect Bill Roehl to enlarge the clubhouse. A wonderful addition was completed in June of 2001 with an opening ceremony to celebrate the incredible milestones accomplished in the first decade.

In 2019, the original Clubhouse patio area was enclosed to create a 1,200 square foot Pub Room with seating for over 40 members and guests. The original oak wood bar was disassembled and reconstructed so members and their guests could enjoy beverages while viewing the ninth green and first tee. The Pub Room quickly became the preferred seating area for dining. In 2020 pavers were laid to create a 1,325 square foot outdoor patio with seating, outdoor umbrellas, and a fire pit. The addition the outdoor patio enabled the Club to continue to offer food and beverage service outdoors during the coronavirus pandemic of 2020-21 when indoor dining was suspended.

With 2020, came further change as the Club moved forward with its vision to build a new 2,400 square foot Golf Academy. The Academy includes 6 hitting stations with doors that open to the range for use in the off season on the main level and bag storage on the lower level. Bob Evans, Club President, accompanied by other passionate members, was instrumental in executing this vision that is now much enjoyed by the members.

Today, six irrigation ponds help keep our turf playable. The course has 53 bunkers, 3.5 acres of greens, 3 acres of tees, 25 acres of fairways and about 60 acres of rough. The tees and fairways are comprised of bent grass. The greens are mostly bent grass. The rough is a mix of fescue, rye grass and Kentucky bluegrass. The Club takes great pride in maintaining excellent course conditions – creating memorable experiences for our Members and guests.

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## **VISION STATEMENT**

To operate as a private golf club focused on providing its members with an excellent golf experience and pleasurable social opportunities.

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

- To provide an exceptional golf course where SCC's pristine setting inspires the love of the game and the ability to retain and attract members.
- To offer a private club experience where Members feel a sense of belonging and the opportunity to create lifelong memories.
- To provide impeccable golfing experience to members and their guests of all golfing abilities
- To provide instructional programs, practice facilities and competitive and noncompetitive golfing events for members and their guests

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#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

We have several means of communication with the membership which includes email, our website, the Member Handbook, bulletin boards, and texts. Management will do our best to ensure we communicate effectively and efficiently and will make a commitment to respond to your inquiries and needs as quickly as we can.

	Founding I	Members
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Beaumont		Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Holstein
Mr. & Mrs. Ian G. Camfield		Mr. & Mrs. John C. O'Brien
Mr. & Mrs. A. Searle Field		Mr. & Mrs. Brendan P. O'Donnell
Mr. & Mrs. Anthony P. Halsey		Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Payer
Mr. & Mrs. John Holstein		Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph J. Schaefer, III
Past Preside	ents	2021 Club Officers
Ian G. Camfield	1988 – 1994	President – Robert Evans
Anthony P. Halsey	1994 – 1997	Vice President – James Kadamus
Paul I. Bartholet	1997 – 2000	Secretary – Donna Dooley
Gerald Snyder	2000 – 2002	Treasurer – Richard Gibbons
Michele J. Delmhorst	2002 - 2003	
Marc Ginsberg	2003 - 2006	
Tim Guidera	2006 - 2009	
Jackson T. King, Jr.	2009 - 2012	
Thomas J. Flaherty	2012 - 2015	
George Henningsen	2015 - 2018	

Board of Governors			
Term Expires 2021	Term Expires 2022	Term Expires 2023	
Richard Harley	Peter Auerbach	James Belli	
James Kadamus	Linda Congdon	Richard Gibbons	
John Miceli	Donna Dooley	Christine Grady	
	Robert Evans	Matthew Lindauer	
	Raymond Gabriel	Raymond Trebisacci	

## **Executive Committee**

Robert Evans— Chairman Peter Auerbach, Donna Dooley, Richard Gibbons, James Kadamus, John Miceli, Raymond Trebisacci

## Club Management - (860) 535-4035

Robin Rasch, LPGA – General Manager/Director of Golf: <a href="mailto:rrasch@stoningtoncountryclub.com">rrasch@stoningtoncountryclub.com</a>
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Alona Comito – Office Administrator: <a href="mailto:admin@stoningtoncountryclub.com">admin@stoningtoncountryclub.com</a>

## **Standing Committees**

**Capital Planning:** Donna Dooley, Chair; Peter Auerbach Golf Chair; John Miceli Green, Buildings and Grounds Chair; Ray Trebisacci House Chair; Rick Harley

**Finance:** Rick Gibbons, Chair and Club Treasurer; Bob Congdon, Vice Chair; Donna Dooley, Ken Burns, Fred Conti, Donna Dooley, Mark Young

**Golf:** Peter Auerbach Chair; Gus Brucker, Vice Chair; Peter Auerbach (Men's League), Bonnie Battiston (Women's League), Robynne Madison, John Miceli, Michelle Pagella, Mary Siegel, Joe Walsh, Jody Vacca.

• Handicap Committee: Bill White, Chair; Michelle Murphy, Jim Rooney

**Green, Buildings and Grounds:** John Miceli - Chair, David Rezendes - Vice Chair; Peter Auerbach, Nick DeLauro, Peter Gardner, George Henningsen, Nagi Kamireddy

**House:** Ray Trebisacci, Chair; Paul Berlam, Vice Chair; Bonnie Battiston, Ray Gabriel, Erin Collins, Lynne Hansen

Marketing and Membership Development: Jim Kadamus, Chair; Linda Congdon, Matt Lindauer, Mark Young, Celeste Burns, Paul Timlin, Jim Belli

**Grievance** – Ray Gabriel, Chair and Christine Grady

**Nominating** – Mark Young

\*\* Ex Officio General Manager on all Committees. The role of the GM is to carry out the purposes and operations of the Club within the policies set by the Board.

MISCELLANEOUS FEES			
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Guest Green Fees Weekday 9		** Event pricing will be announced for each individual Event (i.e., 9 & Dines)	
Guest	\$50	Every Tuesday Guest Days, 1/2 off green fees.	
duest	730	Parents, grandparents, sons/daughters over age 25, grandchildren 18 &	
Family	\$40	older (17 & under, see junior rates)	
lumian	ćar	Ages 11-17 play for \$11 after 1pm Sundays (9 or 18 holes). Ages 10 and	
Junior	\$25	under are complimentary.	
Weekday 18			
Guest	\$75	Every Tuesday Guest Days, 1/2 off green fees after 1:00pm	
Family	\$50	2.00. / 1.000.00. 2.00. 2.00 / 1.00 /	
Junior	\$40		
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Weekends & Holidays 9 (includes Fridays from Memorial Day thru Labor Day)			
Guest	\$60		
Family	\$50		
Junior	\$40		
Weekends & Holidays  18 (includes Fridays from Memorial Day thru Labor Day)			
Guest	\$90		
Family	\$60		
Junior	\$50		
Unaccompanied Guest - Midweek	\$100	Tee times available after 1:00pm	
Unaccompanied Guest - Weekends	\$115	Tee times available after 1:00pm	
Golf Cart Fees (per person)			
9 Holes	\$13		
18 Holes	\$22		
Push Carts	\$5		
Pre-Paid 9 holes 25 rides	\$275		
Pre-Paid 18 holes 25			
rides	\$450		
Bag Storage (per person)	\$150 per p	erson per item (bag, push, or electric cart). \$275 for two items. Billed in May.	
Lockers	\$100		
Handicap Fee	\$30	Ages 16 and under are complimentary. Billed in May.	

#### **Grandchildren of Members:**

Grandchildren of members are invited to participate in any of the club's fee-based junior golf programs or clinics.

Members may secure annual playing privileges for their grandchild by paying a yearly fee of \$350. Note that under this program grandchildren only have playing privileges and are not considered members. Grandchildren with playing privileges cannot participate in member-only events such as leagues, member/member events, and club championship events. They can participate as a guest in social golf events.

Grandchildren must be less than 18 years of age on the 1st of July to be eligible for participation in the program in any given year.

#### **GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE**

It is the goal of SCC to have the course in prime condition from the beginning of the season to the end. That goal can only be achieved by allowing the Grounds Crew to do maintenance work on the course. The Grounds Crew will do their best to be transparent to the Membership, however there will be times that maintenance needs to be completed during prime golfing time.

Mike Marino, our Superintendent, has outlined a Maintenance Schedule for the Membership's information. It will be a schedule maintained by the Grounds Crew; however, the schedule may need to be adjusted from time to time based on weather and club activity. We are looking forward to informing the membership of the happenings on the golf course and keeping you updated as the year progresses.

- Greens: Mowed daily. Usually rolled Tuesday through Sunday (based on time of year)
- Tees and Approaches: Mowed three times per week
- Bunker Raking: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday; bunker cleaned on Monday afternoon
- Cups: Changed Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday (based on time of year)

#### **GOLF RULES & REGULATIONS**

## **General Rules of Play**

- 1. USGA rules of golf apply except as amended by local rules.
- 2. The course will open for play at the discretion of the Golf Course Superintendent and close at dusk.
- 3. All members and guests must sign-in at the golf shop before playing.
- 4. Golf shop permission is required to begin play on the 10<sup>th</sup> tee.
- 5. All players should replace divots in fairways, repair ball marks and spike marks on greens after putting. Rake bunkers and leave rakes inside of bunkers, perpendicular to the edge of the bunker.
- 6. All carts must be kept clear of all bunkers and greens. Use paths whenever possible. No motorized carts are allowed inside any roped off area. Pull carts should not be pulled between bunkers and greens, or any fringe of the greens.
- 7. Metal spiked shoes are not allowed on the golf course.
- 8. Slower groups MUST allow faster groups to play through.
- 9. No more than four players in one group.
- 10. All golfers are expected to learn and observe golf rules and etiquette.
- 11. Proper attire is required at all Club facilities following the Club's Dress Code.
- 12. Practicing is prohibited on the golf course except for those areas set aside for that purpose.
- 13. Players must enter and leave bunkers from the shallowest point and footprints must be smoothed over. Climbing over the face of the bunker is strictly prohibited.
- 14. Maximum time looking for lost balls is three minutes. While looking, you must allow those behind you to play through.

#### **Tee Times**

- 1. Tee times may be made by using the Jonas Mobile App or Website 7 days in advance.
- 2. TBDs will be deleted 5 days prior to a tee time.
- 3. Beginning golfers should avoid playing before 1:00pm on weekends and holidays.
- 4. On Saturdays and Sundays from 7:00am to 9:00am foursomes are preferred. Any twosome teeing off during this time will not have the priority of playing through foursomes.
- 5. Wednesday mornings from May 5th to Sept 30th are reserved for the women's SCCWGA. The course will be available for open play at 11:00am.

#### Guests

- 1. A guest is limited to a maximum of six rounds per year, irrespective of the number of holes played and whether sponsored by one or more members. Exceptions for cause may be requested in writing to the Golf Committee Chair. Participation in member/guest tournaments will not be included in this count.
- 2. Guests must be signed in and must be accompanied by a member on weekends and holidays. All charges incurred will be placed on the member's account.
- 3. A member may only entertain three guests at one time. A larger number of guests must be arranged through the Head Golf Professional.
- 4. Children of members may not sponsor guests without prior approval of a parent.
- 5. Please remember that members are responsible for their guest's etiquette, dress, and pace of play.

## **Practice Facility**

- 1. The range opens 30 minutes prior to the first tee time. Balls may not be hit before or after hours of operation.
- 2. Please adhere to any signage regarding rules of the day such as mats only.
- 3. Range balls are to be hit only from areas where golf ball crates are stationed. Please do not remove range balls from the practice area.

## **Golf Carts**

- 1. Under no circumstances will golf carts be operated by anyone without a valid driver's license.
- 2. No more than two golfers may ride in a cart.
- 3. Each player must have their own clubs.
- 4. Players must follow cart paths and direction signs when encountered on the golf course for both safety and maintenance reasons.
- 5. Please keep carts in the rough until crossing the fairway at 90 degrees unless cart restrictions are in place for the day.
- 6. Carts must stay on the paths on all Par 3's, and around the tees and greens.
- 7. Misuse of golf carts will be reported to management, and continued disregard of the rules for cart usage may result in suspension of privileges.

**Local Rules** will be posted in the clubhouse and displayed on the scorecard.

## **Course Opening Times**

- 1. Opening thru May 28th: 7:30am weekends & holidays. 8:00am midweek.
- 2. May 29th thru August 1st: 6:30am weekends & holidays. 7:30am midweek.
- 3. August 2nd thru September 6th: 7:00am weekends & holidays. 7:30am midweek.
- 4. September 7th thru closing: 7:30am weekends & holidays. 8:00am midweek.
- 5. Mondays, throughout the year, except for holidays -10:00am.

## **Golf Course Etiquette & Pace of Play**

- 1. 18-hole rounds of golf to be completed within between 3hrs/54min and 4hrs/12min. This will help ensure all members and guests enjoy their golf experience.
- 2. Rangers are engaged to ensure the pace of play is maintained. If a Ranger asks you to increase your pace, please conform without question.
- 3. Play ready golf. Repair divot holes. Repair ball marks.

## **Posting Scores**

- 1. Members are strongly encouraged to enter all their scores in the system. A player should submit their score as soon as possible on the day of play, after completion of their round, and before midnight (local time) with accurate dates.
- 2. The Handicap Committee will be conducting spot checks to ensure compliance.
- **3.** If the Handicap Committee finds omissions, the Committee will notify the golfer, and will take further actions under USGA Rules if necessary.

**Golf Shop:** The Golf Shop is operated by the Club's PGA Head Golf Professional and is open from Opening Day to Closing Day. Golf shop hours during the season are subject to change and will be posted.

## **Golf Academy**

- 1. **Instruction:** The Golf Academy offers instructional opportunities from our Certified PGA/LPGA and TPI Professionals. A variety of instructional programs are available for all ages and ability levels from the Club's three golf professionals.
- 2. **Winter Use:** The Academy is available December through March with limited memberships available.

**Hole-In-One:** To be recognized as an official hole in one, play must be associated with a 9 or 18 hole posted round, occur in a member tournament or regular play, and be witnessed. The Club will celebrate the HIO by offering beer and wine for one hour after completion of play to members and guests in the Pub.

**Community Support:** SCC is the home course for the Wheeler High School golf team and the Coast Guard Academy Golf Club. Both organizations practice or have matches late afternoons during April and May and have little impact on the memberships' ability to use the course.

**Club Tournaments:** The tournament schedule has been designed to offer maximum enjoyment and participation for all members. Tournament information is linked within the email blasts and linked on the Website calendar. Tournament signups open 30 days prior to the event.

**General Information:** SCC is the host for outside tournaments early and late in the golf season. Please check your monthly calendar for details.

#### **CLUBHOUSE**

#### Schedule and Service

- 1. A club member must properly sign all guests on club property in the guest book by the front door or through the golf shop.
- 2. The clubhouse will be open seven days a week May through October. Hours are subject to change. The clubhouse is open limited hours during the winter months.
- 3. Any clubhouse activity such as committee meetings, luncheons, bridge events, etc. must be scheduled through the office. Approval typically will be granted as long as; there are no other clubhouse events scheduled on the day of the event, the group is less than 25 people and the time frames are within regularly posted house hours.
- 4. Social Events: SCC sponsors a variety of social activities during the year, with a heavier emphasis on spring through fall events. All social activities are by reservation only and guests are welcome. Invitations will include RSVP deadlines. All social functions are charged to the member's account, and cancellations must be made 48 hours prior to the event.

#### Dress Code for Social Events

- "Golf Casual" jackets and ties are not required.
- Formal jacket and ties are required.
- o Jeans are permitted in the clubhouse and Pub Room only.
- 5. When food service is available at the Club, members and guests cannot bring their own food onto Club property.
- 6. Clubhouse Rental: The clubhouse is available for rent to SCC members for their personal use. It is also available on a limited basis for member-sponsored rentals. Members who desire to use the club facilities for private functions should contact the General Manager for a detailed rental agreement. The rental fee is based on the size of the function.

## **Tipping Policy and Procedures:**

- 1. Food and Beverage Service: An 18% gratuity is added to all food and beverage chits. This is added to your bill and then charged to your account. A line item is located on the bottom of the chit to write in an additional gratuity if desired. (The SCC non-food & beverage staff share in an end-of-season gratuity billed to members' accounts.)
- 2. Other Employees: There will be no tipping of any employees during the golf season. In the late fall of each year, members' accounts are charged a fee that is distributed among the entire SCC staff. Members may increase or remove this charge from their accounts by contacting the club office within 15 days of the charge.

## **Charges and Credit**

- 1. Guest green fees and golf carts must be placed on a member's account. Cash is not accepted at the Club except for snacks in the golf shop.
- 2. Guests may use credit or debit cards for food/beverage service only.
- 3. Members are responsible for reimbursement to the Club for any damage to Club property caused by themselves or their guests.
- 4. Fees for club functions will be charged to the member unless the member cancels their attendance through the office at least 48 hours prior to the event. Different rules may apply for private functions.

#### General

- 1. Smoking of any type is prohibited within the clubhouse and on the outside patios.
- 2. The Club will not be responsible for the loss of or damage to personal property of members and guests.
- 3. No subscription, petition or notice not concerning club affairs shall be distributed or posted in the clubhouse without permission of the House Committee or a Club Manager.
- 4. Solicitation of members, guests, employees or the general public by anyone for any purpose shall be prohibited anywhere on club property or through the use of club-owned media (e.g., newsletter, bulletin boards, email accounts, web site, etc.) without express written permission by the Board of Governors.
- 5. No property or furniture of the Club shall be removed from the premises without permission of a Club Manager.
- 6. A parent or guardian must accompany children under age 12 at all times. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children on SCC premises.
- 7. Animals are not permitted on Club property, with the exception of Service Animals.
- 8. The voice usage of cell phones is prohibited from all areas of the property beyond the main parking lot. Exceptions will be made for emergency situations.

## **Code of Conduct**

- 1. State liquor regulations and other substance regulations shall be in force at all times.
- 2. All members and guests must identify themselves to the clubhouse staff if requested to do so.
- 3. No member or guest shall interfere with the management of the Club or shall reprimand or discipline an employee. Any inattention to duty or lack of hospitality by an employee should be promptly reported to the General Manager.
- 4. If a member or guest experiences inattention or lack of hospitality by a General Manager, they are asked to advise the President or Vice President of the Club.
- 5. Should a member or guest have a concern or a complaint about a fellow member, they should contact the Chair of the Grievance Committee. If the issue concerns the Chair of the Grievance Committee, the member or guest should contact the President or Vice President of the Board of Governors.

## **FOOD & BEVERAGE**

Jon Kodama independently operates all SCC food service. Jon and his staff provide a variety of dining opportunities and events at the club. Currently, SCC does not charge its members a food minimum. However, we do ask that you support the independent food operation of the club.

Reservations are not normally required for lunch or dinner service. However, if you intend to bring a large party, advance notice is appreciated.

The Pub hours for the season will be:

### **April Pub Hours:**

- · Saturday, April 17, 11am to 8pm
- Sunday, April 18, 11am to 6pm
- · Saturday, April 24, 11am to 8pm
- · Sunday, April 25, 11am to 6pm
- · Wednesday, April 28, 11am to 6pm (6pm 9pm Men's League only)

## May Pub Hours:

- · May 1 October 11
  - o Saturdays 11:00am to 9:00pm
    - May 1, Kentucky Derby Evening Celebration TIME TBD
  - Sundays 11:00am to 6:00pm
  - Mondays closed
  - Tuesdays 11:00am to 6:00pm
  - Wednesday 11:00am to 6:00pm (6pm 9pm Men's League only)
  - o Thursday 11:00am to 9:00pm
  - o Friday 11:00am to 9:00pm

#### **PADDLE TENNIS**

- 1. The court is available to all members.
- 2. All players must wear flat rubber soled shoes.
- 3. A guest is limited to using the court two times per month, whether sponsored by one or more members. A member must accompany their guests.
- 4. Those using the lights on the courts are responsible for turning them out after play.
- 5. Times of play:

The court is available from 8:00am to 10:00pm., on a first come first served basis except for times reserved. The play is limited to one hour if others are waiting to play.

Court condition:

- Courts are maintained Monday Friday.
- The court should be dry and free from ice and snow. In the winter there can be ice on the court due to the dew, which has frozen during the night. It usually dries when the

sun hits it. AT NO TIME MAY SALT OR OTHER CHEMICALS BE APPLIED TO THE SURFACE OF THE COURT.

• Snow: If the court is covered with snow, it needs to be pushed off with a plastic shovel

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and then swept so that the sun can do the last bit. Icy spots must wait for the sun.

• Rain: A wet court can be as slippery as one with snow and ice.

## **DRESS CODE**

Please familiarize yourself and your guests with the following dress code. Members and their guests must always wear proper attire.

- 1. Hats are to be worn with the brim facing forward.
- 2. Ladies may wear collarless shirts and blouses.
- 3. Mock and regular turtlenecks, as well as blade collars, are allowed.
- 4. Shirts are to be worn tucked in. However, both men and women may leave their shirts untucked if they are specifically designed to be worn in this manner.
- 5. Length of skirts and shorts should be consistent with current "golf attire" styles.

In the Clubhouse ONLY (and not on practice areas or on the course), jeans may be worn, provided they are neither cut, torn, threadbare, frayed, patched, stained or splattered, nor drawstring waist... even if fashioned by a designer.

We expect our members and guests to avoid the following attire on the Club premises:

- 1. Gentlemen wearing hats of any type on the main floor of the clubhouse at any time.
- 2. Sweatshirts, T-shirts, tank tops, halter tops, mesh shirts, cropped tops and exposed midriffs, bathing attire, and other dress of this type.
- 3. Overalls, sweatpants, cutoffs, gym, and coaching shorts.

However, on occasion, a specific social event may permit certain theme attire which may include above-listed apparel which is not otherwise allowed.

SCC's staff has been instructed to follow the procedure in enforcing our dress code with all members and guests of SCC. Please respect their judgment.

#### **GRIEVANCE POLICY & PROCEDURES**

The Board of Governors has established the Grievance Committee to educate and remind members and guests of the Club rules and etiquette. The Grievance Policy outlines three levels of violations. Level One – minor, Level Two – moderate and Level Three – serious. The committee will respond to all complaints within its three functions. The Board will ultimately decide all disciplinary action.

All grievance complaints shall be set forth in writing, signed by the member raising the complaint, and submitted to the Grievance Committee on a Rules Infraction Report. These forms are available in the clubhouse. Also available to all members is the complete statement of the Grievance Committee Policies and Procedures. All members are encouraged to review this policy.

#### **CELL PHONE POLICY**

We ask that members and guests limit the use of cell phones at the Club. Any use should be discreet and in a manner which will not disturb others or detract from their experience. At a minimum, switch the ringtone to silent and use text if possible.

Whether on the course, at a practice area or in the Clubhouse, please find a secluded spot and help us all enjoy the luxury of a few cell phone free hours. Since the play of golf requires concentration, please refrain from cell phone use around individuals who are actively either practicing or playing golf.

## **SCC LIQUOR POLICY**

It is the policy of The Stonington Country Club that the responsibility for the conduct of each member, his/her family, and guests, with respect to the consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises of the Club and to operating motor vehicles following such consumption, lies with the individual member. This responsibility is not, and cannot, be assumed by the Club. However, in the event of a patron becoming intoxicated, the club will ensure transportation either with a designated driver or calling a car service.

In respect to such consumption, members are always expected to comport themselves with due regard for the common good of the Club and the rights and feelings of other members, their guests, and families.

All alcoholic beverages must be purchased through the club and be consumed at the clubhouse or on the golf course. Consumption of alcoholic beverages in parking areas is prohibited.

Notwithstanding the above, the Board has instructed those who serve alcoholic beverages to refuse to serve the same to:

- a. Any person requesting service in violation of the law.
- b. Any person requesting service who has (in the server's unrestricted judgment) consumed an excessive amount of alcohol in a given time period.
- c. Any person under 21 years of age.

Such refusals shall always be respected and complied with by the members, their families, and guests.

SCC will only allow beverages to be consumed on the premises that are purchased through the Club.

## **BILLING PROCESS**

All merchandise sales and club services are billed on each member's club account. The use of cash is not permitted except for snacks. Guests may use credit cards for food and beverage purchases but not golf services. Each billing period closes on the last day of the month and payment in full is due and expected by the end of the following month. Statements are sent via email unless requested to be mailed.

#### **PAYMENT OF MEMBERSHIP FEES AND DUES**

**Membership initiation fees:** may be paid in two installments. The first installment must be paid within 30 days of the invitation to join Stonington Country Club and at such time, membership is conferred.

**Annual dues**: will be billed in January. Payment options are once per year; twice per year in January and May, or over 10 months January thru October. Payment is due within thirty (30) days from each statement date. Past due accounts will be handled in accordance with the Past Due Accounts Policy.

**Capital Fees:** will be billed in January. Payment options are once per year or twice per year in January and May.

**Active Membership**: A regular member must continue to pay all dues, fees, and Club charges when due to remain an active member.

**Resignation from Membership** -- A member may resign from the Club at any time by giving written notice to the Secretary of the Board of Governors. However, a member will remain responsible for payment of annual dues, if this notice is received **after February 28th of the year**, as well as any billed fees and charges up to the date of resignation.

**Inactive Status/Reinstatement of Active Membership**: At the discretion of the Board, an active member who does not have a delinquent account or is otherwise not subject to suspension of membership privileges or expulsion from the Club, may request inactive status for a period of up to one year. All privileges will be suspended for this period of time. An inactive member may be reinstated as an active member upon payment of any capital assessments made during the period of inactive status.

#### PAST DUE ACCOUNTS POLICY

Members shall pay all club charges within thirty (30) days of the statement date. A member's account is delinquent if any charges remain unpaid after this due date. A member with a delinquent account shall be subject to procedures set by the Board of Governors, which may include denial of further club credit. The account will be assessed a late fee of \$50.00 plus interest on the outstanding balance at a rate approved by the Board of Governors. The rate currently charged is 1.50% per month.

A member whose account is delinquent forty-five (45) days after the statement date will be contacted in writing. If the account balance is not paid in full within fifteen (15) days of this contact, the member shall be posted in the clubhouse and all privileges will be suspended. A member whose account is delinquent for sixty (60) days after the statement date will be subject to removal from active membership as directed by the Board.

Individual exceptions to this policy may be considered provided a timely written request is received by the Board of Governors.

## **MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

There is a two-tier opportunity for members to memorialize a deceased friend or family member who were club members.

- Tier One Members who choose to donate less than \$15,000 will have the opportunity to have that donation placed in a Memorial Fund designated to be used for grounds and course beautification to be administered jointly by the Green and House committees.
- Tier Two Members who choose to donate \$15,000 or more will have the opportunity to issue a proposal to the Board of Governors for a specific gift. These gifts may be named with Board approval. The Green or House committee must also approve all gifts.

#### **LEAGUES**

#### **SCCWGA**

## **Stonington Country Club Women's Golf Association**

- Eligibility: All Full Golf and Preview Members
- Course: 18-Hole and 9-Hole Divisions
- Dates: Every Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> through September 29th
- Dues: \$85.00 / Billed to your club account. New members interested in joining should contact Bonnie Battiston, bbinteriors2000@gmail.com, 860-460-3903.
   Previous members will automatically be billed and retained as SCCWGA members.
- **Format:** The SCCWGA plays a variety of fun games and formats while allowing for full stroke play and reporting for GHIN. Formats are designed to be fair to players of all ability levels. Handicaps of all levels are encouraged and welcome! Members do not have to play every week.

SCCWGA will continue to offer the option for members to **choose the red or orange tees,** to be declared at the beginning of the season.

**Weekly sign-up is easy!** We will be going on-line to choose our own tee times. If you do not have anyone to play with, call Mike Myszkowski at 860-535-4035, ext. 14, and he will try to place you with someone.

President: Bonnie Battiston, bbinteriors2000@gmail.com, 860-460-3903 Vice President: Lisa Thomasco, L2Thomasco@comcast.net, 860-326-1561

Secretary: Celeste Burns, celestepolleyburns@gmail.com

Treasurer: Linda Johnsen, rlj1090@comcast.net, 203-856-5412

#### **LEAGUE MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the members of the Stonington Country Club Women's Golf Association, will promote friendship and camaraderie through the game of golf, playing with old and new friends. We will strive to create an environment that is both open and relaxed: yet still encouraging fair competition of all levels of our women golfers.

The Association, along with our Golf Professionals, will endeavor to promote playing better golf by learning the fundamentals of this great game.

# SCCWGA WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE 2021

MAY 5	18 Holers: Best 9 Holes less ½ HDCP 9 Holers: Best 5 Holes less ½ HDCP	8:30 SG TT 9:30 – 10:30
May 12 (R)	LG/LN/LP	TT 8:00 – 9:20 TT 9:30 – 10:30
May 19	Par 3' & 5's	
May 26 (R)	Stableford 18 Holers 9 Holers	TT 8:00 – 9:20 TT 9:30 – 10:30
June 2 (R)	LG/LN/LP	TT 7:30 9:20 TT 9:30 - 10:30
June 9	SPRING CELEBRATION / ORANGE YOU GLA 18 Holers: ABCD 2BB of 4 / "Orange Ball" 9 Holers: 2BB 0f 4 / "Orange Ball" Luncheon and Meeting to Follow	8:30 SG TT 9:30 – 10:30
June 16	Flag Day	TT 7:30 – 9:20 TT 9:30 – 10:30
June 23	4 Clubs + Putter	8:30 SG TT 9:30-1030
June 30	T's & F's	TT 7:30 – 9:20 TT 9:30 – 10:30
July 7 (R)	Blind Partners	66
July 14	MEMBER-GUEST 2 Best Balls of 4	8:30 SG
July 21	LG/LN/LP	8:30 SG
July 28(R)	18 Holers: 2 BB of 4 (NET ONLY) 9 Holers: Even Holes less ½ HDCP	TT 7:30 – 9:20 TT 9:30 – 10:30
Aug 4	Member-Member	8:30 SG
Aug 11	Ringers	TT 7:30 – 9:20
Aug 18	Ringers	"
Aug 25 (R)	Dice Game	TT 7:30 -9:20 TT 9:30 - 10:30

Sept 1	LG/LN/LP	TT 7:30 – 9:20 TT 9:30 – 10:30	
Sept 8	Flag Day (In remembrance of 9/11)	TT 8:00 – 9:20 TT 9:30 – 10:30	
Sept 15 (R)	Stableford	•	
Sept 22	President's Choice 3/2/1	•	
	3 BB on Par 3's, 2 BB on Par 4's, 1 BB on Par 5's		
Sept 30	Closing Day – 18 Hole Step Aside Scramble	8:30 SG	
	2 Drives/Player, 1 Front & 1	Back	
	9 Holers / 1 Drive / Player	TT 10:20 – 11:20	
	2BB of 4		
Luncheon and Meeting Following Golf			

(R): Course will be Reversed, start play on Back 9.

STABLEFORD: A Stroke Play game, where you earn points for each hole.

- Net Bogey = 1 Point
- Net Par = 2 Points
- Net Birdie = 3 Points
- Net Eagle = 4 Points
- The player with the highest points wins. Example: On a Par 5, if you get 2 HDCP strokes, and you get an 8 on the hole, you end up with a net 6 for that hole. That would be a Net Bogie, which would give you 1 Point. Always work off your Net Score.

BLIND PARTNERS: Stroke Play. Partners will be drawn after play, and both HDCP's are used.

4 CLUBS + PUTTER; Choose ONLY 4 CLUBS from your bag to play with, plus your PUTTER.

DICE GAME: Each player chooses a number from 1-4 to represent them. Play out each hole and after completing each hole, roll the dice in your cart. Take the number of strokes that represents that person. If a 5 or 6 is rolled, take the best score of your foursome.

RINGERS: Two Consecutive Wednesdays. Week 1 Stroke Play and turn in your card. Week 2, you'll be given your card from Week 1. Play Stroke Play and try to better each hole. Record the best score from each hole. Gross and Net winners. If you can only participate in one of these weeks, you are still in the tournament. There will be pay outs for each of the weekly games.

STEP ASIDE SCRAMBLE: All players hit their tee shots. Pick the best ball, and that player must "Step Aside" and not hit the next shot. Repeat this procedure until you are on the green. Once you chose the best ball on the green, all players may putt, until the ball is holed.

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- Play Stroke Play and try to better each hole. Record the best score from each hole. Gross and Net winners. If you can only participate in one of these weeks, you are still in the tournament. There will be pay outs for each of the weekly games.

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## Men's League

- Eligibility: All adult male full golf members paying yearly, 9 hole and 18-hole leagues playing separately
- Dates: Weekly beginning Wed, April 28<sup>th</sup> through Wed, Sept 8<sup>th</sup> [20 weeks]
- The last 2 weeks will be playoffs in both the 9- and 18-hole divisions
- Wed, Sept 8<sup>th</sup> following play there will be an end of season special dinner
- Tees: Players must declare which tees they are playing FOR THE SEASON (hybrid tees
  also included as an option); the default tees will be the white tees; players cannot
  deviate during the year or their score will not count
- Handicap: a GHIN handicap through SCC is required
- The 18-hole division begins play at 2:00pm and the 9-hole division begins play at 4:00pm

It is time again to sign up for the SCC Men's League. Warm weather is hopefully not far away. This season play will last for 20 weeks on Wednesdays beginning <u>April 28th</u> and ending <u>September 8th</u>. The Closing Day dinner will be after celebrating our champions on September 8<sup>th</sup>, Covid permitting.

All male golf members are invited to join. Our new members are especially welcome; we will work to make you comfortable. The league is a great way to meet and socialize with many members. There are 2 divisions, an 18-hole division which begins play at 2pm and a 9-hole division which begins at 4pm.

The 18-hole league play will be individual, Nassau, match play, three points per match. Each player will be ranked based on their average points per match.

The 9-hole league play will be divided into 2 equal halves, 9 weeks each, with the last 2 weeks of play devoted to the playoffs for the qualifying teams and for friendly competition for those not making the playoffs. The format will be Four-Ball (Better Ball of Two) Net, with each hole worth a point. Those not playing in the team's "match" will be playing as two-man teams in a Better Ball of Two Net against the field.

For 9-hole participants, if you do not have a team of 4 members or are a single wanting to join the league, Mike Myszkowski will work to link you with a team of four and you are welcome to discuss this with him. Existing 9-hole players may remain with their team or request to be moved to another team.

Everyone is welcome to play every week. If you cannot make it every week, don't let that dissuade you from joining the league.

The cost for the 2021 Men's League is \$270, this fee is down from the previous fee of \$450 when there were meals served every week. This will be billed to your account in two separate installments. The fee is set anticipating offering meals during the second half of the league play season and will cover all meals and prizes. The fee may be adjusted in the event meals may be offered earlier than the beginning of the second half and will be further adjusted in the event that meals will not be offered at all during our season of play.

To sign up or if you have any questions, please contact

Peter Auerbach by email [preferred] <a href="mailto:ptauerbach138@gmail.com">ptauerbach138@gmail.com</a> or by phone 860-235-9098.

Please indicate whether you would like to join the 9-or 18-hole division.

# **SCC Ladies Twilight League**

- Eligibility: All female golf members (ages 21+)
- 9 holes weekly
- Start Date & Time: Official league starts May 6th @ 4:30pm to 5:30pm. League ends October 7th. No league Thursday, August 19th (Men's Invitational).
- Dues: \$40.00. Dues are used to cover prizes and selected social plans for the League. Dues will not be returned or refunded.
- Format: The league will have two divisions
  - Competitive Division please follow these guidelines below:
    - Follow Pace of Play guidelines recommended by the Club
    - Play ready golf
    - Maximum of 9 strokes per hole
    - Golf etiquette
    - Golf rules (League and Local)
    - Accurate counting of strokes
    - Keep up with the foursome in front of you; do not delay play on the course
    - Three minutes searching for a lost ball
    - Scoring Information:

STABLEFORD: Individual Stroke Play game, where you earn points for each hole.

- Net Bogey = 1 Point
- Net Par = 2 Points
- Net Birdie = 3 Points
- Net Eagle = 4 Points
- The player with the highest points wins. Example: On a Par 5, if you get 2 HDCP strokes, and you get an 8 on the hole, you end up with a net 6 for that hole. That would be a Net Bogie, which would give you 1 Point. Always work off your Net Score.
- Players are responsible for posting their scores to GHIN.
- Social Division please follow these guidelines below:

•	Follow Pace of Play guidelines recommended by the Club Play ready golf	
	Golf etiquette	
	Keep up with the foursome in front of you; do not delay play on	
	the course	
		2.5
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We believe that our Members and guests will enjoy their SCC experience when the community as a whole is committed to following the Club's rules and policies.

Please seek out a staff member for any assistance. Thank you.

WE WISH EVERYONE A GREAT GOLF SEASON.

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