



# Rock Harbor News

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## Amy's Anecdotes

*Amy Adams: General Manager:*

I am happy to welcome our new PGA Professional, Mr. Taylor Jones to Rock Harbor! Taylor comes to us from Piedmont Golf Club and was previously at Harbour Town Golf Links and the Plantation Club at Hilton Head's Sea Pines Resort. He attended the Professional Golfers Career College in South Carolina and comes very highly recommended. He has an in depth knowledge of our tournament software, Golf Genius and loads of experience. I am confident he will make an amazing addition to our Rock Harbor team. He was hand picked him out of many qualified applicants, so be sure to introduce yourself.

We are moving forward with **Member/Guest** and as of this writing we have 48 teams signed up. We are staying adaptable and flexible in making arrangements, especially for the Saturday night dinner portion of the weekend. If the Governor lifts the stay at home on June 10<sup>th</sup>, and we move into Phase 2 of the reopening plan, we are better situated for the festivities. Also, as of this writing the cases of COVID are spiking in Virginia and we are called a national hotspot, so it is very likely things can change. We will stay fluid and ask for your patience during this unprecedented time.

If you have signed up for **Member/Guest** outside on the porch, please be sure to stop by the pro shop and get a **Member/Guest** application form and the format and itinerary page. The cost is \$250.00 for Premier and Corporate Rock Harbor members and \$275.00 for guests and other types of Rock Harbor members. The deadline for applications and payment is June 7<sup>th</sup>. I also need verifiable handi-caps for all of our guests. The deadline for that is also June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Just a reminder to get your tee times! I am tracking those who book tee times and do not use them as well, as this is lost revenue. If you regularly make a tee times for 8 and 4 consistently show up and 4 do not, we may have to discontinue this privilege in this circumstance. I do not want to be that gal either!

Thank you all for cleaning the trash out of your carts, I believe this will help keep our cart staff safer as we navigate the pandemic. Much appreciated.

Matches are coming along, and everyone is having a good time with those it seems!

Now, when the Governor lifts the stay at home order on June 10<sup>th</sup>, hopefully, we can gather 50 people at a time. What this means is we can start the leagues. The Senior League on Tuesday will have to be capped at 50. The first 50 that sign up. I do not see any problem with the Wednesday Ladies League, or the Tuesday evening Ladies Par Tee League. The Thursday Evening 9-Hole League will have to be capped at 50 as well, if we get that much interest which I believe we may. I hate to do that, but we must comply with the mandated regulations as best we can. Please make sure when you sign up that you let me know your preferred pairings and the tee you will be playing. No switching back and forth, pretty please. Your score card will reflect the tee you signed up to play. I will have a sign-up sheet on the board outside as well again this year. It will be interesting combining the Golf Genius sign ups with the clipboard sign ups...and capping at 50.

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# Fresh From The Grill

*Beau Rudiger,  
RH Grill Manager:*

We wanted to thank everyone for coming out to our first Sand N Suds of the year, we had a good turn out!!! I hope everyone had a good time. We look forward to the June Sand N Suds and hopefully we'll have a much larger turn out. I'll be expanding more seating under the patio this week and maybe a few additional tables in the pavilion. We have added to our gar-

den this year in making the original garden larger and also an additional 65' of garden along Rock #10 Tee Box. So we'll be looking forward to going from garden to table vegetables this summer.

Our next event is Member Guest. I hope we have a great turn out. It will be a great event! We will not be doing wing night on Friday June 12th due to the member guest dinner. The grill will also be closed Saturday



evening June 13th. We will re open on Sunday June 14 at 7am for our normal business hours.

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Taylor Jones, our new Pro will be our League Coordinator and Tournament Director, much like Cole was. He will be my right hand man, as Taylor Loudan is taking a position as a lender in the mortgage industry. Taylor L. has been wonderful, and he may work occasionally on weekends. I am grateful to him and wish him and his fiancé the best of luck!

Please remember to social distance, stay six feet apart, no gathering in groups of more than ten, do not gather around the diners on the patio (those seated at the three top tables). You cannot be inside the ropes with those seated. I feel like a school principle, but we have to keep each other safe.

It is my job to keep you, our members and our staff safe as best I can and I appreciate the efforts everyone is taking. Keep up the good work using the hand sanitizer before entering, and wearing masks. It's appreciated!

Sand N Suds is scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup> and depending on the logistics and success of our May Sand N Suds, we should be fine to proceed from 6-8pm.

Stay tuned for details on the Fourth of July Independence Day Scramble. All depends on what the state mandates and there may be unprecedented changes to Member Guest, but I assure you we will do our best to make sure these events are fun, engaging and competitive!

Kudo's to Beau and his team for the wonderful spread on the Sunday before Memorial Day. We are going to try to arrange cook outs more often as we sold out pretty early in the day! Way to go!

Remember the driving range closes early, 4pm on Wednesday's. Unless we have a special event the range will be open until 6pm each evening. Also, starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, golfers may play until sunset. The sunset time we go by is the weather page by Microsoft. Surely sunset won't vary from app to app. Therefore, if sunset is 8:36pm your cart must be parked in front of the clubhouse at that time. Hope that clarifies and makes things easier. I will be sure our pro shop staff is all on the same page, as well as the rangers. The rangers must start rounding up golfers at least an hour prior.

Thank you all for being members here! I value your feedback and coaching. Stay safe and healthy. We are all in this together.

# The Green

*Chris Dieter, Course Superintendent:*

After an extension to winter, the grass-growing season turned on over Memorial Day weekend. The cold night temperatures and late frosts up to May 9<sup>th</sup> really had the grass growth at a standstill. A few warm days and the grass is growing at a pace to which we can barely keep up. Now the race is on to keep things in acceptable playing conditions. (picture #10 Boulder– right)



I truly appreciate everyone's cooperation in dealing with some of the unusual playing circumstances due to Covid-19. We are trying to follow guidelines given to us to protect you and your loved ones from the spread of this disease. (picture Practice Green with Foam Plugs in the Cups below)



To answer a few questions:

*Q1. When will bunker renovations begin?*

**A. Bunker renovations will start again real soon.**

*Q2. Where will you start with bunker renovations and how many will you renovate?*

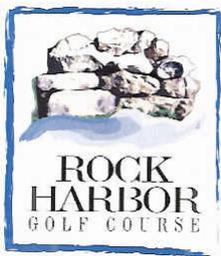
**A. We will do as many as we can, and Rock #6 will be one of them.**

*Q3. When will Rock #6 be clean up and reseeded?*

**A. Rock #6 fairway will be cleaned up and reseeded after member-guest.**

Finally, yet most important, we will be losing Mark Clem our Assistant Superintendent of 18 years this month. Mark will be moving to Tennessee to embark on a new adventure. He will be greatly missed. We wish him the best. (See the back page and Insert for pictures of Mark through the years at Rock Harbor)

As always: questions, comments, or complaints feel free to flag me down.



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Back row, 3rd from the right is Mark Clem in September of 2004 with the maintenance crew.

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# Spring/Summer Events



Member/Guest June 11, 12, 13

Sand N Suds June 24