

Nick Fleming (24) is a Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-America Scholar for the 2021-22 season. Fleming possesses a 3.5 GPA with his finance major. He led the Bulldogs with a 73.63 strokes per round average as a sophomore. Nick received Srixon/Cleveland Golf All-America Scholar honors from the Golf Coaches Association of America (GCAA) for the first time.

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#### 2021-2022 (Freshman)

- Played in five-of-five tournaments in Wingate's abbreviated 2021 season
- Started WU career with two rounds of 71 in the Spring Kickoff Intercollegiate (SKI)
- Completed SKI with 71-79-71=221 scorecard
- Tied for 23rd place in the Hargett Memorial with his 75-76-75=226 effort
- Posted identical 226 at the Space Coast Collegiate Championships
- Finished the Tennessee River Rumble with a season-best 220 (75-73-72)
- Tied for 24th place in the SAC championship with his 76-72-73=221 scorecard

#### Up Coming Events at Rock Harbor August 7—Tom Kubic Green Tee Tournament

August 20—Dakota's Dream

August 30—Potomac Youth

August 31—Sand 'N Suds



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#### Curt's Corner

Curt Corey, General Manager & Pro:

Finally! Both my wife, Tammy, and I are officially residents of Winchester, Virginia! We are happy to be in one place and moved in. Now, we can explore the beauty of the Shenandoah Valley together.

Rock Harbor Golf Course hosted several July events very successfully, including the MEDAL PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP, the MEMBER/MEMBER Tournament, the CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, and a FUN JUNIOR GOLF CAMP. Watch for those junior golfers on "The Tour" in just a few years!

Be sure to watch the web calendar for upcoming outside golf events for the month of August at: <a href="https://rockharborgolf.com/events">https://rockharborgolf.com/events</a>

I am always available to our Rock Harbor members and guests. Do not hesitate to get in touch if you need anything!



There are few things that strike more fear into the average golfer than bunker shots. For tips and tricks from your favorite PGA Pro & General Manager head on over to page two!

### Fresh From The Grill

Beau Rudiger RH Grill Manager:

It has been hot!!! As July is slowly coming to an end, we are going into the dog days of summer in August. In my last newsletter, I covered the rise in cost of several items that we use here at the grill. I hope it enlightened you about the present state of the food industry. There are a few items, for the time being—or until I run out, that I won't be carrying till prices go

down. As I said in the previous newsletter. There are some major issues with the supply chain. We are still struggling with getting food and paper products in the door and don't see any changes in the near future.

We have the CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP coming up this weekend!! I hope we have the participation level that is the benchmark of this year's Member Events.

It's always good to see the great turnouts we've had this year. We will be doing the 1/2 BBQ chickens in last few weekends in August on Sundays, packaged along with all the fixings. An email will be sent out with the time and dates. I hope everyone has a great August!! Good luck to everyone playing in the championship!!

### Golf Tip of the Month: Hitting out of a Sand Bunker

Curt Corey: General Manager & Pro

Set up over the ball as you normally would, which in most cases is in a position with the hands above or even slightly ahead of the ball at address. Then, the goal is to simply return the hands to the exact same spot before you unhinge your hands through impact.

A practice method to achieve success:

- I. Draw a line in the sand approximately 3 feet long that points directly to the flag. This is considered the target line.
- 2. Establish your open stance, then draw a perpendicular line from the target line through the middle of your stance.
- 3. During your swing match the perpendicular line with your golf shaft. Maintain knee flex and *always* accelerate through your shot.

**NOTE:** Distance can be controlled by the arm speed through the shot.

I am more than happy to help you with your bunker play. Stop in or give me a call to set up a private lesson.

Grass patch turned dirt from traffic

# The Green

Chris Dieter, Course Superintendent:

Well, I guess we can start by being thankful for the mild weather and not complain about the few hot days. Moving on, and trying not to be too negative, a few **DOS** and **DON'TS** of golf... from a management/maintenance perspective. These apply to every golf course you play.

**DO**: repair your ball marks and divots, and a few that were left by others. I know this is not your job but what else are you going to do while you are waiting on the group in front of you?

**DO**: keep all <u>four</u> wheels on the cart path by the tees and green. These areas get the most wear and tear and then turn to dirt because of the traffic. I think most of us would rather play off grass than dirt. Remember golf is a Sport, so take an extra half of a step.

**DO**: stay behind the yellow ropes. We try to rotate them as often as possible so that you do not have to walk for miles.



DON'T: curse the employees. We have had a few incidences of this over the last week. Please see me if you have an issue with an employee. If a mower is bothering you, give the operator a wave to stop. We have so many members that tell them to keep going. Sometimes they may bother one of you that is not looking for an excuse for a bad shot. (Ha Ha) If you see an issue on the course, please, feel free to stop me (not them) and let me know. You can also leave a note in my mailbox in the pro shop or email me at <a href="mailto:chrisdieter@rockharborgolf.com">chrisdieter@rockharborgolf.com</a>.

**DON'T**: run over the 'No Cart' signs and drive through the areas they are protecting. I find that the people complaining about the group in front of them "playing too slow" usually do this, pictured left.

**DON'T**: pee in the middle of a golf hole. This was this past week, in front of #3 Boulder Green, about 4 feet from the green. If the person who did this is reading this, consider seeing a doctor because I have never seen turf die so fast.

Please take a and we will be some of the are Barley strelease a "te that inhibits the pond.

If you questions, co criticisms please."

Caustic stain pictured above

So, there are a few things to think about. Please take a look at the new yellow tee on Rock 3. It is finished and we will be playing it soon. Why are there straw bales in

some of the ponds? These are Barley straw, which will release a "tea" from soaking that inhibits algae growth on the pond.

If you have any questions, comments or criticisms please feel free to stop me or email me.



Barley Straw pictured right