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Amy's Anecdotes

Amy Adams: General Manager:

HAPPY FALL TO ALL!

What glorious weather we have been blessed with lately!

I want to highlight a couple of tournaments coming up, Fairways for Youth, a golf event to support Autism Awareness. "Tee it High and Let It Fly" is our call to action!

The unfortunate fact is that more and more of us are impacted by this devastating disorder because Autism has been on the rise for many years in our children. Fairways for Youth, Inc. a 501c 3 public charity has been raising awareness about Autism and assisting families in Virginia for over 15 years. Their efforts have benefitted organizations like The Autism Community in Action or (TACA), Area 13 Special Olympics and the A.



Roy Heron Global Foundation, (for childhood nutritional disorders).

October 10th and 11th are the dates for this year's event featuring a shotgun start each day. Saturday's format is individual play with a Birdie and Skins Shootout format on our Rock course, while Sunday's format is a 2-person modified Ryder Cup format and will be played on the Boulder course. You can decide if you want to play both

days or just one. If you play both days you can register to win the \$500.00 CASH prize! All proceeds benefit Fairways for Youth. This is a great event every year for a great cause that is near and dear to my heart, so sign up today!

A special 18 Wheel Custom truck that has been the National Custom Truck Champion 2 years in a row, has been featured in Overdrive magazine, Bristol Speedway and traveled around our great nation raising money for Autism will be on display as well throughout the weekend.

"One of Many" built by Michael A. Manuel Trucking is a beautiful piece of artwork, a rolling tribute to his daughter, Cara Manuel and has a beautiful story behind.....

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Fresh From The Grill

*Beau Rudiger,
RH Grill Manager:*

What a great September!! Fantastic weather!! Now we are getting into October and the leaves are changing and so are the temperatures. We will start making our house soups and chili as we move into cooler temperatures. Also we will start changing some menu items due to shortages and constant substituting by food companies. We are still having major issues with all of

our food and beverage companies with being out of products from beer, Powerade Zeros and miscellaneous other items.

The Grill will be changing closing times this coming Sunday October 4th. The Grill will be closing at 6 pm and the last call on the bar will be 6:30 pm. We are also planning a Halloween party on Wednesday October 28th to coincide with the member social. Details will



be forthcoming as we get closer to the event. Thursday Wing night will also be changing closing times with the leagues going to 2:30 and 4:30 start times. We will be staying open till all golfers are off the course, league and regular play on Thursdays.

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.....it so go to this link or our website and learn why it has such a meaningful name, One of Many!
<https://mamtrkinginc.com/one-of-many>

Sign-up sheets are on the board on the porch, on our website and you can register on line and get further details at fairwaysforyouth.org.

This is a great event every year for a wonderful cause, so sign up today!

Come on everyone! Sign up or donate as much or as little as you can, or volunteer your time!

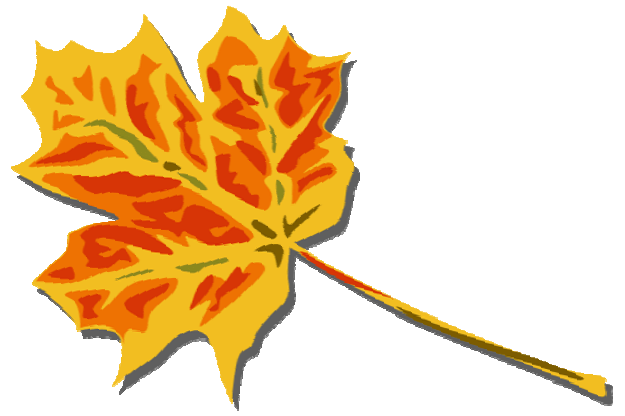
I'm already up on my next soapbox! The Turkeys for Sharing Tournament, well known as the Richard G. "Dickie" Dick Memorial Golf Tournament is Saturday, October 24th with a 9am shotgun start on the Rock course. This event benefits our local Salvation Army and purchases turkeys to give to the needy families of Winchester and surrounding areas for Thanksgiving and Christmas. This event is a Four Person Captain's Choice format and includes lunch with an awards ceremony and prizes for three flights determined by team scores. The sign-up sheet is also on the board out on the porch and *I AM COUNTING ON ALL OF YOU* to sign up and/or donate a turkey for this very worthy cause.

Ok, I'm finished and hopping down off the soapbox!

As the flu season approaches, please keep using the hand sanitizer that is on the porch posts before entering the pro shop. We are still sanitizing the carts and keys, please wear a mask when not eating or enjoying a beverage and social distance as best we can. Thank you all for your efforts this year while we get through this global pandemic together.

My hope for each of you, is for you all to stay healthy and get a whole lot of golf in this Autumn season!

The Green



Chris Dieter, Course Superintendent:

What a month September turned into! Starting with the grass growing at a record pace. It seemed like all the growth, which was held back during the dryer part of summer, came all at once. Add three frost mornings. I

do not ever remember frost while the crepe myrtles were blooming. Remember there is no personal advantage to me holding you for a frost delay, only for the health of the turf. The sooner I let you onto the course, the sooner I can get onto better things than watching the ice melt and answering, "What time is the frost going to melt?" 40 times each morning. I try not to have too many sarcastic answers.

The end of August we lose most of our summer part-time help. This year we cannot get anyone to apply for open positions to take up some of the slack until winter. My thanks to the crew we have, they have really stepped up putting in extra hours to get the grass cut and under control. You may have noticed the work around the greens. We aerified, vertical mowed, and seeded around every green. The grass around the greens gets a lot of stress due to traffic. Golfers and employees foot traffic, greens mower traffic, bunker rake traffic. All this traffic compacts the soil, so we will try to schedule these areas to be aerified once a year to relieve the compaction.

Yes, we have started back in on bunker renovations.



(Picture: Boulder #14 bunker renovation, left)

Hope all is well in your lives. Thank you for all the good wishes on International Thank Your Superintendent Day. If you have any questions, comments or criticisms feel free to stop by and lay it on me.

"The course is wonderful, thank you guys!!" John Ward Jr.

"You do an awesome job of keeping things beautiful!" Vicci Traynham Willimas

"I don't know how you do it...but you do!" Judy Crim

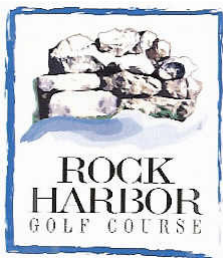
"Thanks, Chris and Bobby! RH is a beautiful place because of you!" Debbie McFarland Winkfield

"It was a great pleasure to work along side both of you." Gerri Lum

"Thank you for all your hard work it really shows! Course looks beautiful." Susan Gentilcore Allen

"Congrats!!!" Lloydine Morgan

"Thank you!" Sterling Keen



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his own.



Up Coming Events at Rock Harbor

October 10,11—Fairways for Youth

October 12— Chain of Checks

October 18—Member End of Season Scramble

October 24— Turkeys for Sharing

October 28—Sand N Suds

