



HELLO *August*

Danville Golf Club 2025 August Newsletter

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SPECIAL REQUEST BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Please remember to pay your Danville Golf Club statement promptly! This will help us pay our bills on time! Thank you for your continued support of YOUR CLUB!

If you don't like paying bills, then we have options for you! Contact Kathy or Shirley in the Business Office to be added to our Automatic Payment Option! Members may give us a credit card to keep on file or your checking account information for an automatic ACH draft each month.

We have different dates in the month that we can add you to that is most convenient for you!



This year our goal is 15 net new members and as of the end of July we stand at +6 new net member in 2025. Please continue inviting your friends and family to visit the Club to see all of the great amenities that DGC offers. Ask them to join and let's together make this year's ending goal of 15 new net members.

Buddy Rawley
Membership Development Chair

Thank you to our outstanding members who are sharing Danville Golf Club and helping us add to our Club Family.
Let's welcome our newest members.

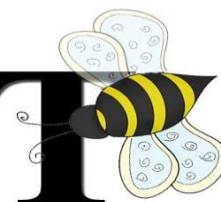


Carlos and Elizabeth Nunez
Leonard and Kim Pryor
Omair Khakhar
Andrew Yeaman

There are a few spots available for Community Service Membership. The Club limits this special CSM membership to only (50) members. Please contact Kathy Nelson, Business Manager, for more information. 434-792-7225 ext 5



AUGUST



President's Message

Dear DGC fellow members – “Ask, Listen, Respond.”

Our indicators are trending positively! New members are strong: 23 new members, partially offset by 13 resignations, 1 suspension, 1 expulsion and 3 people on leave. Income is typically negative the first part of the year, but you can see that was anticipated in the budget. The key is that we are \$49,000 ahead of that, promising a favorable year end result. Discretionary capital, which we have been setting aside for emergency repairs, is up to \$27,000, which means that we can both fund some anticipated capital replacements, as well as have funds for non-anticipated capital. All this is positive. I will take this opportunity to talk about maintaining our values at the Club. You note I mentioned one suspension and one expulsion. This was for behavior deemed unacceptable within our Club. In addition, various conversations have taken place with members on other occasions. This is not done publicly, but it is definitely not ignored by the Board. I am also very grateful to those who help us keep our golf club in a great place, this is not only a task for the Board, and you have stepped in various times.

Key indicators	Year-to-date	Versus Budget + = better, - = worse
Members	332 (+5 vs. Jan1)	On target
Income	(\$25,000)	+\$49,000
Discretionary capital	\$27,000	

About the survey: we have 332 members, sent 604 emails (including spouses), which were opened by 455 members, of which 270 clicked on the link, leading to 138 survey responses and 515 open responses!

Because this is a bit overwhelming and various responses were in the same categories or stated the same sentiment, we have grouped them into a more manageable way. You will find that on the Member section of our website. I will summarize a few highlights here.

- **Net Promoter Score (NPS)** was 87% positive, with an additional 10% neutral, totaling 97% positive or neutral responses. This means that you would recommend the club to your friends or others. This is considered the "Holy Grail" of survey questions. The result is extremely high.

- **Building on Strengths:** Quite a lot of strengths were pointed out by the members. If you want to build and grow, good wisdom is to leverage your “strengths,” while not ignoring your “weaknesses.” Staff and service were at the top of the list, with the dining and the facilities rated very high, even as the need for facility updates is clear. Pricing and dues are seen as fair. Golf course conditions and tournaments were rated a bit lower, but two thirds of members were still positive or neutral. A new, modern website, with app and features are in the works and we hope to present it to you soon.
- **Survey Process:** I would summarize our approach to the survey process as follows: **Ask** the membership (send the survey), **Listen** to the responses (the Board categorized, grouped, interpreted and discussed key areas), then **Respond** (we are determining what we can start to do immediately, and what we will plan into next year’s budget and the following years). Nothing will be ignored. You have been heard, have provided great input and will see things happen.

There are a few things to consider: **timing** does play a role in members’ views (the fairways blossomed after some of the rains and I am sure would get higher ratings now), there are always **contradictory opinions** (for every person that suggests the dues should be raised, there is one that feels the dues should be lowered, for every person that wants small children to be able to run around, there is one that would prefer it quieter).

In summary, stay tuned and you will see many positive things happening. Check out the member section of our website, where the results are summarized.

Sincerely,
Robert Boerrigter, Club President



Manager's Corner

Dear Membership,

July was a great month for your Club. We've welcomed multiple new members and had the opportunity to host an extremely successful BBQ event with a bounce house for the kids. You all packed the house at the pool on the Fourth of July! Our ice cream social was a big hit for the kids and the adults. Most recently, we held another excellent Butcher's Block where members enjoyed choosing their cut of steak.

If you are new to the Club, this is a dinner event you won't want to miss. Great steaks with a garden-fresh salad bar and a loaded baked potato bar. We aim to host Prime Rib Night and Butcher's Block Night once a month.

We have a few class reunions, birthday parties and two golf tournaments planned for August. If you haven't already signed up for the Men's Club Championship, please reach out to the Pro Shop as soon as possible. After aerating the greens a few weeks ago, the grass on the greens seems to be recovering very well. Our Club has a beautiful layout. We hope you will continue to invite your friends and family to enjoy a round with you are soon.

A new menu will be released at the beginning of August. The chefs and I have been adjusting the specials and trying new menu ideas over the past few months. We are happy to bring back a few guest favorites and pair with a few entrees that will return later. My favorite addition is the Buffalo Chicken Wontons as a starter. Simple, but delicious especially after dipping them in the homemade ranch.

In the blink of an eye, kids will be going back to school and the summer will be coming to an end. We hope you will continue to use the course and the pool as often as possible. If you are taking a vacation, we wish you safe travels. Also, a special thank you to everyone that wished me a Happy Birthday on the 22nd. I really appreciate the love.

Kindest Regards,
Andrew Walker, Club Manager



August Upcoming Events!

Prime Rib Night

Friday, August 1st

8 oz. \$33 12 oz. \$37

House Salad, Baked Potato, Au Jus

Anyone who wishes to dine in the Main Dining room for Prime rib night may do so upon request while making their reservation. Men are to wear sports coats.

Butcher's Block

Friday, August 15th

**You select your cut
and size of Steak:**

Filet \$6 per oz. and

Rib-Eye \$4 per oz.



Grilled by our Chefs.

Includes Salad Bar and Potato Bar

Our Regular Dinner menu will not be available.

**Pan Seared Blackened Salmon
or Grilled Chicken Breast
will be available.**

See you in August!

**Remember, reservations are always
encouraged 434-792-7225**

Clubhouse Dining Hours of Operation

Sunday: A La Carte 11:00am – 7:00pm

Monday: Club Closed /

Club Office open 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Tuesday: Lunch 11:30am – 2:30pm

Dinner – Closed

Wednesday: Lunch 11:30am – 2:30pm

Dinner 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursday: Lunch 11:30am – 2:30pm

Dinner 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Friday: Lunch 11:30am - 2:30pm

Dinner 6:00pm -9:00pm

Saturday: A La Carte 11:00am – 9:00pm

RESERVATIONS



To help provide you all with the best service and dining experience we are strongly encouraging reservations in the 19th hole. Reservations help us control staffing for a shift and even more they help us gauge how much food to prepare so we ensure your food is fresh and items were made to order. We will never turn you away for not making a reservation, but we ask that you help us control the outcome of your Club's bottom line when you can. Thank you so much for taking the time to read this and we wish you all an excellent August.

EMAIL  **Constant
Contact**

We want everybody to be in the know!

**If your spouse or if you know of
Club members that have not been
receiving emails from the Club, tell
them to call the Club 434.792.7225
ext. 2 or email Shirley @
shirleywade@danvillegolfclub.com**

THE PRO'S CORNER

What a summer it's been!

As we head into August, the golf course is in outstanding condition. We encourage all members to take advantage of the fantastic playing surfaces and enjoy your Club during this peak season!

Danville Golf Club Invitational Recap

On July 12th & 13th, we proudly hosted the 2025 Danville Golf Club Invitational. Congratulations to **Blake Carter** of Chatmoss Country Club, who captured the title for a second time with an impressive score of **62-70-132**.

DGC's own Caleb Kimbrough, a member of our greens maintenance staff, finished as **Runner-Up**, posting a strong **two-under-par 138**.

In the **Senior Division**, **Scott Blankenship** claimed the title with rounds of **70-71-141**, edging out **Bowen Sargent**, Head Coach of the UVA Golf Team, by a single stroke.

The **Super Senior Division** provided a thrilling finish as **Donnie Searce** emerged victorious in a playoff against defending champion **Tim Kelley**. Both players carded rounds of even par **140**, with Donnie clinching the win on the first playoff hole.



DGC Match Play Update



Our DGC Match Play is currently underway, and the competition is heating up! Six of the final eight players have been determined: Vince Kania, Adam Rawley, Colton Payne, Dr. Steve Mahoney, Wade Collins, and Ryne Farmer. Best of luck to all remaining competitors as they battle for the title!

Upcoming Events at Danville Golf Club

Thursday, August 14th – Life Saving Crew Tournament

Join us in supporting a great cause during this annual charity event. Proceeds benefit the Danville Life Saving Crew, and the day promises great golf, fellowship, and community spirit.

Thursday–Saturday, September 11th–13th – Men's Member-Guest Tournament

One of the most anticipated events of the year! Members are invited to team up with a guest for three days of competition, camaraderie, and unforgettable memories. **Member Guest registration is open, please contact the Pro Shop to complete player information!**

Saturday–Sunday, October 11th–12th – Men's Club Championship

Who will take home the title of Club Champion? This prestigious two-day event is your chance to test your game against the best in the club. Open to all male members with an established handicap.

Friday, October 17th – Laurie S. Moran Chamber Classic

DGC is proud to host the annual Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament. A fun-filled day on the course, this event brings together local business leaders and community partners for friendly competition, and camaraderie.



Golf Tip of the Month: Setup & Stance

A solid golf swing starts with a proper setup. Here are a few key points to keep in mind:

- **Feet Shoulder-Width Apart:** For most full swings, this gives you the best balance and stability. Narrow for wedges, wider for drivers.
- **Weight Balanced:** Distribute your weight evenly between both feet, and feel it centered between your heels and toes.
- **Posture is Key:** Bend slightly at the hips (not the waist) and let your arms hang naturally. Keep a straight back with a slight knee flex.
- **Alignment Matters:** Make sure your shoulders, hips, knees, and feet are parallel to your target line.
- **Ball Position:** For irons, position the ball just ahead of center. For drivers, move it forward toward your front foot.

Good setup habits lead to more consistent, solid contact. Take a moment to check your stance before every swing—you'll be glad you did!



**See you on the Links,
Craig & Jason**

WGA August News



I'd like to start my newsletter with some photos of the Women's Eastern tournament that was held at DGC back in June. It was an honor to host these young amateur women. We inadvertently left the photos out last month. Thanks again to Jan and the WGA members who helped to make this event a success.

July has been a hot one, but the ladies show up every week to improve their game and enjoy fellowship. The only tournament in July was the Dot Rich Memorial. This is a putting tournament and is always a lot of fun. Craig turns the putting green into a sort of putt-putt course to challenge our putting skills. The winner of the Dot Rich this year was Sharon Whitt. Congrats Sharon.

The summer is flying by and before you know it, it will be time for our WGA member/ guest tournament. It will be held on September 16, an 18 hole captains choice followed by a luncheon. Start making plans now, invite your guest, let us know if you need help finding a guest so we'll have plenty of time to help you. Other clubs have indicated that they have ladies who would like to be invited. For those who typically only play nine holes, remember that in captain's choice you don't have to hit every shot. We'd love to see a lot of the 9-holers join in this fun event.

Remember to stay hydrated and safe as the hotter weather continues. In a few months we'll be wishing for the heat 🥵

Kay Price, President WGA

Photos of the Women's Eastern tournament that was held at DGC back in June.



The WEGA winner



Our own Jan who works to Promote Women's Golf & DGC!



WEGA donated a nice check to Craig to be used for the Junior Golf Program

Happy August to all our members reading this newsletter!

It's hard to believe how quickly 2025 is flying by. Tournament after tournament continues to come and go, and with them, new champions are being crowned.

July Highlights

July brought us some incredible golf, highlighted by Blake Carter of Chatmoss Country Club, who lit up the course with a stunning first-round score of **62!** With a new tournament record well within reach, Blake followed up with an even-par 70 in the second round, tying the tournament record held by another Chatmoss member, Keith Decker—who achieved the same score in two separate events. Blake continued his strong play this season and returned to Chatmoss with yet another **Danville Invitational Trophy**. Well done, Blake!



Looking Ahead to August

August tends to be a quieter month in terms of tournaments, but there's still plenty happening around the Club.

Our **Match Play Tournament** is progressing nicely, with just a few rounds remaining before we crown our next champion.

On **Thursday, August 14**, we will host one of our largest charity events of the year—**The Danville Life Saving Crew Tournament**. Please note that the course will be **closed for most of that day** to accommodate the event.

Upcoming in September

Mark your calendars! Our **Annual Member-Guest Championship** will take place **September 11–13**. We fully expect another sell-out year. I'm currently working with the Entertainment Committee to organize at least one **social event that will include members and their wives or significant others** during that weekend. Keep an eye out for details as we get closer. 🏌️

New! Interclub Ryder Cup Event – October 24–26

Based on your survey feedback, I'm excited to announce a new event to close out our golf season: the **Interclub Ryder Cup**, set for **October 24–26**. This **handicapped team event** will be split by age:

- **Team 50 & Over** – Captain: Wade Collins
- **Team 49 & Under** – Captain: Rand Stinson

Event Schedule:

- **Friday, Oct. 24:** Pairings Party on the patio with hors d'oeuvres and a keg
- **Saturday, Oct. 25:**
 - Morning: Two-man best ball matches
 - Lunch on the patio
 - Afternoon: Alternate shot matches
- **Sunday, Oct. 26:**
 - 1:00 PM: Singles matches
 - Post-round: Buffet-style dinner for all players and their significant others

Our goal is to field **at least 10 players per team**, but we're open to expanding if interest is high. Pricing details will be announced soon. If you'd like to participate, feel free to contact me, Rand, or Wade.

We'd also love to see members come out to **support the players**, especially during Sunday's singles matches. With strong participation, we hope to make this a **recurring annual event**.

Glow-in-the-Dark Event (Coming Soon)

I'm also exploring the idea of a **glow-in-the-dark golf event** later this year. If that sounds like something you'd be interested in, please let me know—your feedback will help bring it to life.

Thank you to everyone who continues to participate in and support the many events we host throughout the year. As always, this is *your* club, and we want to create the kinds of events **you want to play in**.

Looking forward to seeing you on the course,

Mark J. Dill

Tournament Committee Chairman

NEWS FROM THE DANVILLE GOLF CLUB 1ST TEE

Dear Membership,

As we have discussed in the newsletter and the annual meeting this year's budget is extremely tight with little to no provisions for discretionary improvements. We are working to get an emergency fund funded and recruiting new members to free up our investment levels again, but this will take time. Given our goal to provide an excellent experience at the Danville Golf Club, our Greens Committee would like to discuss two items needing attention. 1) The Pro Shop and 2) The Golf Course.

PRO SHOP

^We have had two unfortunate events occur at the pro shop because of the open entrance to the back door. We are asking everyone to use the front door **ONLY** going forward. If you need to use the bathroom enter from the front. If you need your clubs, enter from the front, and consult a staff member. There will be ice and water available in the 19th hole to begin your round.

***We would like to continue to provide water, ice and cup service at the pro shop and we are hoping to raise enough funds to create a self-contained system of ice and water outside of the pro shop. Please join me in contributing to this useful and essential addition to the pro shop. Please contact myself, Harry Lea, Craig Gunn or Kathy with your contribution.**

GOLF COURSE

^Due to our budget on the golf course, the greens crew is the smallest it's been in probably 25 yrs. We've had as many as 12 in the crew including our Superintendent. We now have 7, including the Superintendent. We have just approved an extra person for the summer and will continue to do everything to keep the golf course groomed as you would expect, however, that leaves the golf course otherwise in its current condition. I would like to applaud several members that have already stepped up in a big way this year:

***During the Kickoff Classic a group of members offered to pay for the sod and the labor to cover the entire back left of #3 Green, where trees were removed earlier this year.**

***A member bought 2000 pounds of asphalt and laid it himself in holes and cracks throughout the golf course.**

***Members consulted with a professional horticulturist and paid for and planted perennial native wild-flower pollinators to beds right of #4 green and right of #5 tee.**

***A member purchased a used tractor driven pto aerator for the golf course (fairways, tee boxes). We have never had this piece of equipment, and we look to put it in use very shortly.**

***An army veteran member has been assisting the crew on his own time, learning how to cut cups on Wednesdays and Sundays. He has now offered his time to perform this important work every week. Saving multiple hours weekly that the crew can be addressing other needs.**

These are significant improvements but there are many other areas needing attention. When riding out to the driving range there are several large trees with exposed roots and significant dirt areas all along the cart path. There are also large dirt areas that can be seen from the back patio on the course. We are hoping other members might want to sponsor a tree or two along the cart path or other areas and help us significantly improve the appearance and playability of the course. A few members purchased good top soil last year that has been dumped on the range and this can be used for these projects. Your sponsorship or contribution will allow us to hire someone to level the area with our top soil and lay sod. Or you may have an improvement of your own in mind?

Help us fund these improvements and have a measurable impact to your Pro Shop and Golf Course. Where do you want to make your mark?

Please contact myself, Harry Lea, Craig Gunn, Adam Rawley or Kathy to discuss further.

**From your Danville Golf Club Greens Committee:
Harry Lea, Adam Rawley, Craig Gunn and Scott Blankenship**



POOL/SPORT COURTS/FITNESS NEWS

Hello All

Can you believe it? It's August already and the summer is almost over. It's not really, but too often we equate the end of summer with children going back to school. Different schedules but still lots of warm weather to enjoy.

Your pool committee has met with Owen and Andrew to confirm the pool hours during August, with the pool closing slated for Labor Day, September 1st. All of this is predetermined by the availability of staff and guards, many of whom will be heading to school themselves.

This has been a very good season for us, with our motto of "User Friendly" coming into play. We had a few bumps in the road, but nothing major. Members have given their opinions, and suggestions, and all have been listened to and implemented when Owen and the committee felt they were justified.

And the weather! What a year this has been. Extreme heat every day along with a constant threat of thunderstorms, almost daily, which has forced early closings of the pool, much to the chagrin of everyone. Caution for safety.

So, thanks. Thank you for your tolerance, for understanding, for playing by the rules, and for helping everyone have a great time at the DGC pool facility. And thank you also to Robert Bridgforth for overseeing the court facility. He has done a great job promoting pickle ball and creating a great atmosphere at our courts.

Finally, your pool committee is the best, bar none. Their enthusiasm and participation in the everyday activities of the pool has been exemplary. And with Andrew and Owen overseeing the operations, we all had a wonderful DGC experience.

George III - Pool Committee Chair



Join us every Tuesday night for pickleball game. Starts at 5: 30 p.m. or whenever the first four players arrive. All skill levels, from beginner to pro, are welcome. Please contact me for any more details.

Robert M Bridgforth /
Cell: 434.250.4218
bridgforth.robert@gmail.com





2025 Pool Schedule

POOL HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - pool hours: 11am-7pm
snack shop 11am-7pm / kitchen 11:30am-6:30pm

Tuesday - pool hours: 11am-7pm
snack shop 11am-7pm / kitchen 11:30am-6:30pm

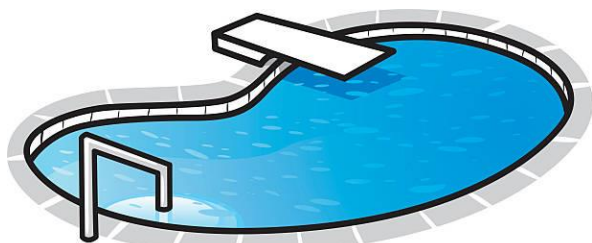
Wednesday - pool hours: 11am-8pm
snack shop 11am-8pm / kitchen 11:30am-7:00pm

Thursday - pool hours: 10am-7pm
snack shop 10am-7pm / kitchen 11:30am-6:30pm

Friday - pool hours: 10am-7pm
snack shop 10am-7pm / kitchen 11:30am-6:30pm

Saturday - pool hours: 10am-7pm
snack shop 10am-7pm / kitchen 11:30am-6:30pm

Sunday - pool hours: 10am-7pm
snack shop 10am-7pm / kitchen 11:30am-6:30pm



The pool season is here. The facility looks fantastic.

To ensure our membership has a fun and safe summer we want to ask our members to review our facility pool rules with the members of your household. Pool Rules are posted with the sign in log and at the Main Entrance on the lower deck. All rules are also available on the DGC website.

In keeping with the discussion of rules, a few reminders to keep in mind of policies we are hoping the members will help ensure are being followed appropriately.

Sunday Dining

Reminder!

Sunday's dining hours are
11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please make advance reservations at
434.792.7225 ext. 2 or ext. 3.

Bet is looking forward to serving you.
Please Note: The Club reserves the right to close
early if there are **no advance reservations**
by 2:00 pm.



***As you know, the Holiday season will be
upon us before we know it.
So, it's not too early to book your
Christmas Dinner/Party with us.***

Although we have many Christmas Parties booked at the Club this year, we still have dates available to host your Christmas Luncheon or Christmas Dinner Party at the Club.

We have rooms available for Large, small, and anything in between for your Christmas events! All you need to do is invite your family, friends, or co-workers and leave the rest for us.

So, let us host your Holiday Party, call the Danville Golf Club Event Team asap to reserve your date and room.

434.792.7225

Andrew Walker, Club Manager... ext. 4
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or

Shirley Wade, Administrative Assistant...ext. 2
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It's time for "Ask The Superintendent".

Question #1: I was told (by a nonexpert) that we applied a chemical to the fairways which inhibited the height the grass could grow. I have never heard of such but would like to know.

Answer #1: We in fact do apply a chemical to the greens, tees and fairways to regulate the vertical growth of the grass. The type of chemical used is called a Plant Growth Regulator (PGR).

PGRs on golf courses are used to manage turfgrass growth and quality, leading to reduced mowing requirements, improved playing surfaces, and enhanced turf health. They help achieve smoother, faster, and more consistent putting greens, as well as more uniform fairways and other playing surfaces.

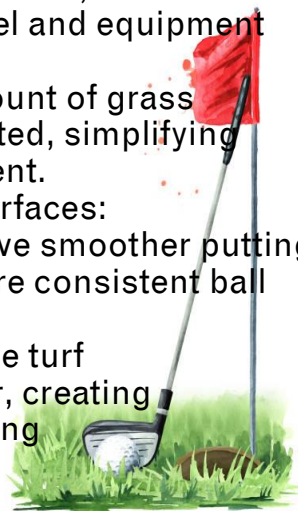
Here's a more detailed look at the purposes:

1. Reduced Mowing Requirements:

- PGRs slow down grass growth, decreasing the frequency of mowing needed.
- This saves time, labor, and resources like fuel and equipment maintenance.
- Reduces the amount of grass clippings generated, simplifying waste management.

2. Improved Playing Surfaces:

- PGRs help achieve smoother putting surfaces and more consistent ball roll.
- They can enhance turf density and color, creating a visually appealing and high-quality playing surface.



- PGRs can help greens retain their speed and consistency throughout the day.

3. Enhanced Turf Health:

- PGRs can improve turf's ability to tolerate stress from factors like heat, drought, and disease.
- They can promote deeper root growth, leading to a more resilient and drought-tolerant turf.

Question #2: My one question is what I thought was winter kill on some of the greens, and practice green. If it was winter kill I would have thought that the rain and hot weather would have fixed the problem. What is the problem and what is the plan to take care of it?

Answer #2: The spots that were/are on the putting green and a few other greens was a combination of two fungal diseases, Spring Dead Spot and Take-All Root Rot. Both of them were a result of having the covers on the greens for 3 weeks straight during the winter. I feel like those areas have greatly improved over the last few months. It is a slow recovery because the roots in those areas were damaged so severely that it just takes time and some cultural practices for them to fully recover.

To help prevent it from happening again in the future, we will adjust how many consecutive days we will leave the covers on. If a long stretch of cold weather requires us to leave the covers on, we will take them off every 7-10 days to allow the turf to breath, apply a preventative fungicide and then recover the greens the same day.

If you submitted a question and it wasn't addressed. I will get to it in the next newsletter. To participate, email you question(s) to askdgcsuperintendent@gmail.com.

I look forward to hearing from you and continuing to work together to make our golf course the best it can be.

Adam Rawley,
Golf Course Superintendent