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Around the Pro Shop with Phil Wallace

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As the year ends the staff at River Bend YMCA is thankful for all the people who have played here this year. Through your patronage, you are all helping us improve the condition of the golf course. River Bend YMCA is blessed with a wonderful staff that has worked hard to maintain the course and make golf more enjoyable for all.

Now that the front side bunkers, with exception of number two, are open for play don't forget that we have a practice bunker located left of our practice area. It may be a good idea to hit a few shots from this bunker before playing out of the on-course bunkers.

Phil Wallace

Upcoming Events:

November 25th:

Thanksgiving Day
9:30am Shotgun
Please call Pro Shop
for details

December 28th:

39th Annual Phil Wallace
Holiday Classic
Junior Golf Tournament

December 25th:

Christmas Day
Course Closed

Youth Corner

Please join me in congratulating Brianna Plummer who received a golf scholarship from Western Carolina and Jake Scruggs who received a golf scholarship from Belmont Abby. Both have excelled on the golf course and in the classroom! River Bend YMCA is proud of all the young people who are playing golf in our community. Let's all be quick to encourage young people in any way we can!

On the Green with Russell Spangler



Hello to all golf patrons. I am excited to have the opportunity to let you know a little about what is going on with the greens and grounds of River Bend YMCA Golf Course.

Reflecting on the summer, here are a couple tidbits you may find interesting. Over 21 million gallons of water was pumped onto the course, the summer was very dry!! More water was actually needed, but we had to conserve water on many occasions for the greens. The greens were treated 24 times with fertilizer and turf protectants. We consumed 2000 gallons of gasoline and 1500 gallons of diesel fuel. Needless to say, we are thankful for your support!

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On the Lighter Side

A guy on vacation finishes his round, goes into the clubhouse. The head pro says, "Did you have a good time out there?"

The man replied "Fabulous, thank you."

"You're welcome," said the pro. "How did you find the greens?"

Said the man: "Easy. I just walked to the end of the fairways and there they were!"

Clubhouse News

Need something for the upcoming holidays? Gift cards are now available. Ask the Pro Shop for details. Golf apparel and golf accessories are available at reasonable prices.



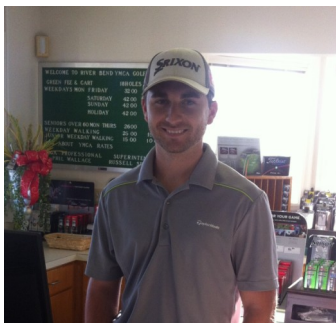
For a limited time, you can purchase a Pinnacle Gold Bonus Pack Golf Balls for only \$19.95; that's 15 golf balls for this special price. What a great holiday gift idea!

New merchandise arrives regularly. Check us out.. We have golf accessories, shirts and windbreakers, golf shoes, and used golf clubs

Hungry? Enjoy our snack bar. The clubhouse offers ham and turkey sandwiches, hot dogs, candy, chips, and drinks. My favorite may be the honey buns for breakfast.



Spotlight: Owen Wilson



Please join us in wishing Owen Wilson the best as he embarks on a new career. Owen has taken a position with AT&T and begins training as a technician Monday, November 23rd.

Owen, a Class A member of the PGA joined the River Bend staff as a college intern and has been with the River Bend YMCA team since May, 2014. A graduate of Methodist University's Golf Professional Management program, Owen received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.

Owen will continue to work on weekends as his schedule permits. Phil Wallace issued this statement: Owen's contributions are many and I am appreciative of all his efforts to make the River Bend YMCA golf experience better!

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.The Crossroads Rescue Mission fellows have been hard at work, and we are blessed to have them come 4 days a week! Have you noticed the recent clearing that has been done at the end of the driving range, the pond dams and other areas? Please thank those guys, your encouragement will mean a lot to them. Also, consider helping out the rescue mission as their work is important to our world!

Bunker restoration continues

We have finished Holes 1—11 except for #2

Enjoy the new bunkers

As we look forward to fall and winter, we are going to continue with the bunker restoration project. Feel free to hit from the bunkers we have finished on holes 1 through 11. We have put rakes out for you to help keep them maintained. One note, try to walk in and out of the bunkers from the shallow side. This will help keep sand firm on the slopes. Also, when the temperature is predicted to drop below 25 degrees for two or more nights, we will be deploying the greens covers. We can use all the help we can get, so if you want to have some fun with us, come on out! Here's to birdies!

Russell Spangler